

2024 Central MT Fair



Indoor 4-H Project Auction



THURSDAY, JULY 25TH

4:00pm in front of Ag Building on Midway of Fairgrounds

Members & Items available for viewing at 3:00pm

Cash or Check Accepted:

All proceeds go directly to the 4-H Member

Hand-made items by 4-H youth for sale



4-H EMPOWERS KIDS WITH THE SKILLS TO LEAD FOR A LIFETIME

4-H projects support the personal growth and development of members through hands-on learning where they practice life skills like:

- *communicating effectively*
- *getting along with others*
- *responsibility*
- *decision-making*
- *record-keeping*
- *financial management*

4-H builds these life skills with projects that focus on agriculture, science, engineering and technology, healthy living and citizenship.

4-H'ers are...

4X

**more likely to
give back to their
communities**

2X

**more likely to
make healthier
choices**

2X

**more likely to
participate in
STEM activities**

Projects can include:

- raising animals
- clothing and textiles
- cooking, foods & nutrition
- photography
- shooting sports
- crop & range science, forestry
- babysitting
- gardening
- entomology
- computer coding
- veterinary science
- woodworking & welding
- theatre arts
- aerospace, electricity & robotics
- youth exchange programs



Auction Rules & Procedures

- Thursday July 25th, In front of Ag Building off the MidWay.
 - Auction starts at 4pm, buyer # registration and sale preview begins at 3pm
 - Come early to view projects up close & to speak to the 4-H members about their work
 - Register for a buyer number at Check-In table
 - Items to sell in catalog order
 - Cash or Check accepted – all proceeds go directly to the 4-H member
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- Auction items will be on-display in the Trade Center of the Fairgrounds the week of the fair. They are on a separate Auction Item Display Table.
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- Auction items purchased can be picked up on-site at the auction; or arrangements can be made with the selling 4-H member to pick up Sunday July 28th at 12noon; or Monday July 29th – or an alternative as agreed upon with seller.

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4 COMPARTMENT WOOD CADDY



Wood caddy with four compartments. Made from fir and stained with a clear finish.

Plans were modeled after an existing caddy and changed the compartment layout.

- Malulani says the hardest part was gluing and nailing ahead of clamping it all together.

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Malulani Pretty Weasel
Silver Spurs
12 years old
1st year in "Woodworking"

Hanging Porch Swing



Pine swing ready to hang on your front porch!

50" wide pine with a laser engraved mountain scene on back rest.

Fruitwood poly stain finish. Includes 4 eye bolts for hanging.

- Johnnie said the hardest portion was getting all the pieces cut and appropriately measured for assembly. He most enjoyed doing the laser engraving, as he has done that with a number of projects.

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Johnnie Schultz

Winnett Shamrock

14 years old

3rd Year in "Woodworking"

Basket of Homemade Soaps



Set of 3 handmade scented soaps made from goats' milk.

Scents are geared toward the males in the household!

- Hurricane: fir & tobacco vanilla
- Woodsmoke: Kentucky bourbon
- Unscented

- Made with his own goats' milk, homemade rendered tallow, and coconut & olive oils.

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Josiah Plouffe
Snowy Mountain Trailblazers
11 years old
1st Year in "Independent Study"

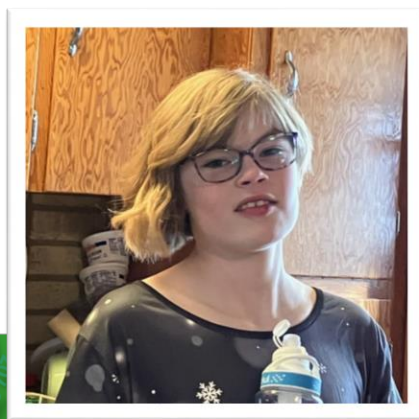
Worm Box



*Home-grown worms for your
compositing or fishing needs!*

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Klara Dumphy
Creative Critters
13 years old
1st Year in "Gardening"

Handmade Wood Mantle Clock



Free standing mantle clock with pendulum.

Faux wood patterned front plate with decorative bronze rivets.

Approximately 12" tall x 8" wide

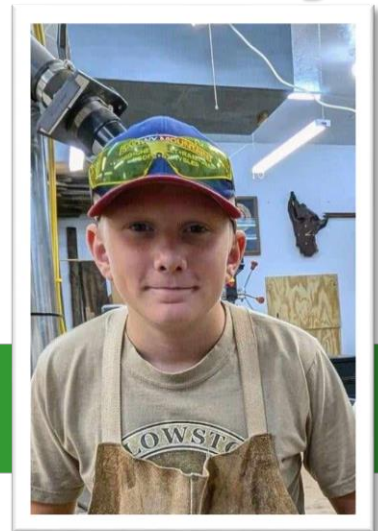
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Abraham Sewell
Snowy Mountain Trailblazers
13 years old
2nd Year in "Woodworking"

Set of 2 Picture Frames



16"x12" fir frame with wood obtained from the South Moccasin Mountains after the fire in 2021. Acrylic glass.

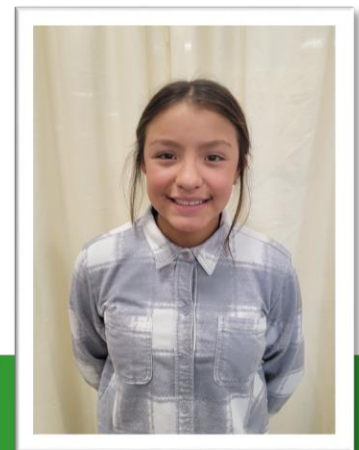


18 1/2" x 14 3/4" fir frame, stained dark brown. Nailed and acrylic glass.

Sold as a set of two.

- Malulani says the hardest part of making the frames was measuring cutting the acrylic material to fit properly.

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Malulani Pretty Weasel
Silver Spurs
12 years old
1st year in "Woodworking"



Tooled Leather Rifle Sling



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Made from a leather kit.

*Hand carved deer head painted
with paint pens. Self-designed
geometric stamped pattern.*

*Reinforced with a layer of suede
padding and clear protective finish.*

- Sira says hand painting was challenging but in the end enjoyed seeing the finished project

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Sira Curry
Creative Critters
12 years old
4th Year in "Leathercraft"

Tooled Leather Smartphone Case with Belt Loop



Created from a kit and stamped with a floral pattern. Has a tan dye with clear coat, water resistant finish.

Includes an inside felt screen protector with Velcro closure.

Fits most cell phones.

- David says the hardest part was getting the dye to apply smoothly.

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David Curry
Creative Critters
14 years old
4th year in "Leathercraft"



SADDLE MOUNTED WATER BOTTLE HOLDER



Universal water bottle holder to attached to saddle strings or saddle tree.

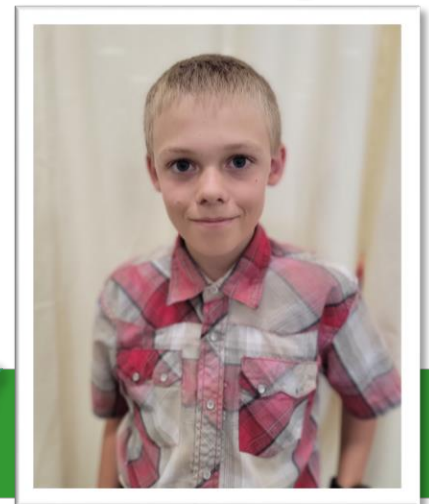
Hand stamped geometric leather pattern with dark brown finish.

Uses rivets and grommets with adjustable Para cord to keep watter bottle secured to saddle.

- The design was self created, trialed and improved over a couple of iterations. Mason's favorite part was setting the grommets; but admits the hand setting of the rivets was tough.

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Mason Schultz
Winnett Shamrocks

11 years old
1st year in "Level 2 Leathercraft"

Mounting Bluebird Bird Nest House



18" x 7/14" pine blue bird nesting house.

Made from pine with a clear protective coat.

Should be placed at least 5' above ground with opening facing East.

- Judah said his favorite part of this piece was nailing pieces together.

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Judah Curry
Creative Critters
9 years old
1st Year in "Woodworking"

CEDAR & HICKORY WOOD CUTTING BOARD

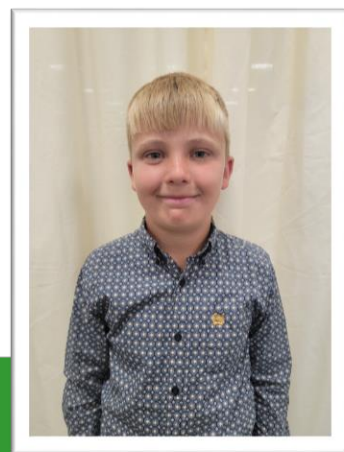


16" X 16" cedar and hickory patterned wood cutting board.

- Tucker learned how to use an oversized drum sander that can sand big pieces of wood. He also says that he used a palm sander to create a seamless finish.

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Tucker Larson
Christina Busy Bees
9 years old
1st year in "Woodworking"

Rustic Cedar Post Lamp



Cedar post lamp with pine base lamp. Includes a light tan, distressed faux-hide lamp shade. Has a clear poly protective coat

5 ½ feet tall

- Logan used a number of tools to make this lamp, including the router, drill and sander. He says the hardest part was sanding in the nooks and crannies of the lamp post.

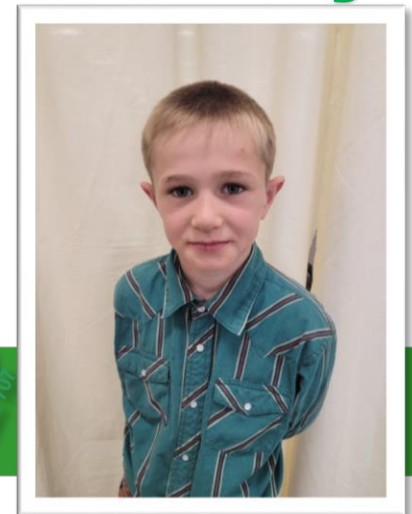
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Logan Wright
Heart of the Judiths
9 years old
2nd Year in “Woodworking”

Reversible Queen Bed Quilt



Whole cloth queen bed quilt, made from bed sheets.

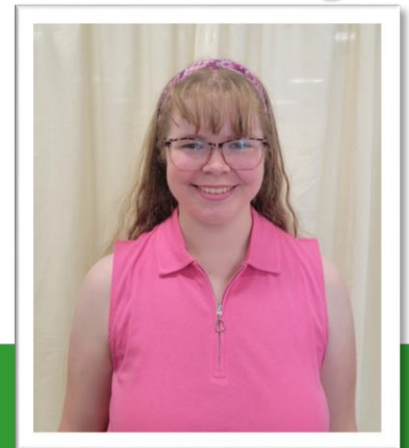
Light sage green and brown, with feather border.

Quilted with a rainbow thread, using a skillbuilder quilting pattern.

- Kylie recently won the Montana 4-H Congress competition with a different quilt – and earned herself a trip to National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Georgia this fall!

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Kylie Crawford
Creative Critters
14 years old
5th Year in “Quilting”

Rustic Barnwood Cabinet



Perfect for a downstairs entertainment area!

Split design with tall shelving, glass door with antler handle on one side and open faced opposite side with 3 shelving compartments.

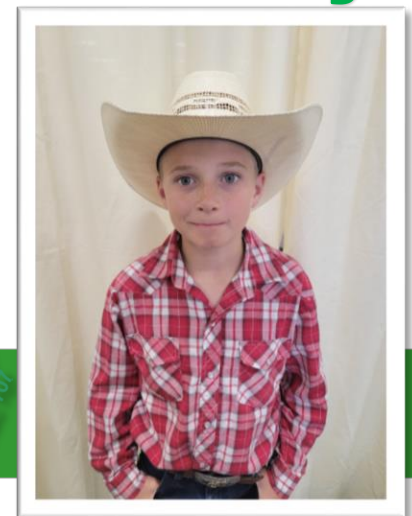
Made from repurposed cherry & oak barn wood. Has a clear poly protective coat.

20"w x 30"l x 36"t

- Levi got the idea from a cabinet at a furniture store. He said the hardest part was using the table saw safely.

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Levi Wright
Heart of the Judiths
11 years old
4th Year in "Woodworking"

Basket of Homemade Dog Treats



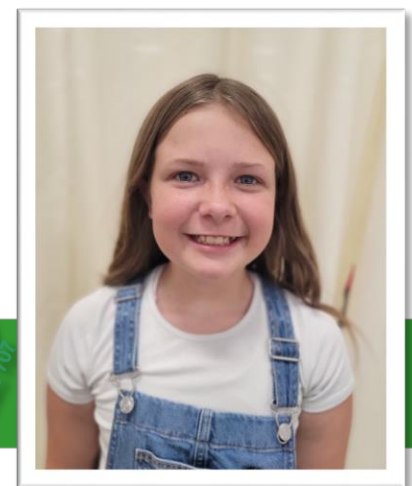
Basket of goodies for man's best friend(s)! Includes homemade sweet potatoes treats with peanut butter icing, elk jerky, chicken jerky, and banana oat training treats.

Hand painted wood basket included, and also includes a new tennis ball and decorative dog statue.

- Briella enjoyed using different styles for the treats and making different shapes. She also tested all of these treats as they are human edible and safe.

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Briella Arnzten
Christina Busy Bees
11 years old
3rd Year in "Cooking"

Handmade Wood Mantle Clock



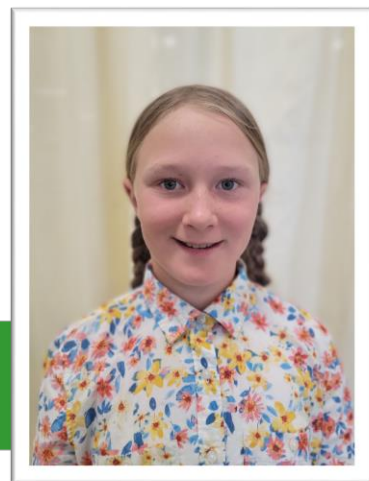
A 10" homemade from scratch chocolate cake with chocolate buttercream frosting and piped details.

A new, fresh cake will be made & decorated for Thursday's auction.

- Rachel said she enjoys working with the different ingredients when baking.

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Rachel Sewell
Snowy Mountain Trailblazers
10 years old
2nd Year in "Cake Decorating"



Quilted Fall Pumpkin Table Runner



Quilted table runner with fall theme colors and pumpkins colored cloth using Inktense pencils with protective coating.

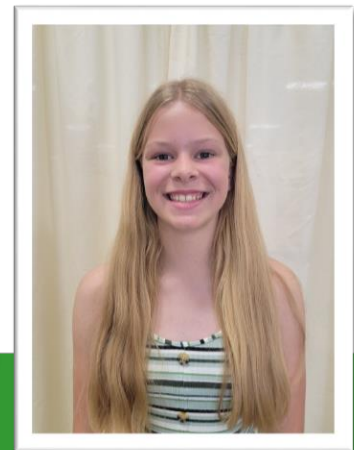
Machine washable

Self-created quilting pattern using computer program.

- Clara said the hardest part of this piece was the painting with the pencils.

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Clara Crawford

Creative Critters

11 years old

1st year in "Home Environment"

Hand-stamped Leather Keychain



Hand-stamped leather keychain with stamped flower and butterfly on both sides. Black lacing and clear coat finish.

- Abigail's said the hardest part was deciding what stamp design to use, and she really enjoyed the lacing.



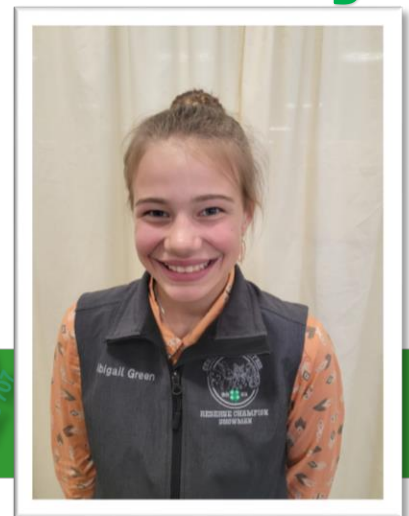
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Abigail Green
Creative Critters
12 years old
1st Year in "Leathercraft"

Dual purpose Napkin or Letter Holder



Perfect for your desk or your kitchen!

Wood-burned with a bronc horse design and finished with a clear stain.

- Judah said his favorite part of this piece was the wood burning

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Judah Curry
Creative Critters
9 years old
1st Year in “Woodworking”

Woodburned Gun Rack with Metal Bear Head



Woodburned gun rack with cutout iron bear overlay. Holds 3 rifles and includes 2 lower storage compartments with antler handles.

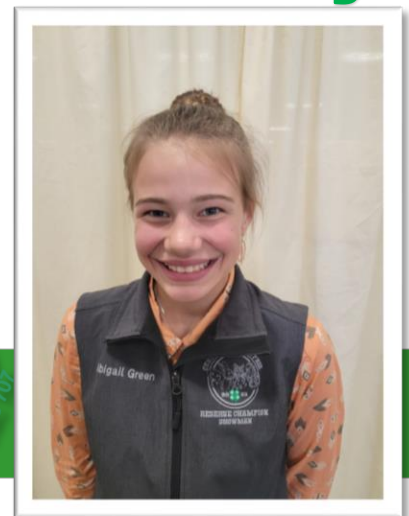
Made from pine and burned and poly urethane finish.

Approximately 30" wide

- Abigail's said the hardest part was using the jigsaw and having to navigate around knots in the boards.
- The metal bear was cut at local manufacturing facility.

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Abigail Green
Creative Critters
12 years old
1st Year in "Woodworking"

Fresh Garden Veggies



Assortment of locally grown garden veggies and plants.

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Klara Dumphy
Creative Critters
13 years old
1st Year in "Gardening"

Leather Roper Snap Clutch



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Hand cut & tooled leather clutch with wristlet.

Each side holds a tooled stamped floral pattern with hand stitching.

Includes 4 card pockets, a zippered coin pocket and a cash compartment.

Includes leather wristlet attached with a gold D-ring clip.

- Sira learned the saddle stitch – which includes using 2 needles at once. She said the stitching was the most challenging aspect.

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Sira Curry
Creative Critters
12 years old
4th Year in “Leathercraft”

Patio Table with Removable Grill



40" diameter x 26" tall electrical reel repurposed as a patio table.

Includes a handled section in center with removable (brand new) 18" Weber charcoal grill.

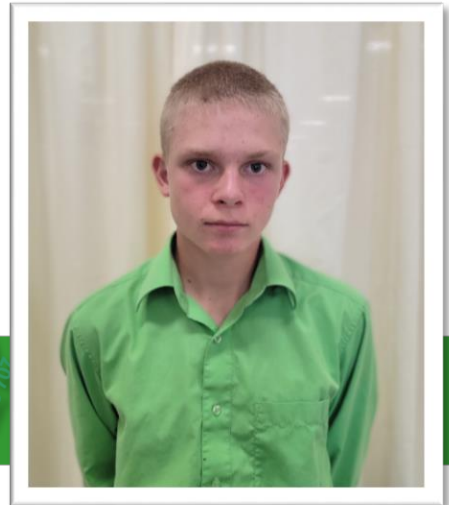
Poly-urethane finish.

- Johnnie came up with this project idea when trying to find a use for the existing reel.



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Winnett Shamrock

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HANDMADE RFID WALLET



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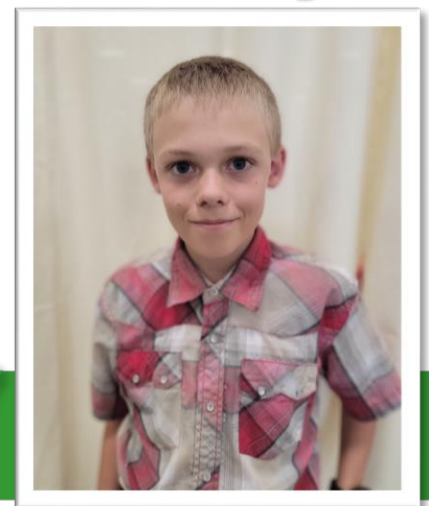
Handmade leather RFID wallet.

Multi-color geometric pattern in dark brown and black with stamped rope border.

8 card slots, 2 cash compartments and a clear waterproof finish.

- Mason shared that using the swivel knife to create the geometric shapes was challenging.

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Mason Schultz
Winnett Shamrocks

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1st year in "Level 2 Leathercraft"



Roper Style Billfold



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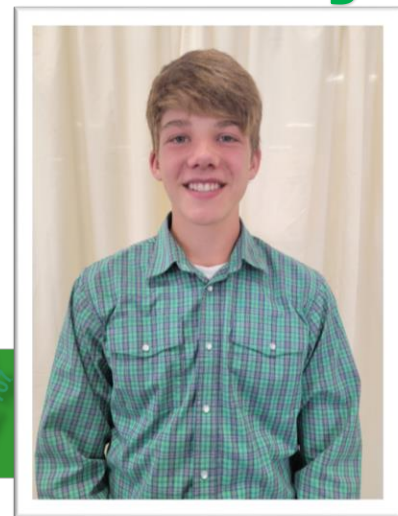
*Built & cut from hand with a hand
tooled barbwire border.*

*Includes 6 card pockets, 2 large
pockets and 2 cash pocket.*

*Dyed dark brown and hand sewn
with double-running stitch using
tiger thread for durability.*

- David is very pleased how this item turned out – it won 1st place medallion out of all leather items in level 3. The hardest part was assembling the cut pieces before cement in in place.

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David Curry
Creative Critters
14 years old
4th Year in “Leathercraft”

Set of Welded Chain Stools with Leather Tooled Seat Tops



- Set of 2 welded stools made from chain and square tubing. Spray painted black.
- Hand-tooled leather seat tops detailing a floral and faux wood pattern. Finished with protective clear coat.
- Josiah really enjoyed tooling the leather for these stools, and admits that getting the chains straight was challenging.
- The entire project took him around 10 hours to complete.

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Josiah Plouffe
Snowy Mountain Trailblazers
11 years old
1st Year in "Independent Study"

Chocolate Chip Cookies

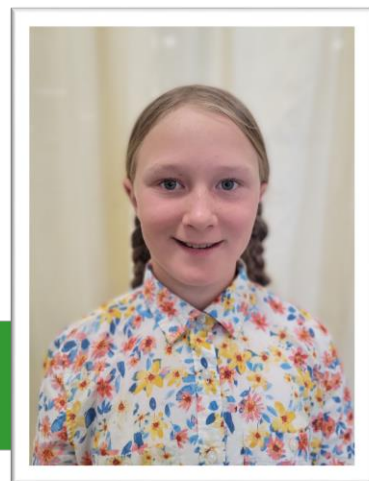


One dozen chocolate chip cookies made from scratch.

- Rachel makes a lot of cookies for her family on a regular basis, so she thought it would be a great idea to make them for fair – she has lots of practice!

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Rachel Sewell
Snowy Mountain Trailblazers
10 years old
1st Year in “Baking”