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LA PLATA COUNTY FAMILY NEWSLETTER

May 2016

Meat Quality Assurance Education Night

Wednesday, May 18th

LPC Fairgrounds, Extension Building 6 to 8 pm

Root Beer Floats will be provided!!!



- We encourage all 4-H/FFA members to attend this informative educational opportunity. It is required for all 1st year livestock market and breeding project members and again for 1st year Senior members enrolled in a livestock project. (Poultry, Rabbits, Goats, Sheep, Swine, Beef)
- Meat Quality Assurance (MQA) training will cover topics in animal husbandry, good herd management practices, nutrition, and record keeping.
- Project leaders and volunteers will be on hand to discuss and answer questions on your project, record books and preparing for County Fair.
- Interactive workshop will be available at the Extension Building May 17 – 19th from 8 am to 5 pm, if you can't make the education night.

Greg Felsen
4-H Youth Development

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4-H Administrative Assistant

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Alerts!

4-H County Council

Thursday, May 5th at 7:07 pm at the La
Plata County Fairgrounds

4-H Horse Council

No Horse Council meeting is scheduled
for May.

Project Drop Date

Last day to Add projects is May 1st!

Last day to Drop a project is June 1st!

Fair Camper Spaces

You may start signing up for Fair
camper spaces on Monday, June 6th at
8:00 am. You may call or come in to
the office. The cost is \$40.00. Please
make your check out to La Plata
County Fair Board.

La Plata County 4-H Movie Night!

Friday, May 6th at 6 pm to 9 pm Lightner room, upstairs in the Exhibit Hall
Pizza and drinks are provided. Bring your pillow and blanket!

4-H Volunteer & Leader Meeting & Potluck

Attention all active volunteers! There will be a meeting on May 12th at 6:30 pm
at the Fairgrounds. We will be discussing summer activities, fair and any concerns you
or your members may have. Dinner will be a potluck, Greg will grill meat, and we will
provide refreshments. Please let Angela know if you are able to attend and what you
will be bringing (salad, side or dessert). fountainaj@co.laplata.co.us or 970-382-6465

Raise Money for 4-H with 1 Simple Step!

Enroll in the City Market Community Rewards Program and every time you
shop at City Market, you'll be helping to support La Plata County 4-H!!
In order to participate, you must have a City Market Value Card, enroll online and
choose La Plata County 4-H as the organization that you'd like to support. You'll still
get all the same discounts and prices, but the money you spend will count as votes
toward the size of the donation that LPC 4-H will receive from the Community Rewards
Program.

Go to www.citymarketcommunityrewards.com and click "ENROLL" It will
prompt you to log in to your value card account. If you do not have one, you will need
to set one up in order to participate. You will be able to enroll with your City Market
Rewards Number or with the phone number you use as alternate ID.

Truck Raffle Tickets Fundraiser

We are offering the Truck Raffle Tickets as a fundraiser for your clubs! The
Colorado 4-H Foundation has a raffle every year; the grand prize is a 2016 Ford F-150!
Ticket is sold for \$5.00 or 5 for \$20.00. In return for selling these tickets, your club will
receive 50% of your ticket sales!

Checks will be mailed to each club by Oct. 31st, 2016.

Tickets are available in the Extension Office.

If you have any questions, please call Angela 970-382-6465

4-H and FFA Market Swine, Sheep & Goat Tag-in

We have a tag-in on two separate days: The first will be on Wednesday, May
11th from 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm at the La Plata County Fairgrounds. All 4-H & FFA
members are welcome attend this tag-in, and all members that are wanting to
compete at State Fair, MUST tag-in on Wednesday, May 11th.

All animals that will be shown at the Colorado State Fair must have a
nomination card and pay \$3.00 to get a retinal scan. Please remember to bring a filled
out Code of Practice document. It's a state requirement that every 4-H and FFA
member taking a livestock project have a copy on file. **Everyone is invited to tag in
at the Durango location, no matter where you live or if you are not going to state. **

For all members that DO NOT want to attend State Fair, there will be two
weigh-ins to choose from on May 14th, one for Ignacio/Bayfield area and another for
Marvel/Breen area, between 9 am - 11 am. Please remember to bring a filled out Code
of Practice document. It's a state requirement that every 4 H and FFA member, taking
a livestock project, have a copy on file.

Livestock Record Book Corner

Record Book Meetings:

- Will be available for questions on May 18th at the evening meeting.
- Last meeting will be at Livestock Day on July 12 before fair.
- If you would like to have a record book meeting at your club, please contact me to schedule these soon. So far I have only one club take me up on this offer.

Last year's animals:

- If they are not breeding, you should have finished up the expenses and income for those animals in the Fall of 2015.
- For Intermediates and Seniors, you can group those animals in the first column of your financial summary and then use the other columns for 2016 animal individuals or groups.

Miscellaneous Tips:

- Rabbits and Poultry can keep all of their weights in ounces if it is easier to stay consistent.
- A good tip is to use the same weight measurement throughout your record book. It makes it easier to compare and sum if you don't have to convert measurements.
- It is ok to have your own worksheets to keep track of you projects information – Please make sure that you transfer the information in the appropriate units to the right pages in the record book.
- You may use your own involvement record sheets, but they must have the same information and be grouped like the pages in the record books so the judges can apply points correctly.

Follow up to the Catch-it meeting, I have carefully read all the instructions in each of the guide books. There is no example or explanation of where you should put the breeding costs. I will remedy that for next year. For this year's purposes, I believe that breeding affects the health of your animal just like hoof trimming and other services. I would put these costs as health costs and keep track of them in your health record which lets you keep track of who administered the service.

Record Book Completion Guidelines:

- Pages that can be completed by Mid-May
 - First page with the project agreement and your name and the project you are taking.
 - The goal page
 - Animal Purchase
 - Beginning Animal Inventory
 - Beginning Equipment Inventory – Intermediate and Seniors
 - Beginning Miscellaneous Inventory – Intermediate and Seniors
- Pages that could be filled out each day, week, month.
 - Feed Expense
 - Health Expense
 - Other Expense
 - Income
 - Involvement Records

Remember to take pictures and make notes for your story throughout the year. Also questions, concerns, and comments are always welcome and given due consideration. We continue to strive to make the Livestock Record Books a valuable educational tool for our 4-H members.

Teddi Baird – Tharp

Livestock Record Book Superintendent

teddiabear@hotmail.com (970-217-5609)

Record Books for Beef, Swine, Sheep, Goat, Rabbit & Poultry

We have updated the record books from last year and have added a guide book for each age group. You will need this guide book for instructions on filling out your record book. The record books and guide books will be available at www.laplatacounty4h.org.

Record Books for all Horse, Dog, General Natural Resource, and Family Consumer Science

All Record Books are available at the county website: www.laplatacounty4h.org. If you have any questions or problems, please call Angela at 970-382-6465

Protocol for Record Book Disputes at County Fair

1. 4-H Members (not the parents) will need to fill out and turn in a formal Record Book Challenge form. Forms will be available in the Extension office and may be turned into Angela or Greg.
2. We will contact you regarding a time we can meet to review the form in person.
3. The Record Book Challenge form will be reviewed by the County 4-H Agent, Record Book Superintendent, and General Projects Superintendent. (Record Book TEAM)
4. The Judge who graded the Record Book will be contacted regarding the challenge. ***
5. You will be contacted by the County Agent to set-up a time to review the challenge decision.

*** If Judge can't be reached in a timely manner, the RB TEAM will decide the proper course of action at that time.

Dog Training Classes

All 4-H dog members are encouraged to attend the 4-H Dog Training Classes. All classes will be held at the La Plata County Fairgrounds, in the grassy area West of the Extension Building (in bad weather, you will meet under the roof of the Pavilion). Classes will be at 6 pm, every Thursday, starting May 5th. If you have any questions, please call or email Rebecca Dence 970-570-7905 or rebeccadence@yahoo.com

*******Don't Forget that your Dog ID MUST be uploaded to 4honline by May 1st!*******

Rabbit Meetings:

We encourage all rabbit members and anyone interested in rabbit to attend the meetings. You will also receive points towards the Rabbit Supreme Award. We have 1 more meeting scheduled for May 17th at 6:30 pm at the La Plata County Fairgrounds. This is the FINAL DATE TO TAG IN YOUR RABBITS!!! Please plan on attending this meeting.

Poultry Meetings

We encourage all poultry members and anyone interested in poultry to attend these meetings. You will also receive points towards the Poultry Supreme Award.

All meetings are at 6:30 pm and are held at the La Plata County Fairgrounds.

May 17

June 21

Fun Shoot

The Fun Shoot is scheduled for May 21st starting at 9:00 am. All youth (4-H and non-4-H) are welcome to participate! It will be held at The Wright's property at 993 CR 323, Ignacio, CO 81137. No preregistration required.

San Juan Basin Bull's-eye Classic

June 4, 2016

LOCATION: The Wright's property at 993 CR 323, Ignacio, CO 81137

REGISTRATION: Pre-registration is open from now until May 27th and is strongly recommended. Registrations may be submitted to the La Plata County Extension Office, but must be turned in (NOT POST-MARKED) no later than Friday, May 27. You can pick up registration forms from the Extension Office, or contact Angela and she will email them to you.

FEES: \$12.00 for each shotgun discipline; \$7.00 for each non-shotgun event; MAXIMUM OF TWO EVENTS PER PARTICIPANT. Payment must accompany entry form. Make checks payable to: *La Plata County 4-H Shooting Sports*. For more information, see the registration form.

LUNCH: Lunch is **NOT** provided, please plan on bringing your own lunch. We will have water and light snacks for all participants.

RULES: The contest will follow the State 4-H Shooting Sports Rule Books.

Contestants are required to sign a waiver whether or not you possess a valid Colorado Hunter Safety Card. The waiver will be mailed or dropped off with your registration and fee to the La Plata County Extension Office. All participants are expected to know and obey all standard NRA range rules and commands. All equipment is subject to inspection by range officers for safety of function.

EQUIPMENT: Each contestant must provide his or her own firearms. Bring a ground mat, your own eye and ear protection, and kneeling rolls.

AMMUNITION: Each contestant must provide his or her own ammunition.

PROTECTIVE GEAR: All contestants must provide their own eye and ear protective gear. Contestants who do not bring proper protective gear will not be allowed to compete.

Horse Project - Important Dates

***New Member Horse Safety Test and Ride**

May 4th at 6:30 pm, La Plata County Fairgrounds

Horse Certificates are due ONLINE by May 1st at 5:00 pm

Horse Safety Take Home Test due by May 31st at 5:00 pm

Spring Fling in Durango

Horse Show May 21st @ 9 am

Gymkhana May 22nd @ 9:30 am

****All of our Gymkhanas and Horse Shows are open to the public. ****

Invitational in Durango

Horse Show June 11th @ 9 am

Gymkhana June 12th @ 9:30 am

Fair Dates for Horse Project:

Record Books Due: July 25th to 29th by 5 pm

Horse Show: Aug. 6th @ 9 am

Gymkhana: Aug 7th @ 9:30 am

Interviews: Aug 8th –between 8 am and 1 pm

Demonstration: Aug 8th – between 8 am and 5 pm

Hippology: Aug 8th – between 10 am and 2 pm

Friday Night Lights - Gymkhana in Durango

June 24th at 5:30 pm

San Juan Basin District in Durango

Horse Show July 9th @ 9 am

Gymkhana July 10th @ 9:30 am

2016 La Plata County 4-H Scholarships

Seniors, don't forget to apply for our 2016 Higher Education Scholarships! We will be offering four (4) \$500 dollar scholarships to 2015-16 currently enrolled members that are in good standing and looking to go on to higher education in the fall of 2016. Applications are due by May 6th at 5:00 pm in the Extension Office. Scholarship Award recipients will be announced at the June 2, 2016 County Council Meeting. Applications are available at the Extension Office or Angela can email you one.

D2D (Durango to Denver) Exchange Trip

Friday, June 10th to Tuesday, June 14th

D2D or Durango to Denver is open to 4-H members aged 10-13 years old. This exchange trip will give participants the opportunity to meet new people, travel to new places and have a whole lot of fun. La Plata County 4-H members will engage with Denver County 4-H members for a five day adventure through the Rocky Mountain State. This year's theme is, "Going green in 2016". We will focus our activities on the fourth "H" of Health. This means eating and preparing healthy foods and snacks, exercising each day, teaching sustainability and taking care of the beautiful environment we have in Colorado. Members will also gain great life and leadership skills through team building, communication and S.T.E.M activities throughout the trip.

A complete schedule will be finalized in early May. However, such activities such as downtown Denver, light rail exploration, community service events, river rafting, astronomy night, camping and much more are in the plans.

We will be travelling to Denver first, so we plan on leaving at 8 a.m. on the 10th and wrapping up after lunch at the Extension building on the 14th.

Enrollment will be for the first 5 female and 5 males to apply. However, priority will be given to first time D2D participants. Youth will be accompanied by two male and two female chaperones during the trip.

2016 Summer Project Days

All project days are FREE and we will provide lunch. Please RSVP with Angela

June 6th – 9 am-2 pm - S.T.E.M Day

Meet at the Extension building for a fun filled day exploring S.T.E.M topics. We will go on a nature walk along the Animas river trail, visit the Powerhouse Science center, and use GPS technology to map our trip.

June 10th – 14th - Durango to Denver Exchange Trip (D2D)

Annual in-state exchange trip for 4-H members 10-13 years of age. We are limited to first 5 girls and 5 boys. See application for more detailed information.

June 20-24th - State 4-H June Conference

Leadership and Life Skills development conference for senior 4-H members. Join 4-H'ers from around the State in a fun-filled week on the campus of Colorado State University in Ft. Collins, Colorado. Call or email Angela for more information.

June 28th – 10 am – 2 pm - General Projects Day

As of right now we will be having Cake Decorating and Leathercraft workshops on this date. However, we are looking for other projects that may be of interest to members. Please contact us if you would like us to organize a workshop on a specific project.

June 30th – 9 am -2 pm - Garden Fresh Day

Meet at the fairgrounds at 9 am. We will travel out to the Old Fort in Hesperus and harvest fresh greens from the 4-H Giving Back Garden. We will return to the Extension Building and prepare a healthy meal from the food we harvest. This should be a real tasty day!

July 12th – 10 am – 2 pm - Livestock and Cloverbud Day

All large animal livestock members are invited to come to the fairgrounds for a day of learning. We will have classes in livestock ethics, nutrition, and record books. We will also spend the afternoon in the pavilion going over showmanship skills.

Cloverbuds can also come for a fun day of meeting other members and doing 4-H activities. They will also have the opportunity in the afternoon to go check out the animals.

July 14th – 10 am – 2 pm - 4-H Marketplace

Do you have a product you would like to sell? Young Entrepreneurs are invited to come and work on their business ideas. We will be covering working demonstrations, proper business plans and how to make a profit. In addition, we will go over logistics about participating in the 4-H Marketplace at County Fair.

July 19th – 9 am – 5 pm - Record Book and Project Help Day

Come to the Extension Building for help on your record books and projects. This is a great opportunity to make sure you record books and projects are complete. You will also get tips on your display boards.

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August 4th – 10 am – 1 pm - 4-H Marketplace

This class will give members the final opportunity to finalize their marketplace products. It will also give us time to go over set-up, banking and tear down procedures for County Fair.

All project days are FREE and we will provide lunch. Please RSVP with Angela

4-H Giving Back Garden 2016

It is that time of year again to start playing in the dirt. We encourage clubs, families and individuals to come help us plant, water, weed, harvest and eat vegetables at our 4-H Giving Back Garden. This project is located at the Old Fort market gardens in Hesperus. All our produce is donated to people in need of fresh local food. Plus, if you work in the garden, you can harvest food for your whole family.

You don't need to be an experienced gardener to help out. Just bring a good attitude, water, sunscreen and work clothes to get dirty. We will provide tools and healthy snacks to get the job done. Work days will begin around 9-10 a.m. and usually end around 1-2 p.m. There is also an opportunity for transport from the fairgrounds and back. RSVP to Greg by calling 769.2339 or emailing felsengh@co.laplata.co.us

Work dates are as followed:

May 14th – Planting potatoes, onions, cabbage and greens. Irrigation set-up.

May 28th – Planting roots, beans, pumpkins, squashes.

June 8th – Finish any planting left and weeding garden.

June 18th – Old Fort Jackpot, garden maintenance day.

June 30th – Harvest greens for distribution, healthy cooking lunch **project day

July 26th – Old Fort Open House – Harvest veggies, garden maintenance **more info to come

August – Harvest veggies and garden maintenance **more info to come

September 16th – Big harvest for the USDA Produce Bounty Program

October 8th – Harvest Festival all day fun activities

**Dates July – October will be scheduled based on garden production and need, however maintenance can occur anytime. The garden always needs extra LOVE!!

Mary Moreno Outstanding 4-H Member Award

Club Leaders, Did you know you can nominate one of your 4-H members for an Outstanding 4-H Member Award! This award is given at the 4-H Awards Banquet on September, 24th. All you need to do is mail a letter of recommendation to Vicky Moreno, 775 County Road 300, Durango, CO 81303

Fund Raising and Community Service Opportunity for Clubs

Pine River Arena Association in Bayfield is looking for a 4-H Club to do a concession stand for a rodeo on June 11, July 17 & September 17. We are also looking for a club to do some community service i.e. Painting, welding, weeding, etc. Please contact Karen Davis if you are interested at 970-749-5588.

Open House at Mountain Mini Nigerian Dwarf Goat Farm!

Vinny Lopez, member of the Weasel Skinners 4-H Club, is hosting an open house to celebrate the birth of quintuplet doelings! His goat, Butterscotch, recently gave birth to 5 girls!! It will be Cinco de Mayo (Thurs, May 5) 3-6 pm. Please message or call his mom, Melissa at 505-516-9562 if you would like to attend or need directions.



Important Dates in 2016

****Dates are subject to change****

May

- 1 Last day to **ADD** Projects.
- 1 Dog ID Forms **MUST** be uploaded to 4honline by 5 pm
- 1 Horse Certificates **MUST** be uploaded to 4honline by 5 pm
- 4 Required for all New Horse Members – Safety Test and Riding – 6:30 pm – LPC Fairgrounds
- 5 La Plata County 4-H Council Meeting - 7:07 p.m. Extension Building
- 6 La Plata County 4-H Higher Education Scholarships are due by 5:00 pm
- 6 La Plata County Movie Night! – 6:30 pm – Lightner room, upstairs in the Exhibit Hall
- 10 Last day to sign up for the State Conference in June.**
- 11 4-H/FFA Livestock Tag-in for Market Sheep, Swine and Goats (Durango Option), Fairgrounds 3:30 p.m.- 6:30 p.m.** (If you are planning on attending State Fair, you **MUST** attend this tag-in)
- 12 Volunteer & Club Leaders Meeting & Potluck – 6:30 pm – LPC Fairgrounds
- 14 4-H/FFA Livestock Tag-in for Market Sheep and Swine (Ignacio/Bayfield and Marvel/Breen Options)**
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
- 14-15 YHEC Shoot – Old Fort – Pre-Registration due April 15th
- 14 Garden Day – 9 am to 2 pm - Old Fort

- 17-19 MQA/PQA Trailer at the LPC Fairgrounds
- 17 4-H Poultry Meeting – 6:30 pm – Extension Building
- 17 4-H Rabbit Meeting – 6:30 pm – Extension Building ***Must be tagged in by this date**
- 21 Spring Fling Horse Show – 9 am – La Plata County Fairgrounds
- 21 Fun Shoot – 9 am – Wright’s Property in Ignacio
- 22 Spring Fling Gymkhana – 9:30 am – La Plata County Fairgrounds
- 28 Garden Day – 9 am to 2 pm - Old Fort
- 30 Extension Office closed for Memorial Day
- 31 Horse Safety Tests to be turned in to the Extension Office by 5 p.m.

JUNE

- 1 Last day for all 4-H members to **Drop** Projects
- 2 La Plata County 4-H Council Meeting - 7:07 p.m. Extension Building
- 3 D2D Registration Due – 5 pm – Extension Building
- 4 San Juan Basin Bull’s-eye Classic Shoot – Wright’s Property in Ignacio
- 5 Catch-it Sponsor Pot Luck – 4 p.m. - La Plata County Fairgrounds
- 6 Sign up for Fair Camper Space starting at 8 a.m.**
- 6 STEM Day – Extension Building – 9 am to 2 pm – Free - preregistration required
- 8 Garden Day – 9 am to 2 pm - Old Fort
- 10-14 D2D Exchange
- 11 Narrow Gauge Rabbit Show – 9:00 am – La Plata County Fairgrounds
- 11 Invitational Horse Show – 9 a.m. – La Plata County Fairgrounds
- 12 Invitational Gymkhana – 9:30 a.m. - La Plata County Fairgrounds
- 18 Jackpot Old Fort Hesperus
- 18 Garden Day – 9 am to 2 pm - Old Fort
- 20-24 State 4-H June Conference - CSU Campus
- 21 4-H Poultry Meeting – 6:30 pm – Extension Building
- 24 4-H Gymkhana – 5:30 pm - La Plata County Fairgrounds
- 24-25 Fiesta Days/Fair Royalty Clinic – La Plata County Fairgrounds
- 28 General Projects Day — 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. – Extension Building – Free – Preregistration required
- 30 4-H Green Day – 9 am to 2 pm – Extension Building – Free – Preregistration required

JULY

- 4 4-H Office Closed for Independence Day
- 7 La Plata County 4-H Council Meeting - 7:07 p.m. Extension Building
- 9 San Juan Basin District Horse Show – 9 a.m. – La Plata County Fairgrounds
- 10 San Juan Basin District Gymkhana – 9:30 a.m. - La Plata County Fairgrounds
- 12 Livestock Day – 10 am to 2 pm – La Plata County Fairgrounds – Free – Preregistration required
- 12 Cloverbud Day – 10 am to 2 pm – Extension Office – Free – Preregistration required
- 14 Marketplace Workshop – 10 am to 2 pm – Extension Office
- 15 ALL CLUB TREASURERS BINDERS & IRS FORMS ARE DUE BY 5 P.M. to the Extension Office
- 19 Record Book & Project Help Day – 9 am to 5 pm - Extension Office
- 20 Shooting Sports Fair Entry Forms due by 5 p.m. to the Extension Office
- 21 Record Book & Project Help Day – 9 am to 5 pm - Extension Office
- 23 State Fair Shoot (not Shotgun) – 9 a.m. – Outdoor Durango Gun Club
- 25-29 All 4-H/FFA Animal and Community Service Record Books, Fair Entry Forms and Fair Royalty Applications due into the Extension Office
- 29 Last Day that 4-H/FFA Livestock/Horse/Dog Record Books and Entry Forms and Community Service Books accepted in the Extension Office - before 5 p.m.
- 30 Shotgun ONLY Fair Shoot – 9 a.m. – Witt’s Property in Ignacio



Club Reports



Animas Valley 4-H April Meeting

The Animas Valley 4-H club met at 5:30 prior to the meeting. We had a potluck with many delicious dishes and we also helped plant some flowers in the Grange flower bed. The meeting started at exactly 7:00 pm on April 12th, 2016 and we had no guests. Then we read letters from the people who we are sponsoring for their catch-it animal. We also had a letter from the Grangers. Our parliamentarian then taught us how to make a vote correctly. Then we had door prizes and our song leader led us into singing her own song called, "The Animas Valley 4-H Club Song." Our leader Mrs. Ott would like if we logged our community service hours out of 4-H too. We made an agreement that our next garden club meeting would be on April 30th. We also had a county council report from their last meeting. Then we asked parents if we could have volunteers for organizing fair display board. We are going to have a demonstration day and barbecue May 22nd at 3pm. Our meeting ended at 7:40pm and we discussed that our next meeting would be on May 10th, 2016. Also at 6:00 pm on May 10th we are going to have help with record books.

By Sydney Flores

Bayfield Riders

The meeting of the Bayfield Riders was called to order at 6:46 p.m. on April 11th, 2016. We had 13 members and 3 guests.

Reports:

- ℞ Tia and Liesl reported on the Bake Sale and Jumping Clinic put on in April.
- ℞ Kaleb reported to the club on the County Council meeting.
- ℞ Jamie McDonald gave a Leader's Report on the upcoming events for the various projects included in our club.

Club Business:

- ❖ The club discussed sponsoring an award for fair and/or a catch-it animal. Ideas were tossed around and eventually the idea was tabled, as we still have some time to think about it.
- ❖ Also discussed was the color and artwork of the club T-shirts. We decided on purple shirts and gray shirts with white lettering. So keep an eye out for those colors... it's probably us!
- ❖ As a final item of discussion, the club decided to have a livestock tour day on July 2nd. It will serve as a time to see other people's animals and also to get their record books signed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 pm.

Baily gave a demonstration on Polocrosse and how to play; and Morgan gave a demonstration on what an EV3 robot is and what it can do.

Our next meeting will be May 9th at 6:30 p.m. at the Bayfield Town Hall.

Also, on April 2nd, the club hosted a very successful Horsemanship Clinic and bake sale as a fundraiser. The clinic had around ten full day participants and the bake sale attracted many visitors from the nearby tack sale. It was the second annual, last year being our first, and everyone felt that it went very well with a minimal number of details overlooked.

Zebulun Shields, Reporter

County Council Meeting

During the April 6th County Council meeting the meeting began at 7:10 pm. We decided for a movie night on May 6th, then we talked about the district retreat. Jean Brown gave a presentation about the contest Make it With Wool. We adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm then we played a game and ate pizza!

Florida Four Leaf Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:41 pm pledges were led by Taylor. 19 kids were present 3 were late and 3 were absent. Our dance raised \$300.11. Isabella and Kaleb told us about county council. There were no birthdays. Cemetery clean up May before our next meeting. New tables were decided for the grange. The truck raffle tickets were approved. Next meeting the meal will be served by the Kasnoff family. Dessert will be the Chadborn family. Demonstrations are Isaiah Evans, Josephine Vigil and Isabella McGaw
The reporter, Josephine Vigil

Mountaineers March Meeting Report

The March Mountaineers Club meeting was called to order at 7:07pm. Bre started with the pledges. Roll was taken by Oceana. The question was 'what are you planning on doing for spring break?' Old business was discussed. Emily reported on the National Wild Turkey Federation Banquet morning set-up. Mark reported on the NWTF evening events. The club agreed to adopt CR 307 for the next couple of years. For new business we decided to clean up CR 307 on April 9th at 10am. Holli did her demonstration on Goat Kidding. Bethany and Raymond did a demonstration together on different kinds of pig sticks. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm. After the meeting the club played a game of tag. Reported by Holli Timmerman

La Plata County Mountaineers 4-H Club, April 2016 Report

The meeting was called to order at 7:08pm on April 14, 2016. The pledges were led by Bethany. Roll was taken by Oceana. The question was 'What is your favorite subject in school?' The minutes from March's meeting were read by Oceana and approved by the club. The treasurer's report was given by Bethany and approved by the club. Old business was discussed. We had to reschedule the road cleanup because of bad weather. It has been rescheduled for April 24th at 10am. After the road cleanup we will meet back at the Florida Mesa Grange for cleanup of the grange. The meeting was adjourned at 7:23pm. After the meeting the game leaders started a game of musical chairs. Reported by Holli Timmerman

Mt. Allison Go-Getters, March 14, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 6:41 p.m. Moriah lead us in the pledges. We had 8 members, 2 Cloverbuds, and 0 guests. Kaylee made a motion to approve February's minutes as read. Moriah seconded it. Allison gave the Treasurer's report. We did not have a County Council meeting, so we couldn't give a report. Kiana gave a report on the Beef Weigh-in. Haylee read the Catch-it letters. We reminded everyone that April 11th will be our community service. Teddi gave record books to those in the club who did not have one yet. Teddi also reminded the club about the Truck Raffle. We, as a club, decided to build our own Facebook page. Kaylee will do her demonstration next month. The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m. Kaylee made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Moriah seconded it.
-Reporter, Eli Armendariz

Mt. Allison Go-Getters, April 11, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. Allison lead us in the pledges. We had 8 members, 4 Cloverbuds, and 2 guests. Haylee read last month's minutes. Shaylee made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Allison seconded it. Allison gave the Treasurer's report. Shaylee also gave a report on the County Council meeting. As a club, we gave reports of our new community service, which is cleaning trails at Navajo State Park. Our two guests gave the club a Catch-it presentation. Haylee then read this month's Catch-it letters. Teddi reminded the club about the Truck Raffle tickets. Kiana then told the club about upcoming dates. We discussed any new business that the club was unaware of. Allison and Joseph did their demonstrations. Kiana, Kaylee, and Madison signed up for next month's demonstrations. The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m. Kaylee made motion to adjourn the meeting. Allison seconded it.
-Reporter, Eli Armendariz

Pioneer 4-H Club

Our April Meeting was a lot fun we started by playing a very good game of upset the fruit basket. Wyatt called the meeting to order at 7:39 and Annabelle led the pledges. The t-shirt committee gave a report on what they had found out on prices and quality of shirts that we could order. After much discussion we decided to use Hawkeye Graphics in Durango and have a black design printed on grey t-shirts. We also have the option to order a polo shirt that is embroidered if anyone is interested. Our community service for the month of April is fast approaching, we will be doing a roadside clean up on April 16th starting at 8am, and we will meet at the FLM school. Bring your gloves and the appropriate shoes for the job!! We discussed some possible community service activities for May and decided to table them until the next meeting. Russell announced that the Tractor Supply was willing to donate a portion of their proceeds from a fundraiser to our club if we would be willing to work a table in their store for a few hours. Billy Announced that Sabrina Huntington's husband is willing to conduct a free sheep showing seminar for any locals who might want to brush up on their sheep showing skills. Please let us know if you're interested so we can get it scheduled.

A note from the Club Leaders: Thank you for all of your hard work so far this year!!!!!!!

Things to Think About:

Have you read the HUBS for March or April? If you didn't get a copy please let us know and we'll make sure to get one.

If you want to add projects to you have until May 1st.

What should our community service for May be? Cemetery Clean up, Cleaning up the Learning Garden at FLM

What is your favorite part of 4-H?

You should invite some friends to our meetings or???

*Happy
Mother's
Day*