



Morgan County



4-H Crossroads

MAY 2009

IN THE NEWS!

Congratulations to **Audrey Osier**, a Snyder Pioneers 4-H member was the recipient of the Breeding Pair of Rabbits! Thank you to all who turned in applications. We would also like to thank the Brasby Family for donating the rabbits!

Congratulations to Logan County Livestock Judges. **Shelby Teague** placed 7th High Overall and **Emma Mortensen** placed 8th High in Beef. **Jace Mortensen**, **Colton Unrein**, **Dustin Warboys**, and **Sheyanne Warboys** also competed.

Add/Drop Deadline: May 15

Reminder

Important 2009 Fair Deadlines

ALL Livestock Entry Forms and Livestock Record Books are DUE Wednesday, July 15!!!



Beef Seminar

Youth attending the Beef Seminar held on March 28, were juniors:

Tyler Carmin, Jordan Kendrick, Alex Martinez-Vickers, Emma Mortensen, Leon Sherwood, Mattie Sherwood, Shan Sherwood, Hailey Unrein, Sheyanne Warboys and Shelby Wolever and seniors, Jace Mortensen, Colton Unrein and Dustin Warboys.

In the junior division, Jordan Kendrick was 2nd High Individual in placings and 9th High Individual Overall in judging. Shan Sherwood was 5th High in questions and 6th High Individual Overall in judging. In the senior division, Colton Unrein was 8th High Individual in questions. Gary and Laura Teague are the livestock judging coaches.

Thank you to Dan and Susan Kendrick for tabulating the contest and the Gary Teague Family for providing the 5 beef classes for the contest!

DATES TO REMEMBER

Dairy ID Forms	May 1, 5:00 pm
Breeding Beef ID Forms	May 1, 5:00 pm
Lamb Weigh In	May 2, 8-10:30 am
Goat Weigh In	May 2, 10:30-12pm
Swine ID Forms	May 4, 5:00 pm
Meat Quality Assurance	May 12, 4:00-7:00 pm
Add/Drop Deadline	May 15
Fiber Fun Day	June 10, 9:00-3:00
Kids Kulinary Kamp	June 17, Akron
Pen of Market Poultry & Rabbits, ID forms Due	June 25, 5:00 pm
Talent Festival	June 28, 2:00 pm
Cloverbud Workshop	July, TBA
Concession Stand Training	July 9, 6:30-8:30 pm
Fair Entries	July 15, 5:00 pm
Fashion Revue Workshop	July, TBA
Fashion Revue	July 27
Interview Judging	July 29
Dog Obedience Show	July 30
Creative Cooks	July 31, 8:30 am
Demonstration Contest	Following Creative Cooks

See inside for more details.

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4-H Shooting Sports

SHOOTING SPORTS T-SHIRT DESIGN

We need your creativity! A free t-shirt will be given to the youth who draws the best illustration for the 2009 Shooting Sports T-Shirt. Entries need to be handdrawn in dark pencil or ink on a white 8 1/2 X 11 inch piece of paper.

Place your name on the back. The deadline to submit your entry is May 1, 2009. Practice and submit your entry(s) soon!

***Shooting Sports Leader
Meeting
May 7
5:30 pm
Extension Office***

SHOOTING SPORTS PRACTICES

ARCHERY

Archery practice is scheduled for the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays from 4-6 pm at Jon Flair's home 28294 MCR Y in Snyder. Practice Dates: MAY 5 & 19 JUNE 2, 16 & 30

Archery practice is scheduled for the 2nd and 4th Thursday at 5:30 pm at Paul Oliveira's home 12710 MCR W.5 in Weldona. Practice Dates: MAY 14 & 28 JUNE 11 & 25

AIR RIFLE

Practices will be held from 6—8:30 pm. at the Multi-Purpose Building at the Morgan County Fairgrounds. If you have questions, please call Steve Kehm 542-9291 or George Trujillo 542-9134.

Practice Dates: MAY 7 & 21 JUNE 4 & 18

SHOTGUN

Shotgun practice will be held at Paul Oliveira's home on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 5:30 pm.

Practice Dates: MAY 6 & 20 JUNE 3 & 17

.22 RIFLE

Practice will be held at the Morgan Gun Club on the 2nd and 4th Saturday at 9am.

Practice Dates: MAY 9 & 23 JUNE 13 & 27 JULY 11

MORGAN COUNTY SHOOTS

.22 (All Four Divisions)	TBA	8:00 a.m.	Morgan Gun Club
Muzzleloading	TBA	TBA	TBD
Shotgun	July 12	8:00 a.m.	To Be Determined
Archery	July 19	8:00 a.m.	Multi-Purpose Bldg., MC Fairgrounds
Air Rifle	July 19	9:30 a.m.	Multi-Purpose Bldg., MC Fairgrounds
Air Pistol	July 19	9:30 a.m.	Multi-Purpose Bldg., MC Fairgrounds
Advanced Shotgun	TBA	TBA	Washington County Gun Club Range

4-H Information



Win This Truck!

Extension Staff, 4-H Members and Leaders. The drawing will be held at the Colorado 4-H Gala being held October 3, 2009 at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science.

Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. Last year, a 4-H leader from LaPlata County won the truck!

FUDGE & COFFEE FUNDRAISER

Thanks to everyone who participated in the coffee fundraiser for Leaders Advisory. **Club Leaders may pick up their coffee orders (for the whole club) on May 8, from 11 am to 5 pm.** Please remember that 4-H members not selling 4 items of coffee must participate in the peach sales in order to receive funding from LAC for 2009-2010.

DOG OBEDIENCE

6:30 p.m.—1st year or new dog
7:30 p.m.—2nd year same dog
Multipurpose Building/Indoor Arena, Fairgrounds
May 4, 11, 18 – No Class May 25

Showmanship classes will be held at DuWest Kennels in Ft Morgan at 7:00 pm
June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 July 20

No Class July 6
Record Book Class—July 13 at 7:00 p.m.
Interview Judging – July 29
County Fair Dog Show—July 30 8:00 a.m.

GO GREEN



STATE 4-H CONFERENCE

"Go Green"

June 23-26, 2009
Colorado State University, Fort Collins

WHO: 4-H members 14 and over as of January 1, 2009
There are several event opportunities you can participate in at State Conference to win awards and trips.

COST: \$75 deposit by May 26, 2009. Total cost is approximately \$200, 1/2 will be refunded to participant from LAC after attendance.

ACTIVITIES: Workshops, speech contests, CWF orientation, judging contests, mixers and dances

2009 COLORADO

4-H

TRUCK RAFFLE

Ford Motor Company has made another generous donation to the Colorado 4-H program of a 2009 XLT, F150, 4x4 Truck Raffle tickets will be sold until October by State 4-H Foundation board members,

SAFETY DAY

For Morgan County 4-H
By Morgan County EMTs
and Fort Morgan Fire Dept

June 27 8:30 am-4:00 pm
10 Stations

Lunch is provided.
Will include cot races,
fireman tug of war.
Flier will be in June
Newsletter

Junior Camp

June 16-19, 2009 Junior Camp will be held in the San Luis Valley; touring the Sand Dunes, taking a trip on the Cumbres and Toltec Scenic Railroad, touring Indian pueblos and visiting the Creede theatre. There are still spaces available. If you are interested in attending, please contact the Extension Office if you would like to attend. If you fundraised in 2008, 1/2 of your camp cost will be refunded after you attend.

2010-2011 4-H EXCHANGE

Early, but never too early to plan the next exchange, and to begin fundraising. If you turn 13 in 2009 (or are older than 13), you are eligible to participate in the 4-H exchange program.

I've checked the national website to identify an exchange group, <http://exchanges.ces.ncsu.edu/>, and at this time find the following states with counties that are looking at similar time schedules as us. They are Iowa, Idaho, Indiana, Minnesota, Montana, New Hampshire, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Washing and Wisconsin.

If you would like to participate in the 2010-2011 program, please let me know by May 26 and give me the top 2-3 states that you are interested in traveling to.

HOST FAMILIES **NEEDED!!**

We are looking for people to host teachers that will be here for "Agriculture in the Classroom Summer Institute" This is a five day course designed for teachers who has little or no agriculture background, held this year in Morgan County, June 15-19, 2009. Please contact Janice 542-3545 if you are interested in helping!

4-H Meetings

Leaders Advisory Committee – Monday, May 18, 2009 5:30 p.m.

4-H Council – NO MEETING IN MAY

4-H Exchange – Monday, May 25, 2009 7:00 p.m.

4-H Projects

Leathercraft Project Members

Are you looking for an idea for your Leather Craft project? Stop by the Extension Office and look through some magazines “**The Leather Crafters**” that were donated to the Extension Office. There are different patterns and ideas for projects and tools used.



Heritage Arts Members or Others

If you would like to learn basket weaving can sign up for a class June 20 offered by High Plains Spinners and Weavers. During this day-long class at the Extension Center meeting room, participants will complete an Appalachian style egg basket. This project fits in the 4-H Heritage Arts Ethnic Arts - non fiber category; or it can be exhibited in the Open Class Division at the Morgan County Fair. Cost for the workshop is \$20 which includes materials and instructor fee - bring your own lunch and drinks. An adult must accompany any youth to assist as needed. There are just a couple of spaces still available so contact JoAnn Pierce at 842-2130 to register or for more information.

Wanted: Wind powered vehicles, machines, or sculptures made by Colorado 4-H members in 2009

REWARD: \$200 to each 4-H member or team of 4-H members who meet the following requirements:



1. Enroll and participate in the “Power of Wind” pilot project,
2. Design, build, and test a wind powered vehicle, machine, or sculpture,
3. Display their “Power of Wind” device at the Power of Wind public exhibition at the 2009 Colorado State Fair,
4. Be selected as one of the five Power of Wind devices to be displayed and auctioned at the 2009 Colorado 4-H Gala, October 3 2009, at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science.

Wanted: High Resolution Photographs of Lightning taken by Colorado 4-H members in 2009

Reward: \$100 to each 4-H member who meets the following requirements:

1. Read the lightning photography guide and its associated websites; have a thorough understanding of lightening safety referred to in the guide (i.e. photos are taken from the safety of a vehicle or dwelling)
2. Be an intermediate or senior age level 4-H member (11-18 years old)
3. Submit your best lightning photo to your county extension office by August 18th be selected at the 2009 Colorado Sate Fair to display your lighting photography as par of the traveling lightning photography exhibit. There will be 20 photos selected.

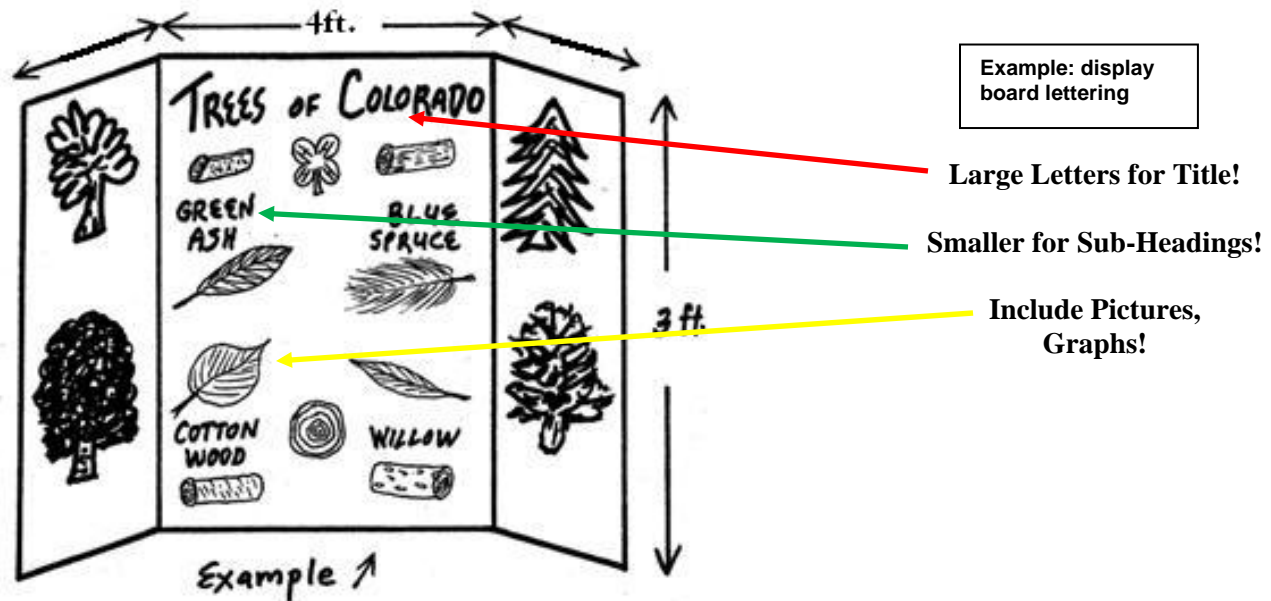


For more information on the Wind Power or Lightning Photography, contact Janice 542-3545

4-H Project Display Requirements

1. Display boards are made of lightweight cardboard and are sturdy, attractive, inexpensive and available at most local stores. They come in several colors. When opened, the 1-foot-wide winged sides provide a surface to help the exhibits stand alone on a table top. *The standardized display board size of 4 ft. x 3 ft is to be used for 4-H projects. (See example below.)*
2. No headers or attachments are allowed on the display boards.

Example: display board dimensions 4 ft. x 3 ft.



Tips:

- Boards must be easily read from a distance of three--five feet. Use large, bold letters (at least 3" high) for exhibit title or caption.
- Design the exhibit, keeping in mind the size and shape of the open show board (three surfaces, including the wings).
- When mounting items on the display board, avoid things that are bulky or heavy that could cause the display board to collapse. Mount items securely so they won't fall off. Tape will not work.
- You have 60-90 seconds for the message to be read; be concise.
- Tell your story with visuals.
- Build your poster board around one catchy theme, not multiple sub-themes never have a crowded look.
- Dark lettering on a light background is most visible.
- Do not use headers or attachments on your display board.

Binder/Notebook as appropriate for project exhibits:

- No binders with slider closures will be allowed.
- Acco Binders are preferred for all projects (EXCEPT PHOTOGRAPHY 3-Ring Binders are Allowed)

PROJECT CHANGES FOR 2009

Display boards

1. Display boards need to be 4 ft. X 3 ft.
2. In Horseless Horse and Computers—no 3-dimensional displays are allowed either on or in front of the boards.
3. Sportfishing—it is recommended that photos or drawings be used instead of actual items.
4. If a 4-H member does add items that do not lay flat (in projects other than Horseless Horse, computers and Sportfishing), these items need to be secured on the board. Also heavy items will not allow the display boards to standup so it is recommended that heavy items not be used.

Model Rocketry

1. No non-balsa fins classes in Units 1-3

Entomology

1. The following statement was left out of the requirements:
 - a. “On units 2 through 7, records must include data and location where insects were collected. Place this information on labels attached to pins.”

Photography

1. If a 4-H member enrolls in “Focus on Photography” and does Level 1A one year and Level 1B the next year, they can either make two columns for dates (one for each year) on pages 4-7 from Level 1A book or make a copy of those pages so the current year’s completion dates can be recorded.
2. Notebook can be a 3 inch notebook for all units

Leadership

1. The manual is not required as part of the exhibit.

Visual Arts

1. Paintings, Printing and Graphic Design: Oil paintings and acrylic paintings should be no larger than 16” x 24” and ready to hang (no frames should be used). Water color paintings should use small mat and be framed with glass. The framed watercolor should not be larger than 16” X 24”.
2. Drawing, Fiber and Sculpture: Framed drawing shall be no larger than 16” X 24”

Baking – Unit 24

1. 4-H member can choose any of the 3 options, no matter what year they are in.

Heritage Arts

1. The miscellaneous class has been deleted. Make sure that the project fits in one of the other categories and that a history of the art can be found.

FAIR NEWS

2009 FAIR EVENTS PRE-FAIR SCHEDULE

Monday, July 27 - Fashion Revue

Wednesday, July 29 - Interview Judging
ALL 4-H General and Family &
Consumer projects
Dog Obedience Records
All Catch-It-Animal Interviews

Thursday, July 30 - Dog Obedience Show

Friday, July 31 - Creative Cooks, 8:30 a.m.
Demonstration Contest
(following Creative Cooks)

The Event Center will be open to the public shortly before Creative Cooks awards are given. Come and see the results of interview judging from July 29 and enjoy the samples of Creative Cooks' entries. Exact time for Event Center opening will be in the fair book.

Morgan County
FAIR DAYS

4-H Food Safety Training

Thursday, July 9

6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

4-H Building, Fairgrounds

Leaders' Advisory Committee which supervises the 4-H fair concession stand requires any leader/parent/adult who has **NOT** attended a hands-on 4-H Food Safety Training **must complete the training** before working in the Concession Stand during the fair.

Leaders' Advisory Committee also requires anyone who has previously attended a hands-on training **must complete a refresher quiz (open book) before working in the concession stand in the current year.** We have a list of all who have attended trainings in past years so if you need to check your status, contact Luann.

Each club must **RSVP by Wednesday, July 8** which adults from your club will be attending the July 9 training **AND** the names of adults who will be working in the Concession Stand so we can confirm that they have completed the Refresher Quiz.

The open book refresher quiz will be available beginning Wednesday, July 1, and is to be returned to Extension Center by Wednesday, July 15.

Thanks from Leaders' Advisory Committee for making sure that 4-H serves safe food during the fair. For any questions about this food safety requirement, contact Luann at 542-3544.

REMINDER: If your 4-H club would like to provide training at your club meeting for adults and older youth, call Luann. The training takes A minimum of 1-1/2 hours and must be completed before mid-June. If you club provides a training, adults new to concession stand do NOT have to attend the July training, but will need to complete the refresher quiz.

Family & Consumer

Consumer Choices

The NE Consumer Choices Invitational on April 18 had to be cancelled due to the spring storm. Even though we only had rain, teams were coming from further west where they had significant snow. Due to busy spring schedules, we will NOT be able to reschedule the contest for this year.

But there are still plenty of opportunities. Adams County has rescheduled their contest to Saturday, May 9 in Brighton and anyone over 14 can participate in State 4-H Conference Consumer Choices events. We have plenty of opportunities for members of Consumer Choices and/or Consumer Bowl. It's a fun way to go to 4-H Conference and win awards and trips.

The last weekly practice is April 29 but members going to State 4-H Conference will resume practice sessions in early June. If you'd like to be part of Consumer Choices at State 4-H Conference, call Luann at 542-3544.



Heritage Arts Members or Others

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Fiber Fun Day

Wednesday, June 10

9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

4-H Building, Morgan County Fairgrounds, Brush

This day-long event gives 4-H members an entire day to work on their 4-H projects that involve fiber or fabric. Anyone in clothing construction, creative clothing (Decorate Your Duds, etc), and heritage arts should plan to attend. We'll also be doing some special activities so all participants will learn some new skills using fiber and/or fabric. See the enclosed flyer for details.

Kid's Culinary Kamp

Wednesday, June 17

Washington County Event Center, Akron

Another day-long event that provides lots of hands-on skills for youth to learn actual food preparation and baking skills. This activity is for 4-Hers 8 years and older and is limited due to the hands-on activities and space needed. See the enclosed flyer for details.

Yuma County Cake Show

The Yuma County Cake show is scheduled for June 16, 2009. The evening presentation will cover cakes and fondant flowers.



Livestock

NEW! (COOL) Country of Origin Label

Mandatory Country of Origin Labeling (COOL) was implemented starting on September 30, 2008 by the USDA. As a result, all beef, pork, lamb, and goat must have documentation as to the origin of the animals to be marketed in the U.S. and international meat industry. This act will require effective documentation of 4-H or FFA market animal projects that will be sold for meat purposes.

Please contact Marlin with questions or visit our website to print the form.

2009 Lamb & Goat Weigh In

Saturday, May 2, 2009

LAMBS 8 – 10:30 a.m.

GOATS 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Morgan County Fairgrounds

Due to the use of the RFID (electronic) tags and retinal scanning, only 1 species can be scanned at a time. All market lambs and market goats must be tagged in order to compete at the Morgan County Fair. Youth wanting to enter the market lamb rate-of-gain contest must weigh them that day. Individual ownership must be declared at tag day. This will qualify the lambs and goats for Colorado State Fair by filling out a State Fair form available from the Extension Office.

NEED COOL DOCUMENTS AND PREMISE ID AT TIME OF WEIGH IN

****The Fairboard will pay for the cost of the first 6 tags and retinal scans per individual, per species. Each tag and retinal scan after that will be a cost of \$5, payable at weigh in!****

Colorado State Fair

The Colorado State Fair will be held August 28-September 7. The tentative 2009 livestock schedule can now be accessed at their website: www.coloradostatefair.com.

Members with Lambs, Goats or Pigs that want to exhibit at the Colorado State Fair must contact Marlin by **MAY 22** for nomination cards.

OPEN HORSE RIDING

5:30 – 8:30 p.m.

May 7 - Proper Equipment for saddling and bridling, correct bits. Having the correct equipment you're your classes.

May 21 - Western Horsemanship and Gymkhana instructions and tips. Helmets required!



Colorado Dairy Youth Extravaganza

May 31 – June 2, 2009

Island Grove Park, Greeley, CO

Showmanship, breed shows, fitting and showing clinics, quiz bowl and more! This is a great opportunity for Catch-it Dairy participants.

SWINE ID's DUE MAY 4 5:00 p.m.

1. Turn in COOL Documents with Swine ID Form
2. All hogs must be ear notched.
3. All hogs must have at least one notch in each ear.
4. No hogs within a family can have the same ear notches.
5. Hogs must be ear notched prior to participants turning in their swine ID forms.
6. It is the responsibility of the 4-H /FFA members to make sure the swine ID forms are properly filled out when they are turned in to the Extension Office.

FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE OR AT THE EXTENSION OFFICE!

ALL MARKET EXHIBITORS...WE NEED YOUR COOL DOCUMENTS IMMEDIATELY!

Breeding Beef & Dairy ID FORMS DUE

DUE MAY 1, 2009 5:00 P.M.

ALL 4-H AND FFA MEMBERS ENROLLED IN THE MORGAN COUNTY BREEDING BEEF OR DAIRY PROJECT MUST SUBMIT A PICTURE IDENTIFICATION FORM TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE.

CATCH IT DAIRY HEIFERS ARE EXCLUDED FROM THIS REQUIREMENT.

ANIMALS THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN RECORDED AS A PROJECT DO NOT NEED TO SUBMIT AN ID FORM.



New Fair Board Livestock Rules for 2009 Morgan County Fair

DAIRY

NO STRAW ALLOWED. Only wood shavings and they will be provided.

GOATS

Breeding Goat show; Junior Kid—Born after Jan 1
Senior Kid—Born before Jan 1
Less than one year of age and kids teeth must be intact

HORSE

The County Fair 4-H Horse Show will remain on Sunday

POULTRY

Selling two pens of market poultry. If the Champion poultry pen is also the champion Catch-It Chicken, the Reserve Champion pen of market poultry will sell.

SWINE

Market Swine must be at the fairgrounds by 6:00 pm Sunday
Pens will have two 2" X 10" boards bolted on the top of pens for tack

MARKET BEEF, GOAT, SHEEP, SWINE

Classes will be broken down with approximately the same number of animals in each class. Classes may be broken with same weight animals in two different classes. This will be more equitable for determining sale eligibility.

Contact Marlin if you have any questions - 542-3543

County Fair Dates July 31 - August 6, 2009

Identification and Weigh-In Dates (2009)

Forms available on our website and may be turned in earlier than due date

Species	Primary Care Begins	Weigh-In	I.D's
Horse	March 2		March 2
Beef (Market)	March 7	March 7	
Breeding Beef	May 1		May 1
Dairy (Cattle)	May 1		May 1
Breeding Animals (Sheep/Goats)	May 1		
Sheep/Goats (Market)	May 2	May 2	
Swine (Market)	May 4		May 4
Rabbits & Poultry (Breeding)	June 1		
Pen of Meat Poultry	June 25		June 25
Pen of Meat Rabbit	June 25		June 25

2009 Fair Schedule Changes

FRIDAY:

RABBITS AND POULTRY

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Check in Rabbits
8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Check in Poultry
9:00 a.m.	Poultry Judging
11:00 a.m.	Rabbit Judging

2009 QUALITY ASSURANCE

Market Swine Exhibitors

The National Pork Board, sets the requirements for swine exhibitors, these requirements are as follows; (youth age as of January 1 of the current year)

CERTIFICATION/RECERTIFICATION BY EXAMINATION

- Not available for 8-11 age level
- Completing and passing an examination appropriate for their age level (must score 70% or greater to pass)
- Valid until they enter the next age level
- Valid for a minimum of one year

Age as of Jan 1 of Current Year	Certificate Expiration	
	Annual Class	Test Out
8 - 11	One year from Class/entry date	Not Applicable
12 -13	One year from class/entry date	December 31 st of the year they turn 15
14	One year from class/entry date	One year from test/entry date
15 - 17	One year from class/entry date	December 31 st of year they turn 19
18	One year from class/entry date	One year from test/entry date

Members that don't meet these requirements cannot participate at the Morgan County Fair, Colorado State Fair, National Western Stock Show or other major shows.

PREMISES ID:

The Fair Board voted to continue the rule:
ALL LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS (including horses, rabbits and poultry) MUST HAVE A PREMISES ID TO EXHIBIT AT THE MORGAN COUNTY FAIR.

Contact Marlin if you need a PREMISES ID Number

Meat Quality Assurance Programs

May 12, 2009

4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

*Session will last approximately 1 hour.
Come anytime during the scheduled time.*

PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND!!
 MORGAN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS,
 Multi-Purpose Building

There will be two programs offered in 2009. Guidelines according to the State 4-H Office; anyone with a market livestock or breeding project who has not attended a training must do so, including poultry, rabbits and goats; anyone who was a junior last year and moving to senior (14 years old before January 1, 2009 or born in 1994) must also attend a training. Those individuals in the Market Swine project have different guidelines that are set by the National Pork Producers Council. Everyone enrolled in a market livestock or breeding project must sign a quality assurance statement on a yearly basis. This includes all new 4-H members with livestock projects. Members that don't meet these requirements cannot participate at the county fair, State Fair, National Western or other major shows.

NO EXCEPTIONS

Fair Board is requiring that all 4-H/FFA Members meet this requirement in order to show at the Morgan County Fair.

SHEEP AND GOAT MEMBERS

To be eligible to show at the Morgan County Fair and Colorado State Fair all Breeding Sheep AND Breeding Goats, must comply with the Federal Scrapie Eradication Program. The rule states that you must have a scrapie ear tag in each animal that is issued by the USDA that corresponds back to the breeder (owner) of the animal.

Extension News

Working Effectively with Children



Since the April 4th program was cancelled due to the blizzard, the presenter will be doing both April and May's topics on Saturday, May 2. Positive Discipline will be from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and Challenging Behaviors from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Christine Cerbana, CSU parent education coordinator, is the presenter for this series. Participants receive 3 hours credit toward child care licensure renewal for each program. Registration is \$10 for morning and \$10 for afternoon OR if registering for both, it is \$15 and lunch will be provided. Call the Extension Center at 542-3540 for more information or to register.

May Diabetes Program

Learn what's new in sugar substitute and when and how to use them. Several new artificial sweeteners have been approved recently by Food and Drug Administration - but should you use them just like sugar. You'll learn that and much more at the May meeting of the Diabetes Success Group. The program will be given on Friday, May 8 from 12 noon to 1 p.m. at Colorado Plains Medical Center in Fort Morgan. There is no charge for these programs which are held from September through May on the second Friday of each month.

Food Preservation Workshops

We've had inquiries about providing workshops on food preservation, but need your response on topics on interest. Possible topics are canning fruits and pickles, canning vegetables (pressure), making salsa and tomato products, jams and jellies, freezing fruits and vegetables. Each program would probably be 1 to 2 hours in length and involve some hands-on teaching. If you would like to learn food preservation or update your old skills, call Luann at 542-3544 and let her know what you want to learn.

Native Plant Master™

Would you like to learn more about the beautiful plants that grow in nature? Would you like to learn to use them in your landscape? Would you like to learn to distinguish native plants from noxious weeds? Plan to attend the one-day walk on May 30th. Meet at the Sterling Welcom Center at 8 a.m. Bring a sack lunch, plenty of water, sunscreen and a hat. We will be in the field until around 2 p.m. Cost for the class is \$10. Books are available for \$20 but are not required. For details, contact Joanne at the Extension Office, 542-3542.

Plant Identification Class

Saturday, June 13th come to the Washington County Extension office in Akron and learn the different techniques required to identify plants. Learn how to use a plant key to determine the identity of several woody plants that are common in landscapes of eastern Colorado. The class is held from 9 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$10 for materials. For details, contact Joanne at the Extension Office, 542-3542.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY

- 1 - **Breeding Beef ID's DUE 5:00 p.m. to Extension Office**
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- 2 - **Market Sheep/Goat Weigh In, MC Fairgrounds**
- 4 - **Market Swine ID's DUE 5:00 p.m. to Extension Office**
- 12 - Meat Quality Assurance Program, *Multipurpose Bldg,*
- 15 - Add/Drop Deadline
- 26 - Deadline to Register for State Conference
- 26 - Deadline to Register for 2010-2011 Exchange
- 30 - 4-H Exchange Trip to Tennessee
- 31 - Morgan County Cattlemen Scholarship Due

JUNE

- 10 - Fiber Fun Day, 4-H Bldg, MC Fairgrounds
- 13 - All Day Horse Clinic, MC Fairgrounds
- 17-19 - Kids Culinary Kamp, Akron
- 23-26 - State 4-H Conference, Fort Collins
- 25 - **Market Rabbit and Poultry ID's DUE 5:00 p.m. to Extension**
- 27 - SAFETY DAY
- 28 - County Talent Festival, First Christian Church, Fort Morgan

JULY

- 9 - Concession Stand Safety Training, 4-H Building, Fairgrounds
- 15 - Livestock Fair Entries and Livestock Record Books Due
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July 31 – August 6 MORGAN COUNTY FAIR

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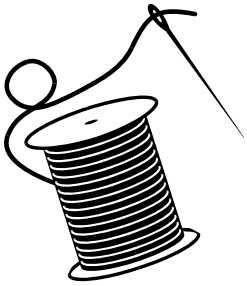
Janice Dixon
Extension Agent, 4-H/Youth

FIBER FUN DAY

Hands-On Fun with Fabric & Yarn

Work on your 4-H project

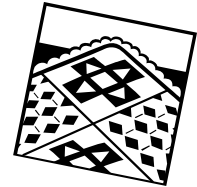
Try New Skills with Fiber/Fabric



Wednesday, June 10

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

4-H Building, Brush Fairgrounds



*Sewing * Knitting * Crocheting * Quilting * Embroidery
Spinning * Weaving * Decorate Your Duds
(Knitting and Crocheting need to have learned to cast on & done
some practicing —this is not the day to learn from step 1.)*

Special Activities to Learn New Fiber Skills



Cost: \$10/youth; \$5/adult if helping
Includes Lunch, Breaks & Special Activity
Adults are encouraged to attend and assist with youth.

Registration Due: Wednesday, June 3 with Payment
Checks payable to Morgan County Extension Fund
PO Box 517, Fort Morgan, CO 80701

What To Bring: Materials and Equipment Needed to Work on Project

Fiber Fun Day Registration

Youth, Age _____ Adult Payment Amount Enclosed _____

Name _____ County _____

Phone _____ 4-H Project Enrolled In: _____ Unit: _____

Kids Kulinary Kamp

Wednesday, June 17, 2009

9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Washington County Event, Akron



Learn Baking and Food Preparation Skills

- ⌚ Yeast Breads and Other Goodies
- ⌚ Pastry, Pies and Empanadas
- ⌚ Garnishes and Meal Presentations
- ⌚ Evaluating Baking Skills



Participants: *4-H Members Enrolled in Foods, Nutrition, and Baking Projects*
4-H Members Who Want To Learn Food Preparation Skills
Non 4-Hers Who Want To Learn About 4-H Projects

Cost: Youth Registration - \$15.00 Includes all Supplies and Lunch
Adult Registration - \$ 5.00 Includes Lunch
Parents and Leaders encouraged to attend and help.



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Kids Kulinary Kamp - June 17, Akron

Youth - Age _____ Adult Payment Amount Enclosed: _____

Name _____ County _____

If Enrolled in 4-H Foods Project, please tell what unit: _____