January 2012



The 4-H Manitoba Banner

President's Message

I would like to start the year by wishing everyone a Happy New Year.

We are a year away from the 100th anniversary of 4-H in Canada. Excitement will start to build over the next 12 months and then we will have a year-long celebration of the 4-H program. I would encourage all of our members and families to join in the celebration as the fact that our program has survived this long is indeed an accomplishment of which to be proud.

As we look ahead, it is an excellent opportunity to look back and remember all the volunteers who have had an impact on our members over the years. We are looking for your 4-H stories; please check out our website and Facebook page for more information and for a link to contribute your story.

We are hearing reports of some new clubs and other clubs having higher numbers this year. While it is too soon to tell if our membership numbers are increasing after many years of declining numbers, some good is always welcome. We have a lot of reasons to be optimistic as we have started an effort to double our membership by 2021. Although this is a lofty goal the Board of 4-H Manitoba believes it is achievable if all of our membership will continue to support the program. In the coming months and years we will see initiatives aimed at this goal. There is

no one simple solution to this but rather many small things that each member, leader and family will be able to do in order to reach our goal.

To our Leaders, please remind your members of all the opportunities we offer them. These include the scholarships and travel opportunities.

I would like to close by saying a huge "Thankyou" to all of our volunteers; you are what make 4-H great.

Trevor Carlson President 4HMC

Manitoba 4-H Council Store

4-H Manitoba Store – New Padfolios and Pens now in stock

A new 4-H green padfolio (9.5" x 6.5") and green click pens are now in stock – order early to ensure your supply for the new 4-H year! Check the Council website for details of

other new items arriving soon. Order online at www.4h.mb.ca/store

4-H / John Deere Merchandise

The 4-H/John Deere merchandise continues to be available at select John Deere stores - see Council website for a list of locations with 4-H items.



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4-H Manitoba Council's MISSION

"Building leadership in youth and adults through unique practical experiences."

4-H Manitoba Council's VISION

"4-H: A vibrant program blending tradition and innovation for a quality experience."



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Manitoba 4-H Council BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2010-11

Executive Committee (voting)

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Manitoba 4-H Ambassadors

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Area Council Directors (voting)

M4HC Staff (non-voting)

Executive Director Clayton Robins
Administrator Dawn Krinke
(Office Hours: 9-1, Monday-Friday)

The names in bold are Directors on the Executive Board.

Manitoba 4-H Council - Area Council vacancies:

If you're interested in representing your Area Council at the provincial board meetings (spring March 3 and fall Nov 16-18) please contact the Manitoba Council office for information (204) 726-6136 or email 4hcouncl@mymts.net (note no "I" in councl)

Vacancies on M4HC Board:
Junior Directors: Pembina
Senior Directors: Pembina andNorth Parkland

4-H Provincial Communications Extravaganza

April 14, 2012 Victoria Inn Winnipeg

The event requires a team of volunteers interested in judging, timekeeping, room chairing, etc.
Please email j_labossiere@ yahoo.ca or call 204-981-1933



Head Leaders, Area Council Presidents, watch the mail for the Call for Resolutions package. Resolutions must be submitted to 4-H Manitoba Council by January 30, 2012. The forms can also be downloaded from the website. www.4h.mb.ca

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NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES

Watch the website and e.Zines for information on the 2012-13 opportunities to be advertised soon which will include:

- 4-H/Garfield Weston Foundation International Exchanges as well as the UK Exchange, additional opportunities will include exchanges (July/August 2012) to Taiwan and/or Korea.
- 4-H National Members Conference in Toronto
- 4-H National Citizenship Seminar in Ottawa



To help commemorate the 100th Anniversary of 4-H in Manitoba and Canada, the 4-H Manitoba Council is creating outdoor signs for all clubs currently registered in the province.

If you would like a commemorative sign for a club NO LONGER in existence, please email Carrie Elliott at carrie_elliott8@hotmail.com with

your contact information, together with the name of the club, years of operation and the R.M./Town where the sign would best be located.

The deadline for this information is December 31st, 2012.



Provincial **Upcoming Events**

January

6-8 MAAS Conference-Brandon

March

- **Advisory Board** Meeting - Brandon
- **Executive Board** Meeting - Brandon 22-20 USA National Conf.

April

May

Executive Board Meeting - Brandon

July

12-14 StockFest -Carman

November

16-19 Board Meetings & AGM - Brandon

> 2013 100 Years of 4-H in Canada



4-H Insurance

Insurance Fact Sheets are available on the 4-H Council website:

http://4h.mb.ca/nsurance.php.

Report any incidents, as soon as possible to a Head Leader who completes a form for the closest MAFRI 4-H Liaison (names listed on the sidebar of your 4-H Area Page). For further details on all insurance, visit the website

www.4h.mb.ca.



Stay healthy. Stay connected.

Klinic Community Health Centre 24 hour Crisis Line 786-8686 in Winnipeg 1-888-322-3019 toll free www.de-stress.ca Manitoba Farm & Rural Support Services (for all rural Manitobans) 1-866-367-3276 toll free (10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday to Friday) www.ruralsupport.ca

ROLAND 4-H MUSEUM

72 Third Street, Roland MB Just off Highway #23

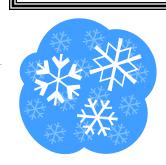
www.roland4hmuseum.ca

Call (204) 343-2061 For more information

4 -H Manitoba Alumni Reaistry

Re-connect with 4-H & share your successes by completing the Alumni Registry form online with Facebook:

www.facebook.com/ manitoba4h or download the Form from www.4h.mb.ca.



YORK-BENIMARU FOUNDATION (YBF) / 4-H MANITOBA HOME STAY PROGRAM

YBF Directors, Manitoba 4-H Council, and Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives are looking forward to continuing with the Home Stay Program. The program promotes cultural awareness and personal development in our young people as well as fosters a good understanding and strengthens business and agricultural ties between Manitoba and Japan. Over 262 Manitoba 4-H Families have broadened their cultural knowledge by forming friendships with Japanese Students over the years. Through this program, 170 Manitoba 4-H'ers have had travel experiences to Japan. Lifelong friendships have evolved through the program. Manitoba 4-H members have been invited to travel to Japan again in 2012. Eligible host families will be sent information directly.

This summer Manitoba 4-H families will have the opportunity to welcome 20 Japanese students and two teachers into their homes from August 1 - August 17, 2012, leaving Winnipeg on August 18th. Interested in hosting? Check out the details below!

4-H HOST FAMILIES NEEDED!

Japanese Youth Visit

2012 will mark the 25th year of this exchange program sponsored by The YBF in Japan. The 20 students (approximate ages 16-18) and 2 chaperones will be in host family homes from August 1 - August 17, 2012. All host families will participate in an orientation prior to the visit and families are invited to a welcome luncheon and a farewell barbecue with their Japanese participants.

What is hosting about?

By welcoming an out of country delegate into your home your family will learn more about the lifestyle and culture of another country. Being a host family need not be expensive or change your regular family routine. The purpose is to give delegates the opportunity to experience everyday life in another part of the world and to treat them as part of your family. Host families may want to plan some special activities for their visitors and take them to local places of interest. Seeing combining, horseback riding, campfires and star gazing are common highlights mentioned by the Japanese students. To be a host family this coming year, complete this application and return it as soon as possible. Details below:



Crowe Family and Shinor



All individuals over the age of 18 in the host family home are required to complete Manitoba 4-H Council's Youth Protection Program (YPP) screening.

For more information, please feel free to contact RLS- Sr. 4-H and Youth at 761-2702

2012 YBF HOMESTAY PROGRAM HOST FAMILY APPLICATION



Please submit the following on or before April 22, 2012 (the sooner the better to ensure YPP form completion)

- 1. General Information: Name, Address, Phone # (home/work)
- 2. We would prefer to host a: Male or Female
- 3. List all members in your family, making note of 4-H members, including name, age & gender
- 4. List hobbies & activities your family enjoys
- 5. Adult supervision available during this time (eg. vacation, older sibling, work from home, etc.)
- 6. Provide two references (one from your 4-H Club). Include name and phone # (home/work)

 Please return to:

Manitoba 4-H Council / YBF - 4-H Homestay Program 1129 Queens Avenue, Brandon, MB R7A 1L9 Email: 4hcouncl@mts.net (note no "i" in council) Fax: 204-726-6260

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4-H Manitoba Young Horse Development Project (YHDP) Application

Sponsored by 4-H Manitoba Council, North American Equine Ranching Information Council, and Manitoba Equine Ranchers Association

Please submit the following information on a separate page(s) and attach to this form with the required signatures.

- 1. Name
- 2. Address
- 3. Birth date and age as of January 1, 2012
- 4. Phone #. Fax# and Email address if available
- 5. Current School/Grade & Teacher
- 6. 4-H Club to which you belong
- 7. Number of years you've been a 4-H member
- 8. By this fall what equine unit will you have completed (if any)
- 9. Executive or committee positions held at a) club level(if any) b)beyond club level (if applicable)
- 10. List clinic, achievement, club, regional, provincial events which you have participated in, paying particular attention to any that involved training a young horse.
- 11. Describe your current project horse and give background information regarding how much work you have done with project horse.
- 12. Are you in a situation where you can work with your foal on a frequent and regular basis over the next two years? Explain why or why not.
- 13. Outline your experience (if any) with starting a weanling/ young horse.
- 14. Briefly describe the horse health program that you currently follow.
- 15. Describe your stabling area/facility where this project horse

would be kept.

16. Why do you wish to participate in the 4-H YHDP? Explain your reasons in detail.

17. List the name of two references- one 4-H Horse Leader and one other person who is aware of your equine experience. The references must not be of your immediate family. Please include name/address and phone number (These may be called for references).

I understand the 4-H Young Horse Development Project sponsored by MERA and its Rules and Regulations and if selected, I will adhere to these rules set out before me by the Advisory Committee of the 4-H Young Horse Development Project. I understand that by contravening any of these rules that I will be barred from participating in further presentations. As well, I understand that by applying and being accepted to participate in the program, I am giving permission for my name to be shared with the participating MERA ranchers.

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Please return application to: YHDP Advisory Committee Lynn Coffey/Chairperson Box 355 Ethelbert, MB ROL OTO

Deadline to apply- April 30, 2012

NOTE: Applications are being accepted for the 2012-14 program, however, it is pending sponsor approval **** Program Rules can be found at www.4h.mb.ca

THE MANITOBA 4-H AMBASSADOR'S PROUDLY
PRESENT

SURVIVOR

CITY SURVIVAL WEEKEND 2012

February 3-5, 2012 \$100.00



If you are a senior member (16+) thinking of trying to make your way in the city in the near future, you're going to have to learn to survive. Come see how it's done first hand with the Ambassadors and they'll teach you everything you need to know and more about being a student in the city. Learn about financial issues, housing, post-secondary education and more through interactive workshops, tours, and survival activities. Interested??? Complete the attached application and return (via mail or email) by January 19, 2012.

Manitoba 4-H Ambassador's City Survival

February 3-5, 2012

Senior Members (16 +) will have the opportunity to see what life in the city is all about!

Delegates will be transported by & staying with the Ambassadors while learning how to live successfully on their own. Activities include a city wide scavenger hunt, post-secondary tours, guest speakers, workshops & lots of fun!

Cost - \$100.00

Complete this application and return (via mail or email) by January 19, 2012. Hope to see you there!

Name:		Age:		
Phone:		Email:		
Address:				
/hich post	-secondary institution(s) are you interested	in? (circle)	a) University of Winnipeg	
			b) Red River Community College	

b) Red River Community Colleg c) Winnipeg Technical College

d) University of Manitoba e) Other

What are your future educational plans?

What do you want to learn from attending the City Survival Weekend?

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECIEVED BY JANUARY 19, 2012.

Mail completed application to: Kayla Kynoch 936 Chancellor Drive Apt 311 Wiinipeg MB, R3T 2K1

Or apply by email to: mb4hrecordskeeper@hotmail.com

NOTE: Delegates are responsible for transportation costs to & from the event. Assistance to cover some expenses may be sought from your club or other levels of 4-H councils.

2012 4-H Scholarships

Through 4-H MB Council, the following scholarships are available to 4-H members who are at least 16 years of age as of January 1, 2012

- No interviews required. Paper adjudication only.
- Members are not eligible to win the same scholarship twice.
- Applicants can receive only one of the scholarships listed on this application in the same year, with the
 exception of the Ralph & Anne (Billi) Butchart 4-H Bursary for Outstanding Contributions To The
 Community.
- Incomplete applications (i.e. name missing from pages, late postmarked, or missing criteria) will be disqualified.

Applications MUST be postmarked to the Brandon Office no later than Thursday, March 15, 2012.

What grading system is used by 4-H Manitoba Council to select the scholarship winners?

(This criteria applies to the 4-H Manitoba Council, Canadian Wheat Board, Western Producer, Bayer Crop Science Scholarships and John and Ona Schellenburg Bursary)

4-H involvement 20%, Essay (if applicable) 25%, Extra Curricular Participation 15%, School Grades 15%, Personal Information 10%, References 5%, Career Plans 5%, Employment 5%

⇒ CANADIAN WHEAT BOARD SCHOLARSHIP

One \$1,000 award to be used towards obtaining a degree in the faculties of Agricultural and Food Sciences or Human Ecology.

must have been a 4-H member for at least two years and have been registered in 4-H within the last two years (2010/2011 club year or later)

♦ WESTERN PRODUCER SCHOLARSHIP

One \$1,000 award to a student of a Diploma or Degree program related to agriculture, agribusiness or the rural economy of Manitoba at any officially recognized Canadian Post Secondary Institution

• must have been registered as a 4-H Manitoba member for at least 3 years and have been registered as a member within the last 3 years. (2009/2010 or later).

⇒ BAYER CROPSCIENCE 4-H SCHOLARSHIP

One \$500 award for 4-H members used toward either a degree or diploma in Agriculture, Agribusiness or Sciences.

must have been a 4-H member for at least two years and have been registered in 4-H within the last two years (2010/2011
or later).

⇒ 4-H MANITOBA COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIPS

Six \$1,000 awards towards post-secondary education. These scholarships are made possible from funds generated from the 4-H MB Endowment Fund Foundation.

- must have been a 4-H member for at least two years.
- must achieve in the year applying (2011/2012).
- must submit a 250-500 word essay on one of the following topics:
 - 1. Quality People: How will the character traits developed by the 4-H program help me in my future?
 - 2. Quality Experiences: What quality experiences in the 4-H program have kept me involved in 4-H projects?
 - 3. Quality Projects: What makes a quality 4-H program?

⇒ JOHN AND ONA SCHELLENBURG BURSARY

One \$500 award to a student with financial need pursuing a post secondary education in Agriculture or Veterinary Medicine at a Manitoba post secondary institution.

- must have been a 4-H member for at least 2 years.
- must submit a short paragraph about the economic challenge faced by the applicant.

⇒ RALPH & ANNE (BILLI) BUTCHART 4-H BURSARY FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY One \$500 award to a student pursuing a university education.

- must have been an active 4-H member for a minimum of 2 years and must be registered in the current 4-H year (2011/2012)
- must submit a 250 500 word essay describing your volunteer work and why giving back to the community is important.
- transcript/marks are not required (this scholarship only).

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Manitoba 4-H Scholarship Application Information

TO APPLY, PLEASE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING ON PLAIN WHITE PAPER.

On cover sheet include information from #'s 1, 2 & 3:

Please indicate which scholarship(s) you are applying for

1. Scholarship(s) Identification:

and submit only one application.	
Canadian Wheat Board	
Western Producer	
Bayer Crop Science	
4-H Manitoba Council	
John and Ona Schellenburg Bursary	
Ralph & Anne (Billi) Butchart 4-H Bursary	

2. General information including:

relephone Number	} ●	4-IT Alea C	JOUNCII	
E-Mail				
 Anticipated year of 	f Gradu	ation		
• Has your club paid	d its Anr	nual Memb	ership Fee t	o 4-H
MB Council?	yes	no		

Date of Birth (y/m/d)

Postal Code

3. Declaration of Applicant:

"I declare that to the best of my knowledge all information contained in this application is correct."

- Signature of Applicant (Be sure to sign it)
- Date

Name

• Permanent Address

• Signature of Parent/Guardian (If applicant under 18)

Please Note:

 4-H Manitoba Council holds scholarship dollars awarded to 4-H members for 27 months post graduation from grade 12. Proof of enrolment at the required post secondary education must be submitted by that time. If awards are not claimed, the money will be used as additional scholarships for the following year.

Sections 4 – 7 are to be answered on separate sheets and attached to the cover sheet.

Please ensure EACH SHEET AND ATTACHMENT has your name on it.

4. 4-H Involvement

- a) Number of years completed in 4-H.
- b) Are you currently a 4-H member? Yes or no. If no, what year were you last a 4-H member. (i.e. 2009/2010)?
- c) List projects taken.
- d) List responsibilities and offices held in various 4-H club, area, or provincial levels.
- e) List Club, Area and Provincial 4-H activities in which you have participated as well as special

5. Extra Curricular

- a) List extra-curricular activities during High School and post secondary studies outside of 4-H work, (i.e. school, community, church, music, volunteer work, etc.)
- b) List major non 4-H awards received during the past two years (i.e. honour roll, toastmasters, sports, etc.)

6. Employment

a) Give type of work and approximate dates.

7. Personal Information

 a) Briefly outline your personal attributes and accomplishments that would make you a deserving scholarship winner to a maximum of 250 words.

Attachments Required

- a) References –
- Three letters of reference are required with this application.
- References from family members or relatives are not allowed
- References should reflect school, 4-H and community involvement.
- Completed references are to be returned to the applicant in a sealed and signed envelope for attachment to application.
- Reference must be current; dated within the past four months.
- b) Education/Career Please fill out this section on a separate sheet.
 - What level of education are you currently taking? Include grade and/or year.
 - What post-secondary educational institution and specific program have you applied to, do you plan to attend or are attending?
 - Education Records Please submit the transcript / statement of marks or photocopy of same, from S1 (grade 9) to the current year. Keep in mind that NO late items will be accepted.
- Scholarship requirements as identified essay where required.

Mail to:

Scholarship Committee, 4-H Manitoba Council, 1129 Queens Avenue, Brandon MB R7A 1L9



INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS (I.E. NAME MISSING FROM PAGES, LATE POSTMARKED, OR MISSING CRITERIA) WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN
MARCH 15,2012

Manitoba 4-H Ambassadors

The Manitoba 4-H Ambassadors is a non-profit organization of 4-H alumni aged 17-22 from across the province. The Manitoba 4-H Ambassadors assist the 4-H community by providing the following services:



- Staffing conferences and camps
- Evaluating at 4-H Achievements
- · Providing guest speakers
- Judging communications competitions
- Providing event entertainment through songs, games, and icebreakers
- Facilitating communications and meeting management workshops
- Helping to plan and organize events
- Assisting 4-H in other ways as requested





APPLICATION FORM for both 2011 PEGGY COVERDALE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

One \$500 scholarship will be awarded for post-secondary education.

This scholarship will need to be claimed within 18 months of being awarded.

If applying only for the Peggy Coverdale Scholarship, omit question #14.

and

MANITOBA 4-H AMBASSADOR MEMBERSHIP <u>www.4h.mb.ca/Ambassadors/</u>
Ambassadors are former 4-H'ers aged 17-22 who help at 4-H events, workshops and camps.
If applying only for Ambassador Membership, omit questions #4 through #9.

To apply, please submit the following on plain white paper via mail, or by email.

Indicate if you are applying for Peggy Coverdale Scholarship and /or Ambassador Membership.

Deadline is Friday, April 13, 2012

If applying for <u>BOTH</u> Membership and Scholarship please answer <u>ALL</u> of the questions.

- 1. Name of applicant
- 2. Home or permanent address
- 3. Telephone and Email
- 4. Name of Parent or guardian
- 5. Name of high school where Grade 12 was obtained
- 6. Name of post secondary institution you are planning to attend and field of study you are planning to enter
- 7. Most recent Grade 12 subjects and marks
- 8. Past employment and type of work performed (include approximate dates)
- 9. Briefly describe why you feel you deserve to be presented with this scholarship
- 10. Number of years in 4-H
- 11. List 4-H activities currently involved in: (include club names & projects)
- 12. List past 4-H projects and involvement (e.g. club offices, rallies, communications).
- 13. List community and extra-curricular activities
- 14. If you are chosen to be an Ambassador, what could you contribute to the program? (leadership skills, experience in public speaking, willingness to contribute time, etc)
- 15. What do you know about the Manitoba 4-H Ambassadors?

Manitoba 4-H Ambassadors 1129 Queens Ave ~ Brandon, MB ~ R7A 1L9

OR: mb4hrecordskeeper@hotmail.com



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Photovoice: Giving 4-H members a venue to encourage discussion and

Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives (MAFRI) has researched and piloted a variety of approaches to encourage communities and organizations to become engaged in actively planning and determining their own development. "Photovoice" is one of these approaches. Using pictures and stories Photovoice is a tool that any community or organization such as 4-H can easily use to encourage community discussion and planning towards a more vibrant future.

Photovoice is a process that gives "voice" to "photos" to help communities and organizations to see and talk about common issues and to find ways to take action on these issues. Photovoice can serve as a catalyst for action planning; it can assist 4-H in creating a vision; it can provide an assessment of the current situation; it can identify goals. Photovoice can also be used as an evaluation process: how have we improved?, what have we changed?, what are we doing well? Photovoice is also a way to engage and involve all sectors of the community, including those who traditionally have not been involved in 4-H program planning. It is a way for youth to become involved and to have a voice to share their ideas. Photovoice can be a way to celebrate successes and a fun way to showcase 4-H over the past 100 years. It can also be a way to demonstrate how 4-H has positively influenced the lives of 4-H Alumni.

The Photovoice process involves asking 4-H

members, leaders, parents and 4-H alumni to take pictures to illustrate a certain theme or community issue. The participants are asked to record their thoughts about their pictures as they relate to this theme. The pictures and stories are collected, organized and presented to an audience who are then encouraged to discuss and plan the future of their community or organization. For example, these photos celebrate the past 100 years what do we want the next 100 years in 4-H to look like?

Photovoice can be a relatively inexpensive way to engage people in discussions on 4-H program planning and development. Although it must be recognized that in order for your Photovoice project to be truly successful you must have a committed group that is willing to contribute time, energy and creativity. MAFRI has created a "Manitoba's Photovoice for Community Development Guide" which provides community organizations with the resources and the step by step instructions to conduct their own "Photovoice" project.

If your 4- H club or area council is interested in participating in a Photovoice project, please contact: Joanne Baker, RLS, MAFRI Virden GO Office <u>Joanne.baker@gov.mb.ca</u> 204 851-2481

http://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/community.html

Central Plains

Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives

Meghan - Carberry - 841-3577 meghan.sprung@gov.mb.ca
Joann - Carberry - 834-8815 joann.calvert@gov.mb.ca

Gladstone - 385-6633

Donna - Treherne - 723-3232 donna.gervais@gov.mb.ca
Joanne - Portage - 239-3352 joanne.galbraith@gov.mb.ca

Central Plains Area 4-H Council Meeting

will be held by conference call **January 11, 2012 at 7:30 pm** Call in number: 1-877-727-8553

Participant Passcode: 797021362

Be sure to have one adult and one member representative from your club on the call to learn about opportunities available for your members and leaders.

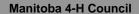
Have you paid your Area Council fees?? Fees are due December 31st!

Central Plains Area 4-H Communications Event

More information about this event will be sent to head leaders in the coming weeks.

Each club is eligible to send 1 representative from each speech, visual presentation, and creative expressions category to the Central Plains Area 4-H Communications event.

Please forward the names of your representatives to your local MAFRI GO office



Amanda Perrin – Jr. Director Diane Kovar - Sr. Director– 571-0854

Area Council Funding Application Forms

DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 28, 2012

Clubs can access Area Council funds by submitting a funding application form to the Council.

Funds can be used for club and area events coordinated by the club.

Ex - Rallies, Achievement judges, leader training, workshops, camps, etc.

Contact your head leader or local MAFRI GO office for application forms. Please submit one form per event.



Greg Penner - Junior Director Lenore Vandenbyllaardt - Senior Director Phone: 755-2382

rracey - Beausejour - 266-1410 - tracey drabyk-zirk @gov.mb.ca Judy - Beausejour - 268-6094 - judy.kamaraus @gov.mb.ca Chris/Marilyn - St. Pierre - 433-7749 - Chris.lobsiger@gov.mb.ca

"PIZZA, PUCKS AND POOL"

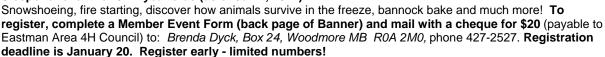
Saturday, January 14, 2012, 4 pm, T.G. Smith Arena, Steinbach, for members 12-15 years old (as of Jan 1 2012)

A day to hang out with fellow 4-Hers! Meet for outdoor skating at the arena, followed by a walk over to Backstage Youth Drop-In Center for pizza, table hockey (pucks), billiards (pool), and other games. Olympian Michelle Sawatzky will be joining the group to share her story of success against the odds. To register, fill out a Member Event Form (back page of Banner) and mail with a cheque for \$15 (payable to Eastman Area 4H Council) to: Kristine Penner, Box 19 Grp 70 RR1, Anola MB, R0E 0A0. Registration deadline is January 6.

WINTER SURVIVAL WEEKEND

Saturday & Sunday, February 4 & 5, 2012

Sleepover event for 8-11 year olds (as of Jan 1, 2012)



A NIGHT ON THE TOWN! February 24, 2012, Steinbach Regional Secondary School

For members 14+ (as of Jan 1/12). Nothing says "night on the town" like dinner and a show! Dress your best and join us for a formal-style dinner (served in the cafeteria by the SRSS Culinary Arts students) where you'll learn just what to do with all that cutlery, followed by a spectacular production of "Footloose" in the theatre! To register, fill out a Member Event Form (back page of Banner) and mail with a cheque for \$20 (payable to Eastman Area 4H Council) to: Kristine Penner, Box 19 Grp 70 RR1, Anola MB, R0E 0A0. Depending on registration numbers, there may be an opportunity for leaders to experience a variation on this fun event as well. Call Kristine at 755-2888 if interested.

STAR LAKE 4-H CAMP July 8-13, 2012, Whiteshell. Open to all Eastman area 10-12 year old 4-Hers. Space is limited, so get your Member Event Form and registration fee (\$130 payable to Eastman 4-H Council) in by April 1, 2012, to Brenda Dyck, Box 24, Woodmore MB R0A 2M0. Lifeguard and counselors (16+) are also needed. Questions call Brenda at 427-2527.

The 3rd annual **4-H HORSEMANSHIP CLINIC** was held in Steinbach on Oct 28 with 15 participants and some spectators without horses. Topics covered were Western Pleasure, Western Equitation, Trail, Barrels & Poles. The kids and adults all learned a lot and are looking forward to next year's clinic.

EASTMAN 4-H COMMUNICATIONS

Saturday, March 10, 2012 (storm date March 17) Mitchell Middle School, Mitchell

Contact: Julie Labossière, j_labossiere@yahoo.ca, 981-1933 **Competition Organizers:**

Zone North: Lorette Busy Bees - Feb 10 @ Lorette Collegiate

Contact: Julie Labossiere, 981-1933

Zone Central: Southeast Dairy - date/location TBD

Contact: Rachelle Talbot 433-3675

Zone South: Piney 4-H Clovers - date/location TBD

Contact: Elaine Friesen 423-2180

Communication Resources available from a MAFRI GO Office or online

PROVINCIAL 4-H COMMUNICATIONS

April 14, 2012, Victoria Inn, Winnipeg Best wishes to all 4-H competitors at all levels!

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

Manitoba 4-H Council is sending much of their correspondence to 4-H families via email. If you are not receiving regular Manitoba 4-H eZine News, and other news do let your local MAFRI office know.

Welcome to the 2011-2012 **Eastman 4-H Executive**

Oak Hammock Marsh INTERPRETIVE CENTRE

President – Jocelyn Therrien Vice President - vacant Secretary - Danea Gauthier-Wiebe Treasurer - Shannon Ganter All filled positions have been filled by senior 4-H members. Thanks for your commitment!

Welcome to Eastman's 4-H **Manitoba Council Directors**

Lenore Vandenbyllaardt, Senior Director Greg Penner, Junior Director They attended the November 4HMC meeting in Brandon, along with Lissa Vincent (outgoing Senior Director). Questions on 4HMC affairs, contact Lenore or Greg. Thanks for your commitment!

Eastman 4-H Council Meeting

January 18, 2012, 7:00 p.m. Anola Over 50 club, Weiser Crescent, Anola (storm date, January 26, 2012)

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North Interlake

Manitoba 4-H Council

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What's coming

- 1. Communications Clubs should be done by early February. Zones will be happening in late February and Area will be in March. Provincials are happening April 14 in Winnipeg. North Interlake will be well represented at provincials.
- 2. Muzzeum Sleepover Happening Jan 28, 2012 at the Manitoba Museum. This year NI is paired with South Interlake and South Parkland 4-H so you'll get to meet some new 4-H'ers. Cost is \$25, your club has the registration info.
- 3. Winter Camp Area council needs some suggestions on what to do for camp this year. So you can vote by going to http://goo.gl/QAK98 and answering the questions.

Bonus - there's also going to be a <u>prize</u> for <u>answering</u> the survey.

PROGRAMMING

What does your club want to do this year. The NI Area council has funds in place to organize events, programs, outings, etc.

But we need ideas of what to do. If you've been to a cool event recently or a while ago and think maybe 4-H can do that too let Area council know.

North Interlake Area Council Could USE a Helping Hand

Interested in **event planning**, **communications** or **volunteering** with council? Contact Chris @ 641-1456. Any and all help is appreciated!

CONGRATS ON THE GREAT EVENT

November 5 & 6 in Eriksdale the NI Area Council organized a horse event. Yep a horse event.

Kelly Gale from South Dakota worked with members and their horses on a bunch of stuff, ranging from Riding, tack and even trailer loading and unloading.

20 members and their parents participated in the two day event and everyone learned something.

A big thank you to our volunteers who arranged this and everyone who participated. We won't have these events without you.

Manitoba 4-H Council needs YOU!

North Interlake gets two representatives on provincial council to speak for our clubs and members. If this is something you might be interested in call Chris @ 204-641-1456

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North Parkland 4-H Area Communications Event

.. will be held on Saturday, March 17 At the Ste. Rose School

Details will be mailed to each club Communication fact sheets and score cards are available at your local MAFRI office.

Congratulations to the 2011-12 **Area Council Executive**

President - Jean Louis Guillas Vice President- Kyle Helash Secretary - Raina Syrnyk Treasurer - Gale Brunen Manitoba 4-H Council Directors Senior: vacant

Junior: Raina Syrnyk

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

North Parkland Area Council meetinas

February 7 & April 2

Attention SENIOR MEMBERS!

Check out the information on P 6, 7 and 8 for details on 2012 4-H Scholarships and Manitoba 4-H Ambassadors

Watch the mail for information and applications for these North Parkland Area Council opportunities in the coming months

Gold Watch Awards Scholarships

North Parkland **Upcoming Events**

January

Dauphin Beef Show planning mtg—Dauphin City Survival—Winnipeg

February

Area Council mtg Curling Bonspiel-Ethelbert

March

17 Area Communications Gold Watch & Scholarship Applications mailed

April

Area Council Meeting-Dauphin TBA Club Achievements

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TBA Club Achievements

June/July/August

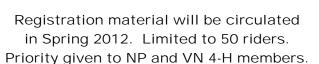
TBA Club Achievements June 4 Area Council Mtg-Dauphin Roblin Beef Show & Sale Dauphin Beef

Show & Sale Aug 24-26 Area Horse Show

North Parkland & Valleys North 4-H Horse Show

August 24-26, 2012 Gilbert Plains

Open to all 4-H members through out the province. Includes classes for YHDP.



REMINDER

North Parkland 4-H Area Curling Bonspiel

February 11, 2012 Ethelbert Curling



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We need you! Now that we have your attention, be reassured that this won't be you as a 4-H volunteer!



Junior (senior member) & senior (adult) directors needed to represent Pembina Area Council at 4-H Manitoba Council. A great opportunity to meet new people and have an effect on provincial programming! Senior members—a great addition to your portfolio! The next meeting is scheduled for March 3rd in Brandon; the AGM takes place Nov 16 & 17 in Brandon.

Secretary for Pembina Area Council required: Senior members, parent or leaders apply!

Contact Danielle for more information on the above.

Pembina Clubs for 2011-2012

Bruxelles 4-H Crew	13 members
Clearwater Combined	15 members
Clearwater Beef	10 members
LaRiviere Beef	9 members
Manitou Beef & Variety	21 members
Manitou Sunset Riders	12 members
Mariapolis/Baldur	20 members
Somerset Combined	12 members
Swan Lake Handi-Hands	11 members
WindyGates Beef	7 members

We hope to have a club up and running at Swan Lake First Nations in the new year as well!

Club Communications will be taking place in January/ February. Pembina Area Communications is tentatively scheduled for March 17th. Thanks to Fleurette Geirnaert & Val Geeregat for volunteering to organize the event; other volunteers are required & welcome!

Thanks to Jackie Funk who has volunteered to run the Outstanding Member Award program for 2012. Interviews are tentatively scheduled for mid-May. Senior members: watch your mail in the next few months for more info!



What: SWAMP Camp Who: 8 to 11 years old When: Jan 27 to 29, 2012 Where: Winkler Bible Camp

Why: Meet 4-H members from Pembina & Red River areas as you learn new skills and have fun! Memebers were emailed registration forms & brochures. Deadline for registrations: Jan 4th. If you didn't receive a registration please contact Danielle as soon as possible.

See you there!

Next Pembina Area
Council Meeting will
be held towards the
end of January. Area
council reps will be
contacted. Agenda
will include program
& budget planning. If
you club has an idea
for an event please
ensure your club rep
brings it to the
meeting.

\$s are available from the Leader Development fund for individualized leader training. Contact Danielle. Philip Fenez, MB4HC Past President – 275-7793

Trevor Carlson,



Red River 4-H Council Executive 2011-12:

President: Philip Fenez/La Salle 4-H 275-7793 Vice-President: Peter Penner/Morden Achievers 325-8616 Norma Wood/Morden Achievers 822-3973 Secretary: Treasurer: Barb Orchard/Miami Activity Club 435-2496

Thanks to our executive who all were willing to serve another year!

Check out the Manitoba 4-H Council Facebook page: www.Facebook.com/manitoba4h



Red River Up-Coming Events

January

10-4-H Red River Council meeting (Carman) 27-29 SWAMP Camp (8-11) (Winkler Bible Camp)



Thank you to all the

volunteers who have

committed to working

Many of you attended

video conference in

hopefully took away

inspiration and information.

with 4-H this year.

the workshop and

November and

some good

February

25- Curling Bonspiel (Winkler)

March

3—Red River Communications competition (Morden) 26-31 4-H Day @ Brandon Winter Fair—take the bus with us!

April

14 -Provincial Communications (Winnipeg)

Welcome to Manuel (Manny) Araullo who is working in Carman as the Extension Coordinator as Frieda Wight is now working in our Starbuck office. Contact information is on the side bar.

4-H Red River Curling Bonspiel!

February 25 at the Winkler Curling Rink.

Watch for more details!



WHAT'S NEXT?

Have you thought about what happens when you decide to step off that committee, end your time as a 4-H leader, or take on a new role in your community so you cannot be as involved in prior commitments? Think about succession today—who in your club or committee could take on your responsibilities? Do you have what you do written down for them to refer to? Have you delegated responsibilities to others so they can learn what needs to be done? Responding to these questions is an important step to ensuring your club or committee remains strong and vibrant in the years ahead.



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Area council needs some IDEAS and help with: • An Intermediate (12-14 years old)

An Intermediate (12-14 years old) member event. It's been a few years since there's been an Intermediate event and those members deserve something great. If you've got an idea or been to another fun event for that group let us know.

- Sr. Member programming Sr. members this ones on you. There's funds available to run events for you. There needs to be an educational component but that could be anything from a careers speaker to a business tour. So Sr.'s send your ideas to Chris.
- Leader Appreciation? Yes leaders you are appreciated and we'd really like to show you how much. There are some plans in the works for our leaders but if you've got an idea council is always open to hearing them.

If you have ideas let your Area Council representative or Chris know about it.

Sleepover at the Muzzeum Manitoba Museum - Jan 28

Happening on Jan 28, 2012 the South Interlake area is partnering with other 4-H areas to host Sleepover at the Muzzeum. Last year was a great event with members from North and South Interlake and Eastman. This year South Parkland area members will be joining the fun.

The cost is \$25/member and remember we'll need chaperones for this.

For more information you can call Chris @ 641-1456.

Congratulations to
Chipo Hambira on her new
position with Urban Go. All
of your hard work with the

Teulon
4-H clubs &
Program has
been greatly
appreciated.



The Communications Plan 2012

- ♦ Clubs should be early Feb
- ♦ Zones will happen in late February
- ♦ Area will happen in late March
- Provincials are April 14 in Winnipeg

All clubs and members are encouraged to participate in this great program.

If there's enough interest in your club several leaders, the ambassadors or Chris are available to run a communications workshop.

New Club in East Selkirk.

Congratulations to the East Selkirk Middle School on setting up their new club.

The plan is for them to get started in early January 2012. This will be a multi-purpose club offering all of the projects they can find leaders for. They're really looking forward to participating in some SI events and getting to meet other 4-H'ers.

Sr. Members watch for Gold Watch and Bursary info coming soon!!!

South Interlake

Manitoba 4-H Council Stacy, Jr. Director Marlys, Sr. Director

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Reeva Hodgins, Jr. Director d Bramley, Sr. Director 867-2120

Hello South Parkland 4-H Families

South Parkland Coming Events Calendar

January-May

January 11, 2012—Area Council Meeting via Conference Call. Agenda will be sent to reps.

January 28-29, 2012—MuZZeum Sleepover! Registration information sent to clubs and members.

Fun Learning Events— Kenton February 20, 2012 Rossburn March 24, 2012

Communications—
Zone 1 March 3, 2012 Neepawa
Zone 2 and 3 dates will be available after January 11
Area—March 23, 2012 Location TBA
Provincial—April 14, 2012 Winnipeg

Age Related Events—Archery
March 17, 2012 Russell Major Pratt Collegiate
A second event will be held on the eastern side of South
Parkland. Date and location finalized at the Jan. 11 meeting.

LATCH ON and Recognition Event— May 12, 2012 Location TBA

Great activities for all ages and projects as well as Gold Watch Award Interviews and South Parkland Entrance Bursary presentation. All who apply for either Gold Watch Award or South Parkland Entrance Bursary must be in attendance.



Our GO offices often send out e-mails to 4-H families and leaders. This is a fast and efficient way of communications.

If you have an e-mail address please ensure that it is included with your 4-H

enrolment information. We do not share your e-mail address with anyone.



Our New Area Council Executive:

Richard Bramley—President Karen Bergeson—Vice President Katie Hunter—Secretary Reeva Hodgins—Treasurer

CONGRATULATIONS!

Karl Chastko Kaitlyn Cochrane Alternate Citizenship Seminar Ottawa in April

Both attended interviews for Senior Selections in Headingly in November.

Cargill Winners in 2011

Bínscarth Home-Ettes Míníota Merry 4-H'ers

Cargill's VICTORY® Hybrid Canola Reaping Returns Community Outreach Program is back!

This program allows 4-H club teams to earn up to \$2,500 to fund projects that improve their communities and focus on health and nutrition, education and/or the environment.

Further details in the 4HMC e.Zine #13

Karl Chastko attended the Outstanding Young Farmer Conference in Brandon in November. Karl reported that it was a great conference.

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Dolores—Russell—773-5130 Gwenda—Hamiota 764-3010 Shoal Lake—759-4050

Food and Rural Initiatives



Southwest 4-H Area Council Meeting

February 8, 2012 BY VIDEO CONFERENCE

> 7:00 -9:00 PM Souris Go Centre Brandon GO Centre Virden Go Centre

Every club is encouraged to come and vote on the election of new officers for 2011/2012. Bring your ideas about Area Council events and programs!

The Rivers 4-H Beef Club is holding a bonspiel on February 25th at the new Recreation facility in Rivers.

To enter or for more information please contact kahli wedderburn phone: (204)328-7144 e-mail: bob_wedderburn@hotmail.com

2011-2012 Southwest 4-H Area Council Executive

President: Laura McDowell Vice President: Dustin Ardron Treasurer: Mina McDowell Secretary: Sharon Evans

Past President: Dustin Coupland



Manitoba 4-H Southwest Area Council

SLUMBER PARTY!



All Members are invited to attend January 13, 2012 (Storm Date Jan 27) 7 pm—8 am

Faith Community Baptist Church, Souris, MB

Registration:

Make cheques payable to: SW 4-H Area Council Name email or phone club

#Members x \$25 = #Parent/Leader x Free Please fill in the Member event form and the photo release form for each participant

Parent/leaders are welcome too!

Deadline is January 6th

Mail Registration & payment to: M McDowell Box 23 Deleau, MB R0M 0L0

Registration includes event activities, prizes, drinks, snacks & breakfast.

Senior Members

Watch the mail for details about the Southwest 4-H Area Council Scholarship. The Scholarship is for \$500.00. Two will be awarded if ■ there are more **■ than 10 applicants**

Southwest Area Communications March 24th, 2012 Assiniboine Community Collage Brandon, MB Watch your email for further details.



Valleys North

Bethany Black - Junior Director Wendy Black - Senior Director Phone: 525-4254 Manitoba 4-H Counci

Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives Jebra - Dauphin—648-7332 Debra.Kaleta@gov.mb.ca

North Parkland & Valleys North 4-H Horse Show

August 24-26, 2012 Gilbert Plains

Open to all 4-H members through out the province. Includes classes for YHDP.



Registration material will be circulated in Spring 2012. Limited to 50 riders. Priority given to NP and VN 4-H members.

Attention SENIOR MEMBERS!

Check out the information on p 6, 7 and 8 for details on 2012 4-H Scholarships and



Manitoba 4-H **Ambassadors**

valleys North upcoming Events

January

Area Council meeting Ski Trip

February

TBA Junior Members Event

March

TBA Leaders' Appreciation

TBA Area Communications

April-May

TBA Club Achievements 4-H Beef Show & Sale

August

24-26 Area Horse Show

Meet the Valleys North **Area Council Executive**

President - Ione Anderson **VP - Louise Watkins** Secretary - Eleanor Burgess Treasurer - Susan Hrycyk

Mat of Wage

Junior Member **Event**

- Ages 8-12
- Westwood Inn
- · Swimming, Pizza, Crafts and Activities







Member EVENT Registration Form 2011-12

4-H Event/Program:	Date of Event:
Prior to acceptance in this 4-H event, we require sig the following conditions.	natures indicating that members and parents/guardian agree to
supervision and protection while participating in the ϵ	ardian. Accurate and complete information is essential to ensure adequate event. This information is confidential and will be available only to 4-H ring the event and a physician, if necessary.
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	AREA COUNCIL
Male Female Age BIRTHDATE_	
Address:Town	: Postal Code:
Telephone(s):	
Email Address(es) (email suitable for corresponder	nce list) PRINT:
associated with this type of activity may occur. Tag	vironment to the best of their ability. However, inherent risks gree that his/her participation is at his/her own risk. I further agree is and will adhere to the behaviour and cancellation policies in place Signature of parent/guardian (if member is under 18 years of age)
Emergen	ncy Contact Information
Name: Relationship	
Phone No. 24 hour access (work, home, cell):	
Doctor's Name:	
MB Health #: Any medical conditions concerning your son/daug medication, recent illness, physical limitations, etc)	ghter that we should be aware of? (Special diet, allergies,

As the parent or guardian of the member, under circumstances as stated below, I hereby authorize the staff/volunteer in charge of the program to secure such medical advice and treatment as may be deemed necessary for the health and safety of my son/daughter or ward, and I agree to accept the financial responsibility in excess of the benefits allowed by the Provincial Health Plan:
lacksquare 1. Where the health and well being of the member is involved.
 2. Where medical advice has been such that further services are required - services which require the consent of the parent or guardian.
□ 3. Where all attempts to contact the parent or guardian have failed, or where due to the nature of the emergency there is insufficient time to contact such parent or guardian, it will be at the discretion of the staff-in-charge of the program to decide what steps must be taken for the welfare and safety of the member.
Signature of parent/guardian
If member is under 18, name(s) of person member may be released to (pick up from site by):
Name 1: Relation:
Name 2: Relation:
Photo Release
website or in 4-H publications that promote 4-H. We request your permission to use pictures of yourself (if over 18) or son/daughter participating in 4-H events. I hereby authorize 4-H Manitoba Council to use photographs of my son/daughter or myself (if over 18) with our names on the 4-H website and/or in 4-H publications which promote 4-H activities. Please do not use photographs of my son/daughter or myself (if over 18) on the 4-H website and/or publications that promote 4-H.
Signature of 4-H member if over 18 years of age Signature of parent/guardian (if member is under 18 years of age)
Dated thisday of (month), (year).
Please return form - with event fee where required- to: 4-H Manitoba Council, 1129 Queens Ave, Brandon MB R7A 1L9 Ph: 204-726-6136, Fax: 204-726-6260, email: 4hcouncl@mts.net (no "i" in council) Privacy Policy: 4-H Manitoba Council respects the privacy of our 4-H members and leaders. Your personal information is collected, used and disclosed for the purposes of keeping you informed and delivering 4-H programs, services & opportunities and for statistical or archival purposes. To learn more about the 4-H Manitoba commitment to privacy, check out the website www.4h.mb.ca
Cancellation —Refund Policy: For trips or conferences not involving travel / airline reservation: refund of registration fee will be granted if the cancellation is received by the 4-H Manitoba Council office twenty-one (21) days or more before the earliest of departure or event-start date. If cancellation is less than 21 days, the delegate will forfeit the registration fee. Policy 3-01-08.

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Insurance covers all 4-H members, leaders and staff and any designated event volunteers and invited participants but does not cover non-4-H siblings or adults. Insurance Fact Sheets are on the 4-H Council website: http://4h.mb.ca/insurance.php Report any incidents ASAP to the closest MAFRI 4-H liaison who sends an Incident Report to the 4-H Council office..