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May - June 2010

## Dear 4-H Family:

"4-H Family News" is our way of sharing information with you about due dates, up coming events, project changes, and other "stuff"! We thank each of you for taking the time out of your busy schedule to read it and to mark important dates on your calendar. If you have any questions about any of the information you read, give us a call at **565-3123**. We do have voice mail if you call after hours. Please leave us a brief message, phone number and a good time to call you back. Remember, the newsletter is also on line at:

<http://montezumacounty.colostate.edu>.



With all of the information on the Internet, have you ever wondered if it is correct and factual? Just like when you call the Extension Office for information **eXtension** is an online information source that provides you with research-based answers. When you use **eXtension**, you get credible and reliable answers based on sound research and field tested data. The site is available 24 hours a day and has a searchable knowledge base and "Ask the Experts" options. The site for **eXtension** is [www.eXtension.org](http://www.eXtension.org).



**Ambassador Team:** We are pleased to announce the 4-H Ambassador Team members for 2010. They are: Kendall Colcord, Vincent Conklin, Sarai Cruzan, Krystle Hager, Tel Hamilton, Weslie Kirks, Riley Lindsley, Madison

Mahaffey, Justin Purkat, and Josie Sitton. If you would like the Team to speak at your club, please contact Jan at 565-3123.

## Why is May 1<sup>st</sup> Important?

This is why:

- Member ownership of breeding beef, and all dogs, horses, goats, rabbits, sheep and swine.
- Horse registration forms for *all* horses to be used during the county, district and/or fair shows.
- Proof of ownership papers for breeding beef projects.

*Remember*, all forms are due into the Extension office by **4:00 p.m. April 30<sup>th</sup>**.

**Market Tag Day:** All market goats, sheep and swine *must* appear at the fairgrounds on Saturday, May 1, 9-11:00 a.m. for tagging. This is just one of the eligibility requirements for the junior livestock sale. State Fair sheep nomination cards will be available for members intending to go to State Fair in August. These cards must be completed and turned in to the Extension office by May 26<sup>th</sup>.

**E-records:** By now you should have looked up your e-record and carefully read through it. If not, you will find current project records on the State 4-H web site: [www.colorado4h.org](http://www.colorado4h.org) If you can't retrieve it or if you do not have access to the Internet come by the Extension office and we will make you a copy. **Pay attention** to projects that require additional information and/or supplement sheets. Look on page 7 of the Family Consumer Science and General/Natural Resources e-record for the list of those projects. Breeding livestock, dog and shooting sports all have supplemental pages that are listed on the State web site.

## Dates to Remember:

### April

30 Horse registration forms, breeding beef, and market rabbit doe proof of ownership papers due.

30-May 2 District Horse Camp, Durango

### May

1 Ownership date for breeding beef, and all dogs, goats, horses, rabbits, sheep & swine

1 Tag/tattoo market goats, sheep & swine, 9-11 am, fairgrounds

5 - CSU's MQA Fun Trailer, 5-7:00 p.m., fairgrounds

10 Livestock sale meeting, 6 pm, Annex

10 4-H/FFA Stakeholders 6:30 pm, Annex

10 County Council 7 pm, Annex

17 Fair Board, 7 pm, Room 302 Courthouse

### June

1 Ownership window for all poultry & fowl 6/1-14

1 4-H/FFA Scholarship applications due

1 State Fair nomination for goats, sheep & hogs due

5 Roundup Club's Jackpot

7 Club leader meeting, 7 pm, Extension Office

14 County Council, 7 pm, Annex

21 Fair Board, 7 pm, Room 302 Courthouse

## Stakeholders Scholarship:

The 4-H/FFA Stakeholders Scholarship applications are due June 1 to the Montezuma County Extension office. It is open to graduating seniors and GED recipients who are enrolled in either the 4-H or FFA program from Montezuma and Dolores Counties.

**Ford Pickup Raffle:** Do you want a chance to win a 2010 F150 Ford pickup and help 4-H at the same time? Tickets are \$5 each or \$20 for 5 tickets. They are available in the Extension office. The Colorado Youth Foundation will donate back 40% of the tickets sold to the county's 4-H program. Photos of the truck (it has a removable wrapper on it) are on the State 4-H web site: <http://colorado4h.org>. Don't wait, get your tickets today!

**Jr. Livestock Sale:** A few changes in the livestock sale promotion are being discussed.

- Keep all grand and reserve grand champions in the barns;
- Hold a "meet & greet" Saturday morning inviting buyers to the barns prior to the BBQ; and
- A mentor program where older members partner with younger members to go in to the communities to invite buyers to the entire fair.

Come and share your thoughts at the next meeting on May 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the County Annex building.

**4-H/FFA Stakeholders:** If you are enrolled in a market beef, goat, poultry, rabbit, sheep or swine project, you are a voting member of the 4-H -FFA Stakeholders. The Stakeholders make decisions regarding the livestock commission monies and give input to the Fair Board. The next meeting is scheduled for May 10, 6:30 p.m. in the county Annex building. All 4-H and FFA members with market project are considered part of the voting membership.

**County Council:** 4-H Council will meet Monday, May 10 at 7 p.m. at the county annex building. While clubs elect representatives to attend this meeting, every member is invited to attend. County Council is responsible for making decisions that affect the entire 4-H

program. Members who attend and report back to their clubs are developing their communication, critical thinking, leadership, and citizenship skills.

**State Conference:** 4-H members 14 years of age or older and adult volunteers are invited to attend State 4-H Conference to be held at CSU June 22-25. Conference participants attend workshops, hear top-notch keynote speakers, and meet 4-H members from throughout the state. Senior members interested in attending should contact Jan by May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Can You Talk?** Every day you do some form of public speaking. Members interested in entering the State 4-H Conference public speaking contest should contact Jan by May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Contest rules and descriptions of the prepared and impromptu speech categories are available in the Extension office.



**Help for Fashion Revue:** How would you like to help coordinate the fair Fashion Revue? The responsibilities involved include organizing flowers, MC, tabulators, escorts, and narrations. The fair theme is "Country Fun." If you are interested in helping let Jan know by calling 565-3123 or e-mailing her at [jan.sennhenn@colostate.edu](mailto:jan.sennhenn@colostate.edu) as soon as possible. The fashion revue is scheduled for Monday night of fair week.

## Concessions Team Needs

**More Members:** We need additional adult volunteers to help with the coordination and management of the fair concessions. If you are interested contact the Extension Office at 565-3123 by May 15. Responsibilities are outlined on the back of this newsletter.

## Club Leaders to Meet:

Community club leaders will hold their summer meeting on Monday, June 7, 7:00 pm, in the Extension Office. Even though this meeting is required for club leaders and co-leaders, anyone is welcome to

attend. Business will include summer activities and changes for the county fair.

## 2010 National 4-H

**Conference:** Are you a senior member? Are you interested in traveling with other 4-H members? Applications for the National Conference held in Washington D.C. are due June 1. Delegates will be selected based upon their application and an interview during state fair. More information can be found on the State 4-H website at <http://colorado4h.org> under "events & opportunities."

## 2010 National 4-H Congress:

Applications for National Congress are due July 1. State delegates will travel to Atlanta, Georgia in late November. Applications will be available in the Extension office very soon. More information can be found on the State 4-H website at <http://colorado4h.org> under "events & opportunities."

**Horse Levels Testing:** Horse project members who are interested in taking the written levels test may do so by making an appointment with the Extension staff. Why take the test? If you plan on entering the State Fair 4-H horse show, you must have passed your level 2 written and riding tests. Level 3 is required for some of the events.

## Southern Exposure Jackpot:

The Roundup 4-H club is once again sponsoring this jackpot show on June 5 at the fairgrounds. There will be classes for market swine, goats, lambs and beef. For more information contact Ronda Weir at 560-1773.



## Before You Know It:

County Fair is just around the corner. Events start on July 24 and run through Saturday, July 31. If you have any questions about your exhibit, don't wait to the last minute! You can view the exhibit requirements online at: <http://colorado4h.org>. Go to "events & opportunities." If you click on State Fair you can access the entire exhibit requirement syllabus, and project and special events judging sheets.



*There's more important stuff . . . keep reading!*

**Fair Entries:** Members! If you are entering a project in the Montezuma County Fair this year, you are reminded that **entry forms for all projects are due July 15**. There will be a \$5.00 office charge per exhibitor, which is due with your entry. There is a \$5.00 per member fee for livestock projects. This fee will go to build pen panel racks for ease of movement and storage.

**“Up-to-date” Records:** All general livestock, dog and horse records are due into the Extension Office by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, **July 15**. Records must have *all* “up-to-date” information entered to meet fair qualifications. It means:

- There are pages that have to be totally filled in;
- Some pages will have information up to the day you turn your record in (feed, health care, expenses, story, etc); and
- Some pages you will complete after fair (rate of gain, etc).

If you would like a page-by-page explanation of what has to be filled in, stop by the Extension office to pick up a copy of the “Up-to-date” check sheet.



**Record Review Help:** Up-to-date records will be reviewed on July 15 beginning at 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and starting again at 5:00 p.m. until we are finished. Any adult that would like to help with this process and has an hour or two to spare should contact either Tom or Jan at 565-3123. A page-by-page pass/fail sheet is used so the review process is consistent and fair to all. Your help is appreciated.

**One Time Weigh-in:** All market animals will be given one and only one weigh-in at the 2010 county fair. Under weight and overweight animals will not be eligible for the Junior Livestock Sale.

## Help with Fair Exhibit

**Setup:** This year we are asking each club to appoint two adult volunteers to help set-up the display area for the home economics and general projects. Set-up will mainly take place on **Tuesday, July 27 starting at 9:00 a.m.** Let your club leader know if you can help with this process.



**State Officer Fundraiser:** Do you have gold jewelry you no longer have a use for? The State 4-H Officer Team is collecting any mismatched earrings, broken bracelets or necklaces, and old class rings. If you would like to donate these items to the State Officers, just drop them by the Extension office by June 15.

**4-H Record Covers:** The Extension office has had a limited supply of Acco type member's record covers for sale. The price is \$2.50 per cover.

**Bug-Fish Camp:** Members, parents and leaders are invited to participate in the 2010 Wild Bug Fish Camp in Hayden, CO June 14-17. For more information on this hands-on interactive camping program can be found on line at: [www.4hfinshing.org](http://www.4hfinshing.org). Registration deadline is June 7.

**Camp Rocky:** Senior members, if you are looking for a camping adventure that involves learning more about the environment and managing the Earth's resources Camp Rocky is for you. This camp will be held July 4-10 outside of Divide, Colorado. Go on line for more information and applications: [www.camprocky.colostate.edu](http://www.camprocky.colostate.edu).

**Shooting Sports Updates:** Members and leaders in shooting sports can find project, training, and program updates on line at: [www.co4hshooting.org](http://www.co4hshooting.org).

**CSU Youth Horsemanship Camp:** Colorado State University is again offering a summer horsemanship camp for youth riders 10 to 15. Information about the camps may be accessed at this web site: <http://equinescience.colostate.edu>.

**Livestock Information:** If you are looking for information on ideal market hog, market steer selection & market show lamb tail docking this information is on the web: <http://ansci.colostate.edu>.

**COOL:** Country of Origin Labeling is mandatory for all beef, pork, lamb, goat and chickens. When an animal is sold it is the buyer's responsibility to get documentation as to what country the animal was born and raised in. COOL forms may be picked up at the Extension office.

**Other Livestock Shows:** If you are interested in summer livestock shows, stop by the Extension office and take a look at our file. **NOTE:** Entries that require an Extension agent's signature *will not be signed* unless the form is completely filled out and signed by the member first.

**State Fair Teen Clerks:** The State 4-H Office is gearing up for the 2010 Colorado State Fair. Teen clerks help take general project entries and help keep things organized during the judging process. Youth must be at least 14 years of age to apply. More information is available from the Extension staff.

**State Fair Adult Opportunities!** The State Office is also looking for adult volunteers to fill a variety of roles. They need help with setting up displays, adult clerks, and in the information booth. These applications are available in the Extension office and also due July 1.

**State Fair Information:** Information about this year's Colorado State Fair can be found at [www.coloradostatefair.com](http://www.coloradostatefair.com). State Fair no longer prints premium books, entry forms or schedules.

Sincerely,

Jan Sennhenn  
County Extension Director

Tom Hooten  
Extension Agent



## **Role and Responsibilities of Concession Team & Club Concession Representative**

**Why we do concessions.** Fair concessions are the only fund raiser for County Council. Earnings from this fund raiser keep enrollment fees for each individual member to a minimum. Without this income enrollment fees would be \$50 per member. The earnings also off sets the cost of club officer training, it purchases the Achievement Program awards, it pays to send youth and adults to educational workshops and conferences, and funds the annual operations of the County Council. It takes adult and youth volunteers working together to make it a success.

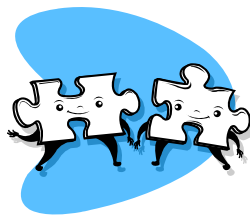
### **Concession Team Role and Responsibilities (4-5 individuals)**

- Plan and coordinate food and supplies order for fair concessions;
- Contact vendors and make arrangements for delivery;
- Work with Extension Agent to arrange for equipment, utensils, etc.;
- Determine concession times for kitchen and trailer;
- Work with Extension Agent and club leaders to finalize club work schedules;
- Prepare a beginning inventory of all supplies;
- Store supplies and organize kitchen;
- Meet with club concessions representatives;
- Check in with club concessions representative prior to shift changes whenever possible;
- Complete daily inventory after the last shift;

- Complete a daily income summary and prepare a bank deposit;
- Coordinate replenishing of supplies as needed;
- Deliver additional supplies in a timely manner;
- Complete a final inventory; and
- Disburse remaining food supplies.

### **Club Concession Representative Role and Responsibilities (minimum one adult per club)**

- Recruit the appropriate number of youth and adults necessary to handle the club's shifts including:
  - One adult at the cash register;
  - One adult at the grill;
  - One adult to oversee preparation and youth;
  - 4-5 youth at a time to take orders, perform single preparation tasks, or clean up.
- Attend a club concession representative meeting with the Extension Agent and Concession Team;
- Review all food safety measures, food preparation, and concession stand procedures with club members and adults; and
- Inform a Concession Team member of supplies needed for reorder.



We are all pieces of the puzzle that makes this effort succeed!