## Sheridan County 4-H Monthly Newsletter



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I pledge my head
to clearer thinking,
My heart to greater loyalty,
My hands to larger service,
My health to better living,
For my club,
My community,
My country,
And my world.

Happy New year everyone!! I hope you all had a fantastic 2016 and 2017 is looking just as bright!

I want to start this newsletter by congratulating Sheridan County 4-H on winning the Treats for Troops Cookie Wars! You guys all make me so proud to work with 4-H in this county. We came in first place in all of the counties with 210 dozen cookies.

I also want to say thank you to all of you who helped with the 4-H expo. That was a great event and a great way to get the word out about 4-H and all of the great opportunities in 4-H.

Coming up this month we have the start of our shooting sports program. If you are planning to do shooting sports don't miss the safety training in conjunction with the hunters education course. Everyone must complete the course before they can practice or compete in 4-H shooting sports. If you have done the course in a previous year you don't need to complete it again. Air guns and .22 caliber guns will start practice on Mondays and Fridays. Archery practice will start in April and Muzzleloader and shotgun will begin when the weather gets nice enough to go out and shoot.

Also this month we will start youth quality assurance classes. Everyone who intends to sell market livestock at the Sheridan County Fair will need to take a quality assurance class. All first year members will need to take quality assurance level 1 and you will get a notification via email if you need to take quality assurance level 2 and 3.

Beef Tagging will be January 28th from 8am to 10am. Let us know if you can't make it and we will schedule a time to meet with you to get your animals tagged.

Again I wish you all a happy new year and the best year to come!
-Liz Shaffer





January 2017

# Project Expo Recap

Thank you to all the members, leaders, and parents for your efforts in making the Project Expo a great success! All the projects were well represented and what a crowd!!



## Did you enroll yet?

#### https://wy.4honline.com/

It is important to get enrolled in your projects on 4HOnline to ensure that you are receiving all necessary info, whether it be via email from the Extension Office or from your project leaders! They can't be in touch with you if they don't know you are interested in a project. You don't want to be left out of the loop!

# Upcoming Events

### **Beef Project Meetings**

For both Market Steers and Heifer Futurity

Tuesday January 17 at 5:00pm

Tuesday February 14 at 5:00pm

Extension Office Room 132



#### Saturday January 28th 8am to 10am Sheridan County Fairgrounds

All Market Beef must be tagged; will be weighed if brought in. Heifer Futurity - we will need the bangs tag #, DOB, and weight.

If you cannot attend, please call Liz to make other arrangements to get your animal tagged.



(307) 674-2980

# Dog Project Weekly Practices Every Thursday starting January 5<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> yr members - 6:30pm 2<sup>nd</sup> yr & beyond - 7:30pm Sheridan County Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall

#### Attention Market Livestock Members!

In Sheridan County, all youth are required to take the Youth Quality Assurance workshop in order to sell a market animal at the Sheridan County Fair. Quality assurance teaches youth how to properly care for their animals and prepare them for the show. Since our youth get premium sale prices for their livestock, we expect them to put forth a premium product for our buyers, and quality assurance classes help youth learn the best practices for raising livestock.

All members in <u>their first year of a market livestock project</u> (beef, swine, sheep, goats, poultry, rabbits) will need to <u>complete Level 1</u>.

We will be notifying those members that are due for Levels 2 & 3.

Attendance at ONE of the workshops (for the particular Level needed) is mandatory!



Dates for the 2017 YQA Workshops:

#### **Youth Quality Assurance - Level 1**

Wednesday January 18 - 5:30pm to 6:30pm @ Extension Office Rm 131 Thursday February 9 - 5:30pm to 6:30pm @ Extension Office Rm 131 Sunday February 19 - 1:00pm to 2:00pm @ TRVCC Dayton

#### Youth Quality Assurance - Levels 2 & 3

Thursday January 19 - 5:30pm to 6:30pm @ Extension Office Rm 131 Wednesday February 8 - 5:30pm to 6:30pm @ Extension Office Rm 131 Sunday February 19 - 2:00pm to 3:00pm @ TRVCC Dayton

## Attention Shooting Sports

**Shooting Sports - first year members MANDATORY Meeting** 

Friday January 20th 6:00pm

**Watt Ag Center Extension Office Room 131** 

#### **Hunter Education Class**

Tuesday January 24 - Friday January 27 6:00 to 9:00pm

Watt Ag Center - Extension Office Room 131

**AND** 

Saturday January 28 begin at 8am

@ Family Life Center - 118 W 5th St (corner of 5th and Val Vista)

Attendance is <u>MANDATORY</u> for members in their first year of shooting sports. Cost is \$10.

Please call the office to get your name on the list, space is limited.

Parents please bring child's SSN and full name to first night of class.

Monday January 30th

First practice for indoor. More details to follow.

## **Upcoming Sewing/Quilting Workshops**



Mark your calendars!

#### Saturday January 28th 9am to 3pm

Extension Office Room 131 Participants will make pillowcases for donation to Ryan's Case for Smiles, previously Conkerr Cancer.

#### Saturday February 18th 9am to 3pm

Extension Office Room 131 18 inch doll and stuffed animal clothing workshop



#### Thursday March 9th 4:00pm to 6:30pm

Extension Office Room 131 Beginning Sewist/Quilting

#### Saturday April 22nd 9am to 3pm

Extension Office Room 131 Beginning Sewist/Quilting (recycled/reusable project)

Extension Office Room 131 Beginning Sewist/Quilting





# Have you checked out our Shutterfly site yet?

Sheridan County 4-H now has a Shutterfly Photo-Sharing site!! Please go check it out today!

This private site will serve as a place that the Extension Office can upload photos for members to view and use! Photos may be downloaded for use in Portfolios, Displays, or Club Scrapbooks.

We also ask that Leaders, Parents, and Youth upload and share their 4-H photos!

Only members of Sheridan County 4-H will be granted access to this site.

https://sheridancountywy4h.shutterfly.com

Sheridan County	WY 4-H
Home	
Join Shutterfly to see this s	
First name:  Last name:	The first time you go to the site, you will have to create a Shutterfly account in order to gain access to the Sheridan County 4-H page.
Email address:  Confirm Email address:	If you already have a Shutterfly account, simply sign-in using the email address associated with the existing account.
Password:	If you do not, you will be creating a Shutterfly account here.
(4 - 10 characters)  Re-enter password:  Yes, I accept the Shutterfly terms and of Join now	Once you create an account/sign-in Shutterfly will send notification to us, and then we will approve your access. This is necessary in order to keep the page private and monitor who has access to it.
Already a Shutterfly member? Sign in	

Questions? Please call the Extension Office at 674-2980.





#### Attention Leaders!!!

All new leaders and leaders who are in their 5th year and need to be re-screened are now required to complete training requirements before they will be screened and approved as a 4-H volunteer leader.

A **NEW** leader is required to complete two training pieces; in any order:

- 1. The Volunteer e-Learning modules accessible from the State 4-H website. http://www.uwyo.edu/4-h/
  The password is volunteer.
- 2. The face-to-face New Leader Orientation, which is completed by Liz.

A volunteer leader in their **5th YEAR** is required to complete a training that will benefit their role as a 4-H volunteer.

Try this for a fun game or ice breaker idea....

#### ICE CUBE HUNT

#### Required:

- -Ice cubes
- -Food coloring
- -Winter weather

Players: Small to large groups

Make up several ice cube trays with food coloring in water. Once you have made ice cubes, distribute into search area. The person to find the most colored ice cubes is the winner.

#### **CURRENT LEADERS**

You should have gotten an email explaining that you need to go online and complete the MVR Certification if you plan to drive 4-H members in the coming year. Every leader must do this every year!

#### **Upcoming Committee Meetings**

Livestock Committee - Jan 4th @ 6:00pm (first Wednesday of the month) 4-H Council - Jan 9th @ 5:30pm (second Monday of the month)

**Are you interested in becoming a 4-H leader?** Please contact Liz if you would like more information or would like to take the required training.

For more information and resources please visit: <a href="http://www.uwyo.edu/4-h/volunteers/">http://www.uwyo.edu/4-h/volunteers/</a>



## Club Meetings



#### **Big Horn Cowboys**

Leaders: Erin Traub & Erin Hinton Meets: 3rd Wednesday of the month Meeting Place: Room 131 - Sheridan

County Extension Office

#### **Canyon Livestock**

Leader: Annie Butler

Meets: 1st Sunday of the month Meeting Place: Dayton TRVCC

#### Critters, Crafts & Cooking

Leader: Carol French

#### Lucky 7

Leader: Jason & Joy Koltiska

Meets: 3rd Sunday of the month, 4pm

Meeting Place: Sheridan

#### **Sheridan Livestock**

Leader: Wendy Hope

Meets: 2nd Sunday of the month Meeting Place: Room 131 - Sheridan

County Extension Office

#### **Shooting Sports**

Leader: Brett Sayer

#### **The Gatherers**

Leader: Mary Welter Meeting Time: Varies

Meeting Place: NSI Campus

#### **Tongue River Roundup**

Leaders: Barb Kepley & Heidi Justus Meets: 2nd Sunday of the month, 2pm Meeting Place: TRVCC Dayton

#### Wyotana Grizzlies

Leader: Susie Terry

Meets: 1st Tuesday of the month,

6:30pm

Meeting Place: Room 131 - Sheridan

County Extension Office















#### **Cloverbuds Dayton**

2nd Sunday of the month 2:00 pm TRVCC in Dayton Next Meeting: February 12th

#### **Cloverbuds Sheridan**

Last Wednesday of the month 4:30 pm Sheridan County Extension Office

Next Meeting: January 25th

# Junior Leaders

Junior Leaders meetings are usually held the third Monday of the month, at 6pm.

Next Meeting: Jan 16th at 6pm

Junior Leaders assist in 4-H events and help promote the program throughout the year.

- Will you be at least 13 years old as of January 1st?
- ◆ Do you want to get more out of your 4-H experience?
- Above all, do you want the opportunity to meet more people in the county your age while learning valuable new leadership skills?

! If you answered **YES**, then you should consider serving as a Junior Leader! For more information, please give us a call at the Extension office.

## January 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Happy New Year	2	3	4 Livestock Comm	5	6	PROJECT EXPO
8 Cloverbuds Dayton	9 4-H Council	10	11	12	13	14
15	16  Jr Leaders	17  Beef Project Meeting	18 Youth Quality Assurance Level 1 Sheridan	19 Youth Quality Assurance Levels 2 & 3 Sheridan	20 Shooting Sports 1st Yr Members Mandatory Meeting	21
22	23	24	25 Cloverbuds Sheridan	26	27	28 Sewist/ Quilting Workshop
		Hunter Edu	ucation - Tues thr	u Fri 6:00 to 9:00	pm, and Sat beg	gin at 8:00am
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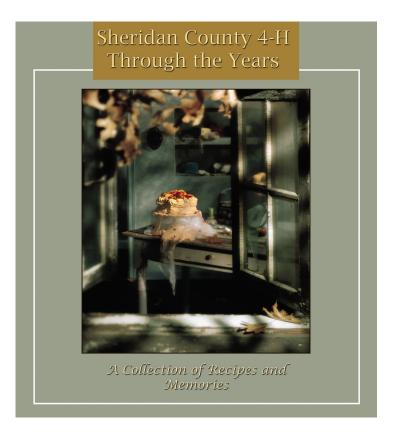
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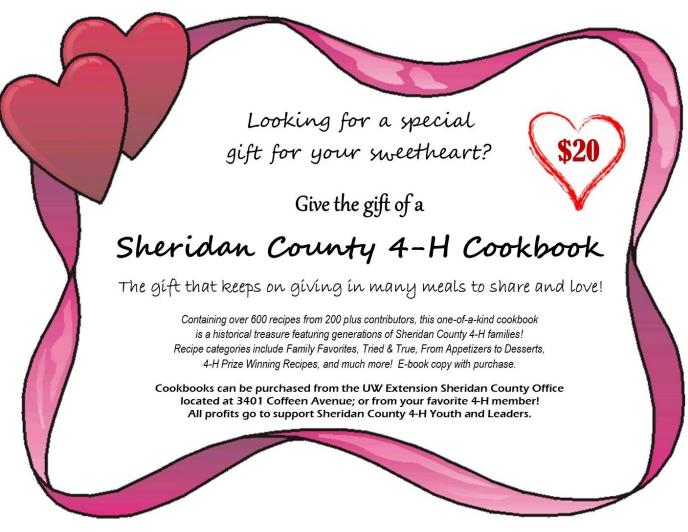
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			1 Livestock Comm	2	3	4
5	6 Mtn Camp	7	8 Youth Quality Assurance Levels 2 & 3 Sheridan	9 Youth Quality Assurance Level 1 Sheridan	10	11
12 Cloverbuds Dayton	13 4-H Council	Beef Project Meeting	15	16	17	18 Sewist/ Quilting Workshop
19 Youth Quality Assurance Levels 1, 2, & 3 TRVCC Dayton	Jr Leaders	21	22 Cloverbuds Sheridan	23	24	25
26	27	28				

## Cookbooks sold to date:

342

Keep up the good work!

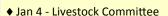




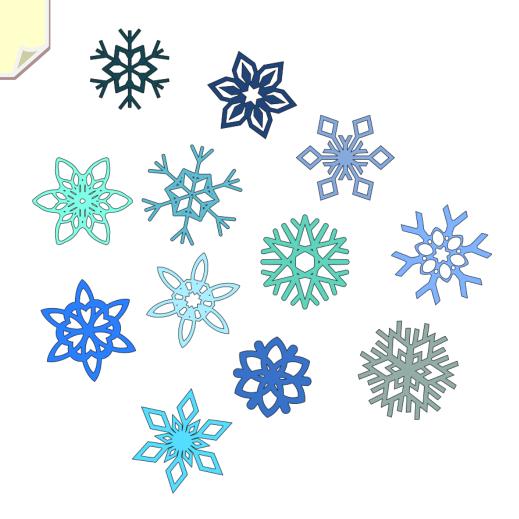
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- ♦ Jan 7 Project Expo
- ♦ Jan 8 Cloverbuds Dayton
- ♦ Jan 9 4-H Council
- ♦ Jan 16 Junior Leaders
- ♦ Jan 17 Beef Project Meeting
- ♦ Jan 18 YQA Level 1, Session 1
- ♦ Jan 19 YQA Levels 2 & 3, Session 1
- ♦ Jan 20 Shooting Sports 1st yr members
- ♦ Jan 25 Cloverbuds Sheridan
- ♦ Jan 24-28 Hunter Education
- ♦ Jan 28 Sewing/Quilting Workshop



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Both the 4-H and FFA organizations are growing exponentially. In just the 4-H program alone membership has doubled over the last two years. With the growth in the organization comes the need for donations to support the county fair awards is higher. As an awards committee we strive to provide the youth involved in the program with desirable prizes for all of their hard work on their projects. Sometimes those desirable prizes cost more money and also increase the need for money to support the awards account. Each 1st place prize is roughly \$50 and each 2nd place prize is roughly \$30 for each project area. This is a small reward considering the money, time and effort these 4-H and FFA members put into their projects.

The awards committee, 4-H and FFA members would be very grateful for any donation that your family or company would be able to give toward the great cause. The fair awards given truly mean the world to the youth involved in the program. If you would like to donate to a certain program area please make note of that on the attached form. Thank you so much for your time and consideration and we would love to see you at the fair July 31- August 7, 2017!

Sincerely,

Liz Shaffer
4-H and Youth Development Educator
Sheridan County

Sheridan, WY 82801

Sheridan County Fair Donation Form
Name as you would like it to appear:
Address:
Telephone:
Amount donated: \$
Please specify if you want this to go to a specific project area or specialty award:
Yes No
If yes- Project area or award
Thank you for your donation!
Please return this form and your donation to:
Sheridan County Fair Awards Account 3401 Coffeen Avenue