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4-H NEWSLETTER

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THANK YOU'S

Weigh-In (sheep, goat, and swine)- Thank you to Jeff Thornton, John Thompson and family, Randy Stone and family, and Alyssah Ewing for all of their help at weigh-in.

Equipment Purchases– Thank you to the Heartland Club for their $300 donation towards the purchase of 4-H equipment.

PORTABLE SCALE AVAILABLE FOR USE

County Council, along with the help of some of the 4-H clubs, has purchased a portable sheep, goat, and swine scale for county use. The scale is available at the Extension Office on a first come, first serve basis.

*A $50 deposit is required and an equipment check-out sheet must be completed.

*The scale must be disinfected according to the "Disinfectant Protocol Sheet" before it is returned to the office.

*A $50 late fee will apply if the scale is not returned on time.

*Non 4-H/FFA members may also rent the scale for $25/per day.

4-H GROWS HERE

#4HGrown
4-H.org/RaiseYourhand

INFORMATION & EVENTS:

- ⇒ **Western Heritage Camp** is June 27-29 at Fort Garland, CO. Information is available at golden-plains.colostate.edu/4h/4h_docs/WH/western%20heritage%20poster.pdf.
- ⇒ **Glen Martin Bracing For Success Lamb Camp** is June 12-13th at the Southeast Weld County Fairgrounds in Keensburg. Information is available at weld4h.org/assets/d6b8BcC21b6299d65549.pdf.
- ⇒ **Pueblo County Dog Show** is June 17 at Craver Middle School, Colorado City. Contact Carol Kuhns at (719) 583-6576 or khuns@co.pueblo.co.us for more information.
- ⇒ **Elbert County All Breed Open Horse Show Circuit** is June 17 and July 1 at the Elbert County Fairgrounds in Kiowa. For more information contact Kali Benson at (505) 463-7286.
- ⇒ **Douglas County Combined Breed Dog Show** is June 17 at the Douglas County Fairgrounds in Castle Rock. Information is available at arapahoe.extension.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/10/2016/06/Flyer-2017-Douglas-Dog-Shows.pdf.
- ⇒ **Adams County Performance Horse Show** is June 18 in Brighton. Information and a complete summer show schedule is available at adamscountyhorse.com.
- ⇒ **North Park Livestock Prospect Jackpot Show** is June 18 in Walden. Information is available at (970) 723-4298 or coopext_jackson@mail.colostate.edu.
- ⇒ **Ray Hinton Memorial Livestock Jackpot** is June 24-25 in Monte Vista. Information and registration is available at 719-849-3644 or tinyurl.com/HintonJackpot2017.
- ⇒ **Yuma County Working Ranch Horse Clinic** is July 1. Contact the Yuma County Extension at (970) 332-4151 for more information.
- ⇒ **American Jersey Cattle Association Scholarship** application is due July 1. Information is available at usjersey.com/AJCA-NAJ-JMS/AJCA/YouthPrograms/YouthScholarshipsandEducationalPrograms.aspx.
- ⇒ **Briggsdale Classic Open Jackpot Livestock Show** is July 7-8 in Briggsdale. Information is available at briggsdaleclassic.wordpress.com.
- ⇒ **"One Bird" Youth Poultry Show and Seminar** is July 9 at the Elbert County Fairgrounds in Kiowa. For more information contact featherfanciers@yahoo.com or call (303)-870-4616.
- ⇒ **American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA) Scholarship** application is due July 31. Information is available at arba.net/youth.htm#scholar.

We would enjoy posting your event information, activity highlights, and pictures from all of your 4-H adventures. This can include, but is not limited to:

-Thank you' s

-Club activity highlights and upcoming events

-Pictures of your 4-H projects or landscape outdoor pictures

-Equipment or livestock for sale, etc.

SHOWMANSHIP TIPS:

Exhibitor:

1) Wear proper show attire for the designated specie type.
2) Ensure a general neat and clean appearance.
3) Spend time working with your animal and practice show techniques for both market and showmanship classes.
4) Study your species and be able to answer questions on a variety of topics including nutrition, skeletal and muscle structure, body condition score, industry information, etc.
5) Ask other members for help or watch other livestock shows to fully understand the requirements to show each species correctly in market and showmanship classes.
6) Be ready to show when your class is called and be respectful of the judge and your competitors.

Animal & Equipment

1) Make sure the animal has been washed and is generally clean.
2) Ensure proper clipping and trimming of hair coat, toes, ears, tail, etc.
3) Check that show halters, sticks, and combs are in good working condition.
4) Ensure proper use of equipment for each species being shown.
5) Work with animals to ensure they are trained to lead or walk and correctly pose for the judge upon setup.

LIVESTOCK SHOW DRESS CODE:

Horse:
-Western hat or riding helmet
-Boots
-Belt
-Long-sleeved shirt
-Jeans

Dairy:
-White pants
-White collared shirt
-Belt
-Hard-soled, closed toed shoes or boots (not tennis shoes)

FFA:
-FFA Jacket and tie
-White collared shirt
-Black pants
-Black shoes

All Other Livestock:
-Collared shirt
-Jeans
-Hard-soled, closed toed shoes or boots (not tennis shoes)
*Appearance should be neat and clean. Limit accessories, ensure clothes fit properly and are not holey or ragged in appearance.

ACTIVITY CORNER:

How to Make a Fishing Rod:

Supplies:

-Sturdy, flexible stick around 4 ft.

-Fishing line or other type of string

-Scissors

-Fish hook, pop can tab, or paperclip

-Plastic bobber or similar item that will float (i.e. piece of a pool noodle)

Assembly:

-Tie the fishing line to the larger end of the stick by either drilling a hole in the stick or by using a spiral tying pattern to secure the line.

-Measure out your fishing line to be at least a couple of feet and cut off on the end away from your pole.

-Tie the bobber to the middle of your line.

-Tie the fish hook onto the end of the line. Add some bait and you are ready to fish!

Resource: life-style.howstuffworks.com/crafts/seasonal/spring/lake-activities2.htm

Outdoor Activity:

The National Parks Service and Recreational Lands offer affordable passes to visit more than 2,000 sites across the United States. These locations offer great recreation and tourism as well as providing the ability to learn about history, wildlife, habitats, and the local communities amenities. So get out and enjoy a National Park or Recreation Land this summer!

Passes and additional information is available at:

nps.gov/planyourvisit/passes.htm

Monthly Resource: National Audubon Society Field Guides

Colorado Historical Sites & Parks Trivia:

1) The Sand Creek Massacre in Kiowa County occurred in _____.

2) Yucca House National Monument preserves the _____ _____ _____ _____site and remains unexcavated near Cortez.

3) The Santa Fe Trail goes through which four states besides Colorado? ____, ____, ____, and _____.

4) What National Park contains petrified wood stumps and a highly diverse fossil deposit in Florissant, CO? _____

5) The 2016 Western Heritage 4-H camp was held at _____ ____ _____near La Junta.

6) This vast recreation area contains three reservoirs that reside along the Gunnison River. _____

1)1864, 2) Montezuma Valley Ancestral Pueblo, 3)MO,NM,KS,OK, 4) Florissant Fossil Beds, 5) Bent's Old Fort, 6) Curecanti / Resources: nps.gov/state/co/index.htm

JUST TO GET YOU THINKIN...

"First Armour Tour of boys and girls in Chicago is organized by Guy Noble of Armour & Co., the forerunner of what would become the National 4-H Congress." -National 4-H History Preservation Program

"True friendship is a plant of slow growth, and must undergo and withstand the shocks of adversity before it is entitled to the appellation." -George Washington(1732-99)

PROJECT SPOTLIGHT: WILDLIFE

The State of Colorado has an abundance of wildlife species and varied habitats that make it a great 4-H project for members. This project focuses on:

-Habitat
-Ecosystems
-Wildlife identification
-Wildlife management
-Wildlife issues and policy

Careers: Wildlife biologist, parks and wildlife officer, animal control, veterinarian, research, education, outfitter guide, government and private land and wildlife management, zoo or preservation habitats, legal, policy related, marketing, product development, etc.

Resources:

-Colorado 4-H Projects- colorado4h.org/project_resources/projects/gnr/4H-GNR-Project-Wildlife.pdf
-Wildlife Society- wildlife.org/
-Colorado Parks & Wildlife- cpw.state.co.us/
-American Outfitter & Guide Association- americanoutfitterandguideassociation.com/
-Association of Fish & Wildlife Agencies- http://www.fishwildlife.org/index.php
-CSU-Fish, Wildlife, & Conservation Biology - warnercnr.colostate.edu/fwcb-home
-Western State Colorado University- western.edu/academics/undergraduate/biology/wildlife-biology
-Mule Deer Foundation- muledeer.org/hunting/mule-deer-facts/

Palisade Boxed Peaches Fundraiser

County Council Members are once again selling boxed peaches from Palisade Produce in June.

Boxed Peaches (18-20 lbs or 30-40 peaches)- $35.00/box
1/2 Box Peaches (9-10 lbs or 15-20 peaches)- $20.00/half box

To purchase peaches contact county council members (TeriAnn Saffer, Wade Yoder, Eleanna Rosler, Mikaela Taylor, Elivia Hilferty, Alyssah Ewing, Lane Roan, Aubrey Lindt, Cameron Hajek, Hannah Beedy, Colby Simmons, Kayla Schier) or purchase through the Extension Office.

Delivery of the peaches will take place sometime between the end of July to early September. As we move into July; we will have a much better idea of the exact delivery date.

RECORD BOOK REFERENCE: PART 5

Involvement Records:

⇒ A community service project and demonstration is required for your record book and to meet your "member in good standing" requirements each year.

⇒ Be specific and completely fill in all boxes.

⇒ Be sure to use different answers for "What did you learn" in all of the sections and write in complete sentences.

Activity Logs and Project Manual Pages:

⇒ Ensure that you keep an accurate record of activities.

⇒ Complete all required manual pages and insert them into your record book.

Record Book Type:

⇒ Horse and dog records should both be in a separate binder from livestock records.

⇒ If you have more than one livestock project be sure you check each species on the first page of your livestock record book.

Other Information:

⇒ Check that labeling is consistent and correct on all pages of your record books.

⇒ Remove previous years records and activity pages from your record book binder.

⇒ Livestock records should be in a record book cover or binder when turned in. *Record book covers can be purchased at the Extension office for $3/cover.

⇒ Remember to label your record book cover.

Colorado State 4-H Project Record Books:
colorado4h.org/project_resources/index.php

Colorado State Fair 4-H Exhibit Project Requirements:
colorado4h.org/project_resources/StateFairExhibitReq.pdf

EVENT ROUNDUP:

Ag Fest

Shooting Sports Practice

2017 Ford-150 Pick Up & Cash Raffle

Tickets cost $5 each or $20 for 5 tickets.

To purchase tickets contact county council members (TeriAnn Saffer, Wade Yoder, Eleanna Rosler, Mikaela Taylor, Elivia Hilferty, Alyssah Ewing, Lane Roan, Aubrey Lindt, Cameron Hajek, Hannah Beedy, Colby Simmons, Kayla Schier) or purchase through the Extension Office.

Part of the proceeds from the raffle directly benefits the county 4-H program. The remaining funds go back to the State 4-H Foundation to provide support statewide in the form of programming, scholarships, grants, and awareness.

*Four Drawings of $50 cash prizes will also take place throughout the summer for tickets purchased by that date. *All winners will still be eligible for the truck and cash prizes drawing on September 9th at the CSU football game.*

Money moment:

Balancing your bank account statements helps you to determine the true amount of funds in your account. Ending statement balances often do not reflect the true account balance because of outstanding deposits or withdrawals.

Steps to Reconciling a Bank Statement:

1) Find the account statement ending balance.
2) Add up outstanding deposits (transactions that have not yet posted to the account, but were deposited) and add to the ending account balance.
3) Add up outstanding withdrawals (transactions that have not yet cleared the account, but purchases were made) and subtract this from the total of (Bullet point 1 & 2).
4) This calculation will provide the current account balance.

Example:

Ending Bank Balance		$ 1,515.25
Outstanding Deposits	(+)	$ 225.25
		$ 55.25
Outstanding Withdrawals	(-)	$ 301.00
		$ 22.25
		$ 12.00
Ending Account Balance		$ 1,460.50

Top Reasons for Opening and Reconciling Account Statements:

1) Prevent fraud by knowing when your account statements will arrive in the mail or your email.
2) Receive important account notices including overdraft notices and late fees.
3) Receive updates and important financial information from your financial institution.
4) Obtain a current account balance through reconciliation.
5) Reminder to record the fees, service charges, and monthly automatic withdrawals to your account.
6) Ability to review the account to ensure there are not any fraudulent charges.
7) Ability to check transactions for accuracy on your part and the financial institution.

VOLUNTEER CORNER:

Just a quick reminder to encourage everyone to fill out and submit 4-H award nomination forms for the below categories before September 1st! Nomination forms are available online at lincoln.extension.colostate.edu/4-h-forms-applications/ and can be submitted to the Extension office.

Gwendal Leonard

Hard Luck Award

Outstanding 4-H Member (Jr.,Intermediate, Sr.)

Hall of Fame Award

Partner in Success Award

Outstanding 4-H Volunteer

COUNTY COUNCIL REMINDERS:

⇒ Peach orders are due June 30.

⇒ Fairgrounds Clean-Up—July 28th @ 8:30am

*We encourage all 4-H members to help.

*Bring a sack lunch and water bottle. Wear old clothes, closed toed shoes, hat, and gloves.

⇒ Truck Raffle Tickets are now available at the office for pickup and sales. Tickets and funds are due back to the Extension office no later than August 18.

⇒ Interview Judging-August 5 @ 8:00am to help with set up, checking in members projects, and organization of projects in the building after the judging portion.

⇒ Fair Dance– August 9 @ 8:30pm. Members need to help with set up and clean up.

COUNTY FAIR DEADLINES:

2017 County Fair Requirements and Schedule: lincoln.extension.colostate.edu/lincoln-county-fair/

Dates of Importance:

⇒ July 1– Livestock, Horse, and FFA Ag Mechanics entries due.

⇒ July 15-Poultry, Rabbit, and Dog entries due.

⇒ See the fairbook schedule for open class and other entry deadlines.

Other Information:

⇒ Clothing tags for sewing projects are available at the Extension Office.

⇒ Display boards and record book covers are available at the Extension office for $3 each.

⇒ Fair Theme 2017- “Salute to Service”.

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 Registration Closes- Camp Go West	2 Shoot Practice 2 Archery @ 8:30am	3 Shoot practice 2 Muzzle, Shotgun, Rifle @ 8:30am -Karval Concessions Tractor Pull
4	5	6	7 Horse Clinic 5:30pm @ Fairgrounds	8	9 Scored Shoot 1 Archery/Rifle @ 8:30am	10 Scored Shoot 1 Muzzle/Shotgun @ 8:30am
11 Heartland Club Meeting	12	13	14	15	16	17 Karval Concessions Tractor Pull
18 Father's Day	19	20 State 4-H Conference in Fort Collins - Karval Club Tour/ Demonstrations 9:00am	21 State 4-H Conference in Fort Collins -Horse Clinic 5:30pm @ Fairgrounds	22 State 4-H Conference in Fort Collins	23	24
25	26 National 4-H Conference All Week	27 Western Heritage Camp @ Ft. Garland	28 Western Heritage Camp @ Ft. Garland -Horse Clinic 5:30pm @ Fairgrounds	29 Western Heritage Camp @ Ft. Garland	30	

Head– Summer Reading Programs are a great way for members to gain more knowledge and to help them keep their skills sharp for the next school year.

Ways to make reading fun:

-Sign up for a summer reading program.

-Sign up for a library card.

-Read books that are of interest or explore new topics.

-Read to someone else or as a family.

-Set up incentive programs for so many books read, number of pages, etc. and continue into the school year.

Resources:

cde.state.co.us/cdelib/summerreadingparents

lincolncounty.colibraries.org/

Heart– Volunteer emergency medical technicians or firefighters sacrifice their personal time and resources to help others when it's needed most. The following are some ways to show your appreciation to these awesome volunteers:

-Always move over for emergency vehicles and slow down when they are on the side of the road.

-Send a thank you to your local department.

-Support their fundraisers and donations.

-Ask your local fire department if they need water and snack items when out fighting fires.

Hands– If you've ever wanted to get a good idea of your cow's body score while out on pasture, corn stalks, etc. then the *Crystalyx Beef Cow Body Condition Score App* is the place to go. The app lets you take pictures of your cows and directly upload them into the system to compare to standard or customizable body score charts. It also allows you to assign cows to pastures, input the date, and even track GPS locations. This allows producers a before and after snapshot of that forage location and how the cows are doing. It also gives you a physical picture record to compare from year to year when assessing cattle for culling purposes. The app also allows you to export records into other formats and provides graphing capabilities. The app and more information is available at crystalyx.com/producer-tools/crystalyx-beef-cow-body-condition-scoring-app/.

Health– The winter is not the only time we are susceptible to being stranded in the outdoors. The summer months often mean increased travel and lots of outdoor activities. Location, terrain, cell phone service availability, and temperature swings at night can make having a summer emergency kit and plan very important.

Consider the following before your next trip:

-Make an itinerary with emergency contact information and let someone know where you are going and when you will be back.

-Pack a three day supply of medication, include extra glasses, batteries, and a first aid kit.

-Include sunscreen, bug spray, hats, and glasses and clothes for both day and night temperature swings.

-Include a large water and food supply.

-Include a physical map and compass (GPS devices or cell phones may not work).

-Fire starting items, shovel, water filtration system, tarp or other rain proof items, etc.

Colorado State University, U.S. Department of Agriculture and Lincoln County cooperating.

Extension programs are available to all without discrimination.

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