



# FEBRUARY 2026 JB CO 4-H NEWSLETTER

## FEBRUARY CLUB MTGS

**Geyser** - February 15

**Stanford** - February 1 4:30 at the school

**Utica** - February 2 6:30 at the school.

Fair Book ads will be handed out.

*Lucky Clovers will be having a bake sale and Super Bowl Basket raffle at the BBall game in Geyser on February 6. Raffle tix are \$1 or 6 for \$5.*

## MT 4-H RECREATION LAB

March 27-29, 2026

Columbus, MT

4-H members must be 13+ by October 1, 2025 to attend. Registration will be in ZSuite. Please let us know if you have any questions on Rec Lab weekend.

## LIVESTOCK QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING

Members who are in need of the required Livestock Quality Assurance Training have been notified via letter. Please respond ASAP so we can get these trainings scheduled.

## SEWING PROJECT MEETINGS

February 6<sup>th</sup> and February 20<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am at Rose Schindler's. Bring your record book, project and a lunch!

## SHEEP PROJECTS

Lambs are on the ground and the season has begun! Its a great time to reach out to breeders to reserve animal or attend a sale. Reach out to Janna with any questions about finding or selecting a quality lamb for your 2026 project!

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## COUNTY DEMONSTRATION DAY

Registration is open on ZSuite for County Demonstration & Speech Day to be held on February 15. This event will be at the Stanford School from 1-3:30pm. Members of all ages should participate in demonstration day. Older members who are considering attending 4-H Congress must do a demonstration or speech. Registration closes on February 9<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions on this event please reach out to our office or your club leader.

## LEADERSHIP ACADEMY ONLINE WORKSHOPS

February 8 - Having a Growth Mindset

March 8 - Motivating and Inspiring Peers

April 12 - Decision Making

All workshops are held via zoom from 6-7pm. You will find the registration link on the 4-H Events page of our website.

## 2026 JB CO. 4-H AMBASSADORS

Congratulations to the 5 members who have been selected to serve as JB Co 4-H Ambassadors for 2026!

Lauren Deegan

Ali Erickson

Heidi Fiedler

Peyton French

Kate Hedstrom

The Ambassador role is vital to the 4-H programs in our county and we are grateful for their service!

## DOG PROJECT PRACTICE

February 21st at JBC Farms. Please contact Nikole 930-0476 with questions or conflicts. Bring dog, choker chain, show leash and treats.



## JB CO 2026 WINTER LIVESTOCK JUDGING

There was a great showing of 4-H members at the County Livestock Judging Contest in January. The weather was perfect for a great day of learning and practicing livestock judging skills. Thank you to Stevenson Angus for hosting this event! Congratulations to this years winners!



- Seniors: Taylor Kellom, Grand - Ava Grove, Reserve
- Intermediates: Olivia French, Grand - Teller Stevenson, Reserve
- Juniors: Colt Schmitt, Grand - Libby Gaugler, Reserve
- Beginners: Jack Schmitt, Grand - Madison French, Reserve



2026  
JUDITH BASIN CO FAIR  
JULY 27<sup>TH</sup> - 31<sup>ST</sup>



High School Senior Parents -  
We need a photo of your senior  
to include in the 2026 Fair  
Book. Please email to  
[judithbasin@montana.edu](mailto:judithbasin@montana.edu).

## FAIR NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Fair Book Ad renewals have been distributed to leaders. Ads and payment are due to the Ext. Office by February 27.
- Fair Book Cover Contest begins February 1. We will be celebrating America's 250<sup>th</sup> birthday with a Red White and Blue theme. Please incorporate the theme in your submission.
  - Entry Guidelines
    - Photos must be high resolution, either B&W or color and taken by the 4-H member
    - Portrait layout only. No panoramic, landscape etc.
    - Drawings must be done by the 4-H member
    - People may be in the submission but not the primary subject.
    - Must include "Judith Basin County Fair July 27-31, 2026 Stanford MT."
  - Entries must be received by the Ext. Office no later than March 27.

