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LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

The Kiwanis 4-H/FFA Invitational Livestock Judging Contest will be held on Saturday, March 5, 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 approximately 1:00 p.m., Saturday, March 5, at the Elko County Fairgrounds. The contest is open to all 4-H members, not just those taking livestock projects. It is a fun and educational day.

SHOOTING SPORTS TESTING AND PRACTICE SCHEDULE

Please note that it WILL be cold so you MUST dress appropriately and ALWAYS bring water. Saturday practices are from 9 a.m. to noon and Tuesday practices are 6 p.m. until dark, and all are at the Elko County Rifle Range.

Mar. 12 and 19 (Saturdays)
Apr. 9 and 16 (Saturdays)
May 7 and 14 (Saturdays) May 7 LAST DAY TO TEST
May 17 and 24 (Tuesdays)
Jun. 4 (Saturday)
Jun. 14 and 21 (Tuesdays)
Jul. 9 (Saturday)
Jul. 12 and 19 (Tuesdays)

Other practices may be added so watch upcoming newsletters and the online calendar!

4-H FOODS WORKSHOP

Are you a foodie? Do you watch Cupcake Wars, Top Chef, Kids Baking Championship, or Cutthroat Kitchen? Do you recognize celebrity chefs Bobby Flay, Thomas Keller, Wolfgang Puck, Emeril, Duff Goldman? What’s the difference between julienned and chopped vegetables, or braising and...
roasting meat? Do you love a good home cooked meal, have a strong interest in cooking, know the story behind dishes? If you do, or want to learn, you are a young foodie in the making.

Please join us this spring for the official start to the 4-H foods contest workshops. Workshops will introduce youth to cooking fundamentals such as food safety, nutrition, table settings, how to follow a recipe, food preparation, and basics cooking techniques. More advanced workshops will encompass side dishes, main dishes, baking/desserts, ingredient quality, meal budgeting, and shopping. We hope to have enough participation to host a food contest where 4-H members can display their new-found skills and to participate in fundraising or charity work.

Our first workshops are at 2:00 p.m. on March 12th and April 16th at 860 Willington Drive, Spring Creek. Participants will receive a binder of goodies and information, and will be asked to raid their cupboards for ingredients. Kathryn Moriarty will be starting out as the new food contest countywide leader, and be hosting/leading the workshops. For more information and to signup, please email kacmvet@gmail.com or call the Extension Office at 738-7291 by March 9th.

**LIVESTOCK JUDGING OPPORTUNITY**

Pershing County is hosting an Invitational Livestock Judging Contest, 9:00 a.m., Saturday, March 12th, in Lovelock. Eight placement classes for beef, sheep, goats, and swine will be offered. Pre-registration is not required but is encouraged. Please contact Bailie Malay, Pershing County 4-H coordinator, (775) 273-2923 or email Malayb@unce.unr.edu for more information or to pre-register.

**DOG CLASSES PLANNING MEETING**

There will be a dog class planning meeting at 6:30 p.m., March 9th at the Extension Office. Please no dogs! After this first meeting we will start holding classes at the Fairgrounds in the Auction Barn. The classes will be on Wednesdays for 8 weeks. We will have a better idea of the start date of the classes after the first meeting. When the weather warms up, we will look at setting up classes outside either at Southside Park, or the Fairgrounds. For more information please contact Veronica Lamb at 934-8764 or email mommylamb3@citlink.net.

**RABBIT WORKSHOP**

The Easter bunny is on his way and you should be too...that is on your way to join the rabbit workshop at 4 p.m., March 17th at the Cooperative Extension Office. Please leave your rabbits at home and just bring your questions since we will be inside. For more information contact Karla Kennison, 753-6594 or k_kennison@hotmail.com.

**POULTRY WORKSHOP**

Wear green and join other 4-H members who are interested in poultry and learn new ways of caring for your fowl. The next countywide poultry workshop is at 5 p.m., March 17th at the Cooperative Extension Office. We will be inside, so please leave your birds home. For more information
contact Karla Kennison, 753-6594 or k_kennison@hotmail.com.

UPCOMING 4-H EVENT DATES TO REMEMBER

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HORSE JUDGING CLASSES

Whether you’re an experienced rider or someone who doesn’t own a horse, you can learn about all aspects of horsemanship and judging by participating in the 4-H Horse Judging classes.

The classes will be offered from 5– 6 p.m., March 2, 9, 16 & 23, and April 6, 13, & 20 at GBC in McMullen Hall, Room 220 (this is the building where the GBC Library is located). 4-H members do not have to own a horse to participate; anyone who likes horses is encouraged to attend these classes. Youth will prepare for the Elko County Horse Judging Contest and the State Horse Judging Contest. For more information, or to sign-up, please contact the Extension Office at 738-7291.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR GHANA

Do you have any extra paper or pencils you’d like to off-load? Annika Tingey, who traveled to Ghana with the American Youth Leadership Program (AYLP) and Wyoming 4-H last summer, is collecting school supplies for students in Ghana, West Africa. As part of returning from Ghana, AYLP/4-H participants conduct a follow-up project. Annika learned that education in Ghana is not free and purchasing school supplies increases the cost of education for students in grades K-12 and college. After learning about the great need students have for paper and pencils, Annika decided to hold a school supply drive as her follow-up project. The supplies will be sent with the 2016 AYLP delegates to Ghana this summer. When the delegates visit 4-H clubs in Ghanaian villages, they will distribute the supplies to the students. Supplies or cash donations (to help offset the cost of shipping) are accepted at the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension Office, 701 Walnut Street. For further information, call 738-7291.

SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

Many scholarship opportunities are available to 4-H members. Nevada Agriculture Foundation has several scholarships available to high school seniors and college students. Depending upon the award, youth with 4-H experience are given preference. The deadline to apply is March 15th. Visit www.nevadaagriculturalfoundation.org for information and download the application.

WANTED: MALE CAMP CHAPERONES

Adult men are needed to chaperone the Elko County 4-H Camp, July 8-10 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. Background checks take time, so please have fingerprinting and paperwork turned in by mid-March to the Extension Office. Packets can be picked up at the Extension Office. Call Steve at 738-0643 to make an appointment.

**BREEDING RECORD SHEET DEADLINE**

If you are planning to sell an animal at the 2016 Elko County Fair you need to ensure that you have two years of breeding project records turned into the Extension Office by June 1, 2016. **If these reports are not turned in by this day, you will not be able to sell at Fair.**

**UNSPONSORED TRIP FUND**

Are you interested in attending a state or national event but are concerned about the cost? The Unsponsored Trip Fund may be able help. This fund is open to all Elko County 4-H’ers, and can assist those attending state or national 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. For more information please contact the Extension Office at 738-7291.

**4-H TIES AVAILABLE**

Need a 4-H tie? County and state 4-H contests require 4-H members to wear official 4-H dress – long-sleeved white shirt, green tie, blue or dark jeans, and appropriate footwear. Ruby Valley 4-H Club has green 4-H ties available. Contact Lisi Neff, Ruby Valley 4-H Club leader, (775) 779-9945 or seveneffs@gmail.com to order a tie.

**CURRICULUM CORNER**

4-H Does That?

Welcome to our 4-H member learning resources corner of the newsletter. This month’s topic is STEAM Clothing. In level 1, FUNdamentals, youth gather the tools they'll need to begin sewing, understand textiles through fun science experiments, learn beginning math and engineering techniques in clothing construction, and take their skills a step further, investigating businesses, service learning projects, and modeling. In level 2, Simply Sewing, youth prepare for more advanced sewing techniques and projects, conduct more advanced textile science experiments, focus on advanced engineering techniques, add finishing touches and style to garments, and market and calculate prices of products. In level 3, A Stitch Further, youth learn the advanced, couture techniques used by designers to create unique garments. Youth will take the science of textiles a step further, and learn to sew garments with challenging patterns and fabrics, and how to sell your professional-looking garments and accessories. Activities in the Maker’s Guide include step-by-step instructions to draw patterns, cut fabric, and sew simple items. Helpful illustrations show youth how to make items. The Maker’s Guide accompanies Levels 1 and 2. In Beyond the Needle, youth will learn all about the 'A' in STEAM Clothing -- the Art! This youth manual includes activities for three skill levels: beginner, intermediate, and advanced. Youth learn the design basics and create a portfolio to exhibit samples made to practice specific techniques. Then, youth
create their own fabulous embellishments and treatments on garments.

If an adult or teen wanted to lead a one-time workshop or a series of workshops or start a countywide project, the Extension Office would love to help them get this started. The manuals and materials can be checked out at the Extension Office, or be purchased from the 4-H Mall; visit http://www.4-hmall.org/Product/4-hcurriculum-sewing/steam-clothing-set-of-5/4H2260.aspx for prices and more information. If you have any questions you can contact Steve at 738-7291 or terrys@unce.unr.edu.

**Website**

Check out the Elko County website at: http://www.unce.unr.edu/4H/counties/elko/ and the calendar of events at: http://www.unce.unr.edu/counties/elko/

**Events or Workshops**

If you are planning any type of event or workshop and would like to share the information with other clubs and members, please email the Extension Office the details so we can help get the word out. The 4-H News Roundup is a great place to get and share information. If you have any events, workshops, or ideas you would like to share please let the Extension Office know by the 20th day of the month before the next newsletter.

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MARCH 2, 9, 16 & 23, Horse Judging Classes, GBC McMullen Hall Room 220, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

MARCH 4—Livestock Judging Classes, 6-8 p.m., GBC McMullen Hall room 220

MARCH 5—Kiwanis 4-H/FFA Livestock Judging Contest, Elko County Fairgrounds, 8:30 a.m. and Livestock Skillathon, 1 p.m., Elko County Fairgrounds

MARCH 8—4-H County Officer Mtg., 4:00 p.m., Cooperative Extension

MARCH 9—Dog Class Planning Mtg., 6:30 p.m., Extension Office

MARCH 12—Foods Workshop, 2:00 p.m.,

MARCH 12—Pershing Cty Invitational Livestock Judging Contest, 9:00 a.m.

MARCH 12 & 19—4-H Shooting Sports Test/Practice, 9-12 Noon, Elko County Rifle Range, DRESS FOR THE WEATHER AND BRING WATER

MARCH 15th—Deadline for NV Ag Foundation Scholarship Deadline

MARCH 17—Rabbit/Poultry Workshops, 4-6 p.m., Cooperative Extension Office

MARCH 22—4-H County Officer Mtg., 4:00 p.m., Cooperative Extension

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**April 5**—Elko County 4-H Officer Team Meeting, 4:00 p.m., Extension Office

**April 6, 13 & 20**—Horse Judging Classes, 5:30-6:30 p.m. GBC, McMullen Hall, room 220

**April 9 & 16**—Shooting Sports Practice & Test, 9-Noon, Rifle Range, DRESS FOR THE WEATHER AND BRING WATER

**April 19**—Spring General Leaders’ Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Extension Office.

**April 21**—4-H Poultry and Rabbit Workshops, 4:00 and 5:00 p.m., Extension Office

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