

4-H Clover Connection

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Leadermete 2011 - March 17-19



All teens, parents and leaders are invited to head to St. George for the annual 4-H Leadermete Conference being held March 17-19, 2011; Washington County is

our host this year, so you know it will be a GREAT event.

Not familiar with 4-H Leadermete? This is an annual conference focused on helping teen and adult volunteers learn and discover – plus have fun and rejuvenate. After all, it's St. George in March. The location alone says relaxation and fun! The state volunteer awards banquet is also held during the conference.

Workshops are offered with topics ranging from crafts, fitting and showing livestock, sewing projects, cooking, ATV's, raising backyard poultry, gardening, and technology topics.

Over 120 workshops are being offered! Congratulations to Kim Byington, Connie Neal, Donna Carter, Teresa Hunsaker, Naomi Brower, Kathy Borrett, Lance Quinn, and Maureen Baugh for having workshops selected to present during the conference.

Registration will open on January 3. To register, go to utah4h.org and click on events. Weber County 4-H will be taking down two vans, plus our delegates are invited to lodge together in a large vacation home. This will make transportation and lodging incredibly affordable. We plan on a BIG group from Weber, so space in the van and in the guest house will fill up soon. If you plan to travel/stay with this group, reserve your spot by calling Wendy Rees at (801) 399-8202.

You can keep up to date with 4-H Leadermete at: <http://leadermete2011.blogspot.com/>.



<http://webercounty4-hhorsesnews.blogspot.com/>

<http://webercounty4-hlivestocknews.blogspot.com/>



<http://www.facebook.com/WeberCounty4H>

4-H Horse Ambassadors

Congratulations to our 2010-11 4-H Horse Ambassadors:

- Celeste Francis
- Morgan Rich
- Haley Wilson
- Connie Neal (coach)



State 4-H Ambassador Candidates

Twenty 4-H'ers have been accepted as State 4-H Ambassador candidates—three from Weber County. We offer our congratulations and wish great success to these youth.

As a candidate, each teen selects, plans, conducts, evaluates and prepares a written summary of the individual project of his or her choice. Our teens have selected the following projects:

- **Morgan Rich:** Morgan will lead a horse training club and help market “Andy,” a colt that was donated to the 4-H program as a fundraising project.
- **Sami Bricco:** Sami will organize and host 4-H horse program promotional events at local elementary schools.

4-H...CHALLENGE YOURSELF!

- **Cassie Breeding:** Cassie will write and teach fun, hands-on lessons during Horse Discovery Nights in February for less experienced members. She will also prepare flash cards to help horse project members study for tests.

Please support these youth in their individual projects by attending and/or promoting their activities.

4-H Scholarships

4-H offers a number of scholarships at the county and state level. Active 4-H members who are graduating seniors are eligible to apply.

STATE: The state offers approximately ten different scholarships. Youth may apply for any state scholarship for which they are eligible, using the same application form for all state scholarships.

To apply for a state 4-H scholarship, go to www.utah4-H.org and download the form. The scholarship application, portfolio, transcript, and letters of recommendation are due to the **county 4-H office** by February 1st. Because this entire packet is sent to the state for judging, youth who are applying for both

county and state scholarships must submit a SEPARATE PORTFOLIO.

COUNTY: There are two Weber County 4-H scholarships. Graduating seniors active in any project area are eligible to apply for either or both scholarships. Youth must submit a SEPARATE PACKET (scholarship application, essay, portfolio, transcript, and letters of recommendation) for each application and send/deliver to the appropriate location by February 1st.

- **Commitment to Agriculture Foundation / 4-H Scholarship** - Scholarship amount varies; scholarship can be used at any higher education institution. Complete application packet (including a separate portfolio) must be postmarked no later than February

1st and **mailed to:** Melisa Griffith, Utah Commitment to Agriculture Foundation, 314 N 1025 W, Hyrum, UT 84319. **PLEASE NOTE: This scholarship is different from the CTA/FFA Scholarship. It is possible for seniors who are active in both 4-H and FFA to apply for both scholarships; however, they will need to submit TWO SEPARATE scholarship packets and participate in two interviews. The criteria for the two scholarship is also different.**

- **Weber County 4-H Scholarship** – \$500; scholarship must be used at Utah State University. Complete application packet (including a separate portfolio) must be delivered to the 4-H office no later than February 1st.

State 4-H Portfolio Competition

Weber 4-H'ers currently in 9th-12th grades are invited to submit their portfolio for state judging. Completed portfolios must be turned into the county 4-H office by February 1. Youth submitting the top portfolios will receive an opportunity to interview for a trip to National 4-H Congress, held in Atlanta,

Georgia. Interviews for selected youth are held during State 4-H Contests in Logan in July. Great news - if you are applying for a state scholarship and state portfolio competition, you only need to submit one copy of your portfolio!

Congratulations to Weber 4-H'ers Samantha Bricco and Lacey Papageorge who submitted top portfolios last year and attended National 4-H Congress this past November.



Weber County 4-H Leaders Council

Weber County kicked off their newly-organized 4-H Leaders Council in October. Each meeting will include sharing and idea swap, planning 4-H events, and a workshop on a project, curriculum or 4-H program. Any adult or teen 4-H leader is invited to attend. Can't attend on a regular basis? Feel free to just attend the sessions that appeal to your training needs and interests.

contests. Weber County offers nearly 20 different 4-H contests in which 4-H members can win awards - these are in addition to county fair events. It's exciting to have so many opportunities, but with so many choices, it can be a bit overwhelming. January's program will focus on learning about each of these events and how to participate!



We invite you to join us for the January 12 program, which will focus on 4-H

All meetings will be held at the 4-H office at 7 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.

Date	Program
January 12	4-H Contests: With nearly 20 county 4-H contests, there is so much to explore. Come learn about the contests, how to participate, how to help members excel, and resources and prizes available.
February 9	Lotions & Potions Project: Learn to make your own lotion, lip balm, bath salts, and other spa products. Your club members will love this project, so come learn how to lead it. Plus, 4-H has two complete kits available for check out.
March 9	Leather Craft: Learn the basics of leather craft, which is a GREAT project your members will love. Plus, 4-H has a number of leather craft resources available for loan.
April 13	GPS: Learn how to use the GPS units for geo-caching. This is a fantastic addition for any club's program. Plus, 4-H has 12 units available for check out.
May 18	Dutch Oven Cooking: Yum! Yum! Come discover how to cook in the great outdoors. Plus, gain skills that will help your members excel in the outdoor cooking contest.
June 8	Entomology: Just in time for summer bug collecting for the county fair! Come explore this project and learn catching, pinning, classification, and display techniques to make outstanding entomology collections.
July	No Meeting
August	No Meeting
September 14	Expansion & Review of Weber 4-H Program/Scheduling for 2011-12 Programs

Utah 4-H: Celebrating the Past - Creating the Future!



The Utah 4-H Centennial theme has been selected. We had LOTS of awesome ideas suggested, so it was a really difficult decision. We invite you to get involved in the 4-H

Centennial efforts in the following ways:

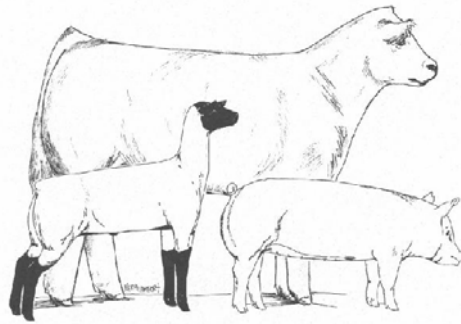
Alumni Contest: Utah 4-H is conducting alumni identification contests with lots of prizes for the member who identifies the most 4-H alumni. The top state prize is a **32 GB iPod Touch!** Get alumni identification forms from the 4-H office. Full details at www.webercounty4-H.org (click on 4-H Centennial).

4-H Centennial Planning Meeting: Teens and adult volunteers are invited to attend our next 4-H Centennial Committee meeting; to avoid a scheduling conflict with the 4-H Healthy Cuisine Contest the date of this meeting has been changed to Thursday, January 27 (time and location TBA). Call in advance to register so we can plan for the meal.

Livestock Discovery Nights

Invest time in the winter months learning about livestock, having fun and preparing for the Livestock Bowl and Livestock Testing contests! Livestock Discovery Nights will be held twice per month on Thursday nights in January – May, 6:00-7:30 p.m. Each session will last 1 ½ hours. The first part will be a demonstration, game or presentation on a livestock topic. In general, topics will correspond to the livestock testing topics for the month.

During the last half hour of each workshop, youth will put their skills to the “buzzer” and answer questions in a mock Livestock Bowl, earning tokens for correct answers. Tokens will get to be redeemed for prizes at the Weber County 4-H Livestock Bowl Contest on May 12, 6 p.m.



The schedule for 2011 is:

JANUARY 2011

13 - Livestock Discovery Night, 6 p.m.
27 - Livestock Discovery Night, 6 p.m.

February 2011

10 - Livestock Discovery Night, 6 p.m.
24 - Livestock Discovery Night, 6 p.m.

MARCH 2011

10 - Livestock Discovery Night, 6 p.m.
24 - Livestock Discovery Night, 6 p.m.

APRIL 2011

14 - Livestock Discovery Night, 6 p.m.
28 - Livestock Discovery Night, 6 p.m.

MAY 2011

12 - Livestock Bowl Contest, 6 p.m.

Members will learn a lot that will help them excel in livestock tests, the show ring, and the Livestock Bowl contest, which will be held on May 12. Open to youth in grades 3-12. **Pre-registration is not required, however new attendees are encouraged to call the office to make sure that the workshop has not been cancelled due to bad weather, etc. FREE!**

4-H Livestock Testing Program - A New Year Begins

Youth in 3rd – 12th grade are invited to participate in the 2010-11 4-H Livestock Testing Program. In the program, youth are tested each month on a specific section of their 4-H livestock resource manual. Separate tests are offered for beef, sheep, swine, and goats. Participating is simple. Just come to the 4-H office from the 15th through the end of the month

on any day the office is open (M-F, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.) and take the test. If you arrange it in advance, you may also take the test while attending Livestock Bowl or Livestock Judging practice and during Livestock Discovery Nights.

Each participant's high three test scores will be totaled (must take at least three

tests on the same species). The top three youth in EACH species in EACH grade division (junior, intermediate, and senior) will be honored at the Weber County Fair with gold, silver and bronze medals and premiums of \$15, 10 & 5 respectively.

2010-11 4-H LIVESTOCK TEST SCHEDULE

Month	Beef	Sheep	Swine	Goat
January	Ch 6: Reproduction	Ch 5: Health Main./Diseases	Ch 7 & 8: Digestion & Nutrition	Ch 6 (Pg. 79-85): Herd Mgmt
February	Ch 7: Nutrition	Ch 6: Carcass Evaluation	Ch 9: Diseases	Ch 6 (Pg. 86-93): Diseases
March	Ch 8: Carcass Evaluation	Ch 7: Sheep Products	Ch 10: Ear Notching	Ch 7: Dairy Goats
April	Ch 9: Show Prep.	Ch 8: Showing/Selling	Ch 15 & 16: Breeding Stock	Ch 8: Meat Goats
May	Ch 10: Mktg.	Ch 10: Breeds	Ch 18: Breeding Mgmt.	Ch 9: Fiber Goats
June	Ch 11: Dairy Beef	Ch 11: Reproduction	Ch 19 & 20: Sows	Ch 10 & 11: Housing/Environ.
July	Ch 12: Caring for Animals	Ch 13: Caring for Animals	Ch 21 & 22: Baby Pigs/Nursery	Ch 13: Caring for Animals

Utah Junior Livestock Shows

There are several state-sanctioned Jr. Livestock shows throughout Utah. Dates for the 2011 shows have not been announced yet; however the typical months in which these shows are held are listed below.

All of these shows are governed by the Utah Jr. Livestock rules (<http://www.utah4h.org/htm/featured-programs/livestock>). Weber County 4-H'ers who wish to show at these events are reminded that the minimum tagging deadline is 100 days for beef and 60 days for swine/sheep; pre-entry 30 days prior to the show is required.

The deadline for the earliest Jr. Livestock shows will happen before Weber County's fair tagging dates (May and June). All youth desiring to exhibit at one of these shows need to notify the county office in plenty of time to arrange for tagging with the livestock supervisors.

- Utah County - Spanish Fork (show typically held late April/early May)
- Millard County - Delta (show typically held late May/early June)
- Morgan County – Morgan (show typically held early June)

- Kamas Valley – Oakley (show typically held in June)
- Uintah Basin – Vernal (show typically held in June)
- Southeastern Show - Ferron (July)



Countywide 4-H Service Projects



Youth in 3rd grade and older are invited to participate in the upcoming 4-H Teen Council service projects. Pre-registration is required by calling the 4-H office (801-399-8202) or register via the 4-H website.

- March 7, 4 p.m. - Bake 4-H clover cookies for an area shelter in honor of St. Patrick's Day.
- May 2, 4 p.m. - Card making project for an area facility.

Robotics Challenge Nights Kick Off This Month!

Weber County 4-H will now offer monthly Robotics Challenge Events in January through May. The robotics contest season will culminate with the 4-H Robotics Contest in June. Each Robotics Challenge event will be held on the 4th Friday, from 4:30-7 p.m. at the 4-H office.

Weber 4-H members in grades 3-12 are eligible to participate; youth do not have to be a member of the 4-H robotics club to participate. Youth may compete in teams of two to four youth. Teams must sign up a week prior to the event. Teams may use NXT or RCX Lego kits for the Robotics Challenge. They can register to use the laptops and kits

owned by 4-H, or choose to bring their own.



Each Robotics Challenge and Robotics Contest will include building and programming a robot that achieves: 1) a

movement challenge, 2) a placement challenge, 3) a speed challenge, and 4) a data collection challenge. Teams can use software programs or the instruction booklets to assist with building their robot; however teams may not bring pre-written programs. Each team member will receive a certificate and blue, red, or white stickers for each challenge event. Members will also be competing for cumulative, yearend awards provided by the 4-H Robotics Council. Scores from each member's high three challenge events will be used to calculate end of year awards (Commander Rank, Captain Rank, or Cadet Rank).

2011 4-H Contests

**For complete contest guidelines go to: webercounty4-h.org/htm/contests*

For all contests:

- All contestants must be currently enrolled 4-H members (i.e., must have re-enrolled in 4-H since October 1, 2010).
- Every participant will receive a blue, red or white rosette ribbon or certificate, and Clover Bucks for blue or red rating.
- Senior 4-H'ers who receive a blue rating earn the opportunity to compete in state competition in July.
- All contests require pre-registration at least one week prior to the contest.

4-H Contest Days: To help our families better manage their busy schedules, we will host seven 4-H Contest Days: March 23, April 13, April 27, May 11, May 18, June 8, June 15.

THERE IS ONE BIG CHANGE! We had a LOT of youth who cancelled at the last minute last year. This made it really awkward to involve volunteer judges. To avoid these situations, once youth have registered for a contest they will be required to cancel at least one week ahead. **If they fail to cancel and are a no show on 4-H Contest Day, they will not be allowed to compete in that specific contest at a later contest day.**

During 4-H Contest Days, youth can register to compete in one of the seven contests listed below by calling (801) 399-8202 or online at <http://www.webercounty4-h.org/htm/4-h-contest-registration>. Appointments will be made in 15 minute intervals.

1. **4-H Public Speaking Contest:** Eligibility: Grades 3-12. Individual only. Youth research, write and present an original speech. The speech should relate directly to the participant's 4-H experience. Youth are not allowed to use visual aids for their speech. (Juniors/Intermediates: 3-5 minutes; Seniors: 6-8 minutes)
2. **Horse Public Speaking Contest:** Eligibility: Grades 3-12. Individual or teams of two. Youth research, write, and present an original minute speech on a topic appropriate to the horse industry. Youth may not use visual aids for their speech. (Juniors/Intermediates: 3-5 minutes; Seniors: 7-10 minutes)
3. **Impromptu Public Speaking Contest:** Eligibility: Grades 6-12. Individual only. Contestants will give a speech on a randomly assigned topic.
4. **Demonstration Contest (all categories, including horse):** Eligibility: Grades 3-12. Individual or team of two. Youth research, write and present a demonstration. Members use posters and visual aids to "show" to show the steps. (Juniors/Intermediates: 5-10 minutes; Seniors: 10-15 minutes)
5. **Talent Contest:** Eligibility: Grades 3-12. Individual or a team of two, three or four members. Youth share a talent performance in the discipline of their choice such as vocal, drama, dance, gymnastics, instrumental, comedy, etc. A maximum of five minutes is allowed for the talent performance. An electric keyboard piano and CD player provided. All other equipment MUST be provided by member.
6. **Fashion Consumer Strategies Contest:** Eligibility: Grades 6-12. Individual only. Youth select an outfit, model the outfit for a panel of judges, and share decisions made in selecting the outfit. The member will consider three outfits when making their selection and demonstrate decision making skills in selecting the most suitable of the three.
7. **World of Work:** Eligibility: Grades 9-12. Individual only. Youth prepare a resume, complete an application, and participate in an interview to evaluate their job readiness and interview skills.

Group 4-H Contests: You can also participate in the following contests, where all the contestants compete at the same time.

- **Healthy Cuisine Contest:** Thursday, January 20 at Orion Junior High. Due to limited cooking facilities time slots will be staggered with starting times at 4:00 p.m. & 5:30 p.m. Eligibility: Grades 3-12. Individual or team of two (for beginning 4-H'ers it is highly recommended to work in a team of two). Youth plan a nutritionally balanced meal, purchase the supplies, prepare, and serve a dinner for two judges, and clean up within a one hour time limit. *Registration forms due at sign up.*
- **January – Chef Extraordinaire Contest:** Eligibility: Grades 6-12. Individual or team of two. Youth plan and prepare a nutritionally balanced meal, and serve the dinner to four guests (chosen by the contestant) and a judge. Youth must prepare, serve and clean up within a three hour time limit. *If interested in participating in this contest please contact Naomi at (801) 399-8206.*



2011 4-H Contest Schedule Continued...

- **March 10 – Fashion Revue Contest:** Eligibility: Grades 3-12. Individual only. Youth sew a garment, model it for the judges, and participate in an interview. Judging includes clothing construction, modeling, fit, confidence, and poise. All participants model their garments for the audience during the culminating 4-H Fashion Revue.
- **April – Dairy Judging Contest:** Eligibility: Grades 3-12. Individual. Youth learn to judge a class of dairy cows and give oral reasons for their placement.
- **April 28 – Consumer Bowl Contest:** Eligibility: Grades 3-12. Individual only. Youth will compete in a quiz bowl contest answering questions related to the Consumer & Family Science curriculum area, including foods and nutrition, financial management, clothing and textiles, consumer decision making, and child care.
- **May – Livestock Bowl Contest:** Eligibility: Grades 3-12. Individual. Youth compete in a quiz bowl with livestock-related (beef, swine, and sheep) questions.
- **June – Livestock Judging Contest:** Eligibility: Grades 3-12. Individual. Youth learn to judge livestock (sheep, swine, and beef) and give oral reasons for their placement.
- **June – Horse Bowl Contest:** Eligibility: Grades 3-12. Individual. Youth compete in a quiz bowl with horse-related questions.
- **June – Horse Judging Contest:** Eligibility: Grades 3-12. Individual. Youth learn to judge a class of horses and give oral reasons for their placement.
- **June – Robotics Contest:** Eligibility: Grades 3-12. Teams of two to four youth only. Participants build and pro-

gram a robot using Lego MindStorm[®] kits to achieve the assigned challenges within the time limit. Laptops, software and robotics kits provided.

- **July – Outdoor Cooking Contest:** Eligibility: Grades 3-12. Teams of two youth only. Youth will prepare, cook, and present a portion of a tin foil dinner to two judges. Competitors will have 15 minutes to prepare their dinner and put them in the fire pits to cook. There is a maximum of 45 minutes cooking time.



4-H Demonstration Workshop

Speaking well in front of an audience is a skill every youth needs. Being able to express ourselves with confidence influences every aspect of our lives – school, church, community, and even relationships with friends.

Every member, parent and leader is invited to attend our 4-H Demonstration

Workshop on Tuesday, February 15 at 6 p.m. at the 4-H office. The workshop will help 4-H'ers understand how to prepare a blue-ribbon quality demonstration for county and state competition. The workshop will include demonstration training by Donna Carter, as well as live demonstrations by Weber County

4-H'ers. Come join us for this fun and informative workshop. You will learn skills just in time to prepare your demonstration during 4-H Contest Days, which begin in March.

Bar J Wrangler Concert



The Commitment to Agriculture Foundation (which generously funds our 4-H scholarship and club awards) will be hosting the annual FFA Bar J Wrangler Concert. The event will be held on Saturday, February 26, 2011 at 7:00 p.m., at Fremont High School. It includes a pre-show by Saddlestrings starting at

5:45 p.m., a silent auction, and the concert. Tickets are only \$15 and are available from FFA and CTA members and at the 4-H office.

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4-H Teen Council

All teens in 8th - 12th grades are invited to join 4-H Teen Council. Meetings are held on the 1st Monday of each month at the 4-H office; 4:00-5:30 p.m. There is no additional enrollment fee for current 4-H members; \$5 enrollment fee for youth not enrolled in 4-H. Each meeting includes a program, time for planning service projects and activities, and recreation.

Date	Program
January 10**	4-H Contest Extravaganza
February 7	Oh Those Crazy 4-H Songs
March 7	Countywide Service Project - Grades 3-12
April 4	Leading Games 101
May 2	Countywide service project - Grades 3-12
June 6	A Resi-what? Resumes 101
July - No Meeting	
August 1	Etiquette 101
September 12**	New 4-H Year Kick Off
October	Officer Elections/Focus on 2012 Centennial

Calendar of Events

JANUARY 2011

- 3 Leadermete Early Bird Registration opens
- 6 Horse Council Mtg., 7 p.m.
- 10 Teen Council Mtg., 4 p.m.
- 12 Leaders Council Mtg., 7 p.m.
- 13 Livestock Discovery Night, 6 p.m.
- 15 Mini-Chef Camp
- 20 -Healthy Cuisine Contest
-Chef Extraordinaire Contest
- 21 Deadline to sign up for January's Robotics Challenge
- 21-22 Statewide Winter Retreat
- 27 -Livestock Discovery Night, 6 p.m.
-Centennial Mtg.
- 28 Robotics Challenge, 4:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY 2011

- 1 Scholarship Applications Due
- 3 Horse Council Mtg., 7 p.m.
- 7 Teen Council Mtg., 4 p.m.
- 9 Leaders Council Mtg., 7 p.m.
- 10 Livestock Discovery Night, 6 p.m.
- 15 Demonstration Workshop, 6 p.m.
- 18 Deadline to sign up for February Robotics Challenge
- 24 Livestock Discovery Night, 6 p.m.
Sewing Workshop, 4:30 p.m.
- 25 Robotics Challenge, 4:30 p.m.
- 26 Bar J Wrangler Concert
- 28 Leadermete Late Registration starts

MARCH 2011

- 3 Horse Council Mtg., 7 p.m.
- 7 4-H Service Project, 4 p.m.
- 9 Leaders Council Mtg., 7 p.m.
- 10 -Fashion Revue Contest & Decorate Your Duds Workshop
-Livestock Discovery Night, 6 p.m.
- 17-19 4-H Leadermete
- 18 Deadline to sign up for Robotics Challenge
- 23 4-H Contest Day
- 24 Livestock Discovery Night, 6 p.m.
- 25 Robotics Challenge, 4:30 p.m.

APRIL 2011

- 4 Teen Council Mtg., 4 p.m.
- 7 Horse Council Mtg., 7 p.m.
- 13 -Leaders Council Mtg., 7 p.m.
-4-H Contest Day
- 14 Livestock Discovery Night, 6 p.m.
- 22 Robotics Challenge, 4:30 p.m.
- 27 4-H Contest Day
- 28 -Livestock Discovery Night, 6 p.m.
-Consumer Bowl Contest

MAY 2011

- 2 4-H Service Project, 4 p.m.
- 11 4-H Contest Day
- 12 Livestock Bowl Contest, 6 p.m.
- 18 4-H Contest Day
- 27 Robotics Challenge, 4:30 p.m.