YUMA COUNTY

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MARCH

- 11-12 Hunter Safety More info in this newsletter
- **24-26** YHEC and Outdoor Skills State Contest, Fruita **APRIL**
- 1 Beef nomination cards due for state fair
- 1 Swine tags and nomination cards available
- 1 State 4-H Scholarships due
- 4 MQA, Yuma County Fairgrounds, 4:00-6:30 p.m.
- 5 MQA, Wray Roundhouse, 2:30-5:30 p.m.
- 9 District 5 Council meeting, Yuma County Fairgrounds, 2:00 p.m.
- Yuma County 4-H Council, Eckley, 7:00 p.m. (prior to meeting, Friend of 4-H Committee at 6:00 and Trophy Committee at 6:30

MAY

- Dog & Horse ID forms due in Extension office...NO EXCEPTIONS!!!
- **5-7** Refashion Retreat, Pueblo See flyer for more information.
- 6 Sheep/Goat Weigh-in and Bucket Calf tagging (Open Class baby calves are not tagged.),
 Yuma County Fairgrounds and Blackham
 Residence, 9:00-11:00 a.m.
- 8 Swine nominations due in Extension office...NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

MAY (continued)

- 29 Memorial Day, Extension office CLOSED
- 31 Be Somebody! Program More information in next newsletter.

JUNE

- 1 Add/Drop Deadline for projects
- 1 Swine/Sheep/Goat nominations due for state fair.
- 3 Yuma County Progress Show
- **6** Yuma County Cake Show
- **8** Food Booth Committee, 6:30 p.m.
- Cloverbud meeting, Extension office, 10:30 a.m.
- Yuma County 4-H Council, Yuma, 7:00 p.m.
- 15 Mini Sportfishing Clinic
- **20-23** State 4-H Conference, Ft. Collins
- 25-July 2 Citizenship Washington Focus



Quiz Bowl Teams

We are looking for members to participate in Home Economics, Livestock, and Horse Quiz Bowl teams. This process is similar to the Quiz Bowls in FFA where you are asked questions and the first team to answer correctly gets the point. We will practice and then have our competition at the State 4-H Conference in June. Please call the Extension office if you would like to participate in this event.

Donated Breeding Heifers

Several breeding heifers will be donated to one of the exhibitors In the Junior Beef Breeding show at the 2017 Yuma County Fair. Intentions are to randomly draw a name out of exhibitors following the breeding show at the fair. The winner of the heifer must be eligible to show at the 2018 fair, and must show the donated heifer in that show. Before accepting the heifer, the exhibitor must declare they have the facilities and means to care for the heifer for the year. The heifer will come from established breeders in Yuma County and all sponsored by the

Yuma County Cattleman's Association, and The Don Hendrix Memorial. For more information, contact JoLynn Midcap at the Extension office in Wray.

Thank YOU

Thank You's

- ~Yuma County Commissioners for providing \$5.00/member enrollment fee.
- ~JD's Barn for supplying tags for market

animals.

- ~All of the Beef Weigh-in Help
- ~Dave Walter and Ranchland Livestock and the Idler family for letting us use your facilities.
- ~Matt Linman, Terry Seat and Pat McGinnis for providing the brand inspections.
- ~Yuma County Fairboard and Superintendents and all other volunteers for providing manpower at weigh-in.
- ~Dick Mekelburg, BJ Mekelburg, and Ed Berry for the use of the portable corrals.
- ~Dr. Tom Parks, Dean & Pam Wingfield, Travis & Shawna Fonte, and the Hendrix family for the 2016-2017 breeding heifer donations.

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Colorado Association of Fairs and Shows Scholarship

Eligibility: Applications must be postmarked by March 20, 2017. Applications postmarked after March 20, 2017 disqualified...NO EXCEPTIONS!

- Applicants must be CAFS member, member's child, or a member's legal dependent.
- A member is defined as a person who is involved and active in a fair or show which is a member in good standing with CAFS. (Yuma County qualifies)
- Applicant must be active in local county fair or show which is a member of CAFS.
- Applicant must be an active 4-H member prior to college or and active FFA member.
- Only eligible high school seniors or a graduate with a minimum of a "B" average in both the junior and senior year.
- This scholarship is non-renewable.
- College may be any creditable postsecondary school.

Contact the Yuma County Extension office for an application.

2017 Record Books

Please make sure you use the online record books for your Home Ec & General Projects. As in years past, we will use the CD for all livestock projects. **DO NOT USE THE LIVESTOCK RECORD BOOKS ONLINE!**

Display Boards

Project display boards are available for you at the Extension office for \$3.00 each. P.S. These are also great for the science fair!

Exhibit Requirements

Please look at

http://www.colorado4h.org/members.php to find information on State Fair requirements. This site also has a link to the e-records that you will use for all General and Home Ec projects. Hard copies of all of this information can also be picked up at the Extension office.

Swine Information

Swine members, leaders, or designated individuals within 4-H Clubs and FFA Chapters will need to come to the Extension office and pick up ear tags and nomination information. Nomination forms will have instructions for tagging and taking photos of your swine nominations. The tags may be picked up after April 1, 2017 with completed nomination forms returned to the Extension office no later than Monday, May 8, 2017. There will be NO EXCEPTONS. The weight range of all market swine eligible to show in the market show is from 220 lbs. to 290 lbs.

Sheep & Goat Weigh-in Information Sheep



May 6, 2017 Yuma County Fairgrounds Blackham Residence 92 feeding days

The following criteria must be met for market class participation and for selling market sheep in the Jr. Livestock Sale at the Yuma County Fair. 100 lb. min. and 160 lb. maximum. All market lambs that weigh in are eligible for the feeding contest.

Goat May 6, 2017 Yuma County Fairgrounds Blackham Residence 92 feeding days



The following criteria must be met for market class participation and for selling market goats in the Jr. Livestock Sale at the Yuma County Fair. 60 lb. min. and 110 lb. maximum. All market goats weighed in are eligible for the feeding contest.



GOLDEN PLAINS AREA 4-H NEWSLETTER

Calendar of Events
 Hunter Safety Class
 4-H Scholarships
 State 4-H Conference
 Colorado State Western Heritage Contest
 Be Somebody!
 Getting Information
 Record Books and Project Requirements
 Display Boards and Record Covers
 4-H 101
 How to Be a Great 4-H Parent
 Don't Come Up Short on Your Swine Project
 MQA Certification/Recertification Workshops
 Kit Carson Count
 Pillips County

11-12.....Sedgwick County 13-14.....Washington County

15-16.....Yuma County

