Southeast Area 4-H Newsletter

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Welcome Marlena Griesse!

Please join the Southeast Area 4-H Agents in welcoming our newest agent, Marlena Griessel Marlena is the Otero/Crowley 4-H Agent. "I'm very excited to be the 4-H Agent for Crowley and Otero Counties and am looking forward to meeting lots of new people! Since graduating from the University of Wyoming in 2010 I have lived on my family's ranch in Northwestern Nebraska. For the last 5 years, I had worked in the Nebraska Extension Sioux County Office as the Office Manager and later as the 4-H Assistant.

I love the diversity of programming that 4-H has to offer ALL youth! My priority is offering a wide range of programs that utilize STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) and career readiness concepts, and also recognize the tradition of 4-H."



DVI Performing Arts & Demonstration Contest

The 2016 District VI Performing Arts & Demonstration Contest will be held Thursday, July 7th at 6 p.m. in Eads at the Plains Theatre. For contest rules visit the State Fair Contest Requirements on the State 4-H website. Registration forms are available from your extension office and are due back by June 30th.

Bent, Cheyenne, Kiowa & Prowers Fashion Revue

Bent, Cheyenne, Kiowa and Prowers Counties are holding a combined Fashion Revue on Wednesday, July 20th at 6 p.m. in Eads at the Plains Theatre. For contest rules visit the State Fair Contest Requirements on the State 4-H website. Registration forms are available from your extension office and are due back by July 13th.

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July

4th - Extension Offices Closed

7th - Performing Arts & Demonstration Contest

20th - Bent, Cheyenne, Kiowa & Prowers Fashion Revue

August

20th & 21st - State 4-H Shooting Sports 26th - Sept. 5th - Colorado State Fair

September

3rd-5th - State 4-H Shooting Sports 5th - Extension Offices Closed

County Fair Dates

July 23rd - 30th - Bent County July 26th - 31st - Crowley County August 1st - 6th - Baca County August 1st - 6th - Cheyenne County August 6th - 13th - Sand & Sage Fair August 13th - 19th - Ark Valley Fair Sept. 7th - 11th - Kiowa County Sept. 22nd - 25th - Holly Gateway Fair

If you wish to participate in any of these events/activities and need special accommodation, please notify the Extension Office of your need at least 5 business days prior to the event/activity.

4H Online – Email Blasts

From time to time the State office will be sending emails directly to the 4-H members. It is the easiest and most effective way to communicate important State events and requirements. We know that not everyone particularly enjoys the extra emails and there have been requests to be unsubscribed. It is important to know that if you do that, you would not receive any re-enrollment emails or information the County office sends directly to you. Please do not "unsubscribe."

4-H Ford Truck Raffle

The Rocky Mountain Ford Dealers have generously donated a 2015 Ford F-150 XLT 4x4 Super Crew truck to the Colorado 4-H Foundation for the 2016 raffle. More prizes will be awarded in conjunction with this raffle. Raffle tickets will be available through your county Extension office.



Camp Tobin

Registration is now available in 4hOnline to those individuals who wish to stay at Camp Tobin during the Colorado State Fair. For more information about Camp Tobin, please visit: http://www.colorado4h.org/ then click on Events and then Camp Tobin. Individuals who are registering for Camp Tobin will need to provide payment to the State office by August 1.

Colorado Make it with Wool Contest

The 2016 Colorado Make it with Wool Contest is scheduled for November 5th at the Adams County Fairgrounds. Contestants must select, construct, and model their own garments. To be eligible the garment must have been constructed after January 1st, 2016. For contest rules and application contact Gloria Cundall, State Director, at 303-659-5559 or gcundall@msn.com.



What is 4-H Interview Judging?

Interview Judging is an excellent opportunity for 4-H youth enrolled in General/Natural Resources and Family Consumer Science projects to showcase their project work. During interview judging, members meet one-on-one with the judge to discuss their project. The judge will ask questions about the project, the process of completing the project, skills learned and problems encountered. Judges will make suggestions to help members with problems and challenges with the project.

Project Score Sheets Now Available

Score sheets for general and family and consumer science projects, as well as state contests are available on the 4-H website at:

http://www.colorado4h.org/ events opportunities/state fair/ score sheets/index.php.

These sheets will help you know what the judge will be looking for when judging your projects.

E-Records Updated

The e-records are now posted on the State 4-H website at: http://www.colorado4h.org/project_resources/erecords/index.php

Each project now has its own e-record for General/Nature Resources and Family Consumer Science and those projects that have additional information needed are in the e-records. The livestock and horse erecords are also available.



State Fair Exhibit Requirements

Be sure to read the 2016 State Fair 4-H Exhibit Requirements! They can be found on the State 4-H website or contact your local extension office. There have been several changes made to the project requirements and you can avoid the surprise and disappointment on exhibit day if you take the time to read about your project now. These requirements spell out what the required exhibit is for general and family and consumer science projects, and special 4-H events held during State Fair. We follow the same exhibit requirements for Exhibit Day as the State Fair.

Tentative State Shooting Sports Schedule



Saturday, August 20th

- .22 Rifle, Seniors
 - Pueblo West Sportsman's
 Club Pueblo West
 - Registration at 7 a.m.
- .22 Pistol, Seniors
 - Pueblo West Sportsman's
 Club Pueblo West
 - Registration at 7 a.m.
- Archery, Juniors
 - Just outside Lake Pueblo State Park - Old Transit Mix Site - Pueblo
 - Registration at 7 a.m.
- Air Rifle/Air Pistol
 - A limited number of relays will be held on Saturday to avoid conflicts on Sunday. Shooters with the most conflicts will be given first priority to shoot Saturday.

Sunday, August 21st

- .22 Rifle, Juniors
 - Pueblo West Sportsman's
 Club Pueblo West
 - Registration at 7 a.m.
- Archery, Seniors
 - Just outside Lake Pueblo
 State Park Old Transit Mix
 Site Pueblo
 - Registration at 7 a.m.
- Air Rifle/Air Pistol
 - Event Center Colorado
 State Fairgrounds Pueblo
 - Registration at 7 a.m.

Saturday, September 3rd

- Skeet, Juniors & Sporting Clay, Seniors
 - Pikes Peak Gun Club 450

- Franceville Coalmine Rd. Colorado Springs
- Registration at 7 a.m.

Muzzleloading, Seniors

- Pikes Peak Gun Club 450
 Franceville Coalmine Rd. Colorado Springs
- Registration at 7 a.m.

Sunday, September 4th

- Skeet, Seniors & Sporting Clay, Juniors
 - Pikes Peak Gun Club 450
 Franceville Coalmine Rd. Colorado Springs
 - Registration at 7 a.m.
- Muzzleloading, Juniors
 - Pikes Peak Gun Club 450
 Franceville Coalmine Rd. Colorado Springs
 - Registration at 7 a.m.

Monday, September 5th

- Trap, All Ages
 - Pikes Peak Gun Club 450
 Franceville Coalmine Rd. Colorado Springs
 - Registration at 7 a.m.

General Contest Notes:

- Be at the range a minimum of 2 hour before your squadded time.
- Lunch and snacks will be available at most ranges, unless otherwise noted.
- Outdoor ranges have no sun/rain protection. Plan accordingly. Because of the potential for high temperatures, it is advisable to bring plenty of water.
- Check state rules for target types and class description.
- Please note that this is the TENTA-TIVE SCHEDULE. Range location, days and times are Subject to change. Please check the state shooting sports website for up to date information. www.co4hshooting.org.
- Maps with directions to each site are available at your county Extension office, on the 4-H Shooting Sports Website www.co4hshooting.org and at the 4-H Camp Tobin office on the Colorado State Fairgrounds.

Prowers County Horse Shows

The Prowers County Horse Committee has set their show dates for 2016:

- July 16th Performance Show Holly
- July 30th Sand & Sage Fair Show -Lamar (open to show, but no awards for out of county youth)



Market Rabbit & Market Poultry Nomination Procedure

The Colorado State Fair has started requiring nominations for market rabbit and market poultry. These "Intent to Exhibit" forms need to be postmarked to the Colorado State Fair Small Animal Office by July 8th. Exhibitors may "Nominate" as many as they would like, however, only four (4) pens may be brought to the Fair.

The Rabbits all need to be born around June 20th in order to be old enough and/ or young enough to compete in the Market Rabbit Division of the fair. The chicks would need to have been purchased and/or hatched by July 4th for the Fryer class competition and the Broiler class would have been purchased and/or hatched by approximately April 11th. For identification, the exhibitor would need to decide what the tattoos were going to be for the rabbit pen and list 4 of them per Nomination. As for the Market Chickens. the exhibitor would need to list 4 Leg Band numbers per Market Pen. These Tattoos and Leg Bands will not need to be in or on the animal(s) until arrival at the fair.

There is also a Market Turkey class. The age requirement is 14 weeks for hens and 18 weeks for toms. Hens must weigh 14 pounds and toms 16 pounds. No turkey can weigh over 30 pounds.

See your county Extension Office for the nomination forms.

Are You a Positive Role Model?

As the busy season of competition and all the summer activities get underway, now is a good time to remind members, leaders and parents about the 4-H Code of Conduct. In effect, the code of conduct sets forth the expectation that youth will "conduct themselves in a courteous, respectful manner, use appropriate language, exhibit honesty, good sportsmanship and act as a positive role model."

Older 4-H members especially need to be reminded of the importance of being a positive role model for younger members. Research suggests that youth between the ages of 8 and 10 are especially interested in imitating the behaviors of teenagers. When those teenagers are engaged in positive, thoughtful and productive behaviors, they are serving as positive role models. If however, they are behaving in negative, obnoxious and destructive ways, they are serving as negative role models. With either type of behavior, they are still role models.

So, if you witness positive role modeling, praise those older youth who are setting a great example for younger members. On the other hand, if you witness negative role modeling, remind those older youth that they are being watched and potentially imitated.

Project Demonstrations and Illustrated Talks

We encourage 4-H members to do a project related demonstration and would like to have one for every project that a 4-H member enrolls in. We understand that this may not happen. If you do only one demonstration, make sure that you put it down in each of your project record books. The requirement is that a 4-H member does a demonstration. You will not be counted down for only doing one demonstration but the judges may comment that they would have liked to have seen a project related demonstration. Remember to put down the title of your demonstration and who was there.

Community Service Projects

One very integral part of 4-H is doing Community Service. Every member is expected to participate in at least one community service project each year. Be sure and share ideas for community service with your 4-H club and leaders. There are plenty of opportunities to get out and help your local community.

Code of Conduct

Colorado State University wants to provide an environment that is safe and proper for all of its 4-H participants. The code of conduct is not intended to restrict participation, but rather to enhance it so that all can receive the full benefit and educational experience from events and activities. The code of conduct spells out how 4-Hers, parents, and leaders are expected to conduct themselves when participating in 4-H activities.

As a reminder, the State 4-H Code of Conduct form was included with your enrollment materials. When you signed the enrollment, you were stating that you had read the code of conduct and agree to comply with the rules and regulations set forth in the code of conduct.

The Code of Conduct can be found on the state 4-H website, along with event etiquette and information on sportsmanship for participants, parents, and spectators. Let's all work to make each and every 4-H event or activity a positive experience for every-

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Adult Code of Conduct

To contribute in a positive way to youth development Colorado 4-H Leaders, Volunteers, Parents and other adults will:

- Conduct themselves in a mature, courteous and respectful manner, use appropriate language, exhibit honesty, good sportsmanship and act as a positive role model.
- Provide a safe learning environment, free of physical abuse, mental abuse, ethnic, racial and sexual harassment or exploitation of the 4-H member.
- Adhere to all program rules, policies and guidelines including the State 4-H Dress Code and use of the 4-H Clover.
- When transporting 4-H members, have a valid Colorado driver's license and insurance as prescribed by Colorado law and maintain the vehicle so that it is safe and reliable for the conditions, weather, and distance for which it will be driven.
- Abstain from the use of alcohol and illegal drugs while participating in 4-H events/programs. These are not allowed at any 4-H sponsored program, event and/or activity where youth are present. Leaders should limit their tobacco use to areas where youth are not present. This applies to local club meetings, county, district, state, and national events.
- Respect the rights and authority of leaders, parents and Extension Agents.
- Refrain from physical or verbal abuse.
- Apply rules of safety to individuals, groups, and property.
- Accept personal responsibility for behavior.

Conduct not in keeping with 4-H Youth Development standards will not be tolerated. Violation of items listed above will result in consequences to the participant. Law enforcement may be called and illegal behaviors may result in citations or arrest. Consequences may include removal, at the individuals' expense and without refund, from participation in the event; restitution or repayment of damages; sanctions on participation in future local, state, regional or national 4-H events; and forfeiture of financial support for this event.

4-H Leaders and volunteers serve at the request of Colorado State University Cooperative Extension. That request can be

Otero & Crowley County 4-H News



July 2016

July 14	Horse Practice, 6:30 p.m., Arkansas Valley Fairgrounds
July 15 - 16	Missouri Day
July 18	Crowley County Barn Set-Up & 4-H member meeting, 6:00 p.m., Crowley County Fairgrounds
July 26 - 29	Crowley County Days
	26 - Dog Show/Rabbit & Poultry Show
	27 - Tiny Tot Open Show/Dairy Goat/Sheep/Goat/Swine
	28 - Beef/Dairy/Round Robin
	29 - Cloverbud/General Project Exhibit Day
July 20	Arkansas Valley Jr. Show Committee meeting, 7:00 p.m., Otero County Extension Office
July 28	Horse Practice, 6:30 p.m. Arkansas Valley Fairgrounds
August 1	Gymkhana, 6:30 p.m., Arkansas Valley Fairgrounds
August 1	Fashion Revue Narrations Due
August 8	Arkansas Valley Fair Dog Show, 9:00 a.m., Arkansas Valley Fairgrounds
August 10	Fashion Revue, 7:00 p.m., Grand Theater, Rocky Ford
August 11	Barn/Exhibit Hall/Kitchen clean-up/set-up, 6:00 p.m., Arkansas Valley Fairgrounds
August 13	Exhibit Day/Cloverbud Fair
August 15 - 20	Arkansas Valley Fair
	15 - Horse
	16 - Farm Mechanics/Weigh-in/All livestock to be on grounds
	17 - Rabbit/Goats(Breeding & Market)/Swine(Breeding & Market)

August 17 General/Family Consumer Science projects to State Fair

Science projects released 1:00 p.m.

19 - Parade of Champions/Fat Stock Sale

Round Robin



2016 4-H Foundation Truck Raffle

This is the ninth year for the Ford truck

raffle, and tickets can be picked up from your club leader. We are looking forward to the challenge of beating last years record sales for both Crowley and Otero Counties.

18 - Dairy Goat/Dairy Cattle/Bucket Calf/Beef(Breeding& Market)/Poultry/Sheep(Breeding & Market)/

20 - Rabbits released 10 a.m./All other livestock to be released 12:00 noon/General/Family Consumer

This is a GREAT fundraising opportunity for each club!

County sales end September 2, 2016 with the drawing to be held on September 17, 2016.

Please turn in money and tickets regularly to the extension office!

Gymkhanas

There will be a 4-H gymkhana held Monday, August 1 at the Arkansas Valley Fairgrounds arena with the possibility of a second one scheduled at a later time. In case of inclement weather please call the extension office to find out the status of that evening's gymkhana. The gymkhana will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Helmets will be required for all participants doing barrels, poles, or flags. It is only the "speed" events that will require helmets.

Horse Practices

Join us for horse practices on July 14th and 28th at 6:30 pm at the Arkansas Valley Fairgrounds. Otero County 4-H Horse Leader, Rianna Welch, will teach youth about learning and practicing patterns, horsemanship, showmanship, and show basics.

Cloverbud Day Camp

This year the Otero County Extension Office will be holding a Cloverbud Day Camp on Saturday, July 30, 2016. The camp will be held at the extension office from 8:30 - 2:30 p.m. and is open to current 4-H Cloverbuds as well as youth ages 5-8. The theme for the camp this year is ocean science, which will involve STEM experiments, crafts, and much more all revolving around the ocean theme. Youth will also learn about 4-H and meet many new friends throughout the day. Please call the Otero County Extension office at 719-254-7608 by July 25 to register.

Missouri Day Livestock Show

The Fowler Missouri Day Association has opened their livestock show to any young-ster between the ages of 9 and 19. The show will be Friday, July 15, at the Fowler Roping Arena. All livestock need to be checked in by 6:30 p.m. and the show starts at 7:00.

There are no entry fees and all 4-H and FFA livestock projects are welcome. Horses will be shown in halter classes only. Other classes include both market and breeding classes for beef, goats, sheep and swine, as well as dairy classes. Small

animal classes will be for rabbits and poultry. A Tiny Tot Show will be held for 4-8 year olds.

First, second and third premiums will be awarded in each class, and a belt buckle for the all-around champion showman. For more information, contact Brenten Ormiston at 469-5177.

Dog Record Books

Dog record books will need to be turned in by September 9. Scores from the record books will not be included in the fair competitions. Awards will be given at the Arkansas Valley Fair in Showmanship, Obedience and Rally. Premium monies will be for the top three dog record books.

Fashion Revue

Fashion Revue narrations are due by August 1. This deadline applies to all members, including Cloverbud members. Narrations can be provided as hard copy or emailed. The 4-H Fashion Revue will be held Wednesday, August 10 at 7:00 p.m. at the Grand Theater in Rocky Ford. The public revue and judging will be held at the same time.

The theme for this year's fashion revue is a western round-up. Thank you to Caryl Pearce coming up with the theme and spearheading the night's program.

Also we want to thank Sand and Sage 4-H Club for volunteering to provide refreshments during the intermission of the fashion revue.

Labels for Clothing, Decorate Your Duds and Heritage Arts Projects

We have pre-printed labels which are to be sewn in the inside of the garment at the hem or lower side seam. The labels should be tacked on the corners and stitches should not show through on the right side of the garment. You should have one label for each piece of your outfit that will be judged for construction (if you have a skirt and blouse, you will need two labels). These labels can also be used in Decorate Your Duds projects and on Heritage Arts projects. You can pick up

the labels at the extension office.

Parade of Champions

All Grand Champion winners from Otero County Exhibit Day, Otero Shooting Sports Contest, and Arkansas Valley Fair Livestock shows need to plan on being in the Parade of Champions. The winners will ride on a trailer in the Arkansas Valley Fair parade on Friday, August 19, at 10:00 a.m. Please meet at 9:30 a.m. at 1005 South Main Street. No projects will be involved in the parade, only the 4-H members.

Parking at Arkansas Valley Fairgrounds

The search for the perfect parking spot....or any parking spot....

As with any large event, parking at the Arkansas Valley Fairgrounds during the week of the Fair is difficult. Be advised, there will be **NO PARKING on the west side of 8th Street from Catalpa to Ash** (the corner of Rotary Park to north of the fairgrounds). The No Parking is for the west side of the street! As an alternative on Tuesday, August

18, 4-H families will be allowed and encouraged to park their pickup and trailers on the arena

infield. Families are asked to unload animals and equipment promptly and then move their vehicle/trailer for the next person. Please remember, if you park in the "No Parking Zone" you will be ticketed and towed! This will be strictly enforced by the Rocky Ford Police Department for safety reasons.

Crowley County Exhibit Day Ribbons

Ribbons will be awarded and displayed with each project. Crowley County uses a combined Danish Ribbon System and American Ribbon System. Each project is first measured against project standards and fulfillment of exhibit requirements in order to award a blue, red or white grade ribbon. Blue ribbon projects are then ranked 1st, 2nd and 3rd. First place projects in each unit are eligible for unit champion. All unit champions are then

considered for the grand champion award. All 1st place projects are eligible to compete at the Colorado State Fair, with the exception of welding, tractor and self-determined projects.



Otero County Exhibit Day Ribbons

Otero County Exhibit Day projects are judged using the American Ribbon system only. In each class, projects will be placed 1st through 10th. There will not be any grade ribbons awarded. Champion and reserve champion will be given in each unit.

Open Tiny Tot Show

The Arkansas Valley Fair will again offer an Open Tiny Tot Show. At the beginning of each 4-H & FFA animal show there will be an open class show for tiny tots. It is not necessary for the youth to be enrolled in 4-H.

- Species Include: Horse/Sheep/ Goat/Swine/Rabbit/Poultry/ Bucket Calf
- ◆ Show starts before the 4-H/FFA classes begin for that species
- Open to all youth 4-7 years old as of January 1 of current year, and currently living in Otero or Crowley County
- The animal must be owned by the exhibitor or an immediate family member
- A parent or legal guardian must be present
- Participants / Exhibitors are not eligible for the livestock sale
- Entry forms with signed waiver are due to the Otero Extension office on or before Friday, August 12, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.
- The animal may be brought in 30 minutes before the show or stalled on grounds (Wednesday through Saturday). This must be designated on entry form
- Animals may be shown with a halter, collar, or in the cage

- (poultry, rabbits)
- Horses will only be shown in a halter class
- All bucket calves must be orphans, which are bottle fed or bucket fed and must also be born after January 1 of the current year
- ◆ Awards: It will be a noncompetitive event, everyone who participates will receive a participation ribbon

Entry forms are available at the extension office or on the web at: www.arkvalleyfair.com/avf-000004.htm. For more information please call the Otero County Extension office at 719-254-7608 or the Arkansas Valley Fair office at 719-254-7723.



General and Family and Consumer Science Project Exhibit Requirements

Be sure to read the 2016 4-H requirements! These requirements spell out what the required exhibit is for general and family and consumer science projects, and special 4-H events held during State Fair. We follow the same exhibit requirements for Exhibit Day as the State Fair. The information can be found online at: http://www.colorado4h.org/project_resources/StateFairExhibitReq.pdf.

Fair Fun Week

Wild Things 4-H Club will again host the Fair Fun Week. Activities that will take place include 4-H pride day, dress your animal day, and decorate your pen, along with other fun activities. Any club or individual wanting to donate for the cause, please contact the extension office or Rebecca Griffin 719-924-2733 or Kellie Gruntorad 719-980-3700.

Fair Dress Code

When showing at the fair for Exhibit Day, Livestock Shows, Round Robin, Parade of Champions or participating in the gymkhana during the fair, please dress neatly with clothes that are clean and in good repair, free of holes, tears, or slashes. Clothes must be free from violent or drug related material, or anything that alludes to violations of the 4-H Code of Conduct. All items designated as underwear are to be kept under cover. No halter-tops, tube tops or tops that (What is the 4-H Motto?) expose undergarments. No pants that expose undergarments. No spaghetti straps on shirts. No see-through garments or muscle shirts. All shorts, skorts, and skirts must be no shorter than fingertip length. See Colorado Horse Show Rule Book for horse show requirements. White pants & white shirt are appropriate for dairy goats & dairy cattle. Please wear clothing to the show and the sale that are attractive and in good taste. This dress code is not subject to personal interpretation. A 4-H leader or extension agent may deem clothing inappropriate.

Scrapies Premise I.D. Requirements

For those members planning on showing at the Crowley County Days Progress Show or the Arkansas Valley Fair please note: All breeding sheep and all market ewe lambs will be required to have Scrapies I.D. tags. All does in the market class and all breeding goats will be required to have Scrapies I.D. tags. Any registered breeding goat with a legible premise tattoo will suffice as a Scrapie's I.D. tag; however, Scrapies I.D. tags are preferred. Scrapies I.D. tags can be obtained by calling the U.S. Department of Agriculture's APHIS (Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services) at 970-219-0467. The tags are provided at no cost.

REMINDER!

No one will be allowed in the barn after 10:00 p.m. each night. This includes sleeping in the barn!

Something to Think About.....

As you begin final preparations for the fair, remember the fair is a celebration of your hard work and accomplishments through 4-H. Fair week is busy, stressful and has the potential to bring out the less appealing qualities of people. With this in mind, remember to think twice or maybe even three times before you get upset. The county fair offers you an opportunity to display your projects as well as yourself. It is a great educational experience and should always be viewed as such. It builds character, encourages responsibility and sportsmanship. During the fair this year, take notice of all the volunteers and leaders who are giving of their time and effort so that each of you will be able to enjoy your participation. If we keep in mind the benefits of friendly competition and cooperation with others, winning at all costs takes a back seat to the benefits that can be gained from our annual association with each other. Have a great Fair!

It's In the Try

This was an interesting press release from an agent in Park County. We thought there were some good points in it.

by Deborah Lester, CSU Extension Agent, Park County

Fairplay, CO...It's something we don't like to talk about and we see people do it every day, quit.

People quit jobs, quit on marriages, quit on school, quit on their families and quit on 4-H.

Quitting is not something people are proud of, and sometimes you have to do it to save your sanity, maybe even save your life, but that's not what I'm talking about. I'm talking about giving up just because it's too hard or you don't "want to".

James P. Owen, wrote a supplement to his "Cowboy Ethics" book called, "The Try". The author quotes the coach of Ty Murray, a 9 time NFR Bull Riding Champion saying, "Ty has just a little more try in him." Hmmmmmm, could that be right?? Maybe some of us were just born that way? I don't think so. I think the "try" comes from within each person. And I think Ty Murray has a whole lot of "try" inside him. It shows on the outside.

The drive to succeed and give it your all, even when you're overwhelmed, people let you down...the printer doesn't work, someone was mean to you today, should I go on? The drive comes from within each of us.

Brilliant or average, loving or broken families, lots of money to little money, the drive to succeed and give it your all are instilled in our children by their parents, their grandparents, their mentors, and their teachers. It's a big, big job. I know you're up to it.

We are all gearing up for a great County Fair this year. Our second annual carnival with a ferris wheel, a fantastic Draft Horse Pull on Friday night, ELVIS appearing after the pull, Jr. Livestock Auction and Bulls N Broncs Rodeo on Saturday and Family Day with a Ranch Rodeo on Sunday. Then there are pony rides, horse shows, a Lamb Lead, "Mutton Bustin", 4-H kids showing their beautifully groomed and raised animals and the Fairplay Community Center full of general project exhibits from 4-H kids and the community.

Let's not forget to mention that Colorado East Bank and Trust will be giving cash awards to all the 4-H kids who are Champions and Reserve Champions in General Projects, Dog, Horse and Shooting Sports AND added money to every kid that sells at the auction. WOW!! How does it get better tan that??

And I'm still getting calls and emails from parents who are letting their kids quit. Really?

I know it tough. I know the leaders may not have done what they should have, but why do we let out kids quit.

What happened to parents guiding their children to rise above the adversities and complete WHAT THEY START? Quitting is not an option. Ask Ty Murray.

What happened to parents realizing the importance of completing EVERY-THING their child starts? I'll tell you why, it's a life lesson.

When kids give up on little things, they start to give up on big things. It doesn't seem like much that they drop out of 4-H a month before the fair. It doesn't seem like much that they don't want to go to the meetings after they signed up. But then...they drop out of high school, or they drop out of college, or they drop out of trade school, they don't try to make their marriage work---it's just, well it's just too hard.

It's become easy now. Dropping out and giving up has become second nature.

Hmmmmmmmm. We talk a lot about "The Code of the West" in 4-H. It comes from James P. Owen's book. "Cowboy Ethics". There are 10 principles:

- 1. Live Each Day with Courage.
- 2. Take Pride in Your Work.
- 3. Finish What You Start.
- 4. Do What Has to Be Done.
- 5. Be Tough, Be Fair.
- 6. When You Make A Promise, Keep It.
- 7. Ride For The Brand.
- 8. Talk Less and Say More.
- Remember Some Things Aren't for Sale.
- 10. Know Where to Draw the Line.

Wow? What if we all lived up to these 10 principles? Well said, eh?

So I say to us all, <u>Finish What You Start</u> and <u>Take Pride in Your Work</u>. It's just not for today; it's for the rest of your life.

And guess what, you'll never regret a single day. Pass it forward, it makes a difference. Character counts.

Thank You Letters

Thank you letters will be required from all trophy/jacket/award winners - livestock, family and consumer science, and general projects. All thank you letters will be reviewed by the office staff. All letters are

due by September 9.

Thank you letters should be in an addressed, stamped, unsealed envelope. If you seal your envelope, it will be opened in order to review the letter.

After your letter has been reviewed and approved, it will be put back in your envelope and mailed. If for some reason your letter is not approved, you will be required to rewrite the letter submit it for approval, etc.

At times there is more than one buyer for a project and if there is a "pool name" (Fowler 100 Club...) the thank you goes to the pool. Otherwise, each individual buyer needs a thank you letter, even if there are 5 or 6 buyers for one project.

Please take the time and make an effort when writing your letters. Letters are expected to be "age appropriate". Remember, your letter not only represents you as an individual, but also your family and the 4-H program. Take pride in a job well done!

Letters must include the following in order to be approved:

- 1. To Whom must be addressed and written to a specific person. If you do not know who to address it to, ask the extension office and we will find the information for you.
- 2. What for be specific about what you are thanking them for and specify the project in which the award was won (i.e. Thank you for sponsoring the Grand Champion Tractor award).
- 3. Signed letter can be hand written, legibly, or typed. However, 4-Her must *sign their name*.

Additional tips that may be helpful when writing your letter include:

- ♦ Tell them a little about yourself and your project.
- Tell something special about the project that you enjoyed.
- Tell what the hardest part of your project was and how you overcame the challenge.
- Tell about new skills you learned.
- If you type your letter on the computer, be sure to use the spell check. If

you hand write your letter, write it first on scratch paper and have an adult help with spelling.

Remember, because of the generosity of the sponsors, you receive nice awards.

As in the past, thank you letters have to be completed and approved before you will receive any buyer money, premium, or your awards.

Let's Play a Game!

We only had one person give us an answer last month. Let's see if we can do better this month.

Hidden somewhere in this newsletter is a trivia question about 4-H. When you find the question and think you have the answer, then call, email, or drop by your county extension office with the answer. The first youth in each county with the correct answer will receive a prize. But, anybody with the correct answer will be entered in a drawing for a \$50 Walmart gift card to be given away at the winner's Achievement Banquet. We must have your answer by the 15th of the current month to be eligible for the drawing.

Design Your Own Livestock Signs at Arkansas Valley Fair

Members are encouraged to make signs to hang on or above their livestock pens, cages and hutches at the Arkansas Valley Fair. Signs have been provided to members for many years - you could come to the office at the 4-H barn, print your name and club on the sign and hang it up in order to identify your project. However, in an effort to allow members to be more creative and have the opportunity to personalize their signs, the junior show committee has opted to not order any additional signs for this use. Members are asked to make their own signs prior to the fair.

This only applies to the livestock signs. All projects on display in the event center will still have the member name and project sign provided and on display with the projects.

Market Beef Exhibitors

Again this year we will have a carcass contest associated with the steer show at the Arkansas Valley Fair. To be eligible for the 2016 Carcass Contest, the steer must have been shown at the 2016 Arkansas Valley Fair.

The carcass contest will again pay prize money to the placing carcasses, sponsored by many of the area cattle feeders.

The steers will be harvested and data collected at Tyson Foods. Steers shown at the fair and slaughtered at a plant other than Tyson Foods are eligible for the contest and every reasonable effort will be made to collect the necessary data; however, steers not slaughtered at Tyson Foods are not guaranteed to be in the carcass contest. It is the responsibility of the market beef project member to notify the extension office and the slaughter plant about the contest in a timely manner so arrangements can be made if at all possible.

Note: Steers that are purchased at the sale by a buyer who wishes to have the animal slaughtered and processed for their own personal consumption will have the buy back price for the live animal set before the sale by a committee of qualified cattle feeders.

Watch the August newsletter or look for flyers posted in the barn at the fair for the exact day beef will be shipped to Tyson.

Early Release and Show & Fat Stock Sale Substitute Showman

Early release of any project for health, 4-H or college related reasons will be by written request, which must then be discussed and approved by the Arkansas Valley Junior Show Committee. Removing livestock from the fairgrounds before release time is considered an unethical practice. If because of "health or 4-H related conflict", an exhibitor is unable to show or sell his/her animal, another bona fide 4-H or FFA member can substitute with permission of the Arkansas Valley Junior Show committee. College bound students will be evaluated on a case by case basis. All request letters must be received in the extension office by 4:00

Livestock Weight Limits at Arkansas Valley Fair

As you are getting your animals finished and ready for the Arkansas Valley Fair, keep in mind the weight limits for each species. Market Animals will only be officially weighed one time (no re-weighs). The minimum weight for each species are strictly enforced. The scales at the fair-grounds are certified by the State, meet their criteria, and are accurate to the State standards.

Now is the time to adjust the feed ration if needed.

Market Species	Minimum	Maximum	Maximum (Floor Plan)
Beef	1000 lbs.	None	None
Goats	50 lbs.	None	110 lbs.
Hogs	220 lbs.	None	290 lbs.
Lambs	100 lbs.	None	160 lbs.
Poultry Pen of Broilers Poultry Pen of Fryers	2 lbs. each 2 lbs. each	3 lbs. each 5 lbs. each	N/A N/A
Rabbits Single Fryer	3 lbs. each	5 lbs. each	N/A
Rabbits— Meat Pen	3 lbs. each	5 lbs. each	N/A

The first four beef, goats, lambs and pigs that cross the scale and make weight are the ones that will be shown. Any market animals under weight will only be eligible for showmanship classes. They will not be shown in a weight class or sold through the sale.

Important! Livestock Information

- Mandatory Exhibitor Meetings 30
 minutes prior to each livestock species weigh-ins there will be a mandatory exhibitor meeting to ensure everyone understands new rules, schedule, etc.
- Supreme Market Exhibitors The written test portion of the contest will be administered on Tuesday night

- August 16th in the 4-H kitchen dining area, immediately after completion of the livestock weigh-ins. There will not be any makeup test dates, so please plan accordingly.
- 3. No Country of Origin (COOL) forms will be required this year.
- 4. All livestock sale participants are asked to complete a short questionnaire (powerpoint slide) that will be displayed during the sale along with a photograph. The template/questionnaire will be emailed out through 4-H online. Please complete and send back as soon as possible. It is your responsibility to complete the slide and if you do not do so, no slide will be displayed during the auction.

Release of Non-Sale, Non-Floor Plan & Breeding Animals

All non-sale and non-floor plan animals may be released with approval from the superintendent 30 minutes following their respective show.

Breeding animals may go home the day of their respective show with permission from the superintendent; however, if they do not leave the day of their show, they must remain until check out time, which is Saturday, August 20 at 12:00 noon. Once an animal has been officially released from the grounds, it will not be allowed to return for any reason.

4-H Sale at Fair

The Sale Committee would like to ask you to PLEASE help us make this year's sale a success. We are asking that you PER-SONALLY contact two potential buyers for your project and invite them to the sale and supper. If someone has already invited them, invite someone else. A letter and two tickets will be mailed to market livestock project members the middle of July. If you don't receive your buyer's invitations please contact the extension office. Tickets will be mailed to last year's buyers the first of August so we can be sure no previous buyers are left out.

Personal contact by you is what gets these great people to support you at the sale.

Persons who receive champion in their foods unit at Otero County Exhibit Day may sell a freshly made duplicate of their project at the silent auction to be held during the fat stock sale on Friday night, August 19. If you are enrolled in a market livestock project, you may sell EITHER the animal OR the food project, not both. Those qualifying to sell a food item will be provided with two tickets to distribute, and are asked to contact the extension office staff and let them know which project you intend to sell.



Herdsman Award at Arkansas Valley Fair

Each year the Crowley County Jr. Fair-board sponsors the "Herdsman Award" for one outstanding club from either Otero or Crowley County during the Arkansas Valley Fair. The award is based on several factors involving the care of livestock and facilities. Factors taken into consideration include:

- Teamwork
 - Set-up, clean-up, and maintenance of displays
- Presentation of Stalls/Tack/Displays
 Displays are organized, free from trash and excessive manure/debris at all times
- Presentation of Animals
 - Animals are healthy, clean, free from flies, are fed in a timely manner and have adequate water at all times
- Signage
 - Members' projects are identified neatly with members' name and club
- Citizenship
 - Members are on time, prepared, polite and helpful in completing tasks

Crowley County Jr. Fairboard members

do regular checks throughout the fair and note their observations. The points are then posted in the morning and evening (usually after shows are concluded). Let's all work toward the criteria the award is based upon and show the public that we do in fact take pride in caring for our livestock.

Supreme Market Livestock Champion

Supreme Champion winners will be selected from their combined performance in the following categories:

- * Written test
- * Rate-of-Gain by their designated animal
- * Individual performance in their respective showmanship class
- * The performance or placing of their designated animal in its show ring class (live placing)
- Completed 4-H or FFA livestock record book
- * BEEF ONLY Carcass Contest

The Supreme Champion will be given in each species with all age divisions competing in a combined contest. Test will be species and age division specific (Junior, Intermediate, Senior). Showmanship placing is based on placing within respective

age division for members.

Record books are judged by age division with all scoring for all divisions based on same 100 point scale. It is NOT mandatory that all members must participate in the Supreme Champion Program and they may participate only in certain categories, if they wish.

A project must be exhibited and completed through the Arkansas Valley Fair to be eligible for the Supreme Champion program.

Each 4-H and FFA member may designate one animal in each of the following species: Market Beef, Market Swine, Market Lamb and Market Goat. The designation must be made at time of entry weighin at the Arkansas Valley Fair.

Livestock Bedding at Fair

Wood chips will NOT be provided for stalls at either fair. Each member will be responsible to provide the bedding for their animals at both Crowley County Days and the Arkansas Valley Fair.



Livestock/Horse/Small Animal Record Books

All livestock; horse, dog, and small animal record books MUST be completed and turned into the extension office by September 9, 2016. Failure to turn in your record book will lead to forfeiting ALL premium money and awards.



Display Boards for Sale

Display boards for General and Family and Consumer Science projects are available at either county extension office. Cost is \$5.00 each.

Otero County 4-H News

Fairgrounds Clean-up and Set-up

Clean-up and set-up day for the livestock barn and event center will be Thursday, August 11, at 6:00 p.m. Bring rakes, shovels, wire pliers, etc. Also, we will be setting up tables and chairs for Exhibit Day and covering the display shelves in the event center. Bring buckets, rags and staple guns if you have them. **ALL** MEMBERS SHOULD PLAN TO ATTEND. The club with the highest percentage of members present will receive \$50.00, so be

sure to sign in on the sheet in the barn office.

Exhibit Teen Clerks Needed

Teen clerks are needed to help with Exhibit Day. Clerks help to take entries, make sure exhibitors are available for their interview, display projects, and help the superintendents with various jobs as asked. Members that would like to help are asked to contact the extension office by July 13 to sign up. Priority will be given to senior 4-Hers.

Jr. Show Committee

The next Arkansas Valley Jr. Show committee meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on July 20 at the Otero County Extension office.

Community Service Project - Fairgrounds Cleanup

July - Sand & Sage

August - Fort Bent

Please notify the extension office of the date your club will be cleaning.



2016 Trophy Sponsors Needed

We are still looking for sponsors for the following trophies:

Jr. All Around Cowgirl

Sr. Horse Showmanship

Jr. Reining Class

Sr. Reining Class

Jr. Trail Class

Int. Working Ranch Horse

Jr. Ranch Cutting

Int. Ranch Cutting

Sr. Ranch Cutting

Jr. Ranch Horsemanship

Int. Ranch Horsemanship

Sr. Ranch Horsemanship

Sr. Poultry & Waterfowl Showmanship

Grand Champion Poultry Meat Pen

Grand Champion Heritage Arts

Beef County Born & Raised - 2nd Place

Overall Junior Home Ec Exhibitor

Exhibit Day

Exhibit Day will be held at the event center at the Arkansas Valley Fairgrounds.

The youth are to bring their projects about 30 minutes before their scheduled interview. Those members with more than one project will be scheduled to have all interviews as close as possible. Seating will be under the livestock pavilion or on the north side of the building, and names will be called for members to report for their interview.

It is unfortunate that our county fair and the state fair overlap. Due to this conflict, results (winners) will be announced on Exhibit Day after each project area is

complete. Members with 1st place in the unit, are to pick up their project, have their picture taken and then return the project and record book, properly packaged, to the extension office on Monday, August 15 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Cake decorating and food projects will need to get their record book from the event center on the 13th. All other projects will remain at the event center to be displayed through the fair. Projects will be released at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 20. No projects are to be removed before 1:00 p.m. If you cannot pick up your project, please make arrangements for someone else (club member, friend, leader) to pick up projects. Items not picked up by 3:00 p.m. will be left at the event center.

Projects to State Fair

Projects qualifying for State Fair (first place project in each unit) will need to be taken home after Exhibit Day, appropriately boxed, and returned to the extension office to be transported to the State Fair. Note: extension staff must place a label on each project and record book so there is no need to seal the boxes prior to coming to the extension office. For the safe transport of ALL PROJECTS, we ask that you have each and every project, including food, cake decorating and leathercraft projects in a box or some sort of packaging to protect the item. Clothing items should be on a hanger with a protective covering. All projects other than foods and cake decorating will need to be delivered to the extension office on Monday, August 15, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. All food, and cake decorating projects must be at the extension office before 8:15 a.m. on Wednesday, August 17. Extension staff will transport all projects to the State Fair.

Oversized projects (i.e. woodworking) will need to be discussed with Marlena to coordinate transportation.

Council Meetings

The next county council meeting will be Thursday, September 1, 2016, at 7:30 p.m.

We will be making arrangements for the Achievement Banquet and 2017 council officers.

Spruce Up the Fairgrounds

The Arkansas Valley Junior Show committee has a list of improvements that they would like to be done before the fair. Please contact the extension office to schedule time and request supplies to complete. Any painting projects need to be completed at least a week prior to fair to ensure that it is dried appropriately.

- 1. Powerwash metal and concrete walls in show barn.
- 2. Remove and discard all fabric chairs and couches in bathrooms and office area.
- 3. Clean & paint bathrooms. (Cheraw Community)
- 4. Replace shower mats & curtains in bathrooms Remove & discard old items. (Cheraw Community)
- 5. Repair wood trim in bathroom areas.
- 6. Paint east end of swine barn Paint entire end of barn area white (new emblems will be added at a later date).
- 7. Repaint small blue AVF sign (used for swine show backdrop & currently stored in show barn storage room).
- 8. Paint short orange panels (used for swine show).
- 9. Paint large cattle panels.
- 10. Refinish wooden memorial benches (sitting in show barn).
- 11. Repaint the white "rope" stands that are used in the 4-H kitchen dining area. (They are stored in show barn storage room).
- 12. Roater Rooter the drain in the cattle wash rack.
- 13. Paint Swine wash rack
- 14. Paint Cattle wash rack.
- 15. Clean light fixtures in bathrooms and office area.
- 16. Clean out cob webs and bird nests from the corner areas of the show barn.

Otero County 4-H Council Officer Nomination Policy

Are you interested in becoming an Otero County 4-H Council officer (president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, reporter, historian, parliamentarian, or senator) Pick up your officer application form at the Otero County Extension office, or online at: http://www.extension.colostate.edu/SEA/OTERO/4
-H/4H.shtml. Please note the deadline to turn the completed form in to the extension office is September 1, 2016.

- ♦ All officer candidates must have completed at least one year of 4-H work. Persons holding the offices of president and vice-president shall be 14 years old or older by December 31 of the past year, and shall have completed at least three years of 4-H club work. Persons holding the office of Senator must be at least 14 years of age and not more than a junior in high school when elected. Each senator is elected for a two year term. One senator will be selected on alternating years. Candidates must have attended at least six county council meetings between November 1 and October 31.
- An officer may not succeed themselves in any office except in the case of a vacancy after all nominations have been filled.
- ♦ Electing of Officers
 - Nominations will come from the floor or from applications at the regular council meeting just prior to the annual 4-H Achievement Day (September 1, 2016).
 - The extension office will send each member a list of candidates and their qualifications along with one official ballot. All Otero County 4-H members in good standing may submit one completed ballot to the extension office by the designated deadline (October 3, 2016). Ballots will be counted and installation of new officers will be conducted at the annual Achievement Banquet. Newly elected officers will assume duties at the first regular council meeting after the annual 4-H Achievement Day.
 - In case of a tie ballot, the tie will be broken by the current council president.

 A person can only be elected to one office, but can be a candidate for up to three offices on the ballot. If elected to multiple offices the person gets their first choice (as designated on officer application) and the persons with the second most votes get the other offices.

♦ Duties of Offices

- President: The duties of the president shall be: to preside over all council meetings; check on arrangements for meetings, and to see that each person is ready as listed on the program; decide points of order fairly; casts deciding vote in case of tie vote; appoint committees unless otherwise instructed by the membership; is largely responsible for the orderly conduct of meetings; keeps in close touch with county extension agents; helps members cooperate by being a good cooperator. Shows courtesy to guests; guides meetings in a courteous, tactful way, but avoids talking too much. The president rises when opening a meeting, calling for a vote, announcing a decision, or making a speech - other times, can be seated. The president may act as an ex-officio member of each committee except the nominating committee. He/she shall be master of ceremonies and chairman of Achievement Night Committee.
- Vice-President: Learns the duties of the president, and performs these duties when the president is absent. They assist other officers in arranging for, and conducting, the meetings. Often acts as chairman of program committee, and takes other duties that are beneficial to the council.
- Secretary: Keeps records of all meetings of council in notebook provided. Secretary reads these when called for by the president. This notebook shall be kept in the possession of council secretary and kept in an orderly manner. He/she shall make a complete record of meeting proceedings, roll call, and of delegates so they can seat them. Secretary also calls meetings to order when president and vice-president are absent. Submits the minutes of the meeting to county

- extension office for distribution to leaders and delegates. Also writes letters required by the council.
- Treasurer: The duties of the treasurer shall be to have charge of all Council funds, and to be chairman of finance committees for raising funds as are needed to carry on the program and business of the council. Pays all bills on recommendation of extension agents, and gives a complete treasurer's report at each meeting. The treasurer's books shall be audited at the close of each term of office by a committee appointed by the president.
- Parliamentarian: To maintain order in the Council meetings, and to help the president carry out the meeting according to Roberts' Rules of Order. They will provide tips for members at each council meeting.
- Historian: To maintain an up-to-date scrapbook of the history of the county 4-H through newspaper clippings, pictures, etc.
- Reporter: Write a news release pertaining to council business and activity following each meeting and submit it to the Colorado State University Extension Office in Otero County for publication in the area news media within one week following the meeting. The reporter may also write additional stories about 4-H in Otero County.
- Senators: The senators are to attend all 4-H District VI and State 4-H Senate meetings and vote on issues in the best interest of the Otero county 4-H members, leaders, and extension personnel on state and district issues and decisions.

Officer list: president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, reporter, historian, parliamentarian, senator, and adult leader (2).



4-H Kitchen Fundraiser

The 4-H Kitchen at the Arkansas Valley Fair is the main money making project for the Otero County 4-H Council. The money earned provides funding to the council budget for the following year. We need everyone's cooperation to make this fundraiser successful.

In scheduling, please keep these things in mind:

- Work your schedules so that there are enough people to do the work but not falling over each other.
- The kitchen is small, so plan on 2-3 adults and 4-6 youth for each shift.
- Crews working the morning shift will be responsible for set up for the day and crews working closing shift will be responsible for cleanup of kitchen and dining area.
- An adult or senior 4-H member is responsible for handling the money.
- All workers are expected to work with the kitchen manager and do what is requested by the manager.

Reminder: All workers are allowed 1 hamburger or cheeseburger and 1 medium tea or lemonade. Anything else consumed by the workers is to be paid for. Remember, this is a fund raiser for the 4-H program.

The following is the shift schedule that has been assigned, based on the information provided by the club leaders. If you have conflicts, it is up to you to find a club to switch with you. Every family is expected to work. If you cannot work with your own club, you need to contact another club and work with them. Be sure to notify your club leader of any arrangements you have made. Each club will be expected to have their shift manned. Only currently enrolled 4-H members and their family are allowed to work in the fair 4-H kitchen. All clubs will be expected to work three shifts, regardless of their size.

Monday, August 15, 2016	Tuesday, August 16, 2016	Wednesday, August 17, 2016
9:30 a.m 1:00 p.m. Dams & Sires	3:45 p.m 8:00 p.m. Ft. Bent	6:45 a.m 10:30 a.m. Cheraw Community
12:45 p.m 4:00 p.m. Dams & Sires		10:15 a.m 2:00 p.m. Sand & Sage
		1:45 p.m 5:30 p.m. Ft. Bent
		5:15 p.m 9:00 p.m. Kactus Kids
Thursday, August 18, 2016	Friday, August 19, 2016	Saturday, August 20, 2016
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4-H Kitchen Needs Pies

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We are looking for donations of homemade FRUIT pies for the 4-H kitchen. Please no cream or custard pies. The pies will be cut and served via the 4-H Kitchen. This is a longstanding tradition and a real enticement to the kitchen. Each club is asked to bring their pies to the kitchen in the morning, according to the following schedule:

Monday, August 17, 2015 Dams & Sires

Wednesday, August 19, 2015 Cloverleaf Livestock, Kactus Kids

5:15 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Cloverleaf Livestock 5:15 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Kactus Kids

Thursday, August 20, 2015 Fort Bent

Friday, August 21, 2015 Sand & Sage, Cheraw Community

Each club is asked to bring the following amount of pies:

Cheraw Community - 8 pies Cloverleaf Livestock - 8 pies

Dams & Sires - 5 pies Fort Bent - 8 pies Kactus Kids - 5 pies Sand & Sage - 8 pies

Food Safety Reminder

Please wear clean clothing to work your shift. Wash hands with warm

water and soap for 20 seconds when you report to your shift and whenever you have eaten food, used the restroom, emptied trash, left the area, cleaned tables, or other times that your hands may have been soiled.

Crowley County 4-H News

Exhibit Day

Exhibit day will be held on Friday, July 29 at the Opera House. All Family Consumer Science and General projects will be interview judged. Please bring your completed project and record book approximately 15 minutes before your scheduled interview. The interview schedule will be mailed. If you do not receive the interview schedule by July 11, contact the extension office. Once your interviews are complete you are free to go.

All projects will be on display from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. on July 30 at the Opera House. Projects will be released between 12:00 and 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 30. Please make arrangements to pick up your project during that time. If items are taken to the Extension Office, a \$5.00 fee will be charged!

Barn Set-Up

Barn set-up for Crowley County Days will be July 18, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. All 4-H/FFA members are asked to help. With everyone's help, this will go swiftly. There will be a member meeting immediately following. State Conference attendees are asked to report on their trip. Concession work schedule and other fair matters will be discussed.

Projects to State Fair

Projects qualifying for State Fair (first place project in each unit) need to be appropriately boxed, and returned to the Crowley County Extension office to be transported to the State Fair. Woodworking projects should be securely wrapped in a blanket or other soft cover to protect from scratches. All projects - except per-

ishable - must be delivered to the extension office by Tuesday, August 16, by 12:00 p.m. - no exceptions - all projects! Extension staff will transport all projects to the State Fair.

Perishable items may be brought to the Crowley office Tuesday morning or taken to the Otero office on Wednesday, August 17 by 8:00 a.m. Late arrivals will not be delivered!

Crowley County Days Open Tiny Tot Show

Crowley County Days will feature an Open Tiny Tot Show for Crowley County residents. Youth 4-7 years of age as of January 1, 2016 are eligible to participate. It is not necessary for the youth to be a member of a 4-H club. Registrations are due by July 22 to the Crowley County Extension office. For more information contact the extension office at 267-5243.

Shifts at the 4-H/FFA Concession Stand During Crowley County Days

We will be partnering with the Crowley County FFA chapter on the concession stand. This decision is based on the lack of senior member enrollment and the desire to be more inclusive. Mr. Tim Provost will schedule his FFA members. All profits will be divided equally.

Each 4-H member is asked to work at least one shift, with senior members working two shifts during Crowley County Days. The money raised helps support Crowley County 4-H members on various leadership trips, camps and club contests. It also supports leader literature and registration for workshops and trainings.

The schedule will be mailed to each Crowley County 4-H family. If you cannot work your shift, it is your responsibility to find someone to switch with you and advise the extension office. We are still in need of parent/leader helpers for the shifts. If you are interested please call the extension office.

A huge thank you to the parents and leaders who have volunteered to help out in the concession stand the week of Crowley County Days.

Cloverbud Fair

Cloverbud Fair will be held Friday, July 29, at 8:00 a.m. at the Opera House. Please look for Nick Lovato as to where this will be set up. All members will receive participation ribbons.



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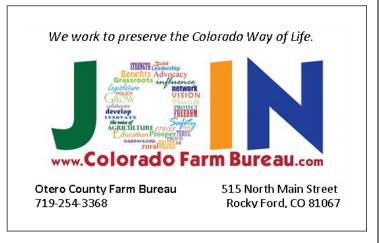
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County Council Report by Zeke Foster

On July seventh the meeting was called to order by President Timmery Foster at the park across from the Wipeout Pool. Roll call and minutes were given by Secretary Kellie Hirakata, treasurer's report was suspended. Announcements were given including the shooting competition and dog show dates. Fashion Revue is August 10th, set up for fair is August 11th and exhibit day August 13th. Display boards are for sale at the extension office. Old business: 4-H dance following the sale, truck raffle tickets need to be turned in. Fair-grounds project list is in the newsletter. New business: State Conference report was given. Exhibit day lunch needs to be done by a club, the council will pay for meat and cheese. Shooting sports raffle tickets are being sold and next year officers application are due September 1st. Meeting was adjourned and everyone went to swim.

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