



4-H focus



March 2018

What's Happening?

Walsh County Ambassadors

Walsh County 4-H Ambassador (for youth 14-18 years) program is looking for new members.

Join us for ice skating, snacks and a quick meeting on
Sunday, March 4th 4-6pm in Park River.



The goals of the Walsh County 4-H Ambassadors are to:



- ✓ To promote the 4-H Program
- ✓ To foster a positive image of 4-H in the county
- ✓ To provide leadership and public relations experience for older 4-H members
- ✓ To encourage support for 4-H from community leaders and public officials
- ✓ To encourage families to get involved in 4-H

I hope you will join us!

Please call, 284-6624, if you have any questions.

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<http://www.ag.ndsu.edu/walshcountyextension>

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Archery Workouts



Archery Workouts are being currently held Fridays & will run through April at the Northern Lites Archery Club, with the possibility of outside workouts in May.

Archery is an activity in which people from all walks of life and almost every size and ability can participate. It has been shown to be effective in helping young people experience success. Once boys and girls enjoy a taste of archery success, they realize they can accomplish many things with proper instruction, practice and a positive attitude.

Archery participants learn the different parts of the archery equipment; how to inspect the equipment for safety; how to conduct themselves on an archery range; how to maintain and repair bows and arrows and how to successfully shoot at different types of archery targets. Youth also develop camaraderie, learn responsibility, foster an appreciation for the environment and natural resources and have opportunities to serve as mentors.

For Upcoming 4-H Events: Individuals with disabilities are invited to request reasonable accommodations to participate in NDSU-sponsored programs and events. To request an accommodation(s), please contact the NDSU Extension Office at 701-284-6624 two weeks in advance to make arrangements.

Project Expo – March 23rd

Walsh County will be holding its Project Expo Event **Friday, March 23rd, 2018**. It will be held at the Park River Elementary School (door #12) with registration starting at 5:30 p.m. and judging beginning at 6 p.m. Age divisions include Cloverbud (5-7 years), Preteen (8-12 years) and Teen (13 and up). This is based on your age as of September 1st. **Registration for Project Expo is due in the Extension Office by 4:30 p.m. Friday, March 16th**. A registration form is attached in this email, available at <https://www.ag.ndsu.edu/walshcountyextension> or can be picked up at the office.



This event is an opportunity for 4-H youth to develop communication, presentation and public speaking skills, as well as show off their talents. This event qualifies as a Walsh County Top Notch event.

Contact your club leader or the Extension Office for a complete description of the objectives and guidelines or visit <http://www.ndsu.edu/fileadmin/4h/Contests/bcc546.pdf> Publication **BCC546** "4-H Project Expo" lists objectives and guidelines for the county Project Expo. It also includes a sample scorecard with criteria used to judge a Project Expo exhibit.

Participants must provide and bring their own card table. A standard square card table is required. The entire display must fit on a standard size card table, not extend beyond its edges. The use of clamps, hinges and on-the-floor easels are not allowed.

4-H Dress Code is required for this event! If you are not sure what the requirements are call the office (284-6624) to check with Jamie. Chevrons may be purchased prior to the event at the Extension Office.

County Awards: Each participant will receive a blue, red or white ribbon placing. Rosette ribbons will be awarded to the top individuals in the Pre-Teen and Teen divisions. Participants receiving, grand, reserve or honorable mention recognition will represent Walsh County at the State 4-H Project Expo held in July during the North Dakota State Fair in Minot. Participants may exhibit their Project Expo items at the county fair if it is an exhibit described in the fair premium book for their particular project.

Variety Show – April 8th

The Walsh County Variety Show date is set for Sunday, April 8, 2018, at the Park River City Auditorium. 4-H clubs responsible for providing entertainment (skit, etc.) for this year's event are **Hayshakers and Made in the USA Kids**. The Variety Show format serves as the annual 4-H Awards Extravaganza for the year so mark it on your calendars early!

Variety Show tickets have been mailed to 4-H members. Each 4-H member is encouraged to sell one booklet. Ticket stubs and money should be turned into your 4-H leaders before the Variety Show. Leaders you may turn your tickets into the Extension Office or to Charlotte Klose at the Variety Show.

4-H Aerospace Event – 2018



The ND 4H Foundation, UND Department of Aerospace Science along with NDSU Extension, will once again be sponsoring the 4-H Aerospace Event on April 8th, 2018 at UND School of Aerospace in Grand Forks. This program is open to youth ages 10-15 who are interested in learning more about the field of aerospace science. Youth must be accompanied by a chaperone. Chaperones must register and put the same fee as youth participants. Visit [2018 Aerospace Event](#) for more info. Registration is limited to 75 youth and will be taken on a first-come first-served basis. Registration is available online through www.4honline.com. If the program fills, late registrations will be placed on a waiting list. You do not have to be a 4-H member to attend this event.

Walsh County 4-H Crops Team



The Walsh County Junior Crops Judging Team has been performing well in their 2018 contests. Lilly Bina took first place at Little I in the Senior Division. Justin Klose took fourth. Connor Hodek was the high score for Walsh County with fourth place in the junior division.

Andrew Myrdal took 12th, Hannah Myrdal 27th, Cody Chyle 28th and Ingrid Myrdal 31st.

Project Corner

4-H Horse

The 4-H horse project is a project that you can participate in whether you own a horse or not. You also discover all aspects of raising and riding horses. You learn the appreciation of riding as recreation; horsemanship skills; develop an understanding of breeding, training and raising a horse as business; acquire skills in horse management by owning and being responsible for an animal; acquire safety skills to prevent injury to people and animals.

If you have a horse you can participate in the 4-H horse show. If you are unable to have horse there are numerous related topics you can do an exhibit on, here are some examples: Horse coloring/marking patterns; History of horses; Parts-of-a-horse matching game; Tagging a Horse; Dental Problems; Design your own showmanship pattern; Careers in the horse industry. There are many more ideas and areas to explore if you go to <http://www.ndsu.edu/fileadmin/4h/Projects/Horse.pdf>



ND 4-H Camp



The North Dakota 4-H Program has offered camping as educational experience for decades. Programs are designed to develop life skills for safe and healthful living, enhance personal development and provide constructive uses of leisure time. We are committed to providing a safe environment where children can make new friends and develop new skills. The camp provides opportunities for youth to master new skills and gain independence. Our staff members are trained in outdoor skills, science, agriculture, and human development to work with youth to ensure a high-quality experience for campers. All staff members are trained and certified in first aid and CPR. Campers enjoy many activities, including our walking trails, mud pit and archery. Campers especially like the Dutch oven cooking, evening campfires, waterslide and dance.

ND 4-H Camp Schedules

Registration will open **March 1, 2018** Visit <http://www.ndsu.edu/4h/camp/> for more information. **Early Bird Discounts** are available this year. For May and June camps the Early Bird Discount cutoff date is May 20, 2018. For July/August camps the Early Bird Discount cutoff is July 1, 2018. Discounts are applied automatically to your online registration.

2018 Camp Schedule

Camp Name	Date of Camp
Just Starting to Ride: Wish I Had a Horse Camp	June 3 - 7
You're The Chef	June 3 - 7
Livestock Camp	June 10 - 14
Whopper Club: Fishing Camp	June 10 - 14
Clover Camp I	June 15 - 16
Extreme Survivor Camp	June 17 - 21
Outdoor Skills: Bullseye Archery Camp	June 17 - 21
Completing the Pattern: Horse Camp I	June 24 - 28
Create It: Science, Photography, Wood Working Camp	June 24 - 28
Discover North Dakota Camp	June 24 - 28
4-H Adventure Camp I: The "Whodunit" Mystery Camp	July 8 - 12
Military Youth Camp I	July 15 - 19
Military Youth Camp II	July 15 - 19
Clover Camp II	July 20 - 21
4-H Adventure Camp II: Ninja Challenge	July 29 - Aug 2
4-H Adventure Camp III: The "Whodunit" Mystery Camp	August 5 - 9
Junkin' It: Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle Camp	August 5 - 9

ND 4-H Ambassador Applications

The North Dakota [4-H Ambassador application](#) has been updated. The next opportunity for youth ages 16-19 to apply to be a state 4-H ambassador will be during Ambassador Elections, which are held during Extension Youth Conference at NDSU June 18-21, 2018. [Applications](#) for the Ambassador program are available on the North Dakota Center for 4-H Youth Development [website](#) and will be due May 5th at your county Extension Office and May 15th to the Center for 4-H.

Ambassadors are a group of young adults ages 16 to 22 who work to help North Dakota 4-H. The Ambassadors do many things and are available to help out in your local county. Here is a sample of the duties of the Ambassadors:

1. *Enhance and promote the North Dakota 4-H Youth program with state and county Extension staff and 4-H volunteers.*
2. *Act as an advisor for 4-H youth ideas and concerns.*
3. *Create awareness of opportunities for older youth in 4-H.*
4. *Assist in the planning and organizing of the North Dakota State Extension Youth Conference, and other state functions.*
5. *Provide 4-H Ambassadors as resource people throughout the state by county or individual request.*

The ND 4-H Newsletter can be found at <http://www.ndsu.edu/4h>.

or

Log into your 4hOnline account at: <https://www.4honline.com>

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Flatlanders, Grafton..... Jenny Napier, Susan Narloch
Hayshakers, Fairdale.....Kori & Mark Hodek, Nancy Huhta
Made in the USA Kids, Pisek.....Jacqi Zikmund, Julie Zikmund, Helen Zikmund, Miranda Lien
Ranch Hands, Fordville.....Corrine & Travis Bell, Angie Schroeder, Sally Larson
Seven Rustlers, Fordville.....Todd Knudson, Jon Beneda, Lori Ternquist, Allie Beneda, Katie Ralston
Spirit, Hoople.....Charlotte & Paul Klose, Naomi Myrdal
Walsh Winners, Park River.....Anna & Megan Ramsey, Becky Nelson, Marlys Kjelland, Sue Brummond

Walsh County 4-H Calendar of Events – 2018

* Walsh County 4-H Events

March 3 – State 4-H Livestock Judging Contest – NDSU Campus, Shepperd Arena, Fargo

March 3-10 – North Dakota Winter Show

March 4 – State 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl Contest – NDSU Campus, Family Life Center, Fargo

March 10 – Crop Judging Contest (tentative until approved by NDWS)

March 10 – 4-H Shooting Sports – West Fargo

March 10 – Winter Show 4-H Hippology Contest – Tentative until winter show approval, Valley City

March 17 – 4-H Shooting Sports – Minot

March 23 – Project Expo, Park River School, 5:30 registration

April 7 – 4-H Shooting Sports – Edgeley State Indoor

April 7 – State 4-H Horse Judging Contest & the State 4-H Hippology Contest – NDSU Equine Center, Fargo

April 7-12 – National 4-H Conference – Washington, DC

April 8 – Variety Show – Park River Auditorium, 3:00pm

April 8 – State 4-H Horse Demonstration Contest, State 4-H Horse Public Speaking Contest and State 4-H Horse Quiz Bowl Contest – NDSU Campus, Family Life Center, Fargo, ND

April 13-15 – 4-H Ambassador Spring Retreat, Devils Lake

April 27 – Communication Arts – Park River High School, 5:30 registration

June 5 – District communication Arts – Cavalier Public School

June 18-21 – Extension Youth Conference – Fargo

June 26 – Consumer Choices – Park River Auditorium, 8:30 registration

June 26 – Clothing Revue – Park River Auditorium, 12:30 registration

July 20-28 – North Dakota State Fair

August 1 – Swim Party – Park River Pool, 9:00pm

August – 4-H Ambassador Summer Retreat

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