



MESA COUNTY 4-H SEPTEMBER



2009 NEWSLETTER

Jr. Livestock Sale Changes for the Swine Project

The Livestock Marketing Committee is seeking some help and cooperation from the 4-H/FFA membership and those of you that participate in the Junior Market Show at the County Fair. The Swine project area had a meeting on August 17th, where several yearend issues were discussed as well as some housekeeping things taken care off. The one major decision which was made was how to cut the number of pigs going through the sale to assist the Livestock Marketing Committee.

There were a couple of different options discussed by the group, and the decision was made with the majority of those present voted in favor to try the following option and see how it works out for next year.

There will be 10 pigs in each class, and the top 6 placing pigs in each class will automatically be in the junior livestock sale. There will be the possibility for more pigs to advance into the sale depending on the number of livestock present at the fair and what the Livestock Marketing Committee sees as the sale number for that year. I also would like to point out that some of our youth have two pigs that they show, but by the rules they are only allowed to sell one pig, and if both pigs from this one member place 6th or higher in their respective classes, that will allow a 7th place animal to advance to the sale list. Also, several of our swine members show other species and might decide to sell their other species, so again that will advance another pig to the sale list. Finally, you'll have the option to send your animal on the buyback truck at that price or you will be able to take your animal home and sell it private treaty. The new swine superintendents are Ed Vial and Ryan Hudson. If you have any questions or comments contact the office or the new superintendents.

All Livestock Members and Parents, there will be more meetings regarding the changes needed to assist the Jr. Livestock Sale Committee and I would hope that you will all take an interest and attend the meetings and express your opinions as well as have a say in that final decision.

Courtney Gibbon,

Thank you much for all your hard work over this summer, you were an excellent addition to the 4-H staff and we have heard nothing but good things about your help all summer. You are awesome and good luck in your new job and your Denver life.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU...

We would like to THANK everyone for their hard work and assistance during the county fair and heading into the busy summer. If it wasn't for each and every one of you offering your assistance when needed or just jumping in, believe me we wouldn't have seen such a smooth process through the different contest, set-ups days and shows. Words cannot express the Thanks that Dolores and I have for each of you helping out.

Achievement Night/Award Nominations

As we all know our Achievement night is coming up and we have some awards which you members need to apply for. Plus, we have some awards which the member, leader or 4-H friend (community partner) needs to be nominated for. So, as you can see we have a lot to get done in order to finish out the year. I am challenging each club to nominate someone for each award. You all have some outstanding people who you have worked with throughout the year, that need to be recognized.

T here's a rare and special quality in the way some people live.

H owever busy they may be they still have time to give.

A nything you ask or need, they'll do their very best,

N o matter what the task is or how simple the request.

K indness just comes naturally to this rare and selfless few,

S pecial, giving people – people just like YOU!!!



We want to express our gratitude to all the individuals who contributed long hours and hard work to help our youth at the Mesa County Fair. This list of individuals is endless, but it includes: Superintendents, 4-H Club Leaders, Fairboard Members, Award Sponsors, Livestock Buyers, Fairgrounds Crew, Market Livestock Sale Committee, Extension Staff, Volunteers, and of course our parents. We Thank all of you, and the many more we haven't mentioned, for your time, caring, and support of our members. We could not have done it with out you...

