

PHILLIPS COUNTY

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<p>MARCH</p> <p>18 Livestock Field Day, Morgan County Fairgrounds</p> <p>20 Phillips County Fair Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>25 Adams County Livestock Judging Contest</p> <p>26 Phillips County 4-H Council meeting (may be moved to April 2)</p> <p>30 Market Beef state fair nominations due in Extension office</p> <p>APRIL</p> <p>1 State 4-H Scholarship applications due</p> <p>8 Lincoln County Livestock Judging Contest</p> <p>9 District 5 4-H Council meeting, Yuma</p> <p>10 MQA/PQA, Phillips County Event Center, 4-7 p.m.</p> <p>15 Project Add/Drop Deadline</p> <p>17 Phillips County Fair Board meeting</p> <p>22 Logan County Livestock Judging Contest</p> <p>28 Horse ID's due in 4HOnline</p> <p>MAY</p> <p>6 Eastern Slope Livestock Judging Contest</p> <p>7 Market Sheep and Goat weigh-in, Phillips County Fairgrounds, 3-4 p.m.</p>	<p>MAY (continued)</p> <p>8 On-line Swine ID due</p> <p>15 Phillips County Fair Board meeting</p> <p>19 Tri-River Area Livestock Judging Contest, Montrose</p> <p>20 Western Slope Livestock Judging Contest, Gunnison</p> <p>29 Memorial Day, Extension Office CLOSED</p> <p>30 Ronald McDonald House Community Pride Activity</p> <p>30 Market Swine, Sheep and Goat state fair nominations due in Extension office</p> <p>31 Be Somebody Program, Burlington</p> <p>JUNE</p> <p>2 Cloverbud Mini Camp, Ortner Room, 9-11:30</p> <p>4-8 Phillips County/Jefferson County Exchange Program</p> <p>26 Beef and Hog Showmanship Clinic</p> <p>27 Sheep and Goat Showmanship Clinic</p>
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Add/Drop Deadline



The deadline for 4-H members to add or drop a project is April 15th. Members are encouraged to give serious consideration to the projects they are enrolled in. 4-H members must complete a record book and the exhibit requirements for each project they are enrolled in. General projects will also participate in interview judging. Projects that do not meet these requirements are incomplete. Incomplete projects go on the member's record and count against the overall completion of their 4-H club. 4-H members are required to complete at least one project during the 4-H year. Now is the time to review your projects and consider the time and expense it will take to complete each project. If you feel you are not going to be able to complete one or more of the projects you are enrolled in please call the Extension office or visit with your club leader about your concerns. Those of you who think you may want to try another project that you have not yet enrolled in should also visit with your club leader or call the Extension office. You will want to add any new projects by April 15th to be eligible to participate with that project at the Phillips County Fair. To add or drop projects, please call or email Carrie or Kindra at 970-854-3616. Carrie's email address is: coopext_phillips@mail.colostate.edu. Kindra's email address is: kindra.plum@colostate.edu.

Swine ID

Swine identification for 2017 will be online again this year. You will still need to pick up ear tags and taggers, which will be available in the Extension office starting April 3rd. Members will need to tag their pigs, take pictures of both sides of the pig and a picture of the pig's ear with the tag in place. You will then go online to complete the ID sheet and upload and attach your pictures. To complete your online ID go to www.pc4hffa.com. All ID's are due Monday, May 8th. No Exceptions!

Livestock Judging

Have you ever attended a livestock show and wondered why the judge placed the animals in a certain order? Or maybe you heard the judge giving oral reasons for his or her placing and asked yourself, "Where did the judge learn to talk like that?" One area of 4-H that teaches 4-H members about livestock selection and evaluation is 4-H Livestock Judging Teams. Phillips County is fortunate enough to have two livestock judging coaches and they are very excited about the upcoming judging season. Livestock judging is open to any currently enrolled 4-H member; you do not have to be enrolled in a livestock project to participate on the



livestock judging team! Practices are being held Tuesday evenings starting at 6 p.m. in the Ortner Room at the Event Center.

MQA Dates Set!

The Meat Quality Assurance (MQA) date for Phillips County will be **Monday, April 10, 4-7 p.m.** at the Phillips County Event Center. If you are new to a 4-H livestock project, you are required to participate in the training the first two years of your project. You will need to re-certify when you are 12 and again when you are 15. The exception to the rule is the market swine project. Market swine members will need to take MQA/PQA each year he/she is a junior in 4-H. At ages 12 and 15, market swine members are eligible to “test out.” Please contact the Extension office if you have questions about this. Livestock projects that require MQA training include: beef, sheep, swine, goats, rabbits, and poultry. Pork Quality Assurance (PQA) is included in the MQA training. If you haven’t met this requirement by **June 11, 2017**, you will not be eligible to show at fair.

Market Livestock Weight Ranges

Swine: 230-300; Lamb: 100-160; Goat: 55-110; Beef: 1000-1500; Poultry: Broilers/fryers, 3-6 lbs; Roasters, 6 lbs. minimum

Jr. Livestock Sale Thank You’s

After much discussion and consideration, it was decided to once again require that all thank you’s (general fair thank you and Jr. Livestock Sale thank you) are turned into the Extension Office prior to release on Sunday of fair. You will need to submit all thank you’s before you are able to obtain a check out sheet.

Shooting Sports

Shooting sports members: it’s time to start thinking about your email inboxes, mailboxes and the Phillips County out when your practice starts and where it will be held.



shooting sports practices! Watch Extension Facebook page to find

Project Mentors/Leaders

If you are in need of a project mentor or leader, please contact the Extension office ASAP so we have plenty of time to find someone to help you with your project.

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Van Fundraiser Update

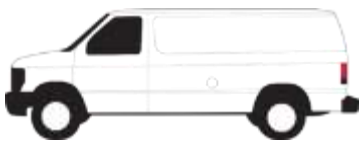
We are still working diligently on raising funds to purchase a 12-passenger van. The county commissioners are supportive of the project and we have signed a memorandum of understanding for the van title, insurance, maintenance, and usage. If you haven’t already made a donation to the project, please consider doing so! Please contact Kindra with questions about the project.

Attention Graduating Seniors

Make sure to check out the 4-H Scholarships that are available to graduating seniors. For more information go to: <http://www.co4hfoundation.colostate.edu/scholarships.shtml>.

Be Somebody Program Review

Nineteen youth in grades 3-6 participated in Phillips County’s 1st ever Be Somebody program, which was held in conjunction with the annual New 4-H Year party in December. Many thanks to the following program leaders for an outstanding job with the younger youth: Grace Gibson, Owen Knode, Kylee Workman, Brooklyn Plumb, Janessa Lutze, Ryan Tempel, Taylor Hendrix, Rebecca Owens, Aly Lock, Trent Huffman, Baylor Struckmeyer, Kylie Donovan, Morganne Kumm, and Lauren Bergner. Be on the lookout for our next Be Somebody program!



Phillips County/Jefferson County

Exchange Program

Attention 11-13 year old 4-H members! Phillips County and Jefferson County will be hosting a 4-H Exchange program, June 4-8, 2017. Details are being finalized, but we will be hosting Jefferson County 4-H members June 4-6 and traveling to Jefferson County June 6-8. We are working on lots of fun activities and tours in both counties. Our focus will be showcasing the uniqueness of each county and building a bridge between rural and urban communities. Watch your email inboxes and mailboxes for more information! We will also be seeking older 4-H members to help with activities/tours and adults to help chaperone.

Beef and Hog Show and the Sheep and Goat Show

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Don't forget! Phillips County 4-H is on Facebook!
4-H and general Extension updates

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GOLDEN PLAINS AREA 4-H NEWSLETTER

- 1.....Calendar of Events
- 2.....Hunter Safety Class
- 2.....4-H Scholarships
- 2.....State 4-H Conference
- 2.....Colorado State Western Heritage Contest
- 2.....Be Somebody!
- 3.....Getting Information
- 3.....Record Books and Project Requirements
- 3.....Display Boards and Record Covers
- 3.....4-H 101
- 4.....How to Be a Great 4-H Parent
- 4-5.....Don't Come Up Short on Your Swine Project
- 6.....MQA Certification/Recertification Workshops
- 7-8.....Kit Carson Count
- 9-10.....Phillips County
- 11-12.....Sedgwick County
- 13-14.....Washington County
- 15-16.....Yuma County

