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ANIMAL CARE AND HOUSING FORM
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MARCH CALENDAR

March 2010

Deadlines, Deadlines, Deadlines...

The Office will strictly enforce all deadlines.

Remember, meeting deadlines is a valuable life skill. Our office will make it a priority to get information out in a timely manner, so that you have time to meet the deadlines. Occasionally, if we've gotten information late or after the newsletter has gone out for the month, deadlines will be shorter.

Pueblo County Parent Leader Group

When: March 3
 Time: 6:30 p.m.
 Place: CSU Extension Room – 701 Court St.
SPECIAL TRAINING TOPIC this month: Endless 4-H Opportunities – trips, camps, scholarships, etc.
 Please remember: don't be early and don't be late. Someone will wait at the door to let people in from 6:20 – 6:30 p.m.

4-H Parent/Leader Group Spring Fling

The Spring Fling will not be held this year. The Parent/Leader Group's next craft show will be held in December.

Rummage Sale

The 4-H Foundation is planning a rummage sale next Fall. Plan to donate your gently used items! If you'd like to help the committee with this endeavor, please let Vanessa know.



Become a Fan of Pueblo County 4-H!!
Search for "Pueblo County 4-H" or call us
and we'll email you the direct link.

If you need any special accommodation(s) to participate in the events listed in this newsletter, please contact Colorado State University Extension at 719-583-6566. Your request must be submitted at least five business days in advance of the event.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

E-Record Workshops

Please don't wait to work on e-records or look at them until right before they are due! E-records are an important part of the 4-H project and the 4-H program. There will be two e-record workshops conducted in Pueblo by the state 4-H office. Leaders, parents and youth – please plan to attend one or both of them!

General and Consumer Science E-Record
May 17 – 7 – 9 p.m. in the Extension Office

Livestock, Horse and Small Animal E-Record Workshop
May 18 – 7 – 9 p.m. in the Extension Office

Fair Board Meeting

Date: March 17

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Place: CSUE Meeting Room – 701 Court Street

Call the Extension Office if you'd like to be on the agenda.

Please remember: don't be early and don't be late. Someone will wait at the door to let people in from 7:20 – 7:30 p.m. The doors are no longer unlocked for meetings like they did when we were in the DSS Building.

COUNTY FAIR DATES

July 9 – July 17, 2010

Contest Day—April 10, 2010 — Prepare Now!

See page 6 for full details!

Contest day includes the following categories:

- Creative Cooks
- Cake Decorating
- Demonstrations
- Performing Arts

Join the Colorado 4-H STEMtv Team

Be on the cutting edge and join the Colorado 4-H STEMtv Team! This team consists of 30 youth throughout the state who are interested in developing leadership skills through science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) knowledge. Workshops, tours, and service learning opportunities empower youth who have an interest in STEM related projects. Team members can learn, teach, volunteer, and report STEM news from their respective counties and regions.

The Colorado 4-H STEMtv Team workshops are open to 4-H members (13-19 years of age) who are interested in science, technology, engineering and math. Team members must re-apply every year. Applications are being accepted for youth members and adult volunteers. E-mail Willa Williams, 4-H Youth Development Specialist STEM and K-12, for an application at willa.williams@colostate.edu.

Vet Science Project Update

There will be no formal Vet Science meetings this spring and summer. If you need assistance and/or guidance with your vet science project, please call the Mesa Vet Clinic at 719-542-6075 and leave a message for Dr. Barker.

Regional Leader Training

Save the date! There will be a regional 4-H Leader Training at CSU-Pueblo on April 17. Look for details in upcoming newsletters. Topics covered include financial champions, cake decorating, shooting sports, Parli-pro, robotics and dogs. Registration deadline is April 5. For more information call the CSU Extension Office.

Report Forms - Date Due August 16

Report Forms will be due in our office on later than August 16 at 5:00 pm. If you are eligible for an Outstanding 4-H'er or Citizenship/Leadership Award, your report form will have to be updated in June so the committee can review them before interviews during County Fair. If you are unfamiliar with Report Forms, ask someone in your club who has done a RF or ask the office. It is a great way to track your 4-H work, experiences, leadership, citizenship and community service. Youth must complete RF's to be eligible for trips and awards.

Enrollment Policy

The following enrollment fee will be in effect for the 2009-2010 year:

A \$25.00 fee will cover the enrollment for up to two projects

One additional project can be added for \$5.00

Enrollment fee for Cloverbuds will be \$20.00

Beginning in the 2009-2010 4-H year, 4-H youth may enroll in no more than three projects during one year. Each 4-H member is expected to complete **ALL** of the projects in which they are enrolled; that means completing a record book for each of those projects and exhibiting their project (preferably at the Pueblo County Fair except under special circumstances). We understand that each 4-H member and their family has time constraints, and by taking a reasonable amount of projects that can be completed, the member will feel successful, enjoy their 4-H experience, and increase their knowledge. If a family feels their 4-H member has the time and resources to take and complete more than three projects, they may talk with the 4-H staff.

New member enrollments and add/drops on the Drop/Add Form are due by March 15, 2010

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Livestock, Dog and Horse Policy Reminder

REMINDER WHEN ENROLLING: All livestock enterprises, horse, dog, poultry and rabbit records must achieve a score of 70% or more to be eligible to show in that project or projects in the following year's Pueblo County Fair. Youth with e-Records not meeting the minimum requirement will be given one week after the grading of books to update/correct the book to meet the standard. Your 2009 E-record score will be used for eligibility to show in the 2010 Pueblo County Fair. *Anyone with a learning disability should provide us with a letter from your school Special Education Teacher.*

NOTE: *The deadline to drop projects is March 15 by 5 p.m.* If you do not drop a livestock, dog or horse project by that date, you are still responsible for completing the record book. This gives you an opportunity to set goals and plan ahead to complete your projects. You must fill out an add/drop form to drop a project.

COLORADO 4-H ANIMAL CARE AND HOUSING FORM & PREMISES REGISTRATION

The Colorado 4-H Youth Development Program's policy regarding livestock is: *All 4-H members with livestock and horse projects will be required to have a completed, signed, and approved "Animal Care and Housing Form for Colorado 4-H Livestock Projects" on file at their county Extension office at time of enrollment. Colorado 4-H believes this policy is a bold step forward to enhance the traceability of 4-H livestock and horse project animals in Colorado to a higher level than that of the past year. The animal care form insures that 4-H members do their own work on their livestock project animals. Moreover, use of this form captures information about species, location the animal(s) is housed, and contact information that can be used in an animal disease outbreak situation. This information will be held at the local level for use in an animal disease emergency. Each youth enrolled in livestock/animal project must complete the form and return it to our office by the final enrollment deadline of March 16. The form will be available on our county 4-H web site and was in the January 4-H newsletter. (Please note: the form also includes places for the Premises Registration number(s) from NAIS, which is still required to exhibit at the 2010 Pueblo County Fair.)*

Attention Parents, Leaders and Youth Interested in Food Preservation

CSU Extension is offering a series of food preservation classes this summer. Classes are \$10 each and meet from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Pre-registration is required.

May 25 -- Jams and Jellies

June 15 -- Water-bath canning - fruits and tomatoes

June 29 -- Pickling - including vegetables, fruits and relishes

July 20 -- Pressure Canning - Vegetables

July 29 -- Freezing and Dehydrating

August 26 -- Review of All Processes.

Pueblo County Fair Royalty Contest

The 2009-2010 Head Royalty for the Pueblo County Fair will be Jamie Dowd. This year's contest will be postponed until a later date and will be advertised in this newsletter – dates previously advertised were February 27th and March 6th.

Youth who wish to participate in this contest will be the office representatives of the Pueblo County Fair and is open to all youth enrolled in 4-H. Watch the newsletter for more information.

Congratulations To

2010 Speech Contest Contestants

Congratulation to the following members who participated in the 2010 Speech Contest held February 16th at CSU-Pueblo: Caitlin Johnston, Samantha Stephens, Garrett Brown, Nick Johnston, Wyatt Mayo, Emory Fryberger, Clara McClure, Ethan Archuleta, Aspen Fryberger, Danielle Hartman, Jennifer Johnston, and Jay Brown. We are proud of each and every one of you. Caitlin Johnston, Garrett Brown and Ethan Archuleta are eligible to represent Pueblo County at the State Fair Performing Arts Contest and Ethan Archuleta and Jay Brown are eligible to represent Pueblo County in the Impromptu Division at State 4-H Conference held in Fort Collins in June. Keep up the good work!!!

Judges' Training

If you are interested in judging 4-H projects across the state or just the best way to help members of your club learn what judges look for in different projects, then judges training is for you. Douglas County will be sponsoring a judges workshop at the Douglas County Fairgrounds and Extension Office on April 24th from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. The training will cover the following projects: Decorate Your Duds, Food & Nutrition & Baking, Performing Arts Contests, Photography, Cake Decorating, Heritage Arts, Clothing and Shooting Sports Table Top. For more information contact the Douglas County Extension Office at (720) 733-6940.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION



Is Your Family New To 4-H?

Welcome to the nation's premier youth organization! We are happy your family has chosen to be a part of 4-H! We hope you will find 4-H to be an enjoyable and educational experience for the whole family. Our goal is to make 4-H as user friendly as possible. Here are some ways that you can ease the stress (yes, we realize that the first year can be rather intimidating) that comes to most families during their first year.

- **Read your newsletter** – This is our main method of communication. The newsletter is also on line at <http://pueblo.colostate.edu/>
- **CSU Extension will enforce all deadlines.**
- **Keep a calendar for each 4-H'er in your family** – Write down events attended, activities participated in, and if applicable, trainings attended. This type of information will greatly reduce the stress at record book time.
- **Don't be afraid to say "I'll help"**– 4-H is a volunteer lead organization. You probably have a talent that some youngsters need. Jump right in; your leaders will be happy and you will quickly get acquainted with other parents and with 4-H procedures.
- **Attend 4-H club meetings** – This is a monthly chance for your 4-H'er to interact with their peers and to start learning new life skills. It is also a chance for you as a parent to learn what you can do to help your child. ***Few 4-H'ers succeed without parental involvement!***
- **Ask! Ask! Ask!** – **Never** be shy about asking who, what, where, when or why. Ask your leaders, ask an "old timer" parent, or call our office. We would be happy to spend a few minutes answering your question so you don't have to try to figure a way to fix a problem later.
- **And for leaders and experienced 4-H parents** – Remember how you felt the first year your children were in 4-H? Be free with your explanations and helpful tips.
- **Remember, we are all in the 4-H Youth Development Program together.**

Check Writing Policies

The Extension Office in Pueblo County has the following policies:

Insufficient Funds

- If the office receives a returned check – the party must pay for it in cash and pay all bank fees.
- If we receive any additional returned checks from the same family, they will be notified that we will no longer accept checks from the party; only cash or money orders.

Check Writing – No Colored Ink Please

- We only accept checks written in black or blue.
- If we deposit checks written in any colors but black or blue, we will be charged by our bank.

Cloverbud Update and Information

There has been some discussion about the level of project participation for Cloverbuds. The following is a link with the Cloverbud National 4-H Policy for your review: <http://www.colorado4h.org/Blog/docs/2010/fs-cloverbuds.pdf>. Following are three paragraphs from the policy that address the items of activity-focused vs. project-focused and the difference between Cloverbud members and regular members of 4-H. This should be helpful for those of you that have asked if Cloverbuds can take projects like dog, beef or shooting sports. **Cloverbuds MAY NOT PARTICIPATE IN ANY FORM OF SHOOTING SPORTS OR ANIMAL PROJECTS.** They may learn things like safety, breeds, colors, caring for etc. but are not allowed to shoot or handle animals as a part of the 4-H Youth Development Program.

- "The overall purpose of the 4-H Cloverbuds program is to foster the development of life skills that are essential for the cognitive, social, emotional and physical maturation of Kindergarten through 3rd graders by providing a unique educational opportunity. Children in these grades are a distinct audience for 4-H, with unique learning characteristics and developmental needs that are different from older children and youth served through 4-H membership. As a result, the 4-H Cloverbuds program is designed with specific educational objectives and program policies focused on the kindergarten-3rd grade child.
- 4-H Cloverbuds programs are activity-focused and not project-focused and built on cooperative learning, rather than competitive activities. 4-H Cloverbuds members participate in occasional, non-competitive, sampler-type, age-appropriate, properly supervised events or activities sponsored or conducted by 4-H groups. 4-H Cloverbuds members do not participate in the ongoing, planned series of activities, whether it is a 4-H Shooting Sports program (e.g. archery, air gun, hunting, etc.), science project, an animal project (e.g. raising of cows, sheep) or any of the project areas of 4-H.
- The primary difference between a 4-H Cloverbuds activity and a 4-H project is that a Cloverbuds member engages in varied activities which focus on developing a specific skill or concept utilized in completing the activity rather than focusing on a long-term planned course of study in a specific project (subject) area. As a result, 4-H Cloverbuds members should not have ongoing projects, of any kind – including animal projects – nor should they participate as competitive exhibitors with animals – large or small, because within the 4-H program, exhibits are intended to showcase the culmination of a long-term project."

Purchase King Soopers Gift Cards!

The youth attending the 4-H Exchange Trip this summer sell King Soopers Gift Cards as a fund raiser. Cards are sold in increments of \$25, \$50 and \$100 and are available in the Extension office or from an Exchange Delegate: Jessica Aguilar, Kendra Cude, Danielle Hartman, Sam Mead or Austin Santistevan. Cards may be used at any King Soopers store or for gas at Loaf N' Jug stores. You can also purchase cards in our office.

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OPPORTUNITIES

4-H International Exchange Programs 2010

4-H has a variety of opportunities for youth and families to be involved in international exchange programs.

4-H/Japanese Summer Exchange: Japanese exchange students have 100 percent medical coverage and may participate in host family vacations. Teens from hosting families in Colorado are subsequently eligible to participate in an exchange program to Japan during any of the following summers until they are 21 years old.

Inbound -Host families are needed for approximately 75 Japanese boys and girls, ages 12-21. Japanese teens from the Labo and Lex organizations arrive in Colorado on July 21 and join host families on July 23 after orientation by 4-H staff. Teens from the Utrek program arrive in Colorado on July 21, joining their host families on July 25 after orientation and a camp in the mountains. Both groups return to Denver on August 18 and depart for Japan on August 19.

Outbound-The outbound exchange involves a family that acts as a host for a Japanese youth. This enables their son or daughter, ages 12-19, to apply to be a delegate to Japan for a four-week (July 7 – August 5) or eight-week (June 10 – August 5) homestay experience. Travel expenses are assumed by the traveler. (Application due 2-1-10)

4-H/Japanese High School Exchange: Inbound-Colorado will host 10 Labo, Lex, and Utrek Japanese high school exchange students, ages 15-18. These participants stay with host families and will attend Colorado high schools from July 2010 through mid-June 2011. They are proficient in English and will attend an additional intensive English language class before arriving in Colorado.

Families who host a high school delegate are eligible to receive a \$1,000 scholarship toward the cost of sending their son or daughter to Japan for four or eight weeks.

Future Leaders Exchange (FLEX)

Inbound-Host families are needed for FLEX students, ages 15-18. This program is funded by the U.S. State Department to instill democratic principles in exchange participants from the New Independent States (NIS) of the former Soviet Union. FLEX participants come from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan. Colorado will host 10 participants who will stay with host families and attend high school August 2010 through mid-June 2011.

International 4-H Youth Exchange (IFYE): Outbound-IFYE delegates, ages 19-30, visit a foreign country for three or six months. The countries are located in Western Europe, Eastern Europe, Latin America, Australia, Asia and Africa. Six-month delegates leave the United States in late June and return in early December. Three-month delegates return in early September. The delegate lives and works with host families and gains a unique perspective about another culture. When delegates return, they travel throughout Colorado to share their experiences and broaden international awareness. The Colorado 4-H Youth Fund offers two full scholarships each year for IFYE representatives, (personal spending money excluded).

Other 4-H International Programs (Application due 2-1-2010):

Outbound-Australia (ages 16-19) travel June 16 – July 15

Costa Rica (ages 15-18) travel June 19 – July 17

Norway (ages 16-19) travel June 30– August 2

Mexico (ages 15-18) travel July 3 – 25

Participants travel to the host country as a group, accompanied by adult group leaders. After arrival they stay with a host family. The traveler is responsible for all program expenses. If you are interested or have questions, contact Courtney Loflin, State Program Coordinator, courtney.loflin@colostate.edu, (970) 491-2711.

OPPORTUNITIES

Demonstration – Performing Arts – Creative Cooks – Cake Decorating Contest Day – April 10

It's time to prepare for Contest Day! This year, Contest Day will be held April 10th at the Colorado State Fairgrounds. Hopefully it will be a great opportunity for many people to try something new. You may enter one or more of the contests. Through our county contests, youth can qualify for the State Contests held during Colorado State Fair. The deadline for entries is April 5, 2010.

Performing Arts Contest — 4-H Auditorium

Youth may enter Dance, Theatrical, and (or) Musical Divisions plus Master/Mistress of Ceremonies Category. It's a great time to show off or try out your talent! Pueblo County always has a tremendous turnout during the State 4-H Performing Arts Contest during State Fair. Winners in the county contest qualify for State Fair!

Demonstration Contest — Creative Arts Building

- ◇ Any 4-H member may enter the contest.
- ◇ Demonstrations are related to a project in which they are enrolled.
- ◇ Refer to "Leader's Guide to 4-H Club Demonstrations and Illustrated Talks" Booklet L91002. Copies may be ordered with manuals or obtained from the Extension Office.
- ◇ The demonstration or illustrated talk should be 10 minutes with 5 minutes allowed for setup and take down.
- ◇ A team (two members) demonstration should be 10 minutes. Juniors or beginners should not be expected to give a long or complicated presentation.
- ◇ Posters, projects, or any type of visual aids may be used in these presentations.
- ◇ Cloverbud, Junior, Intermediate and Senior age divisions will be used in this contest.
- ◇ The Danish System of judging will be used with the top county winners going on to state competition. (Cloverbuds receive a participation ribbon and do not go to State Fair)

Cake Decorating Contest — Creative Arts Building

All members enrolled in the Cake Decorating Project are eligible to compete. Members must enter in the project unit in which they are enrolled. Contestants must enter in appropriate unit and age division, of junior, intermediate or senior. The object of the event is for youth to decorate a cake while being judged. All contestants in a unit work at the same time. Judges circulate to observe methods used. Project exhibit rules apply to the contest.

Creative Cooks Contest — Creative Arts Building

Youth may enter as an individual or as part of a team of two people in either regular division or *Colorado Specialty Foods Division. The contestant will plan a menu for a meal (breakfast, brunch, lunch, dinner, barbecue, picnic, high tea, campout, sports game, holiday or birthday party). Set one place setting appropriate for the meal selected.

Each contestant or team is allowed 48" square for their display area. All props must fit within the designated space. Contestants provide their own card table as part of their presentation. A poster detailing the entire menu must be included (no larger than 8 1/2 " by 11"). Participants prepare and bring only one food item from the menu, to be sampled by the judge. Judging is based on the exhibitor, his or her understanding of meal planning, menu, nutrition knowledge, prepared dish, table setting, food safety and creativity.

*Contestants in the Colorado Specialty Foods must use one or more of the following "Colorado Specialty Foods" - Amaranth, Anasazi Beans, Blue Corn, Quinoa, Mung Beans, Edible Soy Beans (tofu), Sunflower Seeds, Popped Wheat, Sesame Seeds, Black Turtle Beans, Bolita Beans/Adzuki Beans, Wild Game Meat, Fish and Poultry (if using deer or elk meat, a copy of the Chronic Wasting Disease test result is required).

OPPORTUNITIES

2010 Pueblo County Performing Arts Entry Form Contest is Saturday, April 10

Due by: Monday, April 5, 2010 at 5 p.m.
Colorado State University Extension
701 Court Street, Suite C
Pueblo CO 81003
Fax: 719-583-6582

*Please check the appropriate **sections for both your age division and section** you will be performing. You may perform in more than one category and use the same entry form. Forms must be complete.*

Review the rules for the contest before completing this form

Age Divisions

- Junior (8-10 years old)
 Intermediate (11-13 years old)
 Senior (14- or older)

Class Divisions

- Solo
 Ensemble (2-5 individuals)
 Group (6 members and over)

Division Categories

- Master/Mistress of Ceremonies
 Vocal
 Instrumental _____ Type of Instrument
 Dance _____ Type of Dance
 Theatrical (skit, pantomime, mime)
 One Act Play
 Script Writing Script has been performed
 Script has not been performed

Additional information not requested on this form: _____

Name of Selection: _____

Name of Selection: _____

Name of Selection: _____

4-H Member Name: _____ Age: (as of December 31 last year) _____

Address (including zip code): _____

Phone number: _____

4-H Club Name: _____

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Pueblo County 4-H Contest Day Entries Due no later than Monday, April 5, 2010, by 5 p.m. (Please fill out one form per entry.)

Please mail, fax or drop off entries to the CSUE. No phone entries please.
or fax 583-6582 or 701 Court Street, Suite C

Creative Cooks Contest

Individual
____ Junior
____ Intermediate
____ Senior
Team*
____ Junior
____ Intermediate
____ Senior

Demonstration Contest

Individual
____ Junior
____ Intermediate
____ Senior
Team*
____ Junior
____ Intermediate
____ Senior

NAME _____ BIRTHDATE _____
ADDRESS _____
CLUB _____
DEMONSTRATION TITLE _____

**Team presentations must be composed of two contestants from the same age division. If they are not, they must compete in the division of the oldest member.*

NAME _____ BIRTHDATE _____
ADDRESS _____
CLUB _____
DEMONSTRATION TITLE _____

Cake Decorating Contest

____ Junior
____ Intermediate
____ Senior
Unit** _____

NAME _____ BIRTHDATE _____
ADDRESS _____
CLUB _____

**** Cake Decorating contestants enter the contest in the same project unit you are enrolled in.**

OPPORTUNITIES

4-H After School Programs Need Your Help!

Columbian Elementary School has requested that we do an after school program this semester. In order to offer the after school program, we need your help! Children at Columbian Elementary School would benefit from our After School Program.

The program will be held on Monday or Wednesday for five weeks. We typically meet from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please call Pam at 583-6566 if you are willing to make the commitment.

Skills needed:

- Ability to work with small groups of younger youth
- Ability to take direction
- Responsibility
- Knowing how to have FUN while learning!

Adventure Day Camp Planning Meeting

The second Adventure Day Camp planning meeting will be held on Wednesday March 3 at 4:30 p.m. Food will be served.

This year we are offering two Adventure Day Camp opportunities: one in June and the second in August.

Please take part in this planning session. At the end of Adventure Day Camp, you will receive a letter indicating the time you have volunteered planning and serving as an Activity or Group Leader. This letter can be given to your teacher as an indication of the community service hours you've completed.

District Retreat Registration Due March 3

South Central District Retreat is March 19-21 near Buena Vista. The cost is \$110 per participant. Youth ages 13 and older are eligible to attend. See the January/February Newsletter for full details and stop by the office to fill out registration materials and pay the registration fee by March 3. The Pueblo County 4-H Foundation has budgeted \$850 to be divided among participants as scholarships.

State Citizenship Washington Focus Program

Applications are due March 4 for the state Citizenship Washington Focus program. It is a 4-H leadership program for 15-19 year-olds from across the country attend this six-day program at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center. The program is aimed at enriching young people's lives by broadening their appreciation and respect for themselves and others in the world. Participants attend workshops, committees, field trips and social events, giving them hands-on opportunities to learn and grow. Participants learn and practice skills that will make them better citizens and more successful individuals.

Eligibility: Must be 15-19 years of age by December 31 of the enrollment year. At least one year prior leadership responsibility is required. Call the Extension Office for an application.

Special Cloverbud Camp – March 25

DATE: March 25 is a special day camp for Cloverbuds only!

TIME: 9:00 a.m. – 2 p.m.

PLACE: Colorado State Fairgrounds

COST: FREE to the first 20 Cloverbuds who sign up!

New Cloverbud members must be enrolled in the Extension Office by March 15. The deadline for camp is March 22 or sooner if it fills up.

Cloverbuds – join us for a full day of hands-on, active, FUN learning! We'll play games, do science experiments, make our own lunch and more!

2010 State 4-H Conference

State Conference will be held the week of June 22-25 at Colorado State University in Ft. Collins. Plan to join us and have a great experience!

4-H Exchange Trip Meeting

When: March 2

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: CSUE Meeting Room – 701 Court St.

Remember if you are not attending the meeting, you must call Vanessa to be excused

4-H Camp Counselors!

4-H Camp Counselors will be chosen from an application.

Applications for Camp Counselors are available now and are due in the Extension Office by Monday, April 12th by 5:00 P.M. Camp Counselor meetings have been set for April 26, May 3, May 17, June 1. More information in future newsletters.

Pueblo County 4-H Foundation Scholarships

Mark your calendars! The deadline to submit applications for the Pueblo County 4-H Scholarships is June 3. Interviews are June 17th and are mandatory for high school applicants and highly encouraged for college applicants. Full details in the April newsletter.

4-H Foundation Golf Tournament – April 24

The Pueblo County 4-H Foundation major fundraiser of the year is the Bill Schwabe Memorial Golf Tournament. It is April 24 at Holly Dot Golf Course in Colorado City. Please spread the word among all your golfing friends. It is great fun with fantastic prizes and the money supports the Pueblo County 4-H Program.

The Foundation is seeking corporate and tournament sponsors (corporate = \$500 and hole = \$100/hole). Donations are tax deductible.

Call Vanessa to sign up to play or to sponsor.

HORSE

Working Ranch Horse

I have received word from the State 4-H Horse Committee that the rules for the Ranch Horse classes at the Colorado State Fair will be taken from the Colorado 4-H Rule Book and those classes chosen will follow the rules in that rule book.

Some Changes For Horse Department

- NO LATE HORSE REGISTRATIONS OR LEASE AGREEMENTS will be accepted after 5:00 PM on May 14th. Please register any horse that you think you might use for shows and County Fair.
- Stall fees will once again be \$15.00 (this applies to full or part time use at show) If you do not clean your stall, an additional \$10.00 per stall will be charged.
- New test times for Spring, Summer and County Fair Shows. Test dates will be May 11th, June 8th and July 6th. Test times will run from 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM; then a short business meeting at 6:30 PM and those who could not make it at the earlier time will then be allowed to test after the business meeting.
- An adequate number of volunteers must sign up to run classes. Lack of volunteers might mean cancellation of classes.
- Pre level riders will only be allowed to walk/trot while on the fairgrounds.
- Pre level riders will have the option to ride with one or two hands.
- No coaching by parents, leaders or bystanders. This could disqualify the member from the class.
- Only one horse will be allowed for all events in ranch horse classes.
- Members who reenroll in 4-H must attend three (3) Horse Council Meetings; new members two (2) Horse Council Meetings to be eligible for overall awards.

Please check your 2010 Pueblo County fair book when it is distributed for total rules and regulations.

Horse Council

There will be no Horse Council Meeting in March. The next meeting will be held April 6th at 6:30 PM at the Colorado State Fairgrounds Assembly Hall. Carol will be out of town at a conference on the regular meeting night so please note the change of date. We will discuss upcoming Spring Show. Lease agreements and horse registration forms will be available at this meeting – remember – NO LATE HORSE REGISTRATIONS OR LEASE AGREEMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED THIS YEAR.

Horse Rule Book

The rule book for 2009-2010 will be the same as last year. The cost of each book is \$8.00. Each 4-H family should have a copy of the rulebook. The color of the cover is green.

Rocky Mountain Horse Expo – March 12-14th

– check it out at: www.RockyMountainHorseExpo.com

Horseman's Day

This is sponsored by Peak View Animal Hospital and will be held March 20th from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM and will feature three professional trainers including Kelly Yates, Jim Daurio and Tim Unzicker. There will be veterinary demonstrations and discussion by Dr. Leone and Dr. Epperly on topics such as Shockwave Therapy, Digital Radiography, Dentistry, Performance Horse Issues. This workshop is completely free AND includes lunch. Leave your horse at home and bring a friend! For more information call Peak View at 719-263-4321.

RMQHA Clinics

The following clinics will be held at Hill's Covered Arena in Walsenburg:

March 7th – Jim Daurio – Showmanship, Horsemanship and time permitting English Equitation

May 8th – Bill Bormes – Showmanship, Horsemanship and hopefully Western Pleasure

June 27th – Miya Childers – English Equitation and Hunter Under Saddle

J.D. Yates will also do a clinic in May, but no specific date has been set.

For more information go to rmqha.com under "Recreation" then "Outreach" or contact Linda Hall at (719)660-4483.

Saddle Up For St. Jude Horse Show And Gymkhana

The Young Riders 4-H Club will be sponsoring this show on Saturday, April 3rd at Walk-a-Mile Arena at 1280 Wheeler Road in Avondale. The show starts at 9:00 AM with the office open at 8:00 AM. A concession stand will be available. An all entry fee will be a minimum of \$35.00 donation to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Earn extra prizes the more donations you collect:

- \$35.00 or more receive a Saddle Up T-shirt and lapel pin
- \$75.00 or more receive a Saddle Up hat, t-shirt and lapel pin
- \$150.00 or more receive a Saddle Up pommel bag, hat, t-shirt and lapel pin.

Start getting donations from all of your relatives and friends now and help the Young Riders with their community service project and St. Jude Children's Hospital at the same time. A flyer and entry form is available in the Extension Office or contact Amy Decker at 719-671-3242 for more information.

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HORSE

Horse Bowl

Horse Bowl meetings will now be the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Our next meeting will be March 10th at 6:30PM. Meetings are held at the Southern Colorado Early College at 101 Civic Center Drive in Pueblo West. All 4-H horse members are invited to join, new and old, Pre-Level through Level 4. Horse bowl is a team quiz bowl contest. We are hoping to have enough participants to go to contests this spring for both juniors (8-13) and seniors (14-18). Seniors also have the opportunity to compete at the state contest during Sate Conference in Fort Collins in June. Horse Bowl is also a great chance to study for your show tests plus . . . a lot of fun!!!

Please contact coaches Tim and Amy Decker with any questions 671-3242

Horse Judging

Horse Judging is held at Coach Stephanie Jameson's home at 897 E. Witzer Drive in Pueblo West. Contact Stephanie at 547-1895 if you are interested.

Circle J Morgan Horse Club Open Hairy Horse Show And Tack Sale

This will be held Saturday, April 17 at the Salisbury Equestrian Park in Parker, Colorado. Show starts at 9:00 AM. A flyer is available in the Extension Office or call Teri Allen at 720-851-7283 for more information.

Douglas County 4-H Horse Show Buckle Series

The remaining dates for this buckle series will be in the outdoor arena at the Douglas County Fairgrounds, Castle Rock, Colorado on May 8, June 12 and June 26th. A flyer and entry form is available in the Extension Office.

4-H Cowboy Camp 2010

This camp will be held at the Last Resort Equestrian Center in Fort Collins, Colorado June 16, 17, and 18th. Cost is \$150.00 per youth rider and a deposit of \$50.00 is necessary to reserve a spot with the balance due one month prior to the clinic. Registration deadline is June 10th and is limited to the first 30 participants. Complete information is available in the Extension Office or contact LuAnn Goodyear at 970-568-7682 or email her at luannresort@aol.com

4-H Horse Safety Training Sessions

The Horse Safety Training Guidelines for 2009-2010 will be as follows:

- If you are a new member to 4-H, you MUST be evaluated for the 2009/2010 4-H year.
- If you are a transfer from another county and/or are a Pre-Level, you MUST be evaluated for the 2009/2010 4-H year.

Remember - you DO need to bring your horse, your equipment and helmets must be worn.

Other clinics have also been scheduled - see chart below. If we need to cancel one of the two Safety Check Off dates because of weather or other reasons, the alternate date will be April 24th; otherwise horsemanship and ranch horse clinics will be held that day.

If you have any questions, please contact Carol at the Extension Office.

DATE	WHAT'S OFFERED	TIME:
Saturday, March 27	Safety Check Off	11:00 AM – 1:00 PM
	Showmanship Clinic, Pre Level, Levels 1 & 2	1:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Saturday, April 10	Safety Check Off - for youth who need to do safety class – youth to bring horse, must demonstrate safety issues – helmets required - last chance for safety class	11:00 AM – 1:00 PM
	Trail Clinic – Pre Level, Levels 1 & 2	1:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Saturday, April 24	Alternate date for Safety Check Off if one of the others are cancelled; otherwise the following clinics will be held:	11:00 AM – 1:00 PM
	Horsemanship - Pre Level, Level 1 & 2	11:00 AM – 1:00 PM
	Ranch Horse – Level 1 and above	1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

DOG

Dog Show Dates

The Pueblo County 4-H Dog Program has the following dates reserved for local dog shows:

May 22 – to be hosted by Pueblo Pups and Hounds
4-H Club

June 19 – to be hosted by Mighty Dogs 4-H Club

August 7 – to be hosted by Greenhorn Kickers 4-H Club – the show will once again be held in the Colorado City/Rye area.

Sponsors Needed

The Pueblo County 4-H Dog Program is looking for possible sponsorship of awards for youth for the 2010 Pueblo County Fair and the 2010 Colorado State Fair Dog Trials. If you know of an individual or business that would like to sponsor some of these awards, please get in touch with Erin Sneed, Donna Darnell, Gail Kingrey, or Carol Kuhns. We are adding some new awards to our Pueblo County Fair Dog show, so we need to start early so everything is in place for the summer.

To All Dog Leaders:

A new chat room/e-mail group is now available to review rules and changes in the State Dog Program. There are only eight members at this time - we need to get more leaders to be a part of this e-mail group!!

It is a great way for us to share information and make changes without meeting face to face several times per year. We need more leaders to join. If you know of leaders in other counties, please encourage them to join. To view current changes being proposed for 2010, go to

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/4-hdogclubs/files/GetAttachment.doc>

Dog Show Test Dates

This year, there will only be two test dates available for youth to pass the 2010 Dog Tests. Those dates will be May 4th and June 15th at 6:30 p.m. in the Dining Hall at the Fairgrounds.

This is new for 2010 with only two dates available – mark your calendars now and plan ahead.

New Dog Show Changes

The members of the Colorado State 4-H Dog Committee have been working very hard on changes that will affect Pueblo County Dog Shows. The State 4-H Office has accepted the changes. A brief summary of the changes are:

- Pre Open Obedience – this was only offered in Pueblo County in the past, but was adopted as a class at the State Level.
- Puppy Class – this class is for puppies which are not ready for regular obedience classes. The purpose of this class is to introduce obedience commands without the stress of perfection as seen in regular classes. This class will be evaluated (not judged) and those entering will receive a participation ribbon.
- The Puppy Class will be evaluated by a judge and a scribe (judge's helper). The Scribe must have the approval of their trainer/ Extension Agent to help in this capacity and fill out a Teen Superintendent Form for the Pueblo County Fair.
- A second year has been added to Sub Novice C classes. Sub Novice C will now consist of Sub Novice C –1st year and Sub Novice C – 2nd year. It must be the same dog and youth in both years of Sub Novice C. Overall awards will be selected in the Sub Novice section from these four classes.
- Senior Showmanship will now be broken down into three classes: Senior Novice for 1st year senior members; Senior Open for those youth who have never finished in the top 10 at the Colorado State Fair as a senior member, and Senior Advanced for those members who have finished in the top ten at previous State Fair while competing in the Senior Open Class.

These changes will be discussed at the Southern Region 4-H Leader Training to be held at CSU Pueblo on April 17th. Registration is \$20.00 and includes sessions, lunch and breaks. Registration is due April 5th with late registration \$35.00. Registration forms available in the Extension Office. There will be two sessions on the dog project – the first session on the above changes and the second session on material for a new "Dog Obedience" Manual. Don't miss this opportunity.

Congratulations

Congratulations goes to Sam Mead, Lena Garrison, Caitlyn Darnell, Kelsey Darnell, Lilli Wickizer, Alisha Mason and Jessica Aguilar who participated in AKC Shows and received top national year end awards through Southern Colorado Kennel Club and the American Kennel Club. Congratulation also goes to Laura Krause who has many top placings in AKC and ASCA – Australian Shepherd Club of America, Inc. These youth work very hard to achieve these goals and we want to recognize them for their achievements. Keep up the good work!!!



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LIVESTOCK

Livestock Council Meeting

Livestock Council meetings will not be held until after County Fair.

Help With Your Rabbit Project

If you need help or guidance with your rabbit project, please call Walter or Shirley Sloan at (719)564-5004.

2010 Livestock Test Policy & Wholesome Meat Training Policy

1. Wholesome Meat Training: Everyone must take the test once as a Junior and once as a Senior.
2. If you had a test score of 80% or better on your 2008-2009 Livestock test and are not 11 or 14 4-H age this year, you **DO NOT HAVE TO TAKE THE TEST FOR THAT SPECIES THIS YEAR**. You must take the test to be eligible for the Supreme Livestock Exhibitor Award.
3. If this is your first year in a species, you must take the test. You must pass a livestock test for each species shown with a 60% or better. Anyone with a learning disability should provide us with a letter from your school Special Education Teacher. Contact the office individually and the appropriate arrangements will be made to take the test.
4. If you score at least an 80%, you will not have to take the test until you move up to the next age group (8-10 Junior, 11-13 Intermediate, 14-18 Senior).
5. The test will be over the 4-H manual (Level I for Juniors, Level II for Intermediate and Level III for Seniors.)
6. **Two** opportunities for testing will be provided testing and MQA:

May 4 – following mandatory Showcase Sale Meeting at 6:30 p.m. – Dining Hall and 4-H Auditorium at State Fairgrounds

June 15 – 6:30 p.m. – Dining Hall and 4-H Auditorium at State Fairgrounds

A list of those who have tested out with an 80% is available at the Extension Office.

All Youth enrolled in Swine must take the Meat Quality Assurance Program (MQA) yearly. HOWEVER, MQA no longer qualifies pork exhibitors for the Pork Quality Assurance+ Training required for State Fair. You will need to take an additional training to get your PQA+ card for State Fair.

Sheep and Goat Weigh In

The Sheep and Goat Weigh in will be held May 10 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the State Fairgrounds - sheep and swine barn.

Swine Ear Tagging

*We will be using microchip tags this year. Swine superintendents will accept only correct ear notches at the Pueblo County Fair. **Help with swine ear notching**— 4-H members can pick up swine ear notch cards and ear tags in the CSU Cooperative Extension Office before purchasing swine. Take the ear notch card with you when you purchase your swine. Ask the seller to help you interpret the ear notch on the swine you are purchasing.*

The process for swine ear notch cards and tags:

- ▶ Tag the swine when you read the ear notches.
 - ▶ Have the Extension Office make a copy of your cards when you turn them in.
 - ▶ Ear notch nomination cards are due **no later than May 10, 2010**.
 - ▶ **NO LATE EAR NOTCH CARD WILL BE ACCEPTED. NO LATE EAR TAGS WILL BE GIVEN OUT.**
- The office has diagrams on how to read swine ear notches.

Annual Weld County Goat Extravaganza – April 23-25

There will be a variety of sessions and contests, including Showmanship Workshops, Reproduction Seminar, Goat 101, Jackpot Showmanship Contests, Jackpot Prospect Market Goat Show, Quiz Bowl, Open Breeding Boer Goat Show, Open Dairy Goat Show, Open Pygmy Goat Show, a dinner and social and vendors. For a flyer and schedule of events, call the CSUE at 583-6566. Registrations with entry fees must be postmarked no later than April 9 to avoid late fees.



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SHOOTING SPORTS

Shooting Sports Council

Date: March 4
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: CSU Extension Meeting Room -- 701 Court St.
Please remember: don't be early and don't be late. Someone will wait at the door to let people in from 6:50 – 7:00 p.m. Our doors no longer unlock automatically. If you come outside those times – you will not be able to get in.

Invitational Shoots

For flyers on the following invitational shoots – call the Extension office.

Douglas County – April 25

Weld County – June 5

Mandatory Shoot Dates

All youth will be required to participate in at least one county sanctioned and supervised practice match in each of their disciplines to qualify to shoot in the County Fair Matches. The mandatory practice matches is as follows:

April 17 – .22/Muzzle/Archery/Centerfire

April 21 – Shotgun

April 24 – Air Rifle/Air Pistol

May and June dates/locations TBD

New Shooting Sports Pilot Project – Centerfire Sporting Rifle

Pueblo County is piloting a “Centerfire Sporting Rifle” discipline in the 2009-2010 year. Below is a brief description of the project. For full details, ask your shooting sports leader or call the Extension Office. In order to participate in the Centerfire Pilot Project, you must enroll in Centerfire on your 4-H enrollment form. You have until March 15 to add/drop projects. Remember, youth may enroll in no more than 3 projects. See the enrollment policy for details and exceptions.

General Rules: Rifles will be limited to single shot or bolt action only and capable of loading one round at a time safely.

Semi-Automatic, lever action and pump rifles are NOT allowed. No set or electric triggers are allowed. Factory-type stock may be altered for length only. No other alterations will be allowed. Adjustable or hook-type butt plates are prohibited. Thumb hole stocks, palm rests and heel rests are prohibited. Any safe trigger is allowed. A safe trigger is one which does not allow the hammer or firing pin release to fall except by a deliberate pull of the trigger by the competitor.

Shooting Sports Certification Training

In order to be a 4-H Shooting Sports Leader, you must attend a Colorado 4-H Shooting Sports Certification Training. In order to attend the state training, you must be an authorized Pueblo County 4-H Volunteer and must have attended the county orientation. Vanessa must sign your state training application – please don't submit it directly or the State 4-H office will return it and you will not be registered. If you are already a trained leader in Pueblo County and would like to attend one of the trainings listed please call Vanessa at 719-583-6566. If you are not yet an authorized 4-H Leader, please call the office for an application, so we can begin the process of your becoming a volunteer. Background checks and orientation must be completed in order for you to register for the February State Shooting Sports Certification Training.

Participants may certify in one discipline per training. Disciplines are Air Pistol, Archery, Coordinator, Muzzleloading, Outdoor Skills, RSO, Rifle and Shotgun/Trap. Registration forms will be available soon. Please call the office for a registration form or visit the state shooting sports website at <http://www.co4hshooting.org/>

2010 Shooting Sports Certification Training Dates:

- March 5-7 - Fremont County (Canon City) - Shotgun Games & Discipline Certification
- March 19-21 - Delta County (Delta)
- March 19-21 - Boulder County (Longmont)
- March 26-28 - Southeast Area (Eads)
- April 23-25 - Washington County (Akron)
- May 21-23 - Grand County (Kremmling) - Shotgun Games & Discipline Certification
- June 4-6 - Eagle County (Eagle)

Shooting Sports Community Service Project

All 4-H youth and families in shooting sports are invited and highly encouraged to attend a work day at Pueblo Skeet and Trap Club on Saturday, March 13 starting at 8:00 a.m. Items for the day include removing dead trees, cleaning out the trap houses, deep cleaning the club house, painting signs and poles, washing windows and taking care of anything else that has been neglected. Lunch will be provided for everyone. Please call Linda Steinbeck at 948-4776 or Brenda McDermott 369-2968 so that we can get a head-count for lunch. This is a great opportunity to help the Pueblo Skeet and Trap Club that graciously allows us to hold so many practices and 4-H functions on their range. Don't forget to take photos for your report forms.

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4-H LEADER NOTES

This is a special page in the 4-H Clover Power Newsletter. It is designed to be a simple resource to put important dates and brief information at your fingertips—in a hurry. Details of deadlines, events, etc. will be inside the newsletter. **All dates are subject to change and more dates will be added as locations/times are confirmed.**



2010 COUNTY FAIR DEADLINES:

- April 17 -- .22/Muzzleloading/Archery/Centerfire Mandatory Shoot
- April 21 -- Shotgun Mandatory Shoot
- April 24 -- Air Rifle/Air Pistol Mandatory Shoot
- May 4 -- Mandatory Showcase Sale Meeting, Livestock/Dog Tests, MQA training
- May 8 -- .22/Muzzleloading/Archery/Centerfire Mandatory Shoot
- May 10 -- Sheep and Goat Weigh-in
- May 10 -- Swine Ear Notch Cards Due
- May 12 -- Shotgun Mandatory Shoot
- May 14 -- Horse Registrations Due
- May 22 -- Air Rifle/Air Pistol Mandatory Shoot
- June 12- .22/Muzzleloading/Archery/Centerfire Mandatory Shoot
- June 14 -- Fair Entries, e-Records and COOL forms due
- June 15 -- Livestock/Dog Tests, MQA Training
- June 16 -- Shotgun Mandatory Shoot
- June 19 -- Air Rifle/Air Pistol Mandatory Shoot
- June 29 -- Livestock Superintendents Breakfast
- July 1 -- Buyer Contacts Due
- July 6-- Horse Test for County Fair
- July 9-17 -- Pueblo County Fair
- August 16 -- Showcase Sale thank you notes due
- September 8 -- Livestock, Horse and Dog e-Records Due
- September 13, 20, 27 -- Grade livestock and horse e-record books

4-H DEADLINES:

- March 15 -- Enrollment for New Members Due
- March 15 -- Project Drop/Add Deadline
- April 5 -- Contest Day Registrations Due
- April 12 -- 4-H Camp Counselor Applications Due
- May 20 -- 4-H Camp Registrations Due
- June 3 -- Scholarship Applications Due
- August 16 -- Report Forms Due
- September 9 -- CWF Applications Due
- October 15 -- Achievement Night Reservations Due

MEETINGS:

MARCH

- 2 -- Exchange Meeting
- 3 -- Parent Leader Group
- 3 -- Adventure Day Camp Planning Meeting
- 4 -- Shooting Sports Council
- 17 -- Fair Board

APRIL

- 6 -- Exchange Meeting
- 6 -- Horse Council
- 7 -- Parent Leader Group
- 21 -- Fair Board
- 26 -- Camp Counselor Meeting

MAY

- 3 -- Camp Counselor Meeting
- 5 -- Youth Council and Parent Leader Group
- 6 -- Shooting Sports Council
- 11 -- Horse Council
- 17 -- Camp Counselor Meeting
- 19 -- Fair Board

JUNE

- 1 -- Camp Counselor Meeting
- 2 -- Fair Board (tentative)
- 16 -- Fair Board
- 17 -- Shooting Sports e-Record Grading
- 29 -- Livestock Superintendent's meeting

JULY

- 1 -- Shooting Sports Council
- 6 -- Horse Council & Tests
- 7 -- Fair Board
- 28 -- Superintendents Post Fair meeting

AUGUST

- 7 -- Dog Show
- 18 -- Fair Board Meeting

SEPTEMBER

- 2 -- Shooting Sports Council
- 9 -- Livestock Council
- 14 -- Horse Council
- 15 -- Fair Board

OCTOBER

- 6 -- Youth Council & Parent Leader Group
- 12 -- Horse Council
- 13 -- Showcase Sale Committee
- 20 -- Fair Board

NOVEMBER

- 3 -- 4-H Organizational Club Leader Meeting
- 4 -- Shooting Sports Council
- 9 -- Horse Council
- 11 -- Livestock Council
- 17 -- Fair board

DECEMBER

- 15 -- Fair Board

EVENTS:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> March 6 -- Carnival & Dance March 10 -- Horse Bowl March 11-14 -- WRLF in Albuquerque March 13 -- Shooting Sports Community Service Project March 13-14 -- Foundation Rummage Sale (Tentative) March 13-14 -- Spring Fling Craft Sale (Tentative) March 19-21 -- District Retreat March 25 -- Cloverbud Day Camp March 27 -- Horse Safety Clinic | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> April 10 -- Contest Day April 10 -- Horse Safety Clinic April 17 -- Regional Leader Training (CSU-P) April 24 -- Alternate Date Horse Safety Clinic April 24 -- Foundation Golf Tournament May 14-16 -- Spring Horse Show May 17 -- e-Record Training May 18 -- e-Record Training May 22 -- Dog Show June 3 -- Adventure Day Camp Training June 4 -6 -- 4-H Camp (Tentative) June 8 - 11 -- Adventure Day Camp | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> June 11-13 -- Summer Horse Show June 19 -- Dog Show June 22-25 -- State 4-H Conference August 1 -- Horse Council Fundraiser Stall Cleanup August 4-6 -- Second Adventure Day Camp August 18 -- State Fair Exhibit Check In August 27 - September 6 -- State Fair October 4-8 -- National 4-H Week October 22 -- Achievement Night - Arts Center November 19-21 -- Dare To Be You Camp December 3-5 -- Bells of Christmas Craft Sale |
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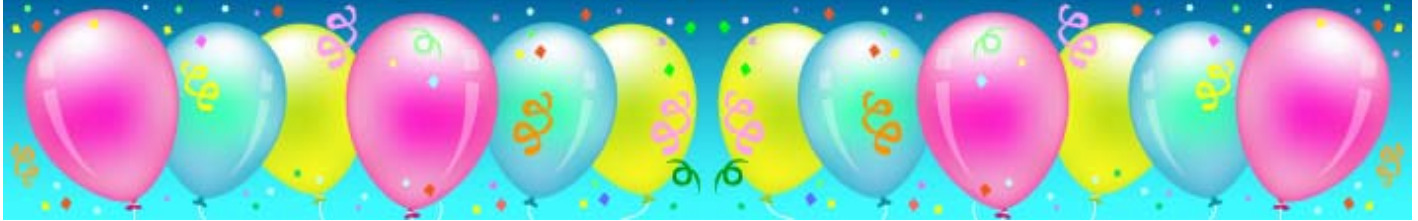
4-H Carnival & Dance

Saturday, March 6—Creative Arts Building at the Colorado State Fairgrounds

COME ONE COME ALL to the 4-H Carnival and Dance – a fun 4-H family day and event on March 6. It's a great time to involve all our 4-H and community families! There will be games, activities, prizes food and a dance sponsored by 4-H Youth Council. Admission is **FREE** and carnival booth tickets are 5 for \$1.00.

Carnival: 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Dance: 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.



NEW DOOR POLICY FOR NIGHT MEETINGS

We are thrilled with our new office facility! With the move, some changes have come about. We are now co-located with the District Attorney's Office. The DA has the second highest security standards in the county (second only to the jail). Due to the nature of the business of the DA's office, we are not able to unlock the doors for meetings after 5 p.m. Therefore, we will have to physically stand at the door on the first floor and let people in. Our new policy is – we will be at the door 10 minutes prior to the start of the meeting. We will make strong effort to start all meetings on time. Please do not be late, because someone will have to leave the meeting to let you in. If you need to come to our office earlier than 10 minutes prior to the meeting, please call us to make those arrangements. **Also, when you leave at night, please be sure to use the buddy system because it can be dark!** Thank you!



The enrollment deadline for NEW MEMBERS and the DROP/ADD deadline is 4-H Members is Monday, March 15, 2010, at 5:00 p.m.!!

CSU Extension Closed on Pueblo County Furlough Days

As most of you have heard, Pueblo County employees must take one furlough day per month, and all county offices will be closed those days. The CSU Extension Office in Pueblo County will be closed the third Friday of every month in 2010:

March 19	August 20
April 16	September 17
May 21	October 15
June 18	November 19
July - TBD	December 17

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