



Southeast Area 4-H Newsletter

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District VI Elects Officers

The Spring District VI meeting was held April 4 in Ordway. With the high winds, members voted not to do the community service project, which entailed planting two trees at the New Ordway Fire Hall & EMC Service Building. The officer race was tough. The new 2009-2010 District Officers are:

President: Larry Dale Fritzler – Baca

Vice President: Garrett Grasmick – Otero

Treasurer: Preston Fritzler – Baca

Secretary: Katlyn Smith – Crowley

Reporter: Jessica Harris – Otero

Executive Committee: Erin Rehfeld – Cheyenne

Executive Committee: Lauren Weber - Kiowa

If there are any members from Prowers, or Bent that would like to be on the Executive Committee please let your county agent know. At this time there are no representatives from these counties. Officers will take office at State 4-H Conference in June. Once again we will have a great officer team.

GO GREEN



Colorado State 4-H Conference

The 2009 Colorado State 4-H Conference will be held June 23-26. State 4-H Conference provides great training and an opportunity for 4-H members, leaders, and Extension agents to strengthen their leadership skills. It also hosts the following state contests including: Livestock Bowl, Livestock Judging, Consumer Choices, Consumer Bowl, Horse Bowl, Horse Judging, Hippology, Horse Demonstration and Public Speaking, Prepared Speech, Extemporaneous Speech, and Parliamentary Procedure. We look forward to your participation!

NEW this year... The State Officer Team selected and contracted a main speaker who is bringing a team of workshop presenters for the duration of the conference. Workshops include critical thinking skills, peak performance, diversity and overcoming adversity. For more information go to, <http://www.colorado4h.org/stateconference/> or ask your County Extension office.

Also held during State Conference are the Senate meetings, where the County representatives vote on State officers and other relevant issues.

State Conference is for 4-H'ers 14 years or older as of December 31, 2008. Contact your County Extension Office for more information and to obtain the registration forms. Registration deadline is June 1.

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4-H Calendar

May

8 SEA Fun Festival – Eads
 23-25 Memorial Day Horse Clinic
 - Lamar
 29-30 SS Leader Training-Eagle

June

11 Creative Cooks, Demonstration
 & Cake Decorating Contests –
 Las Animas
 13 Horse Show Workshop –
 Ordway
 13-20 Citizenship Washington
 Focus
 15-18 Wild Bug Fish Camp-Victor
 19-21 SS Family Camp- Victor
 23-26 State 4-H Conference – Fort
 Collins

July

5-11 Camp Rocky – Divide

August 28 –

Sept. 2 Colorado State Fair

October

4-10 National 4-H Week

Check out the Colorado
 website at:
www.colorado4h.org

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.

Memorial Day Horse Clinic and Show

May 23, 24, 25, 2009
 LCC College Arenas

The Prowers County 4-H Horse Committee will be sponsoring the clinic again this year!

We will be having three days of exciting and hands-on instruction: Horsemanship events will be on Saturday and Sunday and a

Practice Horse Show and Gymkhana on Monday. The Committee requests that participants be involved in at least one day of Horsemanship to be involved in the Gymkhana.

Cost is \$25 for any two days or \$30 for all three days.

Outdoor pens will be available on a first come first serve basis. Cost is \$10 per horse. A \$5 per horse refund will be given if stalls are cleaned at checkout.

Concessions will not be available. A silent auction will be held throughout the weekend. Donations for the auction are welcome.

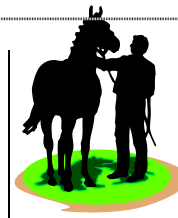
This year's instructors will include Kevin Waggoner and Kristi Eberle Schilling. Schilling is a former Miss Rodeo Kansas and was in the top ten at the 1999 Miss Rodeo America pageant. She coached 2008 Miss Rodeo America, Amy Wilson. Schilling competed on the International Show Horse Association team in college and is an open and 4-H horse show judge. Schilling has been a riding instructor for the last 12 years and has been operating North Fork riding camp for 3 years. For more information please go to her website

www.northforkhunting.com.

We are excited to welcome both instructors and are looking forward to a full horsemanship weekend.

Clinic is open to any 4-H member. Early registration needs to be in the Prowers Extension Office by Wednesday, May 6th, 2009. All registrations will be accepted; however, after 5/6/09 there will be a \$10 late fee.

For more information contact Haley @ (719) 688-0026 or hzwicker@kcoe.com.



Horse Show Workshop

On Saturday, June 13, from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Brian James will be conducting a horse workshop at the Crowley County Fairgrounds. This workshop will be geared toward getting you and your horse ready for show day, and will include halter, showmanship and riding patterns. Please bring your horse and equipment as the day will conclude with practicing basic riding patterns.

This workshop is open to all Southeast Area 4-H members. It is free of charge; however, members planning to attend need to pre-register by June 8. To register, contact the Crowley County Extension Office at 719-267-5243 or via email at: coopext_crowley@mail.colostate.edu.

Creative Cooks, Cake Decorating and Demonstration Contests

All counties are invited to joint contests on June 11 at 6 p.m. in Las Animas. Arrangements are still being made so we will let you know the location at the time of registration. You must be enrolled in Cake Decorating to enter that contest, but the Creative Cooks and Demonstration Contests are open to all members. Each county will be judged separately. County winners are eligible to compete in the state contests held during State Fair. All these contests teach public speaking, organization and project skills. Contest rules are on-line at www.colorado4h.org under state fair requirements, or contact your local Extension Office. Enter by calling your local Extension Office by June 1.

Southeast Area 4-H Fun Festival

Talented 4-H'ers will come together May 8, 2009, to compete at the annual 4-H Fun Festival. This year's festival will be in Eads in the Kiowa County Community Building at the fairgrounds beginning at 6:00 p.m. If you did not register to participate, feel free to come by and enjoy the entertainment and support your fellow 4-H'ers. It should be a fun evening.

GPA Wild Bug Fish Camp

Sport Fishing, Wildlife and Entomology members, parents and leaders should make plans now to attend the Wild Bug Fish Camp June 15 - 18, 2009. The camp will be near Victor, Colorado. There will be educational programs addressing wildlife, wildlife habitat, fishing, tackle crafting, fish environment and entomology. The camp will provide plenty of fishing, fly tying, wildlife viewing, insect catching and learning with a little camping and a lot of fun thrown in. Interested members and leaders do not have to be enrolled in the projects to attend.

The cost is \$85.00 for 4-H members (\$100.00 non 4-H youth) and \$60.00 for parents and leaders. Details and registration information are available at your local Extension Office or the website: <http://www.4hfishing.org/>

Livestock Shows, Clinics and Contests

Several shows, clinics and contests continue to be scheduled throughout eastern Colorado. Contact your County Extension Office if you need more information or go to the Southeast Area website and look under livestock.



Camp Rocky

Camp Rocky is a week long, residential camp for youth aged 14-19 who enjoy the outdoors and are interested in natural resources. Camp Rocky staff help participants learn about their environment, while working in teams and meeting other students from across Colorado. Students choose one of the following resource fields for their area of focus: Forest Management, Rangeland Science, Soil and Water Conservation, Fish and Wildlife Management.

Camp Rocky will be held July 5-11, 2009, in Divide, Colorado. If interested, youth will need to submit an "interest form", and will then be sent the application and health forms, and all forms must be returned to the Colorado Association of Conservation Districts by July 1. Cost for the camp is \$250.00; however, full or partial scholarships are available to help cover the costs. Contact the Extension Office for more information or to obtain the "interest form".

Special Shooting Sports Discipline Training

May 22-23, 2009

Due to the cancellation of the shooting sports training in Kit Carson County, a special training has been requested and authorized to be held in Cheyenne Wells Friday, May 22 and Saturday, May 23. The Friday training will be held at the Cheyenne County Fairgrounds from 5:00-10:00 p.m. Discipline training will take place all day Saturday at the shooting

range. Training cost is \$85. We will only provide trainings in rifle, shotgun, and archery. For more information please contact your local extension office, Jeramy McNeely at 719-767-5716, or Perry Brewer at 719-346-5571.

Shooting Sports Family Camp

The 22nd Annual 4-H Shooting Sports Family Campout will be held June 19, 20 & 21, 2009, near Victor, Colorado. More information and registration forms can be found at: http://www.co4hshooting.org/family_campout.html



Shotgun Fun Shoot

The Otero County Shooting Sports Leaders and Members are hosting a fun shoot on June 13, 2009, beginning at 9:00 a.m., at the La Junta Gun Club. Cost is \$4.00 per round. This would be a great opportunity for members to practice before the state contest and since it is open to adults the event will be fun for the entire family. Shooters will need to show a valid hunters safety card and sign a waiver. State 4-H shotgun rules will be followed. For more information contact Doug at 719-384-9028 or Darwin at 719-384-5939.