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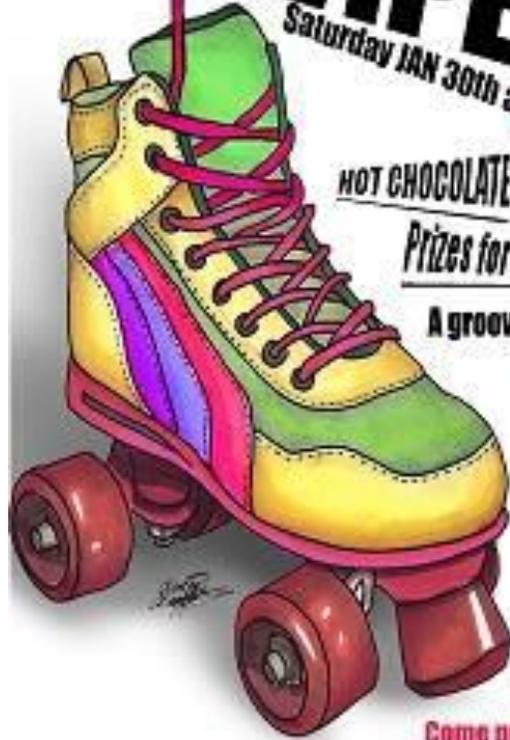
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LA PLATA COUNTY FAMILY NEWSLETTER

February 2016



Lowabunga
WIPEOUT
Saturday JAN 30th at *Buckley Park*

HOT CHOCOLATE
Prizes for fastest time

A groovy *Obstacle Course* for youth
8-18 years old

12:30 - Registration Begins
'Parent Signature Required'

12:45 - 3:30 - Teams of Two
Race the Course

Fun games for kids under 8!
More info at www.OurHealthyCommunities.org

Come prepared for cold and slushy!



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Alerts!

4-H Horse Council

February 3rd at 6:00 pm at the La Plata County Fairgrounds

4-H Council Meeting

February 4th at 7:00 pm at the La Plata County Fairgrounds.
Followed by the District 9 meeting.

Turkey Project Members!

You should be getting your Turkey in February or March so they will be full grown by Fair.

If you are interested in Learning about Knitting, Felting, Needle Art, etc. Please call or email Linda Smith 970-884-0502 or smjam9@aol.com

2016 4-H Enrollment

For those of you that are returning members, the 4-H enrollment deadline was January 1, 2016. If you were not registered and paid by Jan. 1st, you will now be charged a \$30.00 per member late fee. We are only accepting registration (for Returning or New members) until April 1st. So, be sure to register as soon as you can.

*If you are not totally sure what projects you want to take, you can still add projects until May 1st, and drop projects until June 1st.

Don't forget that you can enroll & change your projects from the comfort of your home!! Go to <http://colorado.4honline.com/>. Type in your email address and click "I forgot my password". Please contact Angela at 970-382-6465 if you have any questions.

Livestock Changes for the La Plata County Fair

- Every large animal (beef, sheep, swine, goat) sold in the Fair Livestock Auction will be slaughtered at Sunnyside or San Juan Meats (this means a terminal Livestock Auction). Every sale animal will then go through the carcass contest. You might try to motivate kids to tell their prospective buyers of this change. Please note, I spoke with Jim Baird (processor) and he is willing to pick up the meat from these two locations to have their meat cut and wrapped if buyers so desire.

- There will be a showmanship class for "Market Goats" and a showmanship class for "All Other Goats, which will include; dairy, fiber and any others".

Page 89 of the Fair Book, Livestock Showmanship Contest:

#2. "The Showmanship Contest will be scheduled as follows: Sheep Showmanship will be after the conformation classes. Swine Showmanship will be Wednesday evening after the sheep show. Goat Showmanship will be prior to conformation classes. Beef Showmanship will be prior to conformation classes. Dairy Cattle Showmanship will be prior to conformation classes.

#4. "One contestant in each age group will be selected to represent beef, sheep, swine, market goat, all other goats, horse and dairy cattle, in an All-Around Showmanship Contest.

La Plata County Fair Theme Ideas

The Fair Board is now accepting theme ideas for the 2016 Fair! The theme or slogan should be kept to 10 words or less. Artwork is encouraged and can be dropped off with theme concept submissions at the LPC Extension Office or mailed to: LPC Fair Theme, 2500 Main Ave. Durango, CO 81301
Entries must be received by 5:00 pm. Feb. 25th. The winner of the chosen entry will receive a prize plus bragging rights.

Livestock Record Book Corner

2015 - 2016 Record Books are available for download at www.laplatacounty4h.org. Remember to print not only the record book but the guide book for your age group as well. If you have any questions or need different examples, please send them in so we can answer them as soon as possible. Breeding supplements will be ready by March 1, so wait until then to print them.

Record Book Meetings:

- Our first county level record book meeting will be February 16th at 6:30 PM at the Fairgrounds.
- The second county level record book meeting will be in conjunction with the April 6th Catch-it meeting, at 7:00 PM
- Last meeting will be at Livestock Day during the summer before fair. (date TBD)
- If you would like to have a record book meeting at your club, please contact me to schedule these soon.

Record Book Completion Guidelines:

- Pages that can be completed by February meeting
 - First page with the project agreement and your name and the project you are taking.
 - The goal page
- Pages that can be started by February meeting
 - Animal Inventory
 - Equipment Inventory
 - Miscellaneous Inventory
 - Animal Purchase (Breeding Livestock, Catch-it or Market Beef exhibitors)
 - Feed Expense
 - Income
 - Involvement Records

Remember we will be giving a Champion Market and a Champion Breeding record book award for all age groups and species. Due to this great sponsorship – members will need to complete a record book for each project. You will not be allowed to put breeding and market in the same book as in the past. They will be considered separate projects and therefore will need to be separate books.

We are still requesting that if any 4-H members have a different version of the breeding supplemental pages, please send them to Angela so that we can consider them in our reworking of these pages. 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 all Horse, Dog, General Natural Resource, and Family Consumer Science

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

4-H Tracker to help with your Record Book

The 4-H Tracker is a web-based application that will help 4-H members keep track of expenses, inventory and activities for all of their 4-H projects. This application will allow the 4-H member to enter items at the time of purchase through any device that will access the Internet. The 4-H member will be able to track all the activities done throughout the project with this application. You can sign up at: <http://co4htracker.colostate.edu/>

District 9 Meeting

The Colorado 4-H District 9 meeting will be held on Thursday, February 4th. It will take place following the County Council meeting (7 pm). 4-H members from Archuleta and Montezuma Counties will be joining us. This will be a great opportunity to meet your fellow 4-H members from our neighboring counties. We will be playing games and get-to-know you activities. We also will be discussing a planning a District retreat in our area for the spring. Finally, we will be serving FOOD!!! Frito Pie, desserts and drinks will be served.

Pioneer 4-H Club Fundraiser

On March 12th at 5:30 Pioneer 4-H Club is going to have our Annual box supper (fundraiser) at the Marvel Grange off of County Road 133A. This year the Ladies get to bring a meal that would feed about 3-4 people to be auctioned off (feel free to decorate a box or make a poster with what your meal will include. The gentlemen should bring their bidding hands and wallets because they will be buying the dinner of their choice and then getting to eat it with the lovely lady who brought the dinner. Pioneer 4-H will be providing the drinks, plates and flatware. Following the box supper there will be a dance till 11:30 ish that is free admission to the public, Pioneer 4-H is going to be selling refreshments throughout the evening as a fundraiser.

If you have any questions or would like more information please call Daniel 970-749-9449 or Russell 970-759-3775.

La Plata County 4-H Facebook Page

If you are on Facebook, please "like" our La Plata County 4-H page. We are posting event reminders, pictures of our 4-H community, and new announcements regularly. We can also share posts of your club activities. This is a great way to use social media to better communicate and highlight all the great things La Plata County 4-H is doing!

Would You like To Highlight a 4-H Member or Volunteer??

Well, we have partnered with the Durango Herald to do a 4-H Spotlight on our 4-H program. If you know of someone that should be recognized for something they have done, it does not have to be 4-H related, please write up a paragraph, get a picture of the member or volunteer and email them to Angela fountainaj@co.laplata.co.us

Citizenship Washington Focus

CWA is a 4-H leadership program for high school youth. June 25 to July 2, 2016, delegations of 15-19 year-olds from across the country attend this six-day program at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center. The program is aimed at enriching young people's lives by broadening their appreciation and respect for themselves and others in the world. Participants attend workshops, committees, field trips and social events, giving them hands-on opportunities to learn and grow. Participants learn and practice skills that will make them better citizens and more successful individuals.

For the first delegate, there is a three way split for expenses associated with this event. The Colorado 4-H Youth Fund sponsors approximately one third of the expenses for 1 youth, from each county, attending this event. The remaining two thirds come from the Delegate (\$700.00) and La Plata County 4-H Council (\$700.00). If La Plata County has more than one delegate, we will discuss how the cost (\$2100.00) will be split up between the delegate and the La Plata County 4-H Council.

If you are interested, please contact Angela 970-382-6465 and fill out an application. All Applications are due no later than February 19th.

D2D (Durango to Denver)

The "D2D" in-state exchange trip will be happening again this Summer! This fun and educational trip is in its third year. We will be travelling throughout Colorado with members of Denver County 4-H for an exciting 5 days of adventure. Members will be able to experience the urban environment of Denver and share our rural lifestyle here in La Plata County. We will also be making fun stops in-between. We are accepting 5 female and 5 male members that are 10-13 years of age. We will give preferential acceptance to members who have not participated in this trip before. More information will be available next month of specific activities. However, the dates have been set for: June 10-14.

Grab the Torch Summer Institute in Colorado

June 25-July 2, 2016

Locations: University of Denver and Fountain Valley Mountain School (at the base of Mt. Princeton)

For the last two years, the Colorado State 4-H Office has forged a working relationship with an organization called Grab the Torch. In 2014 and 2015 this organization hosted one of their summer institutes in Colorado and each year we have had five Colorado 4-H members in attendance. Many of our Colorado 4-H members expressed this was a life changing event for them. The attached flyer explains how this conference will focus on developing the leadership, ethics, and philanthropy skills/abilities of the young people in attendance.

The application process is online and made directly to the Grab the Torch organization. Application deadline for the Colorado institute is March 15, 2016. The cost is \$1,950 but there are many full and partial scholarships available for Colorado 4-H members. The target age range is freshman in high school to rising freshman in college. There are eight spots available for Colorado 4-H members

www.grabthetorch.org/summer-institute/application

Shooting Sports Leaders Certification Workshop

Montezuma was chosen to host a Shooting Sport Workshop for Leaders! This workshop is for anyone (4-H or not) that is interested in going through the 4-H Leaders training for Shooting Sports. The workshop will be held at the Montezuma Fairgrounds March 4th – 6th. Please call or email Angela for more information and to register. 970-382-6465 or fountainaj@co.laplata.co.us

Shooting Sports Hunter Education Course

If you have enrolled in (or are thinking about enrolling in) the Shooting Sports Projects, and have not done a Hunter Education Course, [here is your chance!](#)

La Plata County Shooting Sports requires that all Intermediates (11 to 13 years old) and seniors (14 to 18 years old) have passed a Hunter Education Course. Juniors (8-10 years old) only have to take the course if they want to participate at State.

There will have a special youth, hunter education course! All youth 8 and older are welcome. (Ages 8 to 12 must have a parent or guardian present).

See the link below for instructions and options on internet classes. There are three options for the internet instruction – they cost between \$13 and \$25. Once the internet portion is completed, students will need to print off the "diploma" or completion certificate and present it at check-in at the class/live fire day.

We have not scheduled the date for the class/live fire day but it will be a Saturday in March or April. The class will cover laws & regulations, ethics, firearm handling, firearms handling, and action types. Students will then take the written test, and then do the live fire at the indoor range at Chapman Hill. All told, Saturday will run from 9:00 am till about 3:30 pm. Parents are responsible for transporting youth from the Fairgrounds to the indoor gun range.

<http://cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/HE-Online-Classes.aspx>

Please let Angela know if you are planning on attending.

If you have any questions, please call or email Angela (970-382-6465 fountainaj@co.laplata.co.us)

La Plata County 4-H Shooting Sports Completion Requirements

(This does not include the your club requirements)

Tim Karp is the Shooting Sports Superintendent. You can call him after 5:00 pm at 970-946-0938 with any questions.

- You must work with a certified 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor (who is certified in the discipline in which you are shooting) for a minimum of 3, one hour training sessions. You must work with the same instructor for all 3 of your training sessions. (Shooting Sport Competitions do not count as training sessions).
- You must do and turn in a completed record book, and display board and do an project interview at the La Plata County Fair.
- All Intermediate (11 to 13 years old) and Senior (14-18 years old) 4-H Shooting Sport members must have a Hunter Safety Card.
- All Junior (8-10 years old) members are only required to have a Hunter Safety Card if they are planning on competing at the State Fair.
- Members may shoot in as many disciplines as they want, but only have to sign up for one discipline to have as their project and turn in at the La Plata County Fair.

Dog Training Classes

If you are doing the Dog Project or are interested in doing classes with your dog, the Durango Kennel Club offers free classes to 4-H members. They only ask that you attend **all** of the classes.

The classes will be on Tuesdays at 6:00 pm:

Feb. 9th, 16th, 23rd, March 1st, 8th, 15th, and 29th

All classes are held in the Exhibit Hall, at the La Plata County Fairgrounds. Please remember to bring your vet records with you to the first class on Feb. 9th. Also, because it's free, please help the instructors set up and clean up.

Rabbit Meeting Dates:

We encourage that all Rabbit Project Members and anyone interested in the Rabbit Project to attend these rabbit classes/meetings.

****Please note that you can bring your rabbits for tag-in to any of the dates below****

Feb. 2nd @ 6:30 pm - Animas room – Rabbit Judging – Please bring broken rabbits

February 23rd @ 6:30 pm – Animas room – Rabbit Class/Judging – Please bring meat rabbits

March 22nd @ 6:30 pm – Animas room – Rabbit Meeting

May 17th @ 6:30 pm – Animas room – Final Tag-in **** You must be tagged-in on this date****

All meetings will be held at the La Plata County Fairgrounds.

4-H Rabbit Camp – March 4th to 6th.

(6th will be only for members interested in Rabbit Judging)

You are invited to the 9th annual 4-H rabbit camp. This camp is open to 4-H members and potential 4-H members (you do not need to have a rabbit to attend). Cloverbuds are welcome all day Saturday.

Rabbit Camp will be from Friday, March 4th to March 6th. In addition to showing their rabbit(s), campers will have an excellent opportunity to experience what goes on behind the scenes at a rabbit show. Workshops will include showmanship, judging, records, interviews and creative design and how to compete on the State & National level. Our goal is to meet and challenge every individual. Formal workshops will end Saturday evening following, dinner, awards and clean up.

Only those that are interested in Rabbit Judging will be staying Saturday night and will practice giving demonstrations, reasons, and knowledge bowl. Sunday morning will finish up with a Judging meet.

We need your expertise. If you excel in some area, please offer to help us with a class. We have classes for the very young beginners to the senior 4-Hers, so any and all help is appreciated. Please feel free to call Raejean at 970-946-4130 or email her at riegelrabbit@gmail.com.

All meals are provided. 4-H members and chaperons' will be sleeping at the fairgrounds. Bring your sleeping bags, air mattress and cots.

*We encourage and welcome parents to come, stay, learn, help and share!

4-H member \$50.00 2nd child \$40.00 Adults & Cloverbuds \$20.00 (to cover meals)

*ARBA Standards are available for purchase \$20.00

**Registration forms are available on our website www.laplatacounty4h.org or the Extension Office.

If you have any questions, please call or email Raejean Riegel at 970-946-4130 or riegelrabbit@gmail.com or Angela Fountain at the La Plata County Extension Office, 970-382-6465 or fountainaj@co.laplata.co.us

4-H Horse Judging Team

Judging Team Meetings are typically held, the 2nd or 3rd Wednesday of each month (depending on schedules), at 6 pm, at the coaches house. They send out reminders and re-caps of meetings via email, and are happy to add people to their emailing list for updates and reminders. (please let Angela know you would like to start receiving emails)

The next meeting is February 10, 2016 at 6 pm, at Charity's house, please call her at 970-799-7730, for directions. Stephanie Lynn (AQHA/APHA/NSBA Judge) is the Guest Speaker, for the February meeting. You can view more about her at <http://www.stephanielynn.net/>

She will be doing Q & A's about judging, what the current trends are in classes, etc.

4-H and FFA Beef Weigh-in

Saturday, March 12, 2016, 9 am - 11 am, Fairgrounds Pavilion

Remember to bring a copy of your Bill of Sale and Brand Inspection. If you don't have a brand inspection, be sure to make arrangements with the brand inspector prior to the weigh in (970-442-1213). All animals must be broke to lead. All market beef 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.

*Please use the Taco Bell Entrance and exit thru DHS. We will have barricades set up to guide you.

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

We offer three opportunities for our 4-H members to tag-in their Swine, Sheep & Goats. All members are welcome to go to either tag-in; however, if you are planning on going to State, you MUST tag-in at the Durango location.

Swine, Sheep & Goat –May 11th from 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm at the La Plata County Fairgrounds. Everyone is welcome to come to this tag in but all animals that will be shown at the Colorado State Fair must tag in at this location. Those going to 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.

PLEASE NOTE All members that want to take their animals to State Fair, must tag-in this date.

Swine, Sheep & Goat – For all members that DO NOT want to attend State Fair, there will be two more weigh-ins to choose from. They will both be on May 14th, one for Ignacio/Bayfield area and another for Marvel/Breen area. Times are to be determined. 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.

Beef Symposium

33rd Annual San Juan Basin Extension Beef Cattle Symposium

February 25th, 2016. 8:00 am – 4:00 pm at the Montezuma County Fairgrounds

Learn about “What’s driving the cattle market”, keeping the herd healthy and restocking after a drought. As well as Native and non-native poisonous plants and managing pastures at high altitude

\$25 per person includes lunch and materials

\$35 late registration after February 18th, 2016

No lunch or materials guarantee on late registration

Located at: Montezuma County Fairgrounds, 30100 US-160, Cortez, CO 81321.

Call 970-565-3123 to register

Sno-Ball Classic - Steer & Heifer Jackpot Double Show

Show Date: February 6 @ 10:00 am at the McGee Park-Steer Barn

Registration: Barn opens on February 5 @ Noon – 9 pm

February 6: Must be checked in no later than 8:00 am

Entry Fees Per Show: (Cash Only)

2 Shows, 2 Judges, Double the points

\$30/Head Entry fee per show (CASH ONLY)

\$5/Head Stall Cleaning Fee (Mandatory)

Cedar Fiber Only

100% Payback

Heifer Show will begin at 10:00 AM with the Steer Show to follow.

Open to ALL State 4-H & FFA Youth.

Health Papers are Required! For more information call NM Livestock Board (505) 841-6161

If any questions please contact: Bob Echols: 505-330-3521 or Rachael Davis: 505-947-5440

Show Pigs for Sale

Attention Swine Projects! Former local 4-H Leader, Naomi Riess, has 4-H piglets available, born in 2016, right here in Southwest Colorado!

Durocs and Hampshires are currently available for reservation and Chesters will be farrowed in early February. These are all pure-bred, champion blood line piglets out of registered dams & sires. Check out Colorado Heritage Farms on Facebook for more information and pictures of the piglets, dams and sires, including information on other state and national champions out of the sires.

<https://www.facebook.com/Colorado-Heritage-Farms804123536376432/?ref=bookmarks>

Call or text Naomi now for more information and to get on the reservation preference list. 970-946-3561



Club Reports



Animas Valley December Report

Merry Christmas! The Animas Valley December meeting started off at 6:00 pm when quite a bit of our members helped decorate the Animas Valley Grange. This year was the first time we decorated the outside of the grange with lights! Then at 7:00 pm we all exchanged cookies that were homemade. We also saved many cookies for the Grangers of the Grange hall. At 7:15 pm we all brought gifts to exchange at the white elephant gift exchange. It was really fun and we all had a great time. Then finally at 7:40 pm we started the regular meeting. There were no new guests and we had a letter form the people we are sponsoring. Also, we got multiple letters form two of our previous members that we all miss. Three of our members went to the county council meeting and reported on how that went. Then, we had our parliamentarian’s moment and she explained the correct way to make a motion. Also, we were told that the Wipeout this year would be held on January 30th, 2016 on a Saturday. There will also be a time where we could help plan the course on Thursday January 7th at 5:30 pm at the Extension Office. Also, if you have not yet enrolled for this year of 4-H

it is due by January 1st. We also discussed the goals for our new year. We are keeping the 75% participation for all club activities and also have the balanced budget. We are adding having record books done by the July meeting and have at least 7 community service projects this year. This year the Leadership Development Conference is on January 23rd- 25th this year and our president said he enjoyed it last year. Calling all 9-13 year olds, this year the Youth Fest will be held on February 5th-7th. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm and the next meeting will be on January 12th, 2016! Have a Merry Christmas everyone!

Animas Valley January Report

The Animas Valley 4-H club started their meeting out with a pre meeting to discuss some upcoming events. We have decided that our Tea with the Grangers will fall on February 13th. We will all meet at the Grange hall and even the food out so that when we go to the Grangers houses, they will be joyed with food and company. The meeting started at 7:02 pm on January 12th and we started off with guests. We had two guests that were checking out the club and seeing what we do in our meeting. Our parliamentarian taught us different ways to vote and they can help us vote correctly. Mrs. Ott also gave out the rest of the awards and pins to members who weren't at the previous meeting. Then, many people gave a report on the Christmas tree decorating, Grange decorating, soldier and Granger card making, white elephant exchange and the cookie exchange. Ms. Paulson then mentioned the community garden and wanted to know if anyone would like to help out with the garden. Many people wanted to help out and Ms. Paulson sent out more information to anyone who wanted it. The Sunday after the meeting the Grangers were going to have a Chili potluck. It started at 4:00 pm. The meeting ended at 7:51 pm and the next meeting will be on February 9th.

Bayfield Riders

The meeting of the Bayfield Riders was called to order at 6:40 p.m. on January 11th, 2016, by our President, Savanna. We had 11 members and one guest present.

Reports:

- ⌘ Christmas Party: Tia and Roma reported. It was held at Keri's ranch and we exchanged white elephant gifts. Jamie brought her carriage and took the people attending for rides. It was a fun time overall.
- ⌘ Jamie McDonald gave a Leader's Report. She reported on the changes of schedule for the Livestock Day and the Snowdown Obstacle Course Planning Day,

Club Business:

- ✝ The Club discussed possible community service ideas, and decided to look into a petting zoo and bake sale at the Tractor Supply Store in Durango.
- ✝ Another community service idea we looked into was to host a fundraiser for the Swift family, whose indoor arena was destroyed by snow recently.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.
Our next meeting will be February 8th at 6:30 p.m.

Zebulun Shields, Reporter

Florida Four Leaf 4-H Club, January 2016

Meeting was called to order at 6:50 by the president. Pledges were led by Kaleb. Roll call and Secretary Report was done. Secretary report was approved as read. Treasure's report was read. The total balance for the month is \$1782.46 as of last month CHECKING. This report was approved as read. We went over the leader's report. Katelyn had a birthday in January. We moved to unfinished business. We talked about club dues/enrollment; it was 5 dollars per person. New Business: the council and the club went over fund raising and what we would like to do to raise money. We came up with having a dance to come up with the money. We decided to wait until next meeting to make any decision on this. The people who demonstrated were Ethan C, Ethan M, Wynn M. Then the club went over when the next meeting is and who was bringing the dinner and desserts. The McGaws bring main dish, Reece family brings Dessert. The President went over who was presenting their demos. Meeting was adjourned at 7:47.

Josephine Vigil the reporter, Florida Four Leaf 4-H Club

Rocky Mountain Rough Riders 4-H January Club Meeting

Started Monday the 11th January 2016 at 6:09 and ended Monday the 11th January 2016 at 6:45

In the meeting we reviewed our past community services of the 2015-2016 4-H year and planned the rest of our community services for the remainder of the 2015-2016 4-H year. We had two guests so we introduced ourselves along with questions about our age, years in 4-H, role in the club if any, and project this year. After the meeting we did our January community service. For our January community service we created goody bags for the La Plata humane society for the cats and dogs there. Following that we had a small snack of assorted snake foods. Once we had finished eating and doing our community service we did a white elephant gift exchange because we did not have a December meeting.

Pioneer 4-H Club

Our meeting started off with a fun game of upset the fruit basket, after that Mr. President Wyatt called the meeting to order. Annabel reported that we had a lot of fun when our club went sledding over Christmas break, there were races, and hot chocolate. Each of our members reported on their individual community service of snow shoveling for a community member. We are still on track for our box supper on the 12th of March. Wyatt talked about his experiences at the National Western Stock Show showing hogs.

Our February meeting will be held at the Carithers home on February 8th at 7 pm. For our meeting we will be decorating cookies and to hand out to others within our community for our February community service project. Everyone should bring some cookie cutters! The club decided to move our meetings back to the second Monday of the month at 7:30. on the 24th of January we are going to have another 4-H sledding party on the Greer hill behind Daniel and Jennifer's home at 2 pm, remember to invite some potential 4-H'ers.

Weaselskin 4-H Club

The Weasleskin meeting was called to order by president, Vinnie at 6:15 on January 11, 2016. Cody, our vice president, led the pledges and afterwards passed the sign in sheet around. We had three new members who were Lisa, Dillon, and Owen. They were here to see what 4-H was about and what projects they could do. Minutes for our last meeting in December and we did our annual potluck and project Merry Christmas. The treasurer, Cody, gave the report of our previous balance which was \$2,674.96 and we gave a \$100 check to use the school's cafeteria, so our current balance is \$2,574.96. Henry's birthday was January 8, Happy Birthday! This year for every meeting Ronda wants to talk about record books because most people put them off for the year till last minute. The project Merry Christmas families were really grateful for the gifts the club got for them. The club is going to have a bowling party on March 14 it's going to be great! Youth fest is coming up people on February 5-7 it will be really fun! Snowdown Wipeout obstacle course is on January 30 at 12:30-3:30, open to all ages! The meeting adjourned at 6:34 by Sam.

