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Garrett Hoof Prints 4-H Club News *Cole Kepple, Reporter*

The Garrett Hoof Prints 4-H Club held its monthly meeting on November 11, 2024. Jaryn Teets called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Reagan Meekins led the American Pledge, and the 4-H Pledge was led by Mylee Hartman. Members shared their favorite Thanksgiving food during roll call. The club's favorites included pie, corn, gravy, Turkey, and rolls. Dustlyn Rebar provided the Secretary's report, and it was approved with a motion from Mylee Hartman and second by Cole Kepple. Leader Lisa Thayer Welch provided the Treasurer's Report, which was approved with a motion from Mylee Hartman and second by Dustlyn Rebar.

Emmerson Meekins and Dustlyn Rebar, who will be entering market animals for the first time at the 2025 fair, provided fall weigh-in reports. Emmerson took her steer, Carhartt and Dustlyn took her steer Pugsley. Both members shared that the process was very smooth. Cole Kepple, Reagan Friend, and Madi VanSickle reported on the Haunted Woods/Hay Ride that the club participated in as a community service project. Cole shared that he ran the chainsaw, scared people on the wagon, and walked through the trail. He had a good time. Reagan shared that the hayride to the haunted trail and the chainsaw guy was the scariest part. In the dark, it was pretty scary. Madi reported that the chainsaw guys were the scariest part for her.

Lisa Meekins shared that her family will host a community Christmas event on December 8th if anyone can attend. She just asked that guests bring cookies to share. Santa will be there from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Jaryn Teets reminded the club that they will meet at Star Lite on Saturday at 2 p.m. to go roller-skating for their monthly activity. She also reminded everyone that the December

meeting will be our Christmas party. Members are encouraged to wear their ugliest Christmas attire, and if they are participating in the gift exchange, they should bring a cheap white elephant gift.

The club finalized its Adopt a Family project. Members will meet at Walmart on December 1st at 3 p.m. to purchase items for the family.

Lisa Thayer Welch congratulated Mylee Hartman, Cole Kepple, Tim Preston, Shanna Preston, Dustlyn Rebar, and Jaryn Teets on the end-of-year awards they received from the Mountain Top Saddle Club at their banquet on November 10th.

Lisa Thayer Welch asked if any members would be interested in forming a Horse Bowl team. One junior member is definitely interested, and a senior member is willing to coach. The other club members were encouraged to think about it.

Jaryn Teets reminded members to be working on their record books. Club members explained a record book and its contents to the club's Clovers. Record books and Presidential Community Service Logs are due to Lisa Thayer Welch in the new year.

Madi VanSickle gave a demonstration on gymnastics. She demonstrated her tumbling by doing back flips, handstands, cartwheels, and splits. Madi has been doing gymnastics with Brenda's Body Shop for five years.

The members then decorated the tree they will be entering for the Festival of Trees. Cole Kepple had done the welding and painting. Members were encouraged to attend the event. The next meeting will be held on December 9, 2024. The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m. with a motion from Mylee Hartman and a second by Dustlyn Rebar.

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