



# 4-H Peaces

A newsletter for 4-H Clubs, Key Leaders, Councils and Ambassadors in the  
Peace 4-H Region

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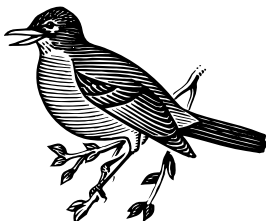
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## Foundation Items & Canadian Council Souvenirs

Stella Pimm is still managing the AB 4-H Foundation gift/award items for our region. She reminds everyone that even though she is in the region, it still takes a bit of time for items to be shipped to you. If she doesn't have an item in stock, she would be pleased to get them for you, but that also takes some time. Please order as far ahead of time as possible to ensure that you receive items when you need them. Don't forget to include your name and phone number, as well as your club name, when ordering.

The Alberta Foundation has a new toll-free number if you wish to call them directly. The number is 1-877-682-2153.

The Canadian Council also has some souvenir items available for purchase. To see and/or order these items go to the store on-line at [www.4-h-canada.ca](http://www.4-h-canada.ca)

## Summer Camp

This year's regional summer camps will be July 18-22 (Jr.) and July 24-28 (Int). Application forms are available from your club leader and on the internet (under the regional calendar).

## Regional Council Meeting & Communication Competitions

The next regional council meeting will be held in Valleyview at the Memorial Hall (4432 52 Ave) on March 18. The meeting will start at 10:00. The agenda will be sent directly to district representatives and council members.

Lunch will be available for \$4 per person.

Starting at 1:30 pm we will have the regional public speaking and presentation competitions. The top two seniors in each category will be invited to attend the provincial finals.

## Peace Regional 4-H Days

This year's show will be held at Evergreen Park in Grande Prairie June 16-18. Information packages and application forms will be mailed directly to each family in the region in the next few weeks. Watch for it. This will also be available on-line.

## Leader Travel

Each year our region is invited to select leaders to attend various training and chaperoning events. This year we will be sending a leader to the Montana Leaders's Conference (October 06), the BC Leader's Conference (fall 06), the National 4-H Volunteer Leader's Conference (Toronto Nov 06), and Agribition (Regina November 06). If you are interested in going on any of these trips, or would just like some more information about them, please contact the office in Fairview. If we have no interest shown in these trips, another region will likely get our spots.

## Community Service

As the weather heats up and the snow melts, it is the time of year for clean up. Highway clean-up will be held in May again. Clubs can use this activity for

one of their community service projects if you donate the money you receive in order to help someone else, otherwise it is a club activity. Another activity that clubs can participate in is 2006 Pitch-in Canada Week, April 24-30. The theme is "Operation: Clean Sweep!" For information, registration information, ideas, and more, contact the office in Fairview or go to the website at [www.pitch-in.ca](http://www.pitch-in.ca)

## Winter Camp

This year's winter camp was another success, with 80 campers in attendance. My thanks to all of the staff (Scott Kosheiff, Kilby Meuser, Caitlin Ridley, Leah Sallis, Courtney Seaholm, Katherine Barkwell, Eli Chelick, Nat Chelick, Jolene Coates, Steven Johnson, Lisa Lundgard, and Monika Ross) for their help in making the weekend so much fun for everyone.

## Scholarships & Bursaries

Just a reminder that **May 5** is the deadline to apply for this year's scholarships and bursaries. The regional scholarships use the provincial scholarship application form. The regional bursaries have their own form. Both are available on-line at [www.4h.ab.ca/regions/peace](http://www.4h.ab.ca/regions/peace) or by calling the office in Fairview.

Don't forget that there are some scholarships available at the national level as well. Some of them have different deadlines. Check them all out at the Canadian 4-H website (link from the AB site). If you are having trouble downloading some of the forms, contact the office in Fairview for a copy.

This year's winners of the regional bursaries were Theresa Yuha, Monika Ross, Corey Hessler, Serena Vavrek, Lindsay Garberg, Kathleen Becher, Darci Haughian, Britney Garberg, Adam Jessen and Alan Polasek. The winners of this year's regional scholarships were Leah Sallis, Laura Polasek, Caitlin Ridley, and Greg Hearn. Congratulations to all!

## Focus on 4-H

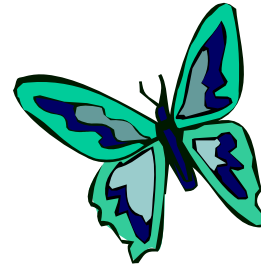
Each year the Northwest region hosts Focus on 4-H. This weekend (July 1-3) is full of activities for everyone. The events includes beef, horse, goat and sheep shows, as well as a silent auction, lip sync contest, dance, talent show, displays, presentations, bicycle and tractor rodeo, multi-species judging competition, bench show, and workshops. Members from all regions are invited to attend. If you would like more information, please contact the regional 4-H office in Fairview.

## Key Member

All senior members are invited to apply to become the Key Member for their district. This will be the second year of the program. Key Members will serve in their districts in similar fashion to the ambassadors for the region. Key Members will be asked to assist with training and promotion. Applications have been mailed directly to all 15 and 16 year old members. Information is also available in the 4-H magazine, from the regional 4-H office, and on the Internet.

## Leader's Conference

This year saw 28 Peace region 4-H leaders, and 6 leaders from the NW region, travel to Red Deer on the bus for Leader's Conference 2006. While 'Surviving', leaders met, learned, and had a good time. The theme *Survivor: Connect, Communicate, Celebrate, and Care* was well received and was utilized throughout the weekend. Many thanks and kudos go to the organizing committee from the Southern region. We are hosting the conference in Red Deer in 2007. Our theme, *4-H opoly*, should be a lot of fun. The ideas are already flowing and work has begun. Watch for information, requests, suggestions, etc as the committee puts their plans into action. We hope to see many of you there next year to help us demonstrate what a great place the Peace is to be.



## National Fundraiser

In January Skil Power Tools and the Canadian 4-H Council announced a new national fundraiser. A portion of sales from Skil products sold to retail outlets this spring will go to the 4-H program. The Canadian 4-H Council will receive a portion in support of national programs and each provincial agency will receive a share as well. For information about Skil and their products visit [SKIL.com](http://SKIL.com)

This is just one more example of the amazing support that the 4-H program receives on a local, provincial, and national level. Please don't forget to thank your sponsors as your club activities start to wind down for the year.

## Included in this Mailout

**Newsletter**

**News Release - Leader of the Year Award**

**Rural Roots Conference Information**

**Info on Ben Crane fundraisers**

**Nomination Forms for Leaders of  
Tomorrow Awards**

**Info on Northlands Calf Scramble**

**Ski Trip Interest Finder**

**Summer Camp Applications**

## Upcoming Events

- March 18    Regional Meeting  
Regional Public Speaking  
Competition  
Regional Presentation Competition
- June 16-18    Peace Regional 4-H Days
- July 18-22    Junior Summer Camp
- July 24-28    Intermediate Summer Camp
- September 9    Fall 4-H Leader's Forum
- November    Regional Livestock Handling  
Workshop
- November 4    Regional Meeting in Fairview hosted  
by the North Peace District
- November 25    Frosty Fest

## Penpals Requested

The "Lucky Leafers" 4-H club in Ohio, USA is looking for a Canadian club to be penpals with. If you have members interested in this, please contact the regional office for more information.

