Converse County 4-H Newsletter

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First things first we would like to congratulate all of our Converse County 4-H graduates. This is a great milestone and accomplishment and we will eagerly await and watch as they go out and accomplish big things!

I am excited to announce that we will be welcoming back Morgan Hays to Converse County 4-H. Morgan is currently attending Chadron State College where she is working on her degree in Elementary Education. As a past member of Converse County 4-H, we are anxious to have her back to share her wealth of knowledge and experience with our office and our county program. Morgan will be our only intern for this summer.

County fair is quickly approaching! Please be watching our website, Facebook page and your e-mails for any information or updates. There are a few new happenings as well as location changes, please make yourself aware. For livestock exhibitors planning to sell in the Jr. Market Livestock Sale, there is a mandatory meeting and BBQ on June 7th, 6:30pm at Bartling Park in Douglas. If you cannot attend on this date there will be a secondary option on June 20th, 6:30pm at the Extension Office in Douglas. Attending one of these dates is required to sell at county fair, so please be present.

For all members with static exhibit projects, now is a good time to begin familiarizing yourself with the requirements and expectations of your project to enter it into county or state fair. These expectations need to be followed carefully.

Fair entries will be opening on June 7th and closing at 4pm on Monday, June 27th.

I hope everyone is enjoying this little taste of summer we've been enjoying in between the rain!

Stacey Etchemendy

All members and volunteers need to have your enrollment completed online and fees paid before you participate in any 4-H event or activity for insurance purposes.



What's Going On In Converse County?

Meeting dates and times are subject to change. Please be sure to check e-mails, Converse County Facebook or Website.

Sunday	Monda	iy Tuesday	Wednes	day Thurso	day Frída	y Saturday
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12	13	14		16 Summer Adventure July 15 –17 of the Big Horns—C		18 4-H Horse Camp July 16–19 Douglas
19	20	21 Showcase	22 Showdown—Ju	23 ine 21-23—Laramie	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

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17		18	19	20	21	22	23
			Converse Cou	nty 4-H/FFA Fair—Jul	y 15—23, 2016		
24/31		25	26	27	28	29	30

	t	9 Window Decorating Contest Begins	16 Bam-Dog Show 3pm– Small Animal Round Robin A:30pm– Fashion Revue Judging followed by Fashion Revue and a Cookie and Punch Social– EWC Douglas Campus	23 5:30am —Animals to be processed are released (no members present) Noon -All animals removed and barns CLEANED and closed FAIR OVER! SLEEP WELL!	
5	i Sat		15 16 Bam – Poultry/ Rabbit/Pocket Bai Pet Show 3pi 2-6pm– Static Interview Judging Rol Juc Rev Puu	 m-Large Animal Round Robin m-Silent Auction CLOSED pm-Release all Non-Market e Livestock Animals & Static nibits m-Jr. Market Sale Set Up mm Buyer Appreciation ner mer mer mer sale 	<u>е</u>
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	Wed	9	13	20 7-Bam- Pancake Break- fast ** Sponsored by Con- verse County Bank Bam-Dairy Cattle Show followed by the Dairy Goat Show Gam-Market/Breeding Beef Show Beef Show Gpm- Swine Showmanship/ Market Swine Show Club Sponsored Activity Mechanical Bull Riding Time- 1-4pm Hosted by Cavaliers & Wooly Bully 4-H Clubs	27
	Tue	2	12	 19 6-7am-Open Barn for livestock pen set up/prep 7-9 am- Vet checks 7-11 am- Weigh in/ Check in for all animals 7-11 am- Weigh in/ Check in for all animals 7-11 am- Vet checks 7-11 am- Vet checks 7-11 am- Vet checks 7-14 m Magic Chefs 4-H Clubs 	26
	Mon	4	11	18 Bam -Horse Show Bam -Static Hall opens (Silent Auction begins) (Silent Auction begins) 4-7pm -Open Barn for livestock pen set up/ prep (no animals) prep (no animals) Club Sponsored Activity Club Sponsored Activity Lee Cream Sundae Social Time- 2-4pm Hosted by Dry Creek Willing Workers 4-H Club	25 Clean windows from Window Decorating Contest
	Sun	e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e	01	17 4 pm -Ranch Rodeo	24

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Tentative Fair Schedule

Club Meeting & Leader Info

	Community Club Meeting Schedule & Leaders						
Cavaliers	Dry Creek	Future Stars	Jr. leaders	LaBonte	E.		
2nd Tuesday 4:30PM @ TBD	To be announced by leader	3rd Wednesday 6:00PM @ TBD	1st Monday 6:00PM @ TBD	To be announced by leader	E		

A club leader will contact members if the date, time or location is changed

Magic Chefs	Sand Creek	Walker Creek	Wild Bunch	Wooly Bully's
3rd Sunday 12:30PM @ TBD	3rd Sunday 11:00AM @ TBD	To be announced by leader	2nd Sunday 2:00PM @ TBD	Last Sunday 4:00PM @ TBD

Club Leaders			
Cavaliers—Lorrina Zwetzig/Theresa Eathorne	Cloverbuds—Jenny Halquist (Douglas)/Trish Needens (Glenrock)		
Dry Creek Willing Workers—Bev Reed	Future Stars—Jenny Halquist, Rich Halquist and Tanna Rodeman		
Jr. Leaders— Mandy Lovitt	LaBonte Sagebrush—Lisa Daly/Betty James		
Magic Chefs—Margaret Grant	Range Club—Misty Hays		
Sand Creek-Margaret Farley/Sandy Loyd	Walker Creek Pronghorns—Connie Werner/Mandy Horr		
Wild Bunch—Misty Hays/Carol Blackburn	Wooly Bully's—Mandy Lovitt/Kisha Snyder		

	Cavaliers	Future Stars	Jr Leaders	Walker Creek	Wild Bunch	Wooly Bully's	Magic Chefs	Sand Creek
President	Lauren Eathorne	Jake Halquist	Megan Lovitt	Loganne Werner	Magnus Trembath	Megan Lovitt	Kaitlyn Hiser	Megann Farley
VP	Brodie Zwetzig	Sam Mittleider	Sam Mittleider Kendra Hinckley	Markie Horr	Hailie Blackburn	Jake Logar	Anna Grant	Tymber Eckley
Secretary	Brynn Zwetzig	Sophia Lavallee	Taylor Rodeman	Lydia Capelle	Ella Meyer	Madison Thomas	Chelsea Hiser	Tyne Loyd
Treasurer	Karly Hoffer	Taylor Rodeman	Sophia Lavallee	Mason Horr	Ceara Moffatt	Cash Lovitt	Kaitlyn Hiser	CJ Toner
Reporter/Caller/ Parliamentarian	Faye Lankister Briza Hernandez	Lauryn Vollman	Markie Horr	Hannah, Julie & Erica Dority John Werner, Hope Capelle, Zoey Booth, Kaitlyn Velasquez	Delaney Rixford	Lane Olsen/ Caller - Kyle Logar Cole Lovitt/ Parliamentar- ians	Anna Grant	Claire Toner
Historian	Faye Lankister Briza Hernandez	Lauryn Vollman			Brianna Hansel		Cora Grant Leone Scott Delaney Rixford	
Rec/Song or Snack Coordinators					Savanna Moffatt		Daniel Grant Charlsie Rixford	
Council Reps			Kendra Hinckley- Dairon Mooren Megan Lovitt					

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Converse County Council & Club News

4-H Council Meeting

During 2016, Converse County 4-H Council will hold meetings in January, March, May, June, July, September and November on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:00 pm. Next meeting Thursday, June 9th!

Agendas and minutes can be found on Converse County 4-H's website (http://www.wyoming4h.org/ converse4h/) on the 4-H Council page.

The **Future Stars 4-H Club** held their April meeting on the 20th at 6:00PM. Wyatt Ewing did a demonstration on how to use an air pump. With no other business President Jake Halquist lead other members in some fun games.

Report Submitted by Lauryn Vollman

Wyatt Ewing giving demonstration.







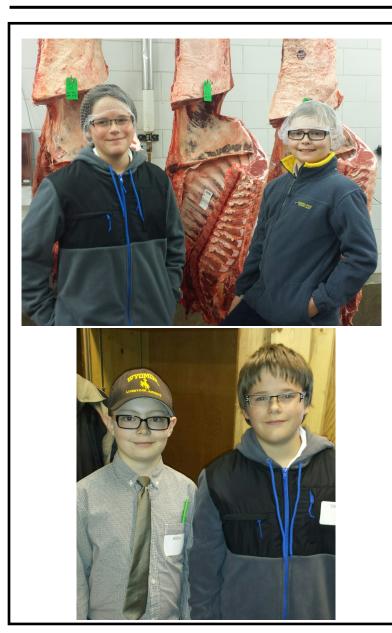
Cloverbuds doing a fun summer activity. Decorating flower pots and filling with zinnia seeds.







Converse County Council & Club News Continued





Magnus Trembath, Clifford and Gentry Smith competed in Meats and Wool Judging Contests in Laramie. They all did a great job representing Converse County 4-H!

Converse County 4-H/FFA Fair is right around the corner!

We would appreciate your help in obtaining sponsors for the fair. This year we wanted to make sponsoring the fair more affordable, so we established sponsorship levels:

PLATINUM	Greater than \$100
BUCKLE DONOR	\$125 donated toward a specific species and award
GOLD	\$100 donation
SILVER	\$75 donation
BRONZE	\$50 donation

The following two pages are the letter that is given to potential sponsors along with the donation declaration form. Please print these pages or email lrober23@uwyo.edu to obtain hard copies and distribute to folks you know who might be interested in sponsoring this year's fair.



You know that our youth face some staggering issues, such as education and work-force preparedness. But did you know that 4-H and FFA are uniquely equipped to help youth overcome these challenges? One way Converse County 4-H and FFA programs help youth is to give them the opportunity to set goals and learn responsibility. Youth are then able to showcase their hard work at the county fair.

The 2016 Converse County 4-H/FFA Fair theme will be "Struttin' Our Stuff" and will be held July 15 – 23. New to this year's fair, is the offering to support your community's county fair through sponsorship. We want to make sponsoring your county fair affordable for you, while providing meaningful awards for Converse County 4-H/FFA youth.

PLATINUM

Greater than \$100

BUCKLE DONOR

\$125 donated toward a specific species and award

GOLD

\$100 donation

SILVER

\$75 donation

BRONZE

\$50 donation

When you become a sponsor of Converse County 4-H/FFA Fair, you have the opportunity to be part of your community's tradition as well as providing a life changing experience for 4-H/FFA youth.

Hoping for your sponsorship,

Converse County Fair Committee

PS: Help us reward a youth for his or her hard work.

Struttín' Our Stuff at the

Converse County 4-H/FFA Fair

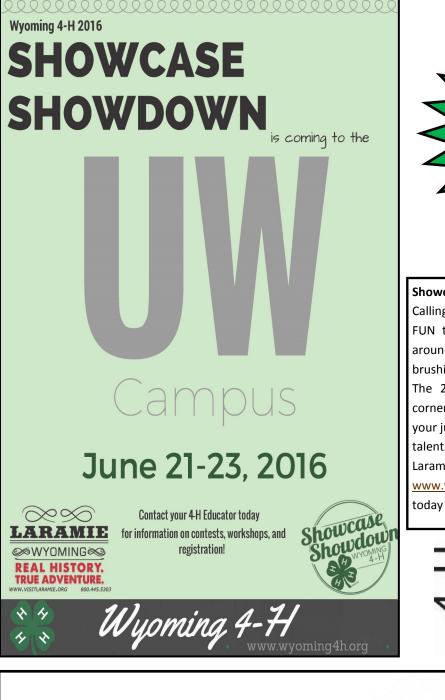
Please return this form along with your donation payable to Converse County 4-H

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	Please note awards are spo	nsored on a first come, first serve basis.	\$125.00
		Specie	
	GOLD	\$100 donation	\$100.00
3	SILVER	\$75 donation	\$ 75.00
	BRONZE	\$50 donation	\$ 50.00
Sponsor Nam	ne:		
Address:			
Contact Nam			
Contact Phor	ne Number:		
Please conta	ct the 4-H Office at 358-2417	to speak to someone regarding a donation.	

Upon receipt of your donation, a receipt will be mailed to you at the address provided.

All donations to 4-H are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by the law.

Other Happenings Around the State





Showcase Showdown

Calling all youth, 8-18! Are you looking for something FUN to do this summer? Are you excited to travel around the state? Do you enjoy competing and brushing up on your leadership skills? Look no further! The 2016 Showcase Showdown is just around the corner. Start studying your materials and break out your judging books to prepare for this showcase of your talents! Join youth from around the state June 21-23 in Laramie, WY. For contests, workshops, and FUN! Visit www.wyoming4h.org or your local Extension office today for more information!



2016 Wyoming State Fair Dates:

AUGUST 13-20!



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Chance to win a youth (8-12 yr. old	Motion Poj Long Shot an hunt donated	ever see the same one twice! p-Up Target System d other fun challenges by Mike Schmid of Solitude Ranch Outfitters nd 13-18 yr. old white tail deer hunt)
		\$25 each and your name/logo will be displayed! •1 My check for \$25 is included !
		ade before the shoot as well as at the event.
Entry Fees: Family~\$25 Adu		
Name:		Phone:
Address:		Email:
T-shirt size: SMLX <u>Division</u> : (please circle one		
Men's:	Release	Fingers Traditional
Women's:	Release	Fingers Traditional
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Youth Junior (812 8	k under): Oper	1
	10.	1st through 3rd place in each division.
Send your registration and a c Wyoming State 4-H H		QuestionsP Steve Mack, Director
Steve Mack, Director 1000 E. University Av Laramie, WY 82071	7e., Dept. 3354	Email: smack@uwyo.edu Greg Schamber, Board Member 307-260-7505 Email: gregory.schamber@jonahenergy.con
The course will open at 8:		<u>se Information</u> at 1:00 p.m. Four people will rotate to each of the 40
		allow two hours to complete the shoot.
		contact Greg Schamber at 260-7505

Animal Project Members

New in 2016—State 4-H Showmanship Contest at WSF

- 1. Any Junior, Intermediate, or Senior aged 4-H youth that is enrolled in the 4-H project of species that they intend to compete with are eligible.
- 2. Previous winners of state contests are eligible to compete and win multiple years.
- 3. Showmanship contestants must compete with their own animals.
- 4. No boars, bulls, or bucks (goats), or stallions will be allowed to compete in showmanship. No lactating animals should be shown.
- 5. Judging is based on the exhibitors' ability to present their animal for evaluation including the movement and positions of the animal, as well as the condition and cleanliness of the animal. Mannerisms, conduct of the contestant, and industry knowledge may also be considered by the judges in placings.

Note: Youth will have to own their own 4-H project animals to compete with them in this contest.

Members who wish to sell an animal in the Converse County 4-H/FFA Fair Market Sale must complete the Level 1 Quality Assurance Class during their first year in a market sale animal project (no matter what age the member is). Members then must complete Level 2 during their first year as an intermediate member (11-13 years) or their second year in FFA and Level 3 during their first year as a senior member (14-18 years) or third year as an FFA member. The Quality Assurance Classes correlate for both 4-H and FFA members and do not have to be taken multiple times if members are in both organizations. It is a member's **responsibility** to ensure he/she meets the quality assurance requirement to be eligible to sell at the Converse County 4-H/FFA Fair Market Sale. If you are unsure what level(s) you have taken or need to take, please contact the 4-H Office at 358-2417.

2016 Livestock I	Vinimum Weights	
Steers Heifers	1050 1000	
Swine	210	
Goats	50	
Sheep	90	YM



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Animal Project Members cont.

Calculating Market Weight

Use the following formula to determine how much weight your market animal should be gaining in order to meet the weight requirements for county fair:

- Determine the number of days until weigh-ins on Tuesday, July 19th
- Determine the average daily gain
 - * Sheep: 0.5 0.75 pounds per day
 - * Swine: 1.5 2.0 pounds per day
- * Beef: 2.5–2.8 pounds per day
- * Goat: .2—.3 pounds per day

• Determine the target finishing weight (what you want your animal to weigh at county fair)

- * Sheep: min. weight for co. fair = 90#
- * Goat: min. weight for co fair = 50#
- * Swine: min weight for co. fair = 210#, *
- * Beef: min. weight co fair = Steers = 1050# Heifers = 1000#

Example: You attend the May 12th weigh-in. You guess that your sheep will gain approximately .6 pounds per day. There are 68 days until county fair weigh-ins on July 19th. On that day you would like your sheep to weigh 100 pounds. Now plug in those numbers to the formula to determine what your pig should weigh at the preliminary weigh-in.

(days to co. fair) x (avg. daily gain) = lbs. needed to gain 68 days x .6 lbs. per day = 40.8 lbs. to gain

(target finishing weight) - (lbs. to gain) = weight today 100 lbs. - 40.8 = 59.2 weight today

** Please note: In most circumstances, based on frame score and body condition, a typical market lamb, swine, steer or goat that weighs in a the minimum weight for county fair, may not be considered "market ready."

Community Service Opportunity



CONVERSE COUNTY HISTORICAL

4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION

NEEDS YOU!

4-H members age 12-18yrs are needed to help set up and work the event.

Sunday July 3 from 1-5pm **** Monday July 4 from 8am—4pm

Fort Fetterman

If you are available to help with this patriotic event, please call

Vivian Boyer ASAP at 358-9269.



Static Exhibits Project Corner

General Entry Guidelines

- 1. Posters, pictures, artwork and photography exhibits should come with a method for hanging them on hooks attached to pegboard. If the items cannot be hung, they will be displayed on the floor or table.
- 2. Display boards or poster boards must be able to stand on their own on a table.
- 3. Oversized exhibits will be displayed as space permits.
- 4. Exhibits shall be mounted securely on a stiff mounting board or foam board.
- 5. Posters, pictures, artwork and photography exhibits must come with a method for hanging from hooks on pegboard.
- 6. No breakable glass allowed use of Plexiglas or shrink plastic is allowed.

Cake Decorating

- 1. Decorating must be done on an artificial cake form, such as Styrofoam or inverted cake pan. Do not exhibit real cakes.
- 2. Exhibits should be placed on disposable plates or boards covered with foil, plastic or decorative covering, and allow 1" minimum of free space between cake and outer edge of plate or board.
- 3. Do not bring exhibits on glass plates or valued trays.

Food and Nutrition Recipes are required with all entries. Recipes will not be returned and become the property of 4-H. Recipes must include the member's name, age, and county they are representing.

- 1. Only enter foods that can be safely stored at room temperature. Foods determined to be unsafe at room temperature will be disqualified with the decision of the judge being final. (For example, do not enter cream pies, casseroles, or items with cream cheese frosting, etc.) Foods entered should be suitable for freezing prior to state fair to aid in transportation to the state fair.
- 2. Judges may or may not choose to open, taste, cut, or handle, etc., any entry.
- 3. Judges will negatively evaluate entries using commercial cake or bread mixes or those with wrappers (cupcakes, muffins, etc.).
- 4. Exhibit on 6 inch or smaller, plastic coated or Styrofoam plate when possible.
- 6. When smaller items are exhibited (rolls, cookies, biscuits, etc.) enter 3 items for each class.
- 7. When single items are exhibited (cakes, loaves, etc.), enter one fourth of the item. Breads should be displayed as an end-cut, cut from top crust through bottom crust.

Photography – Digital Creations

- 1. Exhibits, created from an existing photograph that have been digitally altered to change the original content resulting in a new and unique piece.
- 2. This category is not intended for enhanced photographs such as removing red-eye, adding a border, adjusting color or shading, etc.

4-H Self Determined

All self-determined projects must have a completed approval form on file with the 4-H office before fair.

- 1. Each exhibit in the Self-Determined area should be accompanied by an "information sheet" indicating:
 - a. topic selected
 - b. goals to be achieved
 - c. how the project was carried out
 - d. accomplishments





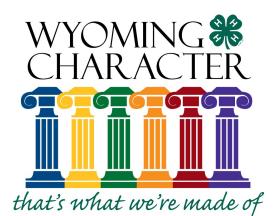


Centsible Nutrition



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Responsibility

Responsibility is doing your best to take care of the things around you that need to be done.

Responsibility involves a few things:

- Accountability
- Using Self Control
- Having Goals
- Choosing a positive attitude
- Doing your duty
- Being proactive
- Setting a good example After looking at these things, do you think you are responsible?

RESPONSIBILITY

How do we learn to be responsible? When we practice being responsible, we learn how to be more responsible. We also learn responsibility from good role models.

A big part of being responsible is making good choices. The two fundamental principles of good decisions are: 1—We all have the power to decide what we do and what we say. 2—We are all morally responsible for the consequences of our choices. Remember, being responsible isn't always easy. If we work hard, and take responsibility for ourselves, it will be worth it in the end. Being responsible helps us achieve great things, and helps us feel good about ourselves



4-H Activity

The Six Letter Solution

Prep: Have the following group of letters written on a flip chart or white board before club members arrive. Be sure to keep this exact order: RSIESXPLOETNTSIBELRIS TY.

Directions: Hidden in this jumble of letters is a specific word in the English language that can only be found if you remove six letters. If you find it, write it down so everyone has a chance to discover it. What questions do you have? (The trick to the activity is to eliminate the letters "s-ix-l-e-t-t-e-r-s" to reveal the hidden word of responsibility.)

After the youth have figured out the activity or you show them the trick, discuss the different aspects of responsibility. Possible discussion starters are: What does responsibility mean to you? How have you seen others act responsibly? Do you think responsibility is important? Why? How can we be responsible 4-H members? Why be responsible?

Clover Connection

Head - Think things through thoroughly and set goals

Heart - Be a good friend and take care of those around you.

Hands - Do what needs to be done without being asked.

Health - Take care of your body by exercising and being aware of the foods you eat



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Click link below to check out website



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