Achievement Night

Mark your calendars for January 16, 2013! Elko County 4-H Achievement Night will be held at the Great Basin College Theater at 6:00 p.m. The County Officer Team has a great evening planned. We will be celebrating the 2012 4-H year with a few new things!

*All the 4-H’ers attending will be put into a drawing for some really cool stuff, including five $25 gift certificates to CAL ranch.

*A special presentation thanking some of our really amazing county volunteers.

We will also have our 4-H year in review slide show; National 4-H Conference highlights; installation of the new Elko County Officer Team; 4-H Scholarship will be awarded; presentation of the Outstanding 4-H Member for 2012; and awards for the top club secretary, treasurer, and historian books. Awards for top record books and project pins will be given and everyone that turned in a record book for judging will be recognized for their efforts. Be sure to wear your 4-H uniform and don’t miss out on the fun!!

Bid for a Basket

The County Officer Team is putting together some family-fun baskets that you can bid on at Achievement Night. Proceeds from the basket auction help fund the County Officer activities throughout the year. In 2012 some of the officers were able to attend the Leaders’ Forum in Reno, which was a great experience as well as lots of fun!

2013 Nevada 4-H Capital Days

Take a stand and show the Governor, the State Senate and Assembly, and other elected officials how important 4-H is to you by attending Nevada 4-H Capital Days on March 10-11th. The University of Nevada Cooperative Extension will receive a budget cut in July that will close the State 4-H Office and reduce county 4-H positions across the state to part-time. Elko County 4-H’ers, 8th grade and older, can tell their 4-H story and explain how 4-H makes a difference in their lives and communities. Capital Days is filled with fun activities geared for teens - field trips, tours of the State Capitol, Supreme Court, and the Legislature, get acquainted activities, food, and new friends. Adult chaperones are needed to drive youth and participate in Capital Days activities. Be a part of the Elko County delegation. This is an excellent opportunity to gain leadership skills and represent Elko County. Call or email Ranay at 738-7291 or guifarror@unce.unr.edu for an application. Applications are due Jan. 9.

Calling ALL Youth Leaders!!

Are you a 4-H club officer, or would you like to learn some leadership skills? Then mark your calendar for Saturday, February 2nd! The 3rd Annual Elko Leadership training will be held on the GBC campus from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., with the exact location to be announced later. The cost is $5.00 to be paid the morning of the event. You must pre-register by calling Ranay at 738-7291. Come join the leadership fun!

New to 4-H?

If you are new to 4-H, welcome! If you have questions about the 4-H program, your first stop is your club leader. 4-H is a youth development program of the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension. This newsletter often refers to the “Extension Office” which is short for
University of Nevada Cooperative Extension Elko County Office. We’re located at 701 Walnut Street in Elko. You can contact us at 738-7291 or visit www.unce.unr.edu. Our office hours are 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.; Monday-Friday. If you are in the neighborhood, stop by and introduce yourself, we’d love to meet you.

**Nevada 4-H Leaders’ Forum**

Show your 4-H love at this year’s 2013 4-H Leaders’ Forum and with this year’s theme, 4-H: Share the Love. This year’s workshops are: It’s a Bird, It’s a Plane, Add Some Color to Your Life, FUNDraising and Budgets, Making the Leap from Traditional to Social Media, Getting to Know Your Neighbors, Digital Photography, Engaging Military Youth in 4-H Clubs, Planning and Partnering for Successful 4-H Events, Lego Robotics, Distinguish the Doors of Perception, Pledges: Our Words, Our Deeds, 4-H 101: Chartering, Techno Clubs Using Lego Action Contraption, Dutch Ado About Cooking, All-in Favor Say “Aye”- An introduction to Parli-Pro, and Advanced 4-H Online. The 2013 Nevada 4-H Leadership Forum will be February 22-23 in Las Vegas. Cost is $25 per person by January 31st. The forum features: a share fair where anyone can set up a display to highlight a 4-H program, event, or club, opportunities to meet adult and teen leaders from across the state, banquet and awards ceremony, and workshops to choose from created for adult and teen 4-H leaders. Applications are due to the Cooperative Extension Office by January 31, 2013. Contact Ranay Guifarro, guifarror@unce.unr.edu or 738-7291 for a registration packet.

**National 4-H Conference**

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**Unsponsored Trip Fund**

Are you interested in attending a national event but are concerned about the cost? The Unsponsored Trip Fund is open to all Elko County 4-H’ers and is to help those attending national and state events. The fund will cover half of your costs to attend these 4-H events so you can spend more time learning and less time worrying about the cost.

**4-H Livestock Sale Supporters**

As the year comes to an end I would like to ask the parents and supporters of 4-H to thank the people and businesses who have financially supported our program. Below are businesses and individuals who supported the 2012 Livestock Sale:


There are many other individuals and businesses who give to 4-H year round. Please thank these wonderful people for caring about our program and our youth. Any time you see them or go into their business be sure to tell them how much YOU appreciate their support.

**MANDATORY SHIPPING SPORTS SAFETY CLASSES**

4-H Shooting Sports safety classes are scheduled for January 17, January 24, February 2, and February 9 (see detailed schedule on next page). It is MANDATORY FOR ALL SHOOTING SPORTS PROJECT MEMBERS to attend a safety class and take the test for each discipline they wish to compete in during this 4-H year. Each discipline’s class will cover general safety, rules and regulations, shooting procedures, and positioning and form. A parent must accompany 4-H members to the classes. New for 2013: January 17 and January 24 will have ALL disciplines available in one class. You MUST stay through the entire class to be able to qualify for every discipline. February will have each discipline along with testing, offered several times throughout the morning. The classes last approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes per discipline and are limited to the first 10 who sign up. Classes in February will be held at 8 a.m., 9:15 a.m., and 10:30 a.m. ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST pre-register by calling 738-7291 and signing up
for specific classes and times. The cost for NEW members in the 4-H shooting sports program will be $30.00 which covers all educational materials, project notebook, and workshop supplies for the year. Cost for members who have participated in the shooting sports program before and have their project notebook is $20.00. PLEASE BRING YOUR PROJECT NOTEBOOK FROM LAST YEAR WITH YOU TO THE CLASSES.

All Shooting Sports project members must attend these safety classes even if they took the safety classes last year. SENIOR AGE 4-H MEMBERS: if you have taken the safety classes a minimum of 3 times, you will be asked to help the instructor with the training. Listed below is the class schedule and disciplines that will be covered on each date. Trainings in February will be held simultaneously so that students may rotate through the different disciplines throughout the morning.

**SHOOTING SPORTS SAFETY CLASSES SCHEDULE**

**JANUARY 17 -- GBC, Health Science Bldg. room 107**
All Disciplines- Start time 5:30 p.m.

**JANUARY 24 -- GBC, room TBA**
All Disciplines- Start time 5:30 p.m.

**February 2 -- Masonic Lodge**
Muzzleloader at 8; 9:15; & 10:30 a.m.
Rifle Class at 8 a.m. / 9:15 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Shotgun at 8 a.m. / 9:15 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

**February 9 -- Masonic Lodge**
Archery Class at 8 a.m. / 9:15 a.m.
Air Pistol Class at 8 a.m. / 9:15 a.m

You must call 738-7291 to register for class and time. Read the details on previous page carefully!

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**Rabbit Workshop**

The first workshop of the New Year will be January 23, 2013 at the Cooperative Extension Office 4:00 p.m.! At this workshop we will be discussing new rule changes that will affect 4-H’ers who plan to sell rabbits or poultry at the 2013 Livestock Sale as well as breeding dates for your rabbits. Please leave your rabbits at home and just bring your questions as we will be in the conference.

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**2nd Annual Favorite Foods Contest**

What better way to show off your cooking skills! This is all about you! You cook a favorite food; this could be anything from peanut butter cookies to lasagna. Bring this food to the event on February 9, 2013 with a place setting ready to show off your creation to our judges who will taste your food! Entry forms are at the Extension Office, and are due by January 29, 2013. If you have any questions or would like more information please call Ranay at 738-7291.

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**Goat Production Meeting**

Goat producers of Nevada unite! There will be a statewide goat producers meeting using interactive video at the Cooperative Extension office January 26, 2013 from 12:50-3:00 p.m. This meeting will be a great resource for families that produce goats, for personal or commercial use.

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**Reproductive Strategies for Beef Cows Class**

This course will cover good management practices which promote success with beef cow reproduction. Emphasis will be placed on economically getting cows bred in a short breeding season. This class meets January 3, 8, 10, and 15 from 5:30 to 8:00p.m. and costs $89.00 To register for this class or for more information call Carmen Matlock at 775-753-2202.

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**WHAT IS THE 4-H PARENT’S ROLE AT CLUB MEETINGS?**

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- Take notes as to activities and events that are scheduled at the meeting
- Take your family calendar to schedule in 4-H activities
- Support the club leader/s by volunteering to help where needed
- Set a good example for your child and others by listening attentively, abiding by the meeting decorum by asking to be called upon during discussion in the correct manner, and allowing the 4-H members to offer their ideas and make decisions. Youth members make the motions and vote. Parents and adults listen to youth’s discussion, ask questions, offer suggestions when needed, but do not make motions or vote.

**Test for Radon**

4-H members pledge each month, “…and Health to better living”. 4-H members and families care about health and safety. Did you know that your home could be unsafe to you, your family members, and your pets? Your home could have elevated levels of radon and may be affecting the health of your family. Radon is a colorless, odorless, radioactive gas that naturally occurs in Nevada. It’s the leading cause of lung cancer among nonsmokers. You can test your home with a free, easy-to-use kit that can be picked up at the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension Office during the month of January. For more information, call Jill at 738-7291. You can also find out more about radon at [www.RadonNV.com](http://www.RadonNV.com).

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PRESENTING THE
2013 ELKO COUNTY 4-H OFFICERS!
The new 2013 Elko County 4-H Officer team was installed at Achievement Night on January 19th at the GBC Theater.

President – Marcus Auge
Vice-President – Ricky Huff
Secretary – Kara Kinsman
Treasurer – Caitlin Prescott
Reporter – Annika Tingey
Sentinel – Kellie Kinsman
Representative – Anthony Buzzetti
Representative – Matt Ackerman

Congratulations!

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SEWING CLASS

Do you want to improve your sewing techniques, or learn how to sew? Isar King is holding a free class at Elko Sew and Vac on February 8 at 5:00 p.m. This opportunity is available to any 4-H member interested; you don’t have to be signed up for a clothing project to take this class. If you have your own sewing machine, great bring it. If you don’t, not a problem you can use ours! Isar has many sewing skills and is willing to go in any direction that the 4-H’ers would like—quilting, clothing, etc. Please register so we know how many to expect.

HORSE JUDGING AND SKILLATHON

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HORSE SHOW

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RABBIT WORKSHOP

Karla Kennison will be putting on a Rabbit Clinic on February 9, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. at her house, 353 Palace Circle, Spring Creek. Her phone is 775-753-6594. She will be discussing hutch designs and general rabbit information. Please bring your questions but leave your rabbits at home.

POULTRY WORKSHOP

Karla Kennison will be holding a Poultry Workshop on February 19, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. in the Cooperative Extension Office. She will be discussing caring for chicks and general poultry information. Bring your questions, but please leave your birds at home.

PHOTO CONTEST RULES AND INFORMATION

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LIVESTOCK JUDGING WORKSHOP

A few wonderful 4-H youth have decided to offer a few Livestock Judging classes to help prepare for the livestock judging competition fast approaching. These classes will be on February 4 and 25 at Great Basin College HSCI room 107 5:30-6:30p.m.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

The Kiwanis 4-H/FFA Invitational Livestock Judging will be held on Saturday, March 9, 2013 at the Elko County Fairgrounds. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. with introductions at 9:00 a.m. The judging will start promptly at 9:15 a.m. Registration is $5.00 (Please bring correct change) with lunch provided by the Elko Kiwanis. Each club is asked to bring three dozen cookies.

Junior, intermediate and senior 4-H members, as well as zone FFA members may participate. You will be asked to judge three placement classes and one oral reasons class on each of the four species (beef, sheep, goat and swine). Members need to wear official 4-H dress. Remember: once a member has started judging, contact with leaders and parents must stop until after the judging.

LIVESTOCK SKILLATHON CONTEST

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Senior Record Books

Attention all senior members, if you are planning to turn in a record book, it is due into my office by April 20. Remember senior record books are part of the application to attend National 4-H Congress.

Have question or don’t know what a senior record book entails? Make an appointment by calling me at 738-0643, then we can go over the components of a senior book and you can look at samples of winning record books from here and across the state. You could be the next delegate to National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Georgia!

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4-H Hall of Fame

On February 23rd two volunteers from Elko County were inducted into the Nevada 4-H Hall of Fame. This award was given to Sharon Bachman and Karla Kennsion. These two volunteers really know what it takes to be a 4-H volunteer; between them they have 55 years of volunteer experience! Please be sure to congratulate them next time you see them.

Also be sure to thank all our 4-H volunteers. They invest a lot of time and effort on our behalf, and we want them to know we truly appreciate their time.

Horse Judging Classes

It’s not too late; there are two horse judging classes left! The classes will be offered from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m., March 7 and 14 at GBC in the HTC Building room 117. 4-H members do not have to own a horse to participate; anyone who likes horses is encouraged to join these classes. Youth will prepare for the Elko County Horse Judging Contest and the State Horse Judging Contest.

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Shooting Sports

Shooting Sports Workshops

Yeah, it’s spring – that time of the year when we can get out and practice our shooting sports skills. Shooting sports’ practices are opportunities for youth to gain hands-on experience with their firearms. We want everyone to have a safe and positive experience in the Shooting Sports project. To achieve this, parents must accompany their child to every practice. Youth cannot be dropped off and left without parental supervision. All practices will be from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. unless otherwise stated.


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**Judge Livestock in Lovelock**

Pershing County is hosting an Invitational Livestock Judging Contest on Saturday, March 16, 9:00 a.m. in Lovelock. Eight placement classes and one reasons class for each species of beef, sheep, goats, and swine will be offered. To pre-register, call Marianne Papa, Pershing County 4-H Coordinator, (775) 273-2923 or email papam@unce.unr.edu. This contest is a great opportunity for Elko County 4-H members to practice for the Elko County Livestock Judging and State contests.

**Other Important Info**

**Award Sponsorship**

Are you or your club interested in sponsoring an award for a county event? We have many awards that need sponsors. The basic award starts at $30.00 and goes up to $120.00. Please e-mail or call Ranay and let her know what award you would be interested in.

**WANTED: MALE CAMP CHAPERONES**

Adult men are needed to chaperone the Elko County 4-H Camp, July 12-14 at the Lion’s Camp in Lamoille Canyon. If we had a few more male chaperones, we could open another boys’ cabin. Please encourage dads and other positive male role models to chaperone at camp. Chaperones, both male and female, must be fingerprinted and have their background clearance before camp. March 15 is the deadline for fingerprinting and paperwork to be turned in to be camp chaperones.

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UPCOMING MEETING

GENERAL LEADERS’ MEETING

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Camp and Leadership Events

2013 4-H Camp

Put on your field and track gear because the officers are bringing the Olympics to you this year! Let your imagination run wild and head for 4-H Camp 2013. Mark July 12, 13 and 14 on your calendar as I’m sure you don’t want to miss out on what your 4-H county officers are planning!

Each club is asked to:
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Horse Events

“CHANGE OF DATE”

Horse Judging and Skillathon

The annual Horse Judging and Skillathon have been postponed until April 20, 2013 with registration beginning at 7:30 a.m. and judging starting at 8:00 a.m. at the Suzie Creek Arabian Arena. The 4-H Horse Skillathon will be April 20, 2013 at 4:00 p.m., in the Health Science Bldg., at GBC, room 108. So, sharpen your skills by attending the classes and trot on over to the Horse Judging and Skillathon!

Horse Judging Classes

Because of the change of date for the Horse Judging and Skillathon more classes will be offered from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m., March 28 and April 4 at GBC in the HTC Building room 117. Youth will prepare for the Elko County Horse Judging Contest.

Horse Show

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Horse Practices

Mark your calendars and come practice your horsemanship skills and prepare for the Elko County 4-H Horseshow.

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Sewing Workshop

Isar King will be holding a sewing workshop at Elko Sew-n-Vac on April 26, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. She will be going over project selection for this summer’s Fashion Revue as well as answering any sewing questions you may have.

Isar is a wonderful teacher and adds humor to sewing. No project is too small or too large for her to help with. Come find out what other 4-H’ers have already discovered; sewing is FUN.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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THANK YOU NEWMONT!

For the second year in a row Newmont Mining Corp. and many Newmont Employees have generously given the Elko County 4-H Program a large amount of money. This money is to be used for educating our 4-H members. Because of their donation the 4-H program will be able to offer our members opportunities that they have not had until now. All I ask of you, individually or as an entire club, is to thank Newmont and their employees. Be creative—take a club picture and have all the members thank Newmont and sign the back of the photo; practice scrapbooking and do a “club-made” card; take pictures of your projects and insert the photos in a card. The possibilities are endless. Your thank you notes, cards, etc. are due into the 4-H Office by June 3. The Officer Team and I will hand deliver them to Newmont. Make Newmont proud that they gave the 4-H program this money!

Camp and Leadership Events

2013 4-H Camp

Put on your field and track gear because the officers are bringing the Olympics to you this year during Reaching New Heights: the 4-H Olympics camping experience! Let your imagination run wild and head for 4-H Camp 2013. Mark July 12, 13 and 14 on your calendar as I’m sure you don’t want to miss out on what your 4-H county officers are planning!

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**4-H Demonstrations**

What’s a demonstration?
When you give a demonstration you show how something is done while you explain it in words. A demonstration shows the step-by-step process for making or creating something, shows the correct way of doing something, or teaches a new skill.

Why is giving a demonstration a good idea?
Giving a demonstration helps you learn more about your project and teaches others about the subject. You gain poise and self-confidence, improve your ability to express yourself clearly, and become more organized. Elko County 4-H requires that you give one demonstration for each project in which you’re enrolled.

How do you do a demonstration?

1. **Plan** – select a topic of interest. Find out all you can about the topic from project materials, books, Internet, parents, leaders, etc. Your demonstration should have an introduction, body, and conclusion. The **introduction** should introduce you and your subject, title that grabs the audience’s attention, and why the topic is important. The **body** of the demonstration shows the step-by-step process of making or doing something. The **conclusion** displays the finished product and highlights the
2. main points. Ask the audience if they have any questions. When all the questions have been answered, end the demonstration by saying, “This concludes my demonstration.”

3. Prepare – write down the things you’ll say on note cards, make posters, and gather all the props together.

4. Practice – Give the demonstration in private, then in front of the mirror, and then to parents & family.

5. Present – Be organized; arrange your equipment and supplies. Use good posture and dress neat and clean. Speak clearly, loudly enough for everyone to hear you, and talk directly to the audience, not to the table or the floor. Smile!

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Camp Events

Club Workshops

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Newmont Legacy Fund Aps Deadline

June 14, 2013 is the due date to turn in applications for the Newmont Legacy Fund. You and your club may turn in more than one application, but be sure to be specific and thorough on the application so there are no questions on how the money will be used. If you need assistance on what to apply for, please call 738-7291.

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June 1st  Shooting Sports practice for Archery, Airpistol, and Rifle, 9-noon, Elko County Rifle Range. Bring water and dress in warm layers.

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Shooting Sports Field Day

The 4-H Shooting Sports Field Day has been re-scheduled for July 27th at the Elko County Rifle Range. Please note the contest will start promptly at 7:00 a.m. If you are late you will miss your first round and get a no score. The early start is to let everyone have as good a chance as possible to get finished shooting before the afternoon winds get too bad. All testing and workshop requirements must be completed before you are eligible to compete. Remember the entry due date is July 16.

Horse Events

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Horse Practices

The Horse Committee has set up two horse practices that will be held at the Elko County Fairgrounds. These practices are open to all 4-H’ers with a horse project. There will be experts to help youth in the different classes and you can sharpen your horsemanship skills in preparation of the Elko County 4-H Horse Show.

June 11, 2013    10:00 am-12:00 pm- Jumping
June 18, 2013    10:00 am-12:00 pm- Trail
June 25, 2013    10:00 am-12:00 pm- Western riding/reining
A parent or guardian must attend these practices with the 4-H’er. **All 4-H participants** are required to wear a properly fitted AS-SEI rated helmet with harness while handling or riding a horse.

**Fashion Revue and Skit Night**

The 4-H Fashion Revue and Skit Night will be held August 1, 5:00 p.m. at the Great Basin College Theater. The Fashion Revue judging will be at the Calvary Baptist Church, July 30th. Outfits will need to be turned in by 11:30 a.m. At 2:30 p.m. modeling for judging will begin. **Entry forms are due to the 4-H Office by July 16th.**

**Speech and Demonstration Contest**

The Speech and Demonstration Contest will be held in conjunction with the modeling judging portion of the Elko County 4-H Fashion Revue on July 30, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. at the Extension Office conference room. Winners of this contest will perform their demonstration/speech at the evening performance of the Fashion Revue on August 1. Cash awards will be given to 1st and 2nd places, so polish up that demonstration you gave at your club meeting and enter the Speech & Demonstration Contest this year! **Entries for this contest are due by July 16th.**

**Talent/Skit Contests**

The Talent/Skit Contest will take place during the evening performance of the Fashion Revue on August 1 at the Great Basin College Theater. 4-H’ers, get together with your fellow 4-H club members to organize a great talent or skit, or showcase your own talent and enter as an individual. Some of the talent entries we have had in the past have included: musical instrument solos or duets, dance routines, vocal numbers, or dramatic readings. **It’s FUN!** **Entries are due on July 16th.**

**NOTICE ANIMAL PROJECT MEMBERS and/or BREEDING PROJECT MEMBERS**

(Horse, Sheep, Beef, Goat, Rabbit & Poultry)

Your 4-H animal projects, including horse, beef breeding, sheep breeding, goat breeding, and rabbit or poultry breeding projects should be selected and under your care as of **June 1st**. Read the **Elko County 4-H General Rules and Guidelines** that govern the market animal show and sale. **Be sure to read the requirements for your project.** Adhere to these rules so there are no surprises or heartaches at Fair time. Copies of these rules are available at the Extension Office. If you have any questions or need clarification on any of the rules call 738-7291.

**Website**

Great news! Elko County is now part of the UNCE website, which means you can find forms and other Elko County specific information online! Check it out: [http://www.unce.unr.edu/4H/counties/elko/](http://www.unce.unr.edu/4H/counties/elko/)

Don’t forget the online calendar is updated any time an event or meeting is changed or added. Also make sure you check out our Facebook page as it always is updated with new events. I will keep you informed when new things are added to our website!

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Thank You for a Great Fair!

I would like to extend my gratitude to the 4-H Sale Committee, the Officer Team, barn superintendants, clerks, ring stewards, and all the great exhibitors, parents, and grandparents who pitched in to help at the 4-H Livestock Show and Sale. Without each and every one of you the Fair would not have been a success. Thank you one and all. I deeply appreciate your support.

4-H Livestock Sale and Grievance Committee

Members of the 2013 4-H Livestock Sale and Grievance Committee are Walter Winchell, Tom Barnes, Karla Kennison, Darla Barkdull, Jon Griggs, Jay Wright, and Karen Winchell. Their time and commitment for serving on this committee is very much appreciated. Please take the time to thank them personally when you see them.

Livestock Leaders’ Meeting

The 2013 Livestock Leaders’ Meeting will be held on October 21st at a location to be announced, at 6:00p.m.

Process for changing classes:

- All interested leaders, youth, and parents will meet to discuss the 2013 Fair and Livestock Show and Auction. Written proposals, which were submitted to change classes, will be the ONLY changes to be discussed. *A vote will be taken after each proposal is discussed.
- To have your written proposal considered, you must e-mail Ranay Guifarro – guifarror@unce.unr.edu your class changes by October 14th.

At the October meeting, we’ll try to keep to a schedule. Individuals/groups with written proposals for class changes will have no more than 10 minutes to make an oral presentation. No more than 20 minutes will be allotted for questions and discussion.

Other suggestions and concerns for the 2013 Fair and Livestock Show and Auction will be discussed for 5 minutes per issue. Please e-mail Ranay any issue or comments you would like discussed at the meeting by October 14th. All items will be put on the agenda.

“Eligible voters include general leaders, parents of 4-H members, and livestock related committee adult members.” “All Decisions made at the yearly meeting are final.” 2013 Elko County 4-H Rules & Guidelines.

For the complete rule please look in the 2013 Elko County 4-H Rules & Guidelines.

CARCASS RESULTS & AWARDS
Monday, September 30, 6:00 p.m.
Stockmen’s Casino Upstairs
Celebrate National 4-H Week

October 6-12 is National 4-H Week. Let’s spread the word about 4-H! Plan a promotional activity to inform people in our community about the 4-H program. Now is the time to recruit new members and volunteers by informing them about the fun and educational opportunities available in 4-H. 4-H members can contact businesses and/or schools to see if they can setup a 4-H project display in the store or school display window. Members should coordinate plans with their general leader or contact me for other creative ways to promote 4-H.

Paychecks for Market Animals

FIRST—ALL 4-H members who sold a market animal at the 2013 4-H Auction must complete a 4-H Market Project Sheet and turn it in to the Extension Office before they will be sent a check. Checks for market animals will be sent after October 15 AND after you have submitted your completed project sheet. The check will come from Karen Winchell, secretary/treasurer for the 4-H Livestock Sale and Grievance Committee.

4-H Record Book Judging

Junior and Intermediate record books are due to the Extension Office on Thursday, October 24, by 4:30 p.m. General leaders, please submit a preliminary entry of your club’s record books. This list is not binding but please contact your members and try to make the list as accurate as possible.

4-H members give your record books to your general leader before October 24!

Sample Record Books

Sample record books are available at the Extension Office for members to view and to use as examples of how to put their record books together. Copies of pages can be made to use for reference. Utilize these resources if you are in doubt about how to fill out your project sheets or put your book together properly.

Pictures Please!

Once again we are pleading for pictures for the Achievement Night Slide Show. I am asking all clubs to submit at least 6-8 pictures (more if you would like) of their club’s activities to be included in the presentation. Please submit pictures highlighting your year’s activities, not pictures of winning awards at events. Please have pictures with captions to Candie by Jan. 3, 2014. Any format will be acceptable: cd, flashdrive, actual pictures, email (kevanc@unce.unr.edu), etc. You will get the originals back.

There is nothing more upsetting to your club members than not seeing themselves in the Year in Review slide show. If you don’t have any pictures yourself, check with other parents in your club. Thanks.

Radon Poster Contest

Pull out your art supplies, ipad or drawing program on your computer and create a poster for the Radon Poster Contest. Youth ages 9 – 14 can enter the contest. The top five winners will receive a cash prize: $75 for the overall state winner, $60 for second place, $45 for third place, $25 for fourth and fifth places. As in the past, the three top posters will be sent to the national poster contest. National contest winners earn $1,000, $600, and $400. Posters are due by October 31st. Call the Extension Office at 738-7291 for a copy of the contest guidelines.

Thank you!

ATTENTION:

4-H members who participated at the Fair

I cannot stress enough the importance of thanking those who made the Fair a success. For those of you who sold an animal at the Fair you can get the name and address of your buyer by calling Karen Winchell at 752-3896. Our buyers at the Elko County 4-H Auction pay incredibly generous prices for YOUR market animals. Each 4-H seller should be very grateful for the buyers’ continued generosity. If
you were selling your market animals anywhere else, you would not be getting anywhere close to these prices. If 4-H members want to continue to have a successful auction, PLEASE make sure to thank your buyer. A thank you card is the very minimum that you MUST do. Please make sure you get those thank you cards sent!

The following is a list of businesses and individuals who also contributed to the 4-H Livestock Auction and Show. Thank you’s should be sent to these people for their contribution to the 4-H program as well.

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Desiree Dworzcki  
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Poultry Judge  
Heather Kennison  
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Spring Creek, NV 89815

Rabbit Showmanship Judge  
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Newmont Legacy Aps Due

Do you have some brilliant ideas on how to make the “Best Better” for the entire Elko County 4-H Program? If so, email Ranay (guifarror@unce.unr.edu) and ask for an application to submit for Newmont Legacy Funds. The applications are due Oct. 1.

Spaghetti Feed

This year we have 4-H’ers heading to several national events. Back by popular demand is the spaghetti feed! It will be held on October 16, 2013 at the Masonic Lodge, 5:30 p.m. Please plan to attend and support all the 4-H’ers headed to National Events this year!

Website

Check out the Elko County website at:  
http://www.unce.unr.edu/4H/counties/elko/  
Calendar of events at:  
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**ELKO COUNTY 4-H SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**SEPT. 14—STATE SHOOTING SPORTS, Las Vegas**

**SEPT. 30—CARCASS CONTEST, Stockmen’s Casino Upsstairs, 6:00 p.m.**

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ELKO COUNTY 4-H SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Oct. 1—NEWMONT LEGACY FOUNDATION, Applications Due

OCT. 6—12—NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

OCT. 16—SPAGHETTI FEED, Masonic Lodge, 5:30 p.m.

OCT. 21—LIVESTOCK LEADERS’ MEETING, TBA at 6:00 p.m.

OCT. 24—JUNIOR & INTERMEDIATE RECORD BOOKS DUE

OCT 25—Holiday/Office Closed

OCT 31—RADON POSTERS DUE
Achievement Night

Mark your calendars for January 23, 2014! Elko County 4-H Achievement Night will be held at Great Basin College Theater at 6:00 p.m. The County Officer Team has a great evening planned. We will be celebrating the 2013 4-H year with a few new things!

*A special presentation thanking some of our really amazing volunteers.

We will also have our 4-H year in review slide show; National 4-H Conference highlights; installation of the new Elko County Officer Team; 4-H Scholarship will be awarded; presentation of the Outstanding 4-H Member for 2013; and awards for the top club secretary, treasurer, and historian books. Awards for top record books and project pins will be given and everyone that turned in a record book for judging will be recognized for their efforts. Don’t miss out on the fun!!

County Officer Team Applications

If you are an energetic, dependable, enthusiastic 4-H member who is a team player wishing to further develop your leadership skills, then you need to apply to become a member of the 2014 Elko County 4-H Officer Team. The team’s primary task is to plan, develop, and implement the annual 4-H Camp. Officers also assist at county 4-H events throughout the year. Applications are available at the Extension Office or by e-mailing your request for the application to gui@unce.unr.edu.

Applicants will be interviewed by a selection committee consisting of a leader representative and 4-H member representative from Elko County 4-H clubs or past 4-H volunteers and members. Offices will be filled according to the selection of this committee. A minimum of six team members is recommended, but the selection committee will have the final determination. The due date for applications is December 13, 2013.

Outstanding 4-H Member

Are you and outstanding 4-H youth? Well there is an award you can apply for! The Elko County 4-H Outstanding Member is an award given to a 4-H’er that has shown a high level of commitment to 4-H. This award is open to any senior 4-H’er who is currently enrolled. The application is due December 13, 2013. Please e-mail Ranay for the application.
$1000 4-H SCHOLARSHIP

If you are a senior in high school this year and a current 4-H member, then you are eligible to apply for this year’s 4-H Scholarship. Applications are available at the Extension Office or by e-mailing your request for the application to guifarror@unce.unr.edu. Applications are due to the Extension Office by December 20, 2013.

The scholarship committee will base their decision on the 4-H member’s leadership, community service, citizenship, and participation on a club, county, state, and national level. For younger members, this is something to set as a goal for your future.

Breeding Project Report Deadline

If you are planning to sell an animal at the 2014 Elko County Fair you need to ensure that you have two years of breeding reports turned into the Extension Office by June 1, 2014. If these reports are not turned in by this day you will not be able to sell at Fair.

PAYCHECKS FOR MARKET ANIMALS

There are still some 4-H members who sold a market animal who have not completed a 4-H market project sheet and turned it in to the Extension Office. You will not receive your check until the project sheet has been turned in. If the completed market project sheet is not received by December 30, 2013, the 4-H member will not be allowed to sell an animal at the next year’s sale. These sheets are not removed from your record book, so if you haven’t turned in a separate copy, please do so ASAP.

MANDATORY SHOOTING SPORTS SAFETY CLASSES

The 2014 4-H Shooting Sports safety classes are scheduled for January 30, February 15, February 27 and March 8. It is MANDATORY FOR ALL SHOOTING SPORTS PROJECT MEMBERS to attend a safety class and take the test for each discipline they wish to compete in during the current 4-H year. The safety class will cover general safety, rules and regulations, shooting procedures, and positioning and form. A parent must accompany 4-H members to the classes. You MUST stay through the entire class to be able to qualify for every discipline. ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST pre-register by calling 738-7291. The cost for NEW members in the 4-H shooting sports program will be $30.00 which covers all educational materials, project notebook, and workshop supplies for the year. Cost for members who have participated in the shooting sports program before and have their project notebook is $20.00. PLEASE BRING YOUR PROJECT NOTEBOOK FROM LAST YEAR WITH YOU TO THE CLASSES. All Shooting Sports project members must attend these safety classes even if they took the safety classes last year. SENIOR AGE 4-H MEMBERS, if you have taken the safety classes a minimum of 3 times, you will be asked to help the instructor with the training. Listed below is the class schedule.

**SHOOTING SPORTS SAFETY CLASSES SCHEDULE**

- **January 30** -- Courthouse (Nannini building)- County Commissioners’ Meeting room
  All Disciplines- Start time 6:00 p.m.
- **February 15** -- Courthouse (Nannini building)- County Commissioners’ Meeting room
  All Disciplines- Start time 9:00 a.m.
- **February 27** -- Courthouse (Nannini building)- County Commissioners’ Meeting room
  All Disciplines- Start time 6:00 p.m.
- **March 8** -- Courthouse (Nannini building)- County Commissioners’ Meeting room
  All Disciplines- Start time 9:00 a.m.

You must call 738-7291 to preregister for the day you’d like to attend.

Nevada 4-H Leaders’ Forum

Show your 4-H strength at this year's 2014 4-H Leaders’ Forum and with this year’s theme, 4-H Strong: Go for the Green. The state 4-H Office is currently accepting workshop proposals until December 16th, this is a great way to showcase something you are passionate about. The 2014 Nevada 4-H Leadership Forum will be February 28-March 1 in Winnemucca. The forum features: a share fair where anyone can set up a display to highlight a 4-H program, event, or club, opportunities to meet adult and teen leaders from across the state, banquet and awards ceremony, and workshops to choose from created for adult and teen 4-H leaders. Applications will be out soon, so make sure you save the date, so you can be sure to attend!

Western Region Leaders’ Forum

Looking for a way to learn more about 4-H and meet 4-H’ers from around the Western states? Join Montana 4-H as they welcome the Western Region Leaders’ Forum to Billings in March 2014. Agents, staff and volunteers are hard at work planning a conference that will help you to “Discover the Past. Present. Possibilities of 4-H”. Participants will enjoy a first-class conference facility and
hotel accommodations, national speakers, local entertainment and over 60 informational workshops. WRLF is an exciting time to network with peers from across the region sharing ideas and building relationships to carry 4-H into the future. For more information and registration check it out at: http://www.wrlf2014.com/

3rd Annual Favorite Foods Contest

Sign up to show off your cooking skills at the 3rd Annual Favorite Foods Contest. This is all about you and food! You cook a favorite food; this could be anything from peanut butter cookies to lasagna. Bring this food to the event on February 8, 2014 with a place setting ready to show off your creation to our judges who will taste your food! Entry forms are at the Extension Office and are due by January 29, 2014. If you have any questions or would like more information please call Ranay at 738-7291.

Like Us

Elko County 4-H is now on Facebook! Just search for Elko County, NV 4-H and like us! We will be posting reminders and all sorts of fun stuff. No Facebook? No worries! You can still see us without having a Facebook account.

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Dec. 13—4-H County Officer Applications Due and Outstanding 4-H’er

Dec. 20—4-H Scholarship Due

Dec. 25—Holiday/Office Closed

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