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Extension



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January  
Newsletter

2026

Sheridan County

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# Sheridan County 4-H Clubs

**\*Check Calendar for any changes**



**Leaders:**

Jeremy Kisling  
307-763-0694

Cory Panak  
405-550-0155

**Meets:** 3rd Wednesday of  
the month @ 6:00 pm  
Extension Office



**Leaders:**

Sarah Opitz  
307-340-1177

**Meets:** 3rd Tuesday of the  
month @ 6:30 pm  
Extension Office



**Leaders:**

Carol French  
307-751-0380

**Meets:** 1st Saturday of the  
month @ 10:30 am  
Extension Office



**Leader:**

Katie Hiller  
307-752-4503

Hilary Tipton  
307-763-7569

Jessica Barnes  
307-630-9958

**Meets:** 2nd Sunday of the  
month @ 5:30 pm  
Extension Office



**Leader:**

Jessie Koltiska  
307-752-2298

**Meets:** 2nd Tuesday of  
the month @ 5:30 pm  
Extension Office



**Leaders:**

Rachel & Brian Mealor  
307-330-4884

Sarah & Peter Burgess  
307-461-0210

**Meets:** 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of  
the month @ 1:00 pm  
Extension Office



**Leaders:**

Rachel Reinholz  
320-491-4300

Jonalee Watkins  
307-751-0848

**Meets:** 2nd Sunday of the  
month @ 12:00 pm  
Ranchester Town Hall



**Leaders:**

Cindy Beaver  
307-660-6064

Kathy Miller  
307-751-7019

**Meets:** 1st Friday of  
Each Month @ 12:05pm  
Ignite Wesleyan Church



**Leader:**

Susie Terry  
307-751-2233

**Meets:** 1st Tuesday of  
the month @ 6:00 pm  
Extension Office

For more information please contact the  
Sheridan County Extension Office at 307-674-2980  
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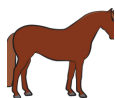


# SUPERINTENDENTS



## MARKET BEEF BREEDING BEEF

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## FFA Advisors

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Lauren Bigler

### Clear Creek

Amanda Schmidt



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## INDOOR COMMITTEE

Erin Hinton  
Carol French  
Chandra Hendricks

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## LIVESTOCK SALE SUPERINTENDENT

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(Updated 11/24/2025)

# January 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
				WATT AG BUILDING CLOSED FOR HOLIDAYS		
4	5 • Council Meeting	6 • Wyotana Meeting	7 • The 5 <sup>th</sup> H Club Meeting • Livestock Committee	8	9 • Wyoming Warriors Meeting	10 • Sewing Workshop • Ice Skating
11 • Goose Creek Club Meeting • Tongue River Roundup Meeting	12 • Food, Fun, 4-H • Swine Project Meeting	13 • Lucky 7 • Shooting Sports Meeting	14 • Pocket Pet Meeting	15	16	17
18	19 • Horse Meeting WATT AG BUILDING CLOSED	20 • Cloverbuds • Big Horn Cowboys	21 • 307 Pioneers Meeting • Shooting Sports Meeting	22	23	24
				WATT AG BUILDING NO MEETINGS		
25 WATT AG BUILDING NO MEETINGS	26	27 • Poultry Meeting	28 • Dairy Cow Meeting	29	30	31 • Sewing Workshop



# February

## 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 • Council Meeting	3 • Wyotana Meeting	4 • The 5 <sup>th</sup> H Club Meeting • Livestock Committee	5	6 • Wyoming Warriors Meeting	7 • Beef Meeting • Critters, Crafts, & Cooking Club Meeting
8 • Beef Tagging	9 • Food, Fun, 4-H • Swine Project Meeting	10 • Lucky 7	11 • Pocket Pet Meeting	12	13	14 • Sewing Workshop
15 • Goose Creek Club Meeting • Tongue River Roundup Meeting	16	17 • Cloverbuds • Big Horn Cowboys	18 • 307 Pioneers Meeting	19	20	21
22	• Horse Meeting	24	25	26 • Dairy Cow Meeting	27	28 • Sewing Workshop



# SHERIDAN COUNTY 4-H

# ENROLLMENT

## 4-H AGES

4-H Age is determined by the child's age as of January 1st of that 4-H year

- Cloverbuds: 5-7 years old
- Juniors: 8-10 years old
- Intermediates: 11-13 years old
- Seniors: 14-18 years old



## ENROLLMENT DEADLINES

Youth must be enrolled in ZSuites with an active status in 4-H to be able to participate in 4-H activities.

Please note: youth are not covered by 4-H insurance until they have an active status in 4-H.

SIGN UP HERE  
[4H.ZSUITE.ORG](https://4h.zsuite.org)





# Beef Tagging

**February 8th**

**@ Blacktooth Large Animal  
Services 1-4 pm**



**IMPORTANT**

**To prove ownership by the Feb. 1st deadline  
You MUST bring brand inspection paperwork  
to tagging**

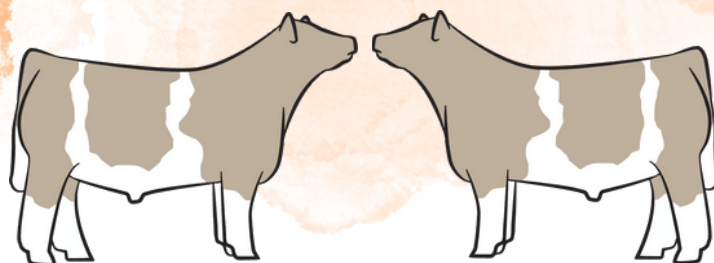
**February 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Extension Office  
12pm-3pm**

**We will cover: Equipment, Breeds, Feeds,  
Show Tips, and we will end with "Make Your  
Own Loaded Beef Burger" and will have a  
raffle drawing for prizes.**

**April 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Extension Office 1pm-4pm**

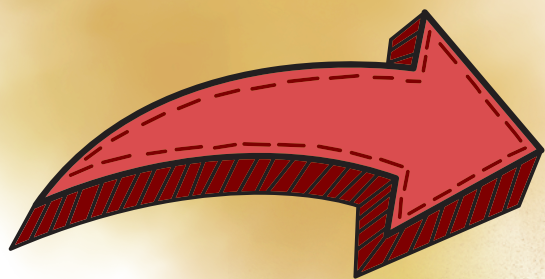




# SHOOTING SPORTS



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## NEW SHOOTING MEMBERS MEETINGS:

**Mandatory for  
ALL new  
shooters to  
attend ONE**

**JAN. 13TH@ 6:00 PM**

**JAN. 21ST@ 6:00 PM**

**@ EXTENSION OFFICE**

**ARCHERY**

**.22 RIFLE**

**.22 PISTOL**

**SHOTGUN**

**MUZZLELOADER**

**AIR RIFLE**

**AIR PISTOL**



# Critters, Crafts, & Cooking 4-H Club

Invite you to come Ice Skating.  
They have rented the rink and want  
to invite all clubs to join in the fun!



**When:** January 10<sup>th</sup>

**Where:** M & M Whitney Ice Rink

**Time:** 2:45 pm- 4 pm



# Sewing Workshops

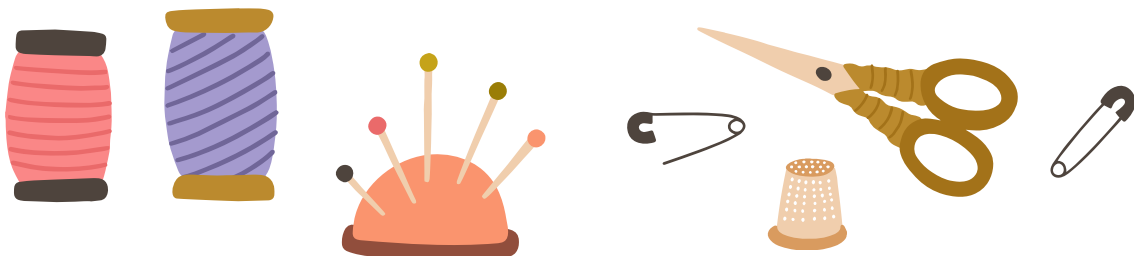
Please call  
**307-674-2980**  
to RSVP

Ages 8-18



**Saturday Mornings**  
**10:00 am -12:00 pm**  
**Extension Office**

<b>Jan. 10</b>	Sewing machine- Parts, threading, and care
<b>Jan. 31</b>	Fabrics, measuring, cutting and sewing a straight line. Selecting the first project
<b>Feb. 14</b>	Beginning the task listed and starting on project
<b>Feb. 28</b>	Work on the project and learn to sew on buttons
<b>Mar. 14</b>	Placing a zipper and working on/finishing a project
<b>Mar. 28</b>	TBD





# Pocket Pet



## Meet Hanna

**Hanna has been an active member of the Sheridan 4H program with her son since 2020, supporting his involvement in photography, independent study, horse, dog, swine, and pocket pet projects. A strong believer in the mission and impact of 4H, and the way it helps shape kids both personally and within their communities, Hanna stepped into the role of Pocket Pet Project Leader in 2024. Beginning in 2025, she will be expanding her involvement by assisting with the local horse and dog programs, in addition to joining the state dog 4H committee.**

**Hanna is deeply invested in helping kids grow, shine, try new things, and build confidence through their 4H experience. She truly believes 4H is an incredible program filled with impactful opportunities for youth.**

**January 14**

**February 11**

**March 11**

**@ 6 PM at the Extension Office**





# Beef Project



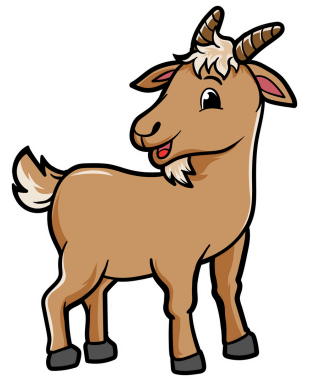
## Meet Rindy

I'm proud to serve as the Sheridan County Beef Superintendent and to continue working with a program that has been part of my life since childhood. Growing up in the 4-H Beef Program shaped who I am today, and last year gave me the opportunity to give back in a more meaningful way. Watching the kids grow in confidence, responsibility, and enthusiasm for their projects was incredibly rewarding, and their excitement made it an outstanding year for the program.

With more than 30 years of experience raising and showing cattle, supporting youth, and working behind the scenes at fairs and 4-H programs, I'm especially passionate about helping first-year beef members succeed. The learning curve can be steep, and my goal is to make the beef project feel achievable, educational, and even fun. By focusing on mentorship, hands-on learning, and encouragement, I strive to support every exhibitor, from seasoned showmen to those getting their boots dirty for the first time, while keeping the values of agriculture, animal husbandry, and pride in hard work strong for the next generation...and I love to have kids go show, as a way to exhibit all they are learning!



# Market Goat Project



**Hello my name is Brittany Gorzalka, the Sheridan County Meat Goat Superintendent.**

**I am a mom of 3 4H kids, ranch wife, coach, fairboard member, sale committee member and yes the "crazy goat lady" and we are the Gorzalka Show Goats family.**

**This is my 2nd year as goat superintendent. I love raising, showing and supporting youth in not only the 4H program, but love opportunities to help youth in the meat goat projects of market or breeding. If you are interested in the goat project, no matter your goals, please reach out and I would love to help you on your journey.**

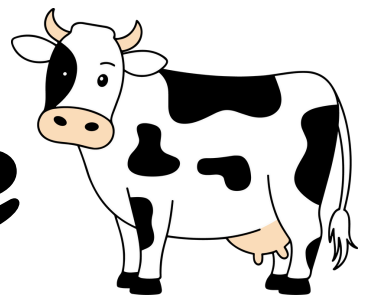
# Sheep Project



**Hello, my name is Lacey Sell, and I am the Sheridan County sheep superintendent! My 4-H journey has made a full circle from member to leader. I absolutely love my project area, and I strive to make this experience as educational and fun as possible for the kids!**



# Dairy Cattle Project



## Meet Rachel

"Hello! I am Rachel Reinholz. This will be my second year as dairy cattle superintendent. I have had dairy cattle for about 10 years and enjoy teaching my kids about keeping family milk cows. Please come join us if you want to learn more about dairy cattle care, handling, or exhibition! P.S. dairy cattle not required!"



## Upcoming Meetings

Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>

Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>

Mar. 25<sup>th</sup>

5:30 pm @ the  
Extension Office







# Cat Project



**Hi, I am Katie and I am going into my 4th year as the cat project superintendent for Sheridan County 4-H. I am a Sheridan County native and grew up on a ranch near Parkman. During my ten years of 4-H, I was involved in activities at the club, county, state, and national levels. I participated in the cat and horse projects along with many static projects. My favorite memory from my time as a member is the trip I took to Hawaii with my grandma as one of my chaperones. My husband and I are thankful that our three kids are now active members of Sheridan County 4-H. When I heard there was an opening for the cat project superintendent, I knew it was a great opportunity to become more involved. My goal is always to teach members about cats, but most of all to have fun with their projects!**