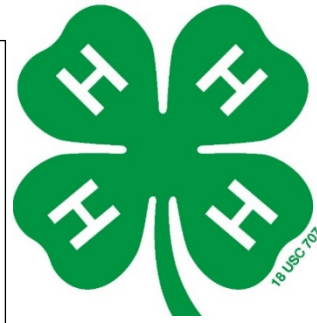


Coming next month:

- Update on committee meetings
- Photography Contest
- Favorite Food Contest
- General Leader Updates
- 2017 Kiwanis Livestock Judging/Skillathon
- Upcoming Horse Judging/Skillathon
- Much, much more!



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2017 Elko County Office Team Announced

We have an exciting year ahead for our new Officer Team! Judge Choch Goicoechea swore in the new team at the 2016 Achievement Night, January 19.

President – Kiara Tingey
Vice President – Curtis Prescott
Secretary – Elena Petersen
Treasurer – Julianne Wright
Reporter – Riley Hooper
Representative – Gabby Donelli
Representative – Amanda Rath
Representative – Sami Arps
Sentinel – Byron Hansen
Sentinel – Joey MacDiarmid

Congratulations! We are looking forward to all the fun activities that our Officer Team will plan!



Countywide Leadership Training

If you signed up for the Countywide Leadership Training it will be held on Saturday, February 11, 9 a.m. to noon, Great Basin College, Hi-Tech Center room 123.

You will have the opportunity to watch a “mock” meeting; learn parliamentary procedure; discover how to become an effective leader and many more life skills. The best part, you will have fun while learning!



Child Abuse & Neglect Prevention

Parents and other adults who are interested in becoming project leaders or camp chaperones are invited to participate in a face-to-face workshop on recognizing and reporting child abuse on Thursday, February 16th, 6 – 9 p.m. at the Extension office. Completing the self-study guide or this workshop is a requirement for anyone participating in the background check (fingerprinting, application & paperwork, references, training, etc.).

There is no charge to attend, but you must call 738-7291 to register. Please sign up by February 13th.

Livestock Judging

Don't forget to attend the livestock judging classes held every Thursday from 6-8 pm, Feb. 2, 9, 16, 23 and Mar. 2. Classes are located at GBC in the McMullen Building, room 222. This is a great opportunity to learn how to judge livestock and prepare for the 2017 Kiwanis 4-H Livestock Judging & Skillathon.



Livestock Judging Contest

The 2017 Kiwanis 4-H/FFA Invitational Livestock Judging will be held on Saturday, March 4, at the Elko County Fairgrounds. Registration begins 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). Lunch is 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. Youth 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

The Livestock Skillathon Contest will be held, following the Livestock Judging Contest, at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, March 4, at the Elko County Fairgrounds. These contests are open to all 4-H members, not just those taking livestock projects. It is an educational day that is filled with friends and fun.



Cooperative Extension Office

For those of you who aren't familiar with the Cooperative Extension Office, allow us to introduce ourselves:

Jill Tingey, Extension Educator
 Brianna Bright, 4-H Coordinator
 Candie Kevan, Admin. Assistant

We are open from 8 am-Noon and 12:30 pm-4:30 pm. The office is located at 701 Walnut St., Elko (corner of Walnut and 7th in Griswold Hall) and our phone number is 775-738-7291.

Stop by and say hello!

Shooting Sports Practices and Testing

Now that the Shooting Sports Safety classes are finished, it's time to start testing and practicing at the Elko County Rifle Range.

The first practices (February-May) will only have two disciplines. Starting in June we will try to have all disciplines. **The final day for testing will be Saturday, May 6th.** No testing will be done after this date so make sure you have tested and passed each discipline you wish to compete in.

DATE/TIME	DISCIPLINES
Feb. 4, 9 am-Noon	Rifle & Pistol
Mar. 11, 9 am-Noon	Shotgun & Muzzleloader
Apr. 8, 9 am-Noon	Archery & Rifle
Apr. 22, 9 am-Noon	Air Pistol & Shotgun
May 6, 9 am-Noon	Muzzleloader & Rifle
May 13, 1-4 pm	BBQ for Bullets
Jun. 3, 9 am-Noon	All Discipline
Jun. 9, 6 pm-Dark	All Disciplines
Jun. 13, 6 pm-Dark	All Disciplines
Jun. 24, 9 am-Noon	All Disciplines
Jul. 8, 9 am-Noon	All Disciplines
Jul. 11, 6 pm-Dark	All Disciplines
Jul. 22, 9 am-Noon	All Disciplines
Jul. 25, 9 am-Noon	All Disciplines
Jul 29-30, 7 am-Noon	Elko Shooting Sports Field Day
Sept. 16	State Match, Elko

Shooting Sports Leader Certification

Several have asked about having another State Shooting Sports Leader Certification class. If enough leaders come forward and sign up, we will put a certification class together in March. We aren't sure which weekend but it won't be the weekend of March 11.

Please contact the Cooperative Extension Office, 738-7291 if you are interested in taking part in the certification weekend.

Upcoming Committee Meetings

There are still spots available for leaders, parents, adults, etc. to sign up to be on a committee. The committees will begin meeting in February to start planning educational events. If you haven't signed up call the Cooperative Extension Office, 738-7291 and we will get you signed up!

All meetings will begin at 5:30 p.m. and will be at the Cooperative Extension Office, 701 Walnut, Elko.

Countywide Leadership	1/31
All Fair Barn, Show, Sale, Promo, And Events & Awards Committees	2/2
All Animals & Judging Committees	2/7
Horse and Horse Judging Committees	2/16
Fashion Revue, Speech & Demo, Skit/Talent, Photography and Food/Nutrition	2/21
Camp, Dog, Gardening, Entomology, STEM, Record Book Judging Committees	2/28

Rabbit and Poultry Workshops

The Rabbit and Poultry Workshops are being revamped. The next workshops will be at 5:30 p.m., February 23, with the locations to be announced later.

Karla has graciously devoted her time to doing the workshops and now others will be joining Karla to lend a hand.

If there are any rabbit or poultry subjects that you would like to have included in the workshops, please let us know and we will pass it along to the committee.



County Fashion Revue Workshop

You won't want to miss out on the next Fashion Revue Workshop at 5-6:30 pm, February 24, GBC McMullen Hall room 219, 220, 221 and 222.

The Fashion Revue Committee has a very educational workshop planned. You will:

- Rotate through fun workshop that will give you creative project ideas.
- Find out about current fashion trends.
- Learn about the categories you can enter in the August contest.
- Ask questions about the county competition.
- Meet new friends from other clubs.
- Gain experiences and knowledge that will help you with your projects.

BONUS... You can get together with members from your club and plan a 15-20 minute workshop. This is a great leadership opportunity and it's also a county level demonstration. Please let the Cooperative Extension Office, 738-7291 or Salli McDermott, 340-7984 know by February 10 if your club has a workshop prepared.