



# 4-H Clover Power

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### April 19 – 25 is National Volunteer Appreciation Week

**Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless. ~ Sherry Anderson**

Even though there are not enough words to express our gratitude to all the 4-H volunteers in Pueblo, THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO! You continue making a difference in the lives of our youth, in their families and in our community. That difference will be evident for many years to come. YOU ARE PRICELESS!

### Community Service – Help Buy Dictionaries for 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders

Rotary #43 in Pueblo has been a long time 4-H partner. They have given Pueblo 4-H over \$6500 in the last three years to support programs! The organization also buys a dictionary for every 3<sup>rd</sup> grader in Pueblo County. Most of you have been recipients of the dictionaries!

The group has requested our help with its Duck Stamped. They want help selling (distributing) "Duck Adoption Papers" starting the first week in April. Ducks are adopted for \$5 each. **One duck adoption will provide one dictionary!** 4-H does not have to collect any money – they have to provide the adoption papers to those willing to purchase them. Duck adopters must be at least 18 years old. People then mail the papers, with their money to Rotary #43. All adoption papers must be received by mail by Rotary 43 no **later than Friday, May 15**. 4-H would get \$1 for each adoption sold, however, as a community service project, 4-H would donate it's share back to Rotary #43.

The Washington Focus group is challenging all county 4-H leadership councils to help get 100 ducks per council adopted. Parent/Leader Group, Youth Council, Horse Council, Shoeing Sports Council and 4-H Clubs are encouraged to join the challenge too!

The Duck Stamped is on the Historic Arkansas Riverwalk Saturday, May 16 at noon. Winning Duck owners receive: First Place gets \$3,000, Second Place gets \$2,000 and Third Place gets \$1,000 Please consider joining the challenge! Contact Vanessa to get adoption papers!

### E-Record Workshops and Training

Although not most people's favorite life skill, record keeping is an important skill learned through 4-H. E-records are an important part of the project. There will be two e-record workshops, presented by the State 4-H Office. Please plan to join us for one or both of them!

- ◆ *General and Consumer Sciences E-Record Workshop*  
 April 29 ~ 7 – 9 p.m. – Extension Office
- ◆ *Livestock, Horse and Small Animal E-Record Workshop*  
 April 30 ~ 7 – 9 p.m. – Extension Office

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.

## SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### Pueblo County 4-H Foundation and Master Gardener Scholarships Due June 4!

Youth may apply for a number of 4-H Scholarships including the Friends of the Fair, KELO, Donna Boitz Memorial, Violet Hyberger Memorial, Anthony Ingo Memorial, Farmers Marketeers and the Dickerson/Pueblo County Stockmen's Association Scholarships. See the Scholarship information page in this newsletter for full details. Applications are available on our web site or in our office and are due no later than June 4 by 5 p.m. Interviews are mandatory for high school seniors and are scheduled for the evening of June 18.

#### SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED:

- ◆ **Friends of the Fair - \$500**  
**Available to graduating seniors or continuing college students.**  
Must have been involved in a variety of 4-H citizenship and leadership activities.
- ◆ **KELO Scholarship - \$500 - NEW THIS YEAR!**  
**Available to high school seniors**  
Must have been enrolled in any 4-H project for two years
- ◆ **Donna Boitz Memorial Scholarship - \$500 - NEW THIS YEAR!**  
**Available to graduating high school seniors**  
Based on financial need. An essay explaining need will be requested.
- ◆ **Violet Hyberger Memorial Scholarship - \$500**  
**Available to graduating high school seniors**  
Must have been a 4-H member for *three* years
- ◆ **Anthony Ingo Memorial Scholarship - \$500**  
**Available to graduating high school seniors**  
Must have been enrolled in Livestock projects for four years
- ◆ **Kiwanis Scholarship - \$500**  
**Available to graduating high school seniors**
- ◆ **Farmers' Marketeers Scholarship for all high school seniors – (\$ to be determined) NOTE: *This scholarship will also be open to FFA and current immediate family members of the Farmers' Marketeers program.***  
Must be involved in agriculture-related field
- ◆ **Farmers' Marketeers Scholarship for current college students – (\$ to be determined) NOTE: *This scholarship will also be open to FFA and current immediate family members of the Farmers' Marketeers program.***  
Must currently be enrolled in college with at least a 2.0 GPA
- ◆ **Dickerson Scholarship/Pueblo County Stockmen – (\$500) (2)**  
*REQUIRES SEPARATE APPLICATION*  
Have been a Pueblo area resident the last 2 years of high school  
Must be a high school senior or freshman college student  
Be pursuing agriculture related degree or one beneficial to agriculture  
Selected candidates will be required to provide proof of college registration/class schedule before funds are awarded.

#### To be eligible for any 4-H scholarship you must meet all of the following requirements:

1. Must be a 4-H member in the Pueblo County program for at least two years.
2. Must attend or graduate from high school or an accredited home school program.
3. Must plan to attend college or trade school the fall semester (documentation required - acceptance letter or equivalent must be provided before funds are awarded).
4. May continue to apply up to four (4) years, scholarships not automatically renewable.
5. Must submit the general application form (one copy for all scholarships) as well as a separate questionnaire for 4-H Memorial, KELO Scholarship, Donna Boitz, Violet Hyberger, Anthony Ingo, Friends of the Fair and Kiwanis scholarships.
6. Must submit a separate application form for FM/CMG scholarships.
7. High school students must submit a transcript of final high school grades. College students must submit college transcript or copy of grades from the latest semester.
8. Must submit **three** current letters of reference. Reference letters should contain a statement about your relationship (how they know you) and their opinions about your character, your desire to succeed, and your ability to succeed.
  - a. High School seniors must include reference from a 4-H leader (excluding parent) (it should include their impression of you as a 4-H member).
  - b. College students – 4-H leader reference not required
9. Scholarships for seniors in high school require an interview with a panel of judges.

Selection will be based on 4-H participation and accomplishments, scholastic achievement, community service, demonstrated leadership abilities, and potential for success.

If you have any questions regarding these applications, please contact our office.

#### **Application Due June 4, 2009 by 5:00 pm**

CSU Extension Office – Pueblo County  
212 W. 12<sup>th</sup> Street Room 220  
Pueblo, CO 81003-2976  
(719) 583-6566

Applications are available in our office or on our website.

## OPPORTUNITIES

### State 4-H Conference

State 4-H Conference is an exciting opportunity for youth and adults to visit the CSU campus and meet people from all over the state. State 4-H Conference will be held June 23-26.

Participants representing Pueblo County in the Speech Contest were selected through the county contest. The 4-H Senators and Leader Delegates will be involved at the state meeting. Other youth may apply and attend workshops.

#### Requirements:

- ◇ You must be 14 years of age as of 12/31/2008
- ◇ You must have turned in a Report Form in September, 2008
- ◇ You must turn in an application, health forms and payment by May 22, 2009

Applications are available at the CSU Extension.

The cost is to be announced. The 4-H Foundation and Youth Council will donate \$1,500 to be divided among participants.

### Paid Internships for Students with USFWS - No Experience Required!

SCA and the US Fish and Wildlife Service are offering over 45 paid internships for college students and recent graduates from ethnically and culturally diverse backgrounds. Although these internships are designed to provide ethnically and culturally diverse students the opportunity to learn about conservation science, management, and careers through "real world" research, management, and communication projects as an adjunct to academic learning in the lab and classroom, these opportunities are open to all interested candidates.

As an Intern:

- You will serve for 12 weeks at a US Fish and Wildlife Service Refuge
- You will participate in a one week training (in addition to 12 weeks of service) at SCA's National Headquarters in Charlestown, NH
- You will receive \$400 per week

SCA Internships are EXPENSE PAID:

- Your housing will be provided during the duration of your internship
- You will be reimbursed for your travel expenses to and from your internship
- Your travel expenses related to the one week training will be covered by SCA and the US Fish and Wildlife Service

Eligibility:

- Must be a current college student or a graduate that is enrolled in a graduate school for Fall 2009
- Have an interest in conservation, not necessarily a background in hard science

How to Apply:

Apply online at [www.thesca.org](http://www.thesca.org), or email a résumé, cover letter, and contact information for three references to [Admissions@thesca.org](mailto:Admissions@thesca.org). Call 603.543.1700 x 499 if you have questions.

### 4-H Camp

4-H Camp promises to be bigger and better than ever this year! We will be holding camp at the Red Mountain Youth Camp in Beulah, Colorado on June 5, 6, 7. A price will be set at the April Camp Counselor Meeting that will be held Monday, April 27 in the CSUE Meeting Room at 6:00 PM. We will keep it as affordable as possible. **Camp Counselor applications will be due Monday April 13th.** Please mark the camp dates on your calendar and plan on attending the 2009 Pueblo County 4-H Camp! More information in the May newsletter. Other Camp Counselor Meetings are scheduled at 6:00 PM on May 4 and 18, and June 1.

### Adventure Day Camp

Our fourth annual Adventure Day Camp will be held June 9, 10, 11, 2009. Our 4-H sponsored Adventure Day Camp is held for non 4-H members. The campers will be placed in groups to experience hands-on learning, community service, and best of all having **FUN with YOU!** In order to make this camp successful, junior leaders (13 yrs. and older) and adult volunteers are needed! Last year we reached over 125 youth

Please check your calendars and call Pam at 583-6566 to volunteer!

**Who:** 4-H members and adult leaders

**When:** June 9, 10, 11, 2009

**Where:** State Fairgrounds (first two days) Third day location is City Park

**Time:** 8:00 a.m.-4 p.m. (each day)

As a volunteer you will be required to attend a camp training on June 4, in the 4-H Auditorium at the Colorado State Fairgrounds.

***If you would like to be a member of the planning committee, please call Pam at 583-6566 so you will be contacted for the meeting.***

### 2009 Contest Day Deadline April 6th

Have you considered taking your 4-H project one step further and doing a demonstration in the Demonstration Contest, decorating a cake in the Cake Decorating Contest, cooking an item for the Creative Cooks Contest or strutting your stuff in the Performing Arts Contest? Now is the time! 2009 Contest Day is April 18th at the Colorado State Fairgrounds. Please see the March, 2008 newsletter for full details of all contests or call our office. Registrations are due no later than April 6<sup>th</sup>.

The contests are staggered, so you may participate in more than one event.

Creative Cooks Contest – 9:00 a.m. – Creative Arts Building  
Cake Decorating Contest – 10:30 a.m. – Creative Arts Building  
Performing Arts Contest - 12:00 p.m. – 4-H Auditorium  
Demonstration Contest – 1:00 p.m. – Creative Arts Building

*Division winners from our County Contest Day will qualify to compete in the State Contests held during Colorado State Fair!*

## OPPORTUNITIES

### State Citizenship/Leadership Awards

Each year 4-H recognizes members at Leadership Development Conference and at State 4-H Conference in June. Also, each year in November members attend National Congress in Atlanta, Georgia. We are combining the application for these awards. You may apply for one or all three awards (Congress, State Citizenship, and/or State Leadership Awards) on the same application. Application is due May 1, 2009

**Member Awards:** If you feel that you or another youth have strong attributes in Citizenship or Leadership and would be a good recipient of the State Leadership and/or Citizenship Awards and would make a good representative for Pueblo County at Congress, please submit an application form. You may nominate others or self-nominate. Include where you think your/their strengths are in Citizenship/Community Service and Leadership. Have your information to the CSUE by May 1, 2009.

#### 4-H Member State Citizenship and Leadership Award, and Congress Criteria:

- Youth must be 14 years old or older as of 12/31/08
- You must have turned in a report form in 2008
- Must have a leader recommendation (other than a parent)

#### **4-H Congress Application Form**

National 4-H Congress is held Thanksgiving weekend in Atlanta, Georgia. More than 1,300 4-H members from all 50 states and Puerto Rico attend Congress. Going to Congress is often the highlight of a 4-H member's career. If you would like to apply to attend Congress, please fill out the application form and return to the CSUE by May 1. Pueblo County will fund one 4-H member to attend Congress in 2009.

#### **Selection Criteria for all three awards:**

Leadership	25 points
Citizenship and Community Service	25 points
4-H Projects and Activities	25 points
Communication Skills	15 points
Goals, Growth, and Contribution	10 points
Personal Interview	50 points

**Leader Awards:** If you feel your leader is the greatest, the State Leader Award might be just the thing to recognize all the volunteer work your leader does for YOU!

#### State Outstanding 4-H Volunteer Leader Award Criteria:

- Must be currently enrolled as a leader in Pueblo County.
- Has rendered services to benefit the youth in Pueblo County and/or State of Colorado.
- Shown growth or program, methods used to achieve results, relationships with you and offices held.
- Shown impact of the leader's efforts on behalf of youth and their community.
- Service to the community.
- Personal accomplishments including career, family and any other special circumstances.
- Must not have won this award in the past.

Please have your nominations and information to the CSUE by May 1, 2009. Nominations should include what qualifies the adult as an outstanding leader and should be about 250 words.

Pueblo County was very fortunate last year to win three of the six awards on the State Level with Jessica Hartman winning the Youth Leadership Award and Ron Brown, Donna Darnell and Dana McClure winning the Outstanding Volunteer Leader Awards. Let's do it again this year!!!

### **CSU College of Engineering 2009 Summer Camps for Middle and High School Students**

2009 Summer Camps for Middle School and High School Students – Colorado State University sponsored by College of Engineering and School of Education. Subjects Artificial Intelligence – Computing, Designing and Robotics, Climate Change, Renewable Energy. One week at CSU – cost \$350.00. Scholarship available up to \$300 for limited income families. Complete details and brochure available in the CSUE Office.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### Dedication....

Each of you who are 4-H Leaders, and parents are committed to the Pueblo County 4-H program. We would like to encourage you to help recruit adult leadership in our county. Introduce the 4-H experience to those you know: neighbors, friends, and co-workers. Encourage them to become involved and share their expertise with our youth. It is people like you who know how important this program is to develop life-skills in young people in our community. Our process is quite easy and leader applications may be requested from our office at any time. 4-H Leader Training is offered several times throughout the year.

### Check Writing Policies

The Extension Office in Pueblo County has adapted 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.
- ◇ Youth/Adults will not be permitted to participate in activities/trips until checks have cleared the bank.

#### **No Colored Ink Please**

- ◇ We do not accept checks written in any color of ink except black or blue. If we deposit checks written in any colors but black or blue, we will be charged by the bank.

### Teen Maze

Envision a life-size game board where teenagers are the pawns and life's choices are the dice. The third annual Teen Maze will take place on Saturday, April 25 between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the Pueblo Christian Activities Center, 2039 Elma. The event is sponsored by the Pueblo Alliance for Healthy Teens, Crossroads' Turning Points, Inc., Colorado Prevention Partners and the Colorado Division of Behavioral Health. The event is open to all teenagers and their family. Call Tony LaCombe at 546-6666 ext. 135 if you have questions.

### Report Forms - Due August 17

Report Forms will be due in our office no later than August 17, 2009 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 by June 29, 2009 so the committee can review them before interviews during County Fair.

### Fair Board Meeting

When: Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>  
Time: 7:30 PM  
Where: CSUE – Room 220

Please call the Extension office if you would like to be on the agenda.

### Purchase King Soopers Gift Cards!

The youth attending the Citizenship Washington Focus experience 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 a CWF Delegate. Cards may be used at any King Soopers store or for gas at Loaf N' Jug stores.

### 4-H Golf Tournament – April 25

The Pueblo County 4-H Foundation Annual Golf Tournament is April 25<sup>th</sup> 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. Tournament and Hole sponsors are welcome!



Cost is \$75.00 per player—including green fees, golf cart & lunch. Hole sponsorship is \$100/hole. Corporate sponsorship is \$500. Call Vanessa at 583-6566 to sign up or to be a sponsor.

**Club support needed** - At the March Youth Council Meeting, the members asked each 4-H Club to donate a door prize for the Golf Tournament. The door prize should be valued at \$20 or more. Bring door prizes to the Extension Office no later than April 21.

### 4-H Foundation & Outlaws Car Club Show

The Outlaws Rod & Custom along with the Pueblo County 4-H Foundation will be holding their annual car show and swap meet at the Colorado State Fairgrounds on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. Food will be served all day with proceeds going to the Pueblo County 4-H Foundation. If you would like to volunteer to help in the kitchen or donate supplies, call the CSUE Office by April 17<sup>th</sup>.

### Thank You Rummage Sale Supporters!

The 4-H Foundation wants to thank all those who brought items for the Rummage Sale. The Foundation made over \$500 for the Pueblo County 4-H Program.

### Upcoming Washington Focus Meetings

April 13, 2009 -- 7:15 p.m., CSUE Office - Room 410  
May 18, 2009 -- 7:30 p.m., CSUE Office - Room 410  
June 15, 2009 -- 6:00 p.m., Pot Luck and Swimming at the Bottini's.

*Remember:* if you are not attending the meeting, you must call Vanessa at 583-6566 to be excused.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### REMINDER: Ford Test Drive Benefits you and Pueblo 4-H

If a member of your family was enrolled in 4-H in the 2007-2008 4-H year, you should have gotten a letter in the mail last week from Ford Motor Company. The letter has a certificate at the bottom of it. You have to take the letter to ANY Ford dealer and take the test drive and register on the web site by April 30, 2009 to be eligible for the incentive. Once you have the certificate filled out go to their website to validate it. Then, you will get a \$25 MasterCard and Pueblo County 4-H will receive \$25.

The money Pueblo County 4-H gets from Ford will be used to help support our county 4-H Camp! **Please remember in order for you and 4-H to get the money, the test drive and web registration has to be completed by April 30<sup>th</sup>!**

### Celebrate Leadership

Once again this year, instead of hosting the Celebrate Leadership at the May meeting, we will be paying for 4-H leaders to attend the 2009 Achievement Night to be held in October. Several leaders indicated that this was a good way to recognize the leaders and the youth at the same banquet. You will receive fair books and fair entries at the May Parent/Leader Meeting.



**Report Forms Are Due  
August 17, 2009**

### 4-H Youth Council

The last 4-H Youth Council meeting before summer activities start will be:

When: May 6, 2009—7:30 p.m.

Where: CSUE—Room 220

Agenda items include:

- ◇ Slate of officers for 2009-2010
- ◇ Committee for election of officers
- ◇ Opportunities for leadership assisting with summer activities

### 4-H Parent/Leader Meeting

The 4-H program has many things to offer your child. Come to the parent/leader meeting and learn. The next meeting is scheduled for:

When: May 6, 2009 -- 6:30 p.m.

Where: CSUE — Room 410

### Cloverbud Camp Rescheduled

The March Cloverbud Camp was rescheduled to do inclement weather. It has been re-scheduled for May 9 from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. (lunch will be served) and will be held at St. Peter's Episcopal Church on 3939 W Pueblo Blvd. Free to the first 30 Cloverbuds who sign up (youth must also be enrolled as 4-H Cloverbuds with the Extension Office) The deadline for camp is May 1<sup>st</sup> or sooner if it fills up. Finally, something just for Cloverbuds! Join us for a day full of hands-on, active, FUN learning! We'll play games, do science experiments, make our own lunch and more! Junior leaders and parents – if you'd like to volunteer, call the Extension Office.

### 2009 Colorado 4-H Ford Truck Raffle/Giveaway

The Rocky Mountain Ford Stores have donated a **2009 Ford XLT F150** 4x4 pickup truck to the Colorado 4-H Foundation to help raise funds for 4-H. The 2009 F-150 has recently been named the 2009 Motor Trend Truck of the Year. Raffle tickets will be sold until October by Foundation Board members, Extension staff and 4-H members and leaders. The drawing will be held at the Colorado 4-H Gala being held October 3, 2009 at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science.

**Tickets cost just \$5 each, or \$20 for 5.** Forty percent from each ticket will be returned to the county program or state 4-H project area responsible for the sale. The remaining funds will be used to fund special 4-H youth programs. "Our goal is to have the truck on display at as many county 4-H events as possible between now and October," said Gary Small, Executive Director of the Colorado 4-H Foundation. "The funds raised from the raffle will provide the 4-H learning experience to more kids in Colorado. We greatly appreciate Ford becoming an official sponsor of the Colorado 4-H Program". **We would like to have each club (adults only) sell tickets for this fundraiser. Contact Vanessa or Carol in the Extension Office to obtain or buy tickets.**

**Clubs will get to keep a portion of the proceeds.**



## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### Congratulation to District 7 Officers

Congratulations to our new District 7 Officers:  
*President* – Chris Clark      *Secretary* – Gianni Cortese  
 We are proud of you!

### Carnival Thank You

Thank you to all the clubs and families that participated in the 2009 4-H Carnival. Everyone had a great time! Checks will be mailed soon.

### Summer Agent

The Extension Office hires a "Summer Agent" to work May – July. Applicants must be 21 years of age and meet minimum requirements. If you know anyone who is interested, please have them call the office to get on a list for an application. Applications will be available soon.

### Display Boards For Fair Projects Available In The Office

We are purchasing a supply of display boards that meet the exhibit guidelines for size. The price is \$3 per board and will be available April 20. The boards are white.

## HORSE

### Horse Council

**When:** April 8, 2009, 7:00 p.m. (NOTE: this is a Wednesday)  
**Where:** CSU Extension Office, Room 220  
**Agenda:** Spring Show Discussion.

### 4-H Horse Safety Training Sessions

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

- If you are a new member to 4-H, you MUST be evaluated for the 2008/2009 4-H year.
  - If you are a transfer from another county and/or are a Pre-Level, you MUST be evaluated for the 2008/2009 4-H year.
- Remember, you do need to bring your horse** and helmets must be worn. If you have any questions, please contact Carol at the Extension Office.

### 2009 HORSE SHOW DATES

#### Spring Horse Show

May 16 & 17

#### Summer Horse Show

June 13 & 14

#### County Fair

July 11, 12, & 13

### Rocky Mountain Horse Expo –

Colorado Springs, July 3-5 – Norris-Penrose Event Center.

Events include:

- ◇ Ride for the Brand – WRCA Ranch Rodeo;
- ◇ Road To The Horse – 2007 & 2008 Champion Chris Cox
- ◇ Dr. Temple Grandin (Saturday only)
- ◇ Debbie Bibb, Art Kiger, Jason Patrick, Karen Scholl, Moses Woodson
- ◇ Green Ranch Show & Green Resource University
- ◇ Private Treaty Horse Sales
- ◇ Breed, Stallion & Mare Demonstrations
- ◇ Trade show, Family Fun and More

More information at [www.RockyMountainHorseExpo.com](http://www.RockyMountainHorseExpo.com) or call (303)292-4981.

### Helmets – Horse Council

The helmets that were given out at the February Horse Council Meeting are meant to be BIKE HELMETS. They do not meet the standard of the type of helmet needed to participate in Pueblo County Horse activities. Some members ordered BIKE HELMETS at this February meeting. They are in, but there is no list of names associated with the helmets. If you ordered one, I will have them available at the April Horse Council Meeting.

You must possess a SEI helmet for horse events in Pueblo County. Once again, Carol will be willing to order helmets from Troxel for those that might need them. They are \$20.00 each or \$15.00 each if we order ten. There is a \$6.00 shipping charge for the first helmet and \$2.00 for each helmet after that. Orders will be taken at the April Horse Council Meeting.

DATE	WHAT'S OFFERED	WHO IS HELPING?
Saturday, April 4	Trail Work	Dave Hill, Larry Ruot, Tom Sheppard
Saturday, April 4	Safety Check Off for youth who need to do safety class – youth to bring horse, must demonstrate safety issues – helmets required	
Saturday, May 2	Gymkhana – Walk-A-Mile Arena – 10-12 Level 1 and 12-2 PM Level 2 and above	Larry Ruot, Tim Decker, Tom Sheppard, Eric Knight
Sunday, May 31	Ranch Horse at Diana Quintana's	

## HORSE

### Yippee...Horse Rule Books Are Here!

Every one will need a copy of the new 2009 Colorado 4-H horse show rule book. Cost for this book - \$8.00. Carol will have them available at the check off this Saturday and at the Horse Council Meeting on April 8.

### Working Ranch Horse Camp And Competition

If you are interested in a fun competition to practice your Working Ranch Horse skills, please save the following date. This will be an excellent opportunity to practice for your County Fair as well as the State Fair.

June 14, 2009  
Larimer County Fairgrounds  
Longhorn arena  
Registration time: 7 a.m.  
Classes will begin at 8 a.m.

Classes will be by age groups.

Those who hold a Western Level I card will be able to complete in the cattle sorting classes. Those who hold a Working Ranch Horse card of Level II or higher will be able to compete in the following classes. Cattle Sorting, Ranch Trail, Ranch Horsemanship, Individual Cow Working. Contact LuAnn Goodyear at 970-498-6016 or lgoodyear@larimer.org

Larimer County is also sponsoring a 4-H Competitive Trail Riding program for 2009. If you might be interested, contact LuAnn Goodyear at the above number and email address or a complete schedule is available in our office.

### Horse Shows

- ◇ 8<sup>TH</sup> Annual Spring Classic Horse Show & Gymkhana – April 11, 2009 – West Pueblo Saddle Club Arena on Nature Center Road. Office open 8:00 AM; Show 9:00 AM Entry forms available in the Extension Office or from Amy Decker at 719-671-3242
- ◇ Schooling Fun Horse Show Spring Schooling Show – 4-H members welcome. Latigo Trails Equestrian Center – May 30, 2009. Tack or clothing sale – spaces \$10.00. This is a practice/schooling show – show buddies will be available to help you. \$20 all day fee for beginners; \$25.00 for novice & age group. Entry forms available in the CSUE Office.

### Clarification on Horse E-Records

Youth MUST receive a minimum of 70% on their **2009** horse E-Records to be eligible to show the horse project at the **2010** Pueblo County Fair. If the youth doesn't show the project at the 2009 county fair, and *does not drop* the project by the add/drop date of March 16 and intends to show the project at the 2010 county fair, the youth is still responsible for completing a record book to avoid a score of 0%.

### Stall Fees

Stall fees for Spring, Summer, and County Fair will be \$25.00 for the weekend. The vendor for shavings will continue to be WW Feeds.

### Horse Levels Tests

The CSUE Office has copies of the tests for all levels. Here are a few reminders about the levels program:

#### Riding Tests

1. The riding tests (without the oral interview questions copied on to the back) are available to any member, parent or leader that requests them. Youth should practice before their test. Tests are also available to everyone online at <https://equineextension.colostate.edu>.
2. The oral interview questions should be kept a SECRET. These should only be copied and given out to state approved Level 3 & 4 raters.
3. The Level 1 riding test can be given by horse leaders or anyone who has levels experience. That person should not, however, be a leader/parent involved in their club if at all possible.
4. Level 2, 3 & 4 riding test need to be administered by a state approved rater. A list of raters can be found on the state equine extension web site as well. Level 3 & 4 riding test should be administered by raters outside your county if possible. The average rate to pay raters is \$15/test.

#### Written Tests:

5. Level 1 written tests may be administered by horse leaders or anyone with levels experience.
6. Level 2, 3 & 4 should ONLY be given by the Extension Office. They should be graded and looked over by the child and/or their parents and then kept at the office. DO NOT give them the test.

### Level Rater Training

Level Rater Training for Western and Ranch Horse levels 2, 3 and 4, will be offered in Pueblo County on April 18th and 19th at the Colorado State Fairgrounds. The Western training session is April 18th, and the Ranch Horse Session is April 19th. Registration for one session is \$30, both sessions is \$50 and lunch is provided. If you have questions, call Carol in the Extension Office, or Amy Star at (303) 637-8100.

## LIVESTOCK

### 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 on or before May 11, 2009.**

The office has diagrams on how to read swine ear notches.

**MARKET SHEEP AND GOAT WEIGH IN  
WILL BE HELD  
MAY 11 FROM 4:00 TO 8:00 P.M.  
AT THE FAIRGROUNDS.**

### Mandatory Showcase Sale Meeting – May 5

All 4-H members planning to sell at the 2009 Showcase Sale during County Fair must attend the following meeting:

When: May 5, 2009  
6:30 p.m.

Where: 4-H Auditorium – Fairgrounds

Agenda: Election of Officers

Contact Assignments will be handed out and due back July 1

**If youth cannot attend this meeting, he/she must submit a written excuse note/letter to CSUE. If the excuse is mailed or hand delivered, it must be received by Friday, May 1 at 5:00 p.m. If the excuse is faxed, it must be received by May 4, by 5:00 p.m. to 583-6582. If a youth does not attend and no request is received, \$75 will be deducted from the youth's premium check.**

### 4-H Goat Clinic May 2

Plan to attend the 4-H Goat Clinic May 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Sheep/Swine Barn at the Colorado State Fairgrounds. The clinic will include sessions on Showmanship, Grooming and Clipping. R.S.V.P by April 29<sup>th</sup>. If you have questions, call Patty Ballou at 543-8089.

### Clarification on Livestock E-Records

Youth **MUST** receive a minimum of 70% on their **2009** livestock E-Records to be eligible to show those livestock projects at the **2010** Pueblo County Fair. If the youth doesn't show the projects at the 2009 county fair, and *does not drop* the project by the add/drop date of March 16 and intends to show the project at the 2010 county fair, the youth is still responsible for completing a record book to avoid a score of 0%.

### Rental Deposit to Borrow Ear Tagger!

The CSU Extension office has an ear tagger for loan. The ear tagger may be checked out up to 3 days. A \$20.00 fee will be collected when you borrow the tagger and we will return your \$20.00 when you return the tagger. Plan ahead—if you wait until the last minute, taggers may not be available.

### Livestock Council

No meetings are scheduled until after County Fair.

### Free Lamb Clinic

Dr. Barr is hosting a free Lamb Clinic

Saturday – June 13<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Sheep and Swine Barn – State Fairgrounds

Bring your lambs and your equipment

TOPICS: Late fitting, nutrition and showmanship.

### Rabbit Show

Falcon Ranchers will sponsor a rabbit show on June 14, 2009 at the El Paso County Fairgrounds in Calhan. This will be an all-breed rabbit show. Mark your calendars. For more information, contact [falconranchers4h@aol.com](mailto:falconranchers4h@aol.com)

### Livestock Sales

April 19, 2009 – Colorado Classic Show Wether Sale – Colorado State Fairgrounds. Viewing begins at 10:00 AM; Sale 1:00 PM – Approximately 60 head of wether goats from around Colorado

### Livestock Shows

We frequently get information on Livestock shows. Call the office for the latest listings.

### Weld County Goat Extravaganza

This will be held April 24-26 at Island Grove Park in Greeley. You can access the registration brochure and all entry forms by going to [www.weld4h.org](http://www.weld4h.org) and then clicking on the "2009 Weld County Goat Extravaganza" link. All those involved in the market, dairy, pygmy and fiber goats are invited to attend.

## LIVESTOCK

### Massey Lamb Camp

**When:** June 22-23 (you can move in June 21 starting after 4 p.m.)

**Time:** 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. daily

**Where:** Colorado State Fairgrounds

**Contact/Sponsor:** Dr. Joe Barker – 719-251-4262

Space is limited to the first 40 registrants.

Each participant is **required** to complete a Medical Authorization & Liability Release Form and it must be notarized. The cost is \$200.00 with a \$100.00 deposit to accompany the registration form. Remaining balance will be collected at the door. Participants will receive a Massey Lamb Camp T-Shirt

You can move in after 4:00 p.m. on June 21. Lambs will be stalled in the swine barn. Only wood shavings will be allowed for bedding and **must** be purchased from the fairgrounds feed store. Bring your blocking stand, blow dryer, electric clippers, halters, feed, water buckets and two lambs. The clinic will cover: washing, shearing, selection, health care, exercise, feeding, fitting for show and showmanship.

Registration forms are available from Dr. Barker or the Extension Office or online at [www.clublambpage.com](http://www.clublambpage.com) then click on Massey Camp.

### NEW THIS YEAR! “COOL” – *Country Of Origin Labeling* *Forms Due June 8 by 5 p.m.*

Mandatory Country of Origin Labeling (COOL) was implemented starting on September 30, 2008 by the USDA. As a result, all cuts of beef, pork, lamb, goat, and chicken must have documentation as to the origin of the animals to be marketed in the U.S. and international meat industry. This act will require effective documentation of 4-H or FFA market animal projects that will be sold for meat purposes.

The documentation process is not that cumbersome and can be accomplished with the simple form in the February newsletter and on our web site. This form may be used for animals which have been purchased or have been home grown. However, home grown animals will be required to have a record system to support the affidavit that will be outlined later in this article\*\*\*.

When the 4-Her or FFA member purchases a project animal, the individual should receive from the original owner verification of the source of the animal or have the original owner fill out and sign the affidavit. In addition, other supporting information that the buyer of an animal should maintain in their files could include bill of sale, health papers, or brand inspections.

\*\*\*For home grown animals, responsibility for the documentation of origin will lie with the producer. A good start for the records documenting the source of an animal would include ear-tags or notches, recorded birth dates, or descriptions in birth records (calving books, PigChamp, PigTale, etc.). In most cases, these records would already be maintained by the parents involved in marketing livestock.

Current recommendations are that all records and affidavits be maintained on file by the 4-Her or FFA member for a **minimum of two years**. The Extension Office will keep forms on file, and Showcase Sale will send them to the appropriate packer when the animals are sold.

The goal is to provide an audit trail of the animal's origin in case verification is required by the USDA. Sometimes we forget that even if a 4-H member only has few animals, he or she is still a producer and takes on the responsibility of meeting all producer regulations and requirements. With an affidavit for any purchased animal, compliance with the latest USDA regulations should be very easily achieved.

**SO—what does this all mean? It means when you purchase market animals, you need to ask them to fill out the “Country of Origin Label Declaration”. If you purchase animals from multiple producers, you need to have a declaration from each producer. If you purchase more than one animal from the same producer, the producer lists all the animals on the same form under “number of animals”. The seller then signs the form.**

Forms are available in the office or on the website.

## LIVESTOCK

### Meat Quality Assurance vs. Pork Quality Assurance

#### Meat Quality Assurance (MQA):

- \* MQA is required for all 4-Her's entering the market livestock project.
- \* MQA is required the first year in the market livestock project.
- \* MQA is required annually for those entered in the market swine project.
- \* MQA is required each time a 4-Her enters a new age bracket, i.e. their first year as a junior and their first year as a senior.

#### Pork Quality Assurance (PQA)

- \* **PQA is required for market swine participants who plan to show at the Colorado State Fair, National Western Livestock Show or other major shows. It is not required for the Pueblo County Fair.**
- \* PQA participants age 8-11 must attend a training annually. Certification under PQA will be valid for one year.
- \* PQA for 12 to 18 year old individuals have two options
  - Option 1: Annually attend PQA training. Participant is certified for one year.
  - Option 2: Participants can certify or recertify by examination to become certified in PQA. The participant will take an exam and if a score of 70% or better is received will have passed. Having passed the exam the participant is not required to take the PQA training again until the next age level, i.e. Test at age 12 and again at age 15. Or if the first year in the market swine project is age 14 then testing must be taken at ages 14 and 15. Youth PQA Certification expires on December 31 of the year a participant turns age 19.
- \* **MQA is not required for youth who take PQA in 2009, if you have a species other than swine.**

### 2009 Livestock Test Policy

1. If you had a test score of 80% or better on your 2007-2008 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.
2. 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.
3. 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).
4. The test will be over the 4-H manual (Level I for Juniors, Level II for Intermediate and Level III for Seniors.)
5. Three opportunities will be provided for testing.
  - April 9 — 6:30 p.m.—Dining Hall & 4-H Auditorium— State Fairgrounds (Test follows MQA training)
  - May 5 — 6:30 p.m.—Dining Hall & 4-H Auditorium— State Fairgrounds-after MANDATORY Showcase sale Meeting. (Test follows MQA training)
  - June 16 — 6:30 p.m.—Dining Hall & 4-H Auditorium— State Fairgrounds—NOTE DATE CHANGE (Test follows MQA training)

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

### PQA Dates

May 13 -- 6:00 p.m., CSUE Office

June 10 -- 1:00 p.m., CSUE Office

Please call the Extension Office at 583-6566 to register for a PQA class. Plan to spend about 2 hours to take the class and the test.

### MQA Dates

April 9 -- 6:30 p.m. Livestock and Dog Test to follow.

May 5 -- 6:30 p.m. following Mandatory Showcase Sale meeting. Livestock and Dog tests to follow.

June 16 -- 6:30 p.m. Livestock and Dog Test to follow.

## DOG

### Congratulations to the youth on their AKC National Placings:

Sam Mead: #5 Jr. Handler of Labrador Retrievers; #7 Intermediate Novice

Jessica Aguliar: #2 Jr. Handler of Miniature Poodles; #4 Jr. Handler Poodles Combined (all 3 varieties); #3 Novice Senior

Lena Garrison: #14 Jr. Handler of Smooth Collies

Kelsey Darnell: #23 Jr. Handler of Shetland Sheepdogs; #10 Junior in Rally Obedience

Caitlyn Darnell: #15 Junior in Rally Obedience

Laura Krause: #40 Jr. Handler of Australian Shepherds; #2 Novice Senior

## DOG

### Feet N Fur

The Mighty Dogs 4-H Club will once again plan the 2009 Feet N Fur Dog Walk. Mark your calendar for Saturday, June 13 at City Park. The event this year will be bigger and better! If you or your club or organization would like to have a booth or become involved at this event, call Donna or Caitlyn Darnell at 947-0615.

### Dog Test Dates:

April 9, May 5, June 16 - 6:30 p.m. - 4-H Dining Hall

### Dog Vaccinations

There has been some talk about shots for dogs enrolled in the 4-H dog project. The only shot that is required by law is a rabies vaccination. The combo shot is recommended as part of the 4-H dog project; however many veterinarians now have anywhere from an annual combo shot to a three year combo shot. It is recommended that all dogs enrolled in the 4-H dog project be up-to-date on all shots that their veterinarian recommends and what is required by Colorado law.

### Dog Shows

Pueblo County will host two open shows this year and one closed show. The open shows will be held at the AmeriCraft Hall (Ag Palace) at the Colorado State Fairgrounds on the following dates: May 30, 2009 and June 20, 2009 starting at 9:00 AM. Greenhorn Kickers 4-H Club will sponsor the May 30<sup>th</sup> show and Pups and Hounds will sponsor the June 20<sup>th</sup> show. All 4-H Obedience, Showmanship, and Rally classes will be offered.

The third show will tentatively be held after County Fair on August 1st in Rye or Colorado City. This will be a show-and-go type show – we will be giving away door prizes and we will have our Pueblo County 4-H Dog Project Annual Pot Luck Lunch. We ask that the club get door prizes donated. This show will also be informal – you will not need to dress up for showmanship – this is a fun day, but scores will count for those needing an additional score before State Fair. State Fair placements will not be announced at County Fair, but will be announced shortly after the August 1st show. More information on this show at a later date.

Other dog shows announced are as follows:

- ◇ Falcon Ranchers Annual 4-H Dog Show – May 17 – El Paso County Fairgrounds in Calhan. Showmanship, Rally and Agility offered this year – door prizes, concessions and more. For information, contact [falconranchers4h@aol.com](mailto:falconranchers4h@aol.com)
- ◇ Mesa County 4-H Obedience – Grand Valley Kennel Club – B/OB/Rally Match June 13, 2009 – Mesa County Fairgrounds, Veterans Park, Grand Junction, Colorado  
For more information contact Kelly Davidson at 970-623-0343 or [kellydavidson@remax.net](mailto:kellydavidson@remax.net)

## SHOOTING SPORTS

### Shooting Sports Council

The next Shooting Sports Council Meeting is May 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Extension Office.

### 4-H Shooting Sports Family Campout: June 19-21 Grainger Ranch near Victor

See the State 4-H Shooting Sports Website for details. It's a fun, inexpensive summer outing with your family!  
[http://www.colorado4h.org/ss/2009\\_ss\\_family\\_campout.pdf](http://www.colorado4h.org/ss/2009_ss_family_campout.pdf)

### The Colorado 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador Program

The Colorado 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador Program needs your help! We are asking that every 4-H shooting sports member who is eligible for this program take this opportunity to participate in the 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador Program. Please pass this along to those shooting youth or families that may be interested. Direct link: [http://www.co4hshooting.org/ss\\_ambassador\\_program.html](http://www.co4hshooting.org/ss_ambassador_program.html).

### Shooting Sports Council

The next Shooting Sports Council meeting will be Thursday, March 7 at the Extension office at 7:00 p.m. All youth and adults participating in or interested in 4-H shooting sports are encouraged to attend. Those clubs eligible to have voting council members should encourage their voting delegates to attend meeting. Additional meeting dates for the year are: May 7, July 2, September 3 and November 5.

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:

.22, Muzzleloading & Archery: 7:30 a.m.; April 18, May 9, June 13; Pueblo West Range  
Air Rifle & Air Pistol: 8:00 a.m.; April 25, May 16; 4-H Dining Hall  
Shotgun: 4:00 p.m.; April 15, May 13, June 17; Pueblo Skeet & Trap

If you have questions about the dates/times you can call Ron Brown or Deanie Samuel.

## SHOOTING SPORTS

### Want To Be A Shooting Sports Leader?

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.

Participants may certify in one discipline per training. Disciplines are Air Pistol, Archery, Coordinator, Muzzleloading, Outdoor Skills, RSO, Rifle and Shotgun/Trap. Workshop fees are \$85/person. This fee includes materials, Saturday lunch and dinner and breaks. Make checks payable to Extension Program Fund. Please call the office for a registration form or visit the state shooting sports website at <http://www.co4hshooting.org/>

### 2009 STATE TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION DATES ARE:

- **Kit Carson County** - Burlington - April 17-19
- **Eagle County** - Eagle - May 29-31
- **Gunnison County** - Gunnison - May 1-3
- **Park County** - Fairplay - October 2-4

### Scholarship for Whittington Shooting Sports Adventure Camp by NRA

The Pueblo Friends of NRA are pleased to announce its first scholarship for 2009 Whittington Adventure Camp at the Whittington Center near Raton, NM. The normal cost of the camp is \$950 per session (there are two sessions: Session I is June 14 – 26 and Session II is June 28 – July 10). All applicants must be age 13 – 17. Youth must be 13 by June 1, 2009.

During the Adventure Camp, you'll learn more than just the basics. You'll learn skills like wilderness map reading, how to prepare a hunting camp, animal tracking, how to use game calls, care of downed game, and an understanding of wildlife management techniques. The counselors want you to experience the magnificent Rocky Mountain back country during this adventure. You'll go on a simulated big game hunt with a few days and nights under the stars. When this adventure is over, you will have gained knowledge and some of the outdoor skills needed to survive in wild mountain terrain. You will also have the opportunity to become Hunter Safety qualified in New Mexico. Maybe most important of all, the NRA Whittington Adventure is designed to encourage leadership and team spirit. You'll be involved with a group of young people willing to cooperate in a true outdoor learning experience, an adventure like no other in America, in a setting that will take your breath away. The NRA Whittington Center is the most complete shooting center in the nation. The camp includes 33,000 acres of rugged western terrain, 10 miles southwest of Raton, all in the scenic high mesa country of New Mexico. During the camp, youth sleep in the Whittington Center's log cabin housing units and eat in the dining facility.

You may get an application from the Extension Office or on the Whittington Center web site at <http://www.nrawc.org/graphics/ADVC2009.pdf> You may also find out more about the camp at <http://www.nrawc.org/>

A Whittington **Application and essay must be received by the committee on or before Friday, May 1.** The essay topic is "What is the original meaning of the Constitution?" Completed application, photo and essay should be mailed to Friends of NRA, P.O. Box 3126, Pueblo, CO 81005. Winners will be notified on or before Friday, May 15.

### 4-H Supporting ACOVA Shooting Sports Fundraiser – May 30<sup>th</sup>

4-H Leader Kent Irvin is in charge of a community project for ACOVA (The Pueblo City and County Law Enforcement Victims Assistance Program). 4-H has volunteered to support the event by volunteering to work and many are interested in shooting in the tournament. The tournament is May 30 starting at 9 a.m. at the Pueblo Skeet and Trap Club.

For those shooting, there is a \$50.00 entry fee. Categories are: Trap Singles are from 16 yard line from the trap house. There are five stations and you shoot 5 rounds from each. Shoot this twice = 50 birds. Handicap is determined by your experience. Most will shoot from the 19 or 20 yard line. Max yardage will be 27. Shoot this twice = 50 birds. SKRAP is shot on the Skeet field. Birds coming from 3 directions and there and two people shoot at the same time. There are divisions for women, men and kids. There are prizes for each division and overall best shooter.

If you have questions, please call Kent at 250-5215.

## 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.**

### July 10-18, 2009 — Pueblo County Fair

#### 2009 COUNTY FAIR DEADLINES

- April 9—MQA, Livestock Test, Dog Tests
- April 15—Mandatory Shotgun Shoot
- April 18—Mandatory .22, Muzzleloading and Archery Shoot
- April 25—Mandatory Air Rifle & Air Pistol Shoot
- May 5—MQA & Mandatory Showcase Sale Livestock Meeting and Livestock Test, Dog Tests
- May 9—Mandatory .22, Muzzleloading and Archery Shoot
- May 11—Sheep/Goat Weigh In
- May 13—Mandatory Shotgun Shoot
- May 13—PQA Training
- May 15—Horse Registrations Due
- May 16—Mandatory Air Rifle & Air Pistol Shoot
- June 8—County Fair entries due/E-Record registration
- June 8 — “COOL” Registration Form Due
- June 10—PQA Training
- June 13—Mandatory .22, Muzzleloading and Archery Shoot
- June 15—Shooting Sports Record Books due
- June 16—MQA and Livestock Tests, Dog Tests—**NOTE CHANGE OF DATE**
- June 17—Mandatory Shotgun Shoot
- June 18—Shooting Sports Record Book Grading
- July 1—Showcase Sale Intent to Purchase forms due
- July 7—County Fair horse test
- July 8—Fashion Revue Practice
- August 17—Report Forms Due
- August 17—Showcase Sale Thank You Notes Due
- September 9—Livestock & Horse Record Books Due
- September 14, 21, 28—Livestock and Horse E-Record Book Judging

#### EVENTS:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>April 18—Contest Day</li> <li>April 18-19—Horse Levels Training</li> <li>April 25—4-H Foundation Car Show</li> <li>April 25—4-H Foundation Golf Tournament</li> <li>April 29-30 — E-Record Training</li> <li>May 2—Goat Clinic</li> <li>May 2—Horse Clinic</li> <li>May 9—Cloverbud Camp</li> <li>May 12—Spring Horse Show Test Date</li> <li>May 16-17—Spring Horse Show</li> <li>May 30-County Dog Show</li> <li>June 5-7—4-H Camp</li> <li>June 9-11—Adventure Day Camp</li> <li>June 13—Dr. Barr Lamb Camp</li> <li>June 13 -- Feet n' Fur</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>June 13-14—Summer Horse Show</li> <li>June 18—4-H Scholarship Interviews</li> <li>June 19-21 —State Shooting Sports Campout</li> <li>June 20—County Dog Show</li> <li>June 21-23—Massey Lamb Camp</li> <li>June 23-26—State 4-H Conference</li> <li>July 10-19—Pueblo County Fair</li> <li>August 21-September 7—Colorado State Fair</li> <li>October 3—4-H Gala</li> <li>October 4-10—National 4-H Week</li> <li>October 23—Achievement Night</li> <li>November 13-15—Dare To Be You Camp</li> <li>December 5-6—Bells of Christmas</li> <li>December 28—Officer's Training</li> </ul> |
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#### MEETINGS:

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| <p><b>APRIL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8 – Horse Council</li> <li>13 -- Washington Focus</li> <li>15—4-H Foundation Meeting</li> <li>15 – Fair Board</li> <li>27 – Camp Counselor Meeting</li> </ul> <p><b>MAY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4—Camp Counselor Meeting</li> <li>5—Mandatory Showcase Sale Meeting</li> <li>6—Youth Council, Parent/Leader Group</li> <li>7—Shooting Sports Council</li> <li>12 – Horse Council</li> <li>18 -- Washington Focus</li> <li>18 – Camp Counselor Meeting</li> <li>20 – Fair Board</li> </ul> <p><b>JUNE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 – Camp Counselor Meeting</li> <li>3 – Fair Board—TENTATIVE</li> <li>4—Adventure Day Camp Training</li> <li>9 – Horse Council AND horse test</li> <li>15 – Washington Focus</li> <li>17 – Fair Board</li> <li>18—Scholarship Interviews</li> <li>30— Livestock Superintendent's Breakfast</li> </ul> <p><b>JULY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 – Fair Board-TENTATIVE</li> <li>1—First Superintendent Meeting</li> <li>2—Shooting Sports Council</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>29 – Post Fair Superintendent's Meeting (Fair Board)</li> </ul> <p><b>SEPTEMBER</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 – Youth Council &amp; Parent Leader Group</li> <li>3—Shooting Sports Council</li> <li>8 – Horse Council</li> <li>10 – Livestock Council</li> <li>16 – Fair Board</li> </ul> <p><b>OCTOBER</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7 – Youth Council &amp; Parent/Leader Group</li> <li>13 – Horse Council</li> <li>14 – Fall Showcase Sale Meeting</li> <li>21 – Fair Board</li> </ul> <p><b>NOVEMBER</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5—Shooting Sports Council</li> <li>10—Horse Council</li> <li>12—Livestock Council</li> <li>18 – Fair Board</li> </ul> <p><b>DECEMBER</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8—Horse Council</li> <li>16 – Fair Board</li> </ul> |
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#### 4-H DEADLINES:

- April 6—Contest Day entries due
- April 13 — Camp Counselor Applications Due
- May 1—Applications due for Colorado Outstanding Leader & Member and National Congress
- May 8—Adventure Day Camp Volunteer Applications Due
- June 4—Scholarship Applications Due
- June 29—Report Forms for Outstanding Awards due
- August 17—Report Forms Due
- October 9—Exchange Trip Applications Due

**4-H Leader/Parent Group Policy On Chaperons For 4-H Events:**

**Pueblo County 4-H Parent/Leader Group Budget**

The Pueblo County Parent/Leader Group is committed to assisting and supporting the adult leaders, chaperones and volunteers who give of their time and talent to the 4-H youth in our community.

Financial support will be given to adult leaders, chaperones and volunteers of the Pueblo County 4-H program. Person(s) who receive funds from this group will abide by the following guidelines established by the 4-H Parent Leader Group:

1. Those person(s) receiving funds must be an active parent or leader in the Parent Leader Group program in the corresponding fiscal year and has attended at least 2 Parent Leader Group meetings.
2. Priority will be given to the adult parent/leader group member, volunteer and/or chaperone attending with priority given, respectively to: Senior Delegate(s), Junior Delegate(s), and Chaperone (including a male chaperone, if needed). Ratio of 1 chaperone to 5 youth, of same gender, attending event/activity.
3. Those person(s) receiving funds must donate at least four hours per fiscal year working at either or split between any fund raising activities sponsored by this group yearly.
4. If certificates are given to the individual for participation in the event that the Parent Leader Group has given financial support; a copy of that certificate must be

turned in to the CSUE Office at 212 W. 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 220, Pueblo, CO 81003, before financial support is given and/or reimbursed.

5. The fiscal year will be based on the 4-H year.
6. Any person(s) receiving funds to attend a particular activity would be encouraged to share the educational experience with at least two groups (may include own club).
7. If a person(s) receives funding for activity and/or event from another entity they may not request additional funding from the Parent Leader Group for that same activity and/or event. By receiving funds from the Parent Leader Group they do so with the understanding that they have not received funding from another entity for the same activity and/or event.
8. Requests must be made in person during a Parent Leader Group business meeting. If receipts are required they must accompany per said request. Requests must be made within the corresponding fiscal year of same event.

The Parent Leader Group will entertain requests for additional financial support on a case by case basis. Those requesting additional financial support must do so in person during a Parent Leader Group business meeting.



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