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### **Officer Training**

This year we will be holding Officer Training at the **extension office on November 17 or December 1, 2023 from 6:00-7:30 PM.** This training will be run by seasoned volunteers and youth to go over the fundamentals of the officer position. This is a great opportunity to network and set up resources for your support system.

Please make sure that Club Officers from your club are able to attend one of the sessions.



# Policy on Branding for Clubs, Project Groups, and Committees

This is a friendly reminder that any branding (IE clothing, awards, logos) for committees, clubs or project groups should be sent to the extension office for approval. It is important that we are following the branding guidelines of 4-H and Colorado State University, so we are in compliance with organization standards as well as proper representation.

Common mistakes in branding are not putting a dash in "4-H", using the correct 4-H Logo, etc. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Emily.Green@colostate.edu

### **Updates on Policies for Success**

The changes to the Policies for Success are listed below:

- Membership and cloverbud fees are \$55 for the 4-H Year
- Treasurer and Secretary books are required
- Livestock animals must be housed within county lines. Unless they reside outside the county, but have county membership then the animals can reside at their residence. Anything beyond that needs to have prior approval from the Extension Office.
- Families/youth will belong to one 4-H club (no splitting membership between multiple clubs for youth member or family members). For special circumstances please reach out to the extension office.

Link to complete document: Policies of Success

# **NEW**

#### **Band APP Communications-Shooting Sports & Tabletop**

To help with delivering clear communications, provide an updated event calendar, and send out reminders of county wide programming; I have created an app for two project areas which include Shooting Sports & Tabletop. Please follow the instructions below to join! The communication tool can be used on a desktop app and/or app on your phone. We are inviting 4-H youth, 4-H family members, and 4-H volunteers to join!

You won't want to miss this!

#### **Shooting Sports**



<u>LINK</u>

### **Tabletop**



<u>LINK</u>

# **Band APP Communications-**

### Horse, Livestock, & Small Animal

To help with delivering clear communications, provide an updated event calendar, and send out reminders of county wide programming; I have created an app for three project areas which include Horse, Livestock, and Small Animal. Please follow the instructions below to join! The communication tool can be used on a desktop app and/or app on your phone. We are inviting 4-H youth, 4-H family members, and 4-H volunteers to join!

**EPC Horse & Miniature Horse Projects** 

You won't want to miss this!

**EPC Livestock Projects** 

https://band.us/n/acaf79qek5u8s



https://band.us/n/a6ab71qfkcZ8z





**EPC Small Animal Projects** 

https://band.us/n/afaf7dq8kaxeb

### **Enrollment is Now Open in 4HOnline!**

For returning 4-H members and volunteers please remember to enroll by December 1, 2023! 4HOnline is now open for new member and returning member/volunteer enrollments! Please see user guide for step by step outline.

https://co4h.colostate.edu/resources/4ho/family-guide.pdf

### 2023-2024 4-H Enrollment Fees

For the 2023-2024 the 4-H enrollment fee will be raising to \$55 for youth members. The volunteer fee will remain at \$5 to enroll. To provide transparency I have included our budget and breakdown of costs in which we use the fees toward our 4-H programming.

In addition, if the enrollment fee for joining 4-H causes undo financial hardship on the families please remember that the 4-H Foundation can be an option to apply for funds to assist toward the enrollment fee. I have linked their application for funds below.

#### Aid for 4-H Participation

#### 4-H Enrollment Fee Breakdown

- \$15 of each enrollment fee goes to the State 4-H Office
- \$3 of each enrollment fee goes to cover insurance for 4-H programming

#### 4-H Budget Breakdown

- \$2000 for Achievement Program
- \$2500 for Chaperones and State Events
- \$1500 for Professional Development for 4-H County Specialists
- \$3500 General (manuals, record book folders, general programming supplies, volunteer recognition, office supplies, etc)
- \$2000 per 4-H County Specialist for Programming (MQA supplies, Officer Training, educational material, volunteer training, record book graders, mileage reimbursement for clinicians, etc)



### **Congratulations to Our Youth at State Fair!**



Laura Richards from Woodmen Valley competed in creative cooks and earned grand and reserve champion!





Eliza Richards from Woodmen Valley competed in creative cooks and earned champion!

Andrew Richards from Woodmen Valley competed in creative cooks and earned reserve champion!

#### **Congratulations to Our Youth at State Fair!**

Lizzie Schroeder from Greener Pastures competed in creative cooks and interpretive reading. She won champion and grand champion in creative cooks, and was reserve champion in interpretive reading!





Kaleb Gramsch from Fountain Farmers represented our county at the Master Showman contest at State Fair and won sixth place!



Isla Anderson from Trailblazers competed at the 4-H State Championship Horse Show Level III Age 14-15, and was English Highpoint Champion and earned a \$1000 scholarship to Northwestern College. In addition, she was also Highpoint Western Champion!

### **Congratulations to Our Youth at State Fair!**



Jolene Silvey from A-OK was a participant in at the State Fair in the Cake Decorating Unit 2!



Jadon Zettlemoyer from A-OK placed 9th in the State Fair Shooting Sports Competition in archery!

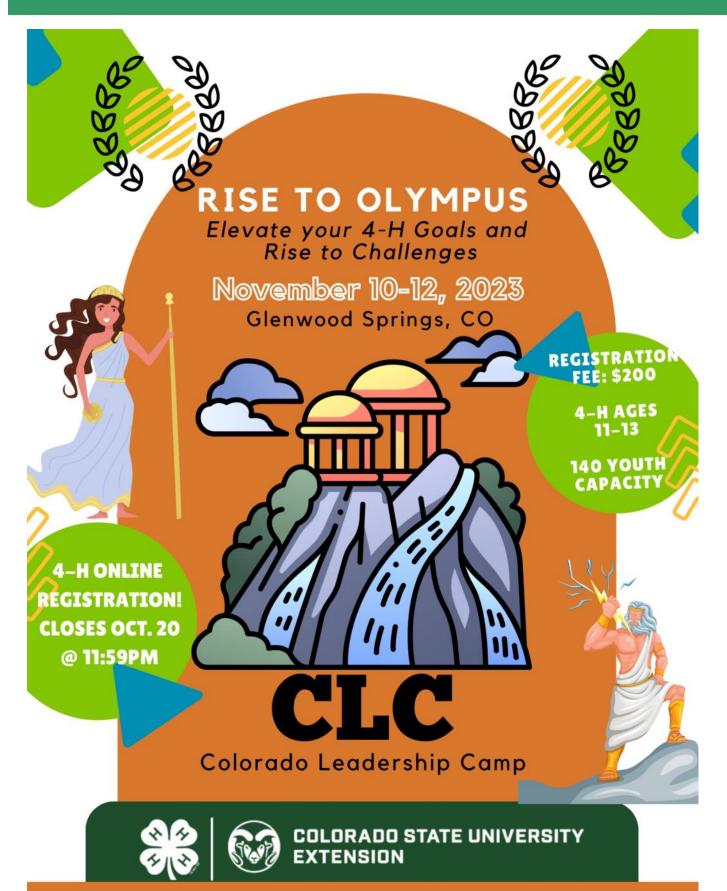
Ainsely Wyatt from Plainsmen earned Reserve Champion in Intermediate Novice Showmanship and a qualifying sore in Rally!

### **Congratulations to Our Youth at State Fair!**



Cami Kranz from Calhan Ranch Hands placed 8th in her class of 21 with her market hog!







#### **Congratulations to Our Achievement Award Winners**

#### Animal Record Book Winners

#### Dog Project

Junior Champion- Chandler Barcan from Country Style Intermediate Reserve Champion- Linnea Boynton from A-OK Intermediate Champion- Ainsley Wyatt from Plainsmen Senior Reserve Champion- Annelise Barcan from Country Style Senior Champion- Sherise Barcan from Country Style

#### Horse Project

Junior Reserve Champion- Kaydence Abbott from Plainsmen Junior Champion- Cora Hayes from Trailblazers Intermediate Reserve Champion- Emily Fiocco from Plainsmen Intermediate Champion- Landyn Kath from Plainsmen Senior Reserve Champion- Time Niemeyer from Country Style Senior Champion- Kadence Baker from Plainsmen

#### Miniature Horse Project

Junior Champion- William Green from Hitch N PostSenior Reserve Champion- Caoimhe Benn-Rothstein from TrailblazersSenior Champion- Kadence Baker from Plainsmen

#### **Companion Project**

Junior Reserve Champion- Breelyn Mears from Plainsmen Junior Champion- Scarlett VanTilborg from Pals of the Pines Intermediate Reserve Champion- Kaitlyn Painter from Fountain Farmers Intermediate Champion- Alex Nau from Fountain Farmers Senior Reserve Champion- Hailey Rodriguez from Fountain Farmers Senior Champion- Alexis Browner from Fountain Farmers

#### Livestock Project

Junior Reserve Champion- McKenlee Barnes from Hitch N Post Junior Champion- Tryan Goss from Hitch N Post Intermediate Reserve Champion- Cole Spurlock from Grand Drive Intermediate Champion- Caeden Goggin from Hitch N Post Senior Reserve Champion- John Turner as an Independent Senior Champion- Hadley Buchanan from Golden Prairie

#### **Congratulations to Our Achievement Award Winners**

#### Secretary Record Books

Jr Champion- Lariah Warrick from Pals of the Pines Int Champion- Kaylie Zeiger from Calhan Ranch Hands Int Reserve Champion- Cheyenne Manyik from Plainsmen Sr Champion- Elizabeth Schroeder from Greener Pastures Sr Reserve Champion- Katrina Brinkman from Grand Drive

#### Treasurer Record Books

Jr Champion-\_Jessa Boynton from A-OK Int Champion- Cole Spurlock from Grand Drive Int Reserve Champion- Cami Kranz from Calhan Ranch Hands Sr Champion- Daniel Anderson from Pals of the Pines Sr Reserve Champion- Clare Edwards from Wildcats

#### Historian Record Books

Jr Champion- Lillian & Gabrielle Ramos from 4 Bits Int Champion- Gwen Gray-Reno from Angel Fire Int Reserve Champion- Nick Wilmeth from Pals of the Pine Sr Champion- Alexia Moore from Golden Prairie Sr Reserve Champion- Hunter King and Grace Candela from Grand Drive

#### Premier Horse Exhibitor

Junior- Kaydence Abbott from Plainsmen Intermediate- Landyn Kath from Plainsmen Senior- Isla Anderson from Trailblazers

#### Horse Project Sportsmanship & Superhorse Award

Contessa Baker from Plainsmen

#### Premier Miniature Horse Exhibitor

Junior- William Green from Hitch N Post Intermediate- Arilynn Johnson from Fountain Farmers Senior- Isla Anderson from Trailblazers

#### **Congratulations to Our Achievement Award Winners**

#### Miniature Horse Sportsmanship Award

Kadence Baker from Plainsmen

#### Mightiest Miniature Horse Award

Isla Anderson from Trailblazers

#### Livestock Rate of Gain

Beef Rate of Gain Champion: Jolenne Durham from Ramblin Wranglers
Beef Rate of Gain Reserve Champion: Marshall Crippen from Show Squad
Goat Rate of Gain Champion: Annabella Moore from Golden Prairie
Goat Rate of Gain Reserve Champion: Kaleb Gramsch from Fountain Farmers
Sheep Rate of Gain Champion: Landyn Kath from Plainsmen
Sheep Rate of Gain Reserve Champion: Cole Spurlock from Grand Drive

#### Livestock Carcass

Champion Market Beef: Brayden Glover from Show Squad Reserve Market Beef: Carly Carneal from Ramblin Wranglers Champion Market Goat: Angelina Giuang from Angel Fire Reserve Champion Market Goat: Annabella Moore from Plainsmen Champion Market Sheep: Kole Stuke from Calhan Ranch Hands Reserve Champion Market Sheep: Ansley Gresham from Calhan Ranch Hands Champion Market Swine: Charlee Barnes from Hitch N Post Reserve Champion Market Swine: Brock Burnside from Show Squad Swine Trifecta Champion: McKenlee Barnes from Hitch N' Post Reserve Champion: Connor McCoy from Winner's Edge Third: Moriah Hudson from 4 Bits Livestock Supreme Award Champion Swine: Brock Burnside from Show Squad Reserve Champion Swine: Charlee Barnes from Hitch N Post Champion Beef: Tryan Goss from Hitch N Post Reserve Champion Beef: Carly Carneal from Ramblin Wranglers Champion Goat: Lexi Vrabec from Winner's Edge Reserve Champion Goat: Cole Spurlock from Grand Drive Champion Sheep: Lexi Vrabec from Winner's Edge Reserve Champion Sheep: Lexi Vrabec from Winner's Edge

#### **Congratulations to Our Achievement Award Winners**

#### Livestock Producer Awards Market Goat: Ashton Stephens from Calhan Ranch Hands Market Sheep: Lexi Vrabec from Winner's Edge Market Beef: Wyatt Crippen from Show Squad Market Swine: Hunter Harvey from Hitch N Post Livestock Premier Exhibitor Beef Project - Tryan Goss from Hitch N Post Goat Project – Kaleb Gramsch from Fountain Farmers Sheep Project – Lexi Vrabec from Winner's Edge Swine Project - Riley Spurlock from Calhan Ranch Hands Dog Project Awards Versatile Handler: Linnea Boynton from A-OK Versatile Dog: Lillian Ramos and Ranger Camelid Awards The Triumph Award- Miguel Cantu from Fountain Farmers The Most Improved Award- Ruby Kragel from Grand Drive The Service Award- Ruby Kragel from Grand Drive The High Achiever Award- Kaitlyn Painter from Fountain Farmers Supreme Market Rabbit Award Arilynn Johnson from Fountain Farmers Supreme Market Fowl Award Champion: Gwen Gray-Reno from Angel Fire Reserve Champion: Mesa Niehus from Greener Pastures Third: Cami Kranz from Calhan Ranch Hands Poultry Skill-A-Thon Cami Kranz from Calhan Ranch Hands Small Animal Premier Exhibitor Poultry Project – Gwen Gray-Reno from Angel Fire Rabbit Project - Grace Candela from Grand Drive Llama/Alpaca Project - Kaitlyn Painter from Fountain Farmers Dog Project - Fionn Benn-Rothstein from Trailblazers

#### **Congratulations to Our Achievement Award Winners**

#### Shooting Sports Outstanding Sportsmanship

Connor McCoy from Winner's Edge

Brock Niehus from Greener Pastures

Kiana Dungan from Fountain Farmers

Shooting Sports Member of the Year

Konner Aiona from Fountain Farmers for Senior Member of the Year

Qurt Aiona from Fountain Farmers for Junior Member of the Year

#### General Projects-STAR Award

Junior STAR Award: Elizabeth Richards from Woodmen Valley

Junior Reserve: Ruby Kragel from Grand Drive

Intermediate STAR Award: Jayna Schroeder from Greener Pastures

Intermediate Reserve: Toby Kragel from Grand Drive

Senior STAR Award: Laura Richards from Woodmen Valley

Senior Reserve: Lizzie Schroeder from Greener Pastures and Moriah Hudson from 4 Bits

#### 4-H Premier Club

Plainsmen 4-H Club

Wildcats 4-H Club

4 Bits 4-H Club

Outstanding Youth Member

Conner Holiday from Wildcats

#### Outstanding Club Leader Team

Tricia Schroeder and Charlotte Harloff from Greener Pastures

#### Above and Beyond Award

Kristen Burnside, Katelyn Robison, Trish Manyik , Dave McIntosh, Becky Chamblin, Randi Hudson, Sonya Vandergriff

#### Outstanding Project Leader

Randi Hudson- Miniature Horse

Racheal Boynton- Cat

Jackie Mead- Horse/Coach

Irsik Family- Shooting Sports

#### Travis Chamblin- Beef

#### Friend of 4-H

Justin Borders from Borders Performance Horses, Madison Ferguson from the Calhan FFA Chapter , Andschana Aljets from El Paso County Fairgrounds Staff , Lori Kelly, and Pikes Peak Cattlewomen



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### Meat Quality Assurance (MQA)

Meat Quality Assurance Training teaches the youth about the quality of meat and food products that come from livestock. Quality assurance for livestock producers means making a promise to the consumers, or the people who consume the meat, eggs, milk and dairy products, from food production animals. The promise made is that products from livestock will be the highest possible quality and producers will do everything possible to make these products safe to eat.

- MQA Training will be offered twice a year. For 2023-2024, a classroom style format will be used.
- The project areas required to complete MQA training is goats, sheep, cattle, swine, poultry, and rabbit.
- All first year 4-H members and current 4-H members advancing to intermediate (11 years old) or senior (14 years old) 4-H members must complete a Meat Quality Assurance (MQA) workshop if enrolled in goat, beef, sheep, swine, poultry or rabbit project (s).
- All 4-H members are required to attend a MQA training during their first year in a livestock/rabbit/poultry projects regardless of their age.
- This must be done at least 45 days prior to the El Paso County Fair in order to be eligible to exhibit at the county and/or state fair(s).
- Proof of compliance must be submitted to the El Paso County Extension Office.
- If the 4-H member is unable to attend an MQA workshop in El Paso County, the 4-H
  member may attend an MQA workshop in another county (information for completion
  must be sent to El Paso County office by the deadline from the county that the MQA
  training was completed in)

The first date of MQA will be offered <u>Wednesday November 29, 2023 at 6:00 PM at the</u> <u>Extension Office</u>

#### Please register for MQA with this LINK

#### Horse & Miniature Equine

#### Looking Forward To (Mini-Horse)



#### Horse & Miniature Equine

#### Sunday, October 15, 2023 @ 10 a.m. Black Forest Riding Club

EL PASO COUNTY 4-H REVERSAL HORSE SHOW

#### DIVISIONS:

- OPEN (4-H ALUMNI, EXPERIENCED RIDERS, TRAINERS)
- NOVICE
- WALK/TROT

#### Pre-Register here:

# Negister Here.



Class list:

Showmanship

Horsemanship

EquitationBarrels

Poles

Western Pleasure

Hunter Under Saddle

#### \$40 FOR ALL CLASSES OR \$5 PER CLASS

This is a fun show to fundraiser or the 4-H Horse Project in El Paso County that is put on by our Youth 4-H members. All proceeds will go back into this program to support educational efforts. Judges will be the El Paso County 4-H Senior Horse Judging Team (donations accepted in consideration of higher placing).

To pre-register please go here: <u>https://forms.gle/aUsdtQvuq9DXvdVSA</u>

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#### AWARDS:

- OVERALL HIGH POINT
- DIVISION WINNERS
- BEST COSTUME
- HIGH POINT 4-H ALUMNI





### Livestock

#### Livestock Premium Book & Sale Committee Rule Review

Please join us on **Tuesday October 17, 2023 at 6:00 PM** at the Extension Office as we discuss changes to the Livestock Premium Book. In addition, the Sale Committee will be present to review potential upcoming changes to the sale rules as well.

4-H families and volunteers enrolled in the livestock project are invited to voice their concerns and bring attention to important topics. Changes and adaptations discussed at this meeting are not necessarily guaranteed, but concerns will be addressed and considered appropriately as we move forward.



#### Seeking Swine Superintendent and Assistant Superintendents

Listed below is the job description and requirements of the position. If you are interested please submit the application and job description (signature on Page 4) by November 15, 2023 to <u>Emily.Green@colostate.edu</u>

**Superintendent Application** 

Superintendent Description (signature required)

#### Livestock

#### **Livestock Judging Team Orientation**



### **Shooting Sports**

# Shooting Quality Assurance (SQA)

For each youth member enrolled in the shooting sports project, it is required that they complete an annual SQA training. The upcoming date will be <u>October 21, 2023</u> with two sessions being offered (10:00 AM <u>OR</u> 1:00 PM). The address is 4255 Northpark Dr, Colorado Springs, CO 80907. Please use the links below to sign up.

Session 1- 10:00 AM

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040F45ABA62AA0FA7-44456970-102123#/

Session 2– 1:00 PM

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040F45ABA62AA0FA7-44457210-102123#/

### **October Shooting Sports Practices**

OCTOBER 7TH -PISTOL, RIFLE, MUZZLE <u>HTTPS://WWW.SIGNUPGENIUS.COM/GO/9040F45ABA62AA0FA7-44527531-100723#/</u> OCTOBER 12TH- ARCHERY <u>HTTPS://WWW.SIGNUPGENIUS.COM/GO/9040F45ABA62AA0FA7-44526459-101223#/</u> OCTOBER 15TH- SILHOUTTE, MUZZLELOADER GONG, AND ARCHERY <u>HTTPS://WWW.SIGNUPGENIUS.COM/GO/9040F45ABA62AA0FA7-44528150-101523#/</u> OCTOBER 19TH- RIFLE <u>HTTPS://WWW.SIGNUPGENIUS.COM/GO/9040F45ABA62AA0FA7-44526415-101923#/</u> OCTOBER 26TH- PISTOL HTTPS://WWW.SIGNUPGENIUS.COM/GO/9040F45ABA62AA0FA7-44526373-102623#/

### **November Shooting Sports Practices**

NOVEMBER 4TH -PISTOL, RIFLE, MUZZLE <u>HTTPS://WWW.SIGNUPGENIUS.COM/GO/9040F45ABA62AA0FA7-44527674-110423#/</u> NOVEMBER 9TH– ARCHERY <u>HTTPS://WWW.SIGNUPGENIUS.COM/GO/9040F45ABA62AA0FA7-44527145-110923#/</u> NOVEMBER 16TH– RIFLE HTTPS://WWW.SIGNUPGENIUS.COM/GO/9040F45ABA62AA0FA7-44527147-111623#/

### **Small Animal**

# **POCKET PETS**

Do you have a small pet at home? Come learn about the Pocket Pet Project at one of our monthly meetings!

#### PET CLASSES:

- ✓ Reptiles
- ✓ Small Mammals
- ✓ Invertebrates
- Amphibians
- ✓ Aquatics
- ✓ Rescued
- 🗸 Avian

#### SUPERINTENDENT CONTACTS

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 Cassandra Rodriguez
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### Small Animal



This project will expand participants knowledge of pigs as we teach your pig fun new tricks and improve your pig's socialization.

Project meetings usually consist of agility, public, and harness training. Meetings also consist of public speaking and knowledge sharing about the wellness and standard needs for your loving pet.

Mini pigs include any domesticated pig breed that is bred to be smaller than the average pig. For example, mini pig breads include potbelly, American Juliana, Kunekune, Gottingen, Etc. There are 14 different mini pig breads.



\_ KIANA DUNGAN PROJECT LEADER

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### Youth County Council

### **Upcoming Meetings**

Due to the conflict with the Halloween holiday we will be holding the next County Youth Council meeting on <u>Oct 30th at the CSU Extension Office starting at 6:30 pm.</u>



#### **Other Opportunities**



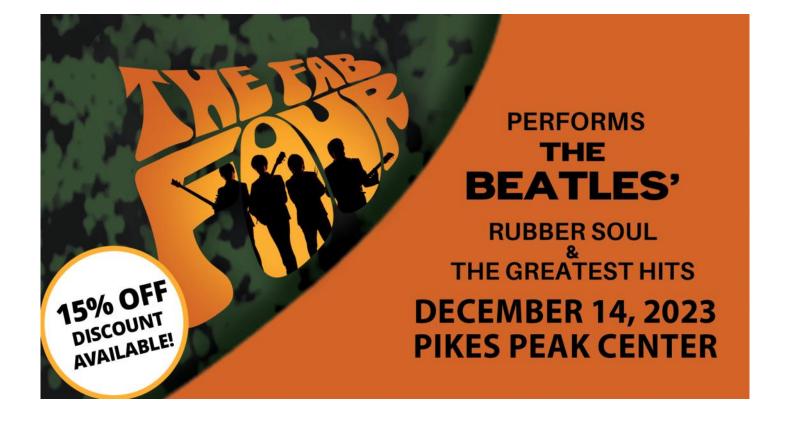
We are bringing back Fall Fest this year and are excited to offer a number of entertainment events, including Haunted Barn, Gymkhana, Trough or Treat, Vendors, Oktoberfest, Food Trucks, Live Music. Admission is only \$5.00.

We need participants for our Gymkhana, we have children, teen, and Adult age groups .

Additionally, Trough or Treat is a new event. It is essentially Trunk or Treat but with animals and their trailers. Load your animals, decorate their stall/trailer/cage etc.. costume up your furry friend if you can, and park on the carnival grounds and allow people to come see your display, vote on their favorites, and hand out candy. Every participating setup get's free admission for 2 to the event. Animals must be friendly, and safely contained, however all animals are welcome, from bunnies to cows this could be such a great different event that highlights our Ag community.

The link for all can be found here: https://www.elpasocountyfair.com/events/2023/2023-fall-fest

### **Other Opportunities**





#### International Livestock Forum

The 2024 event is the 10th Annual ILF and programs will focus on global challenges impacting the livestock and meat industry, with a commitment to recognizing that our region's agricultural commodities reach and are impacted by international markets. The attached agenda for the program is tentative.

International Livestock Forum would like to identify its youth fellows no later than mid-November 2023 and would appreciate your help in identifying members who would benefit from this amazing experience. The fellowship application can be accessed here:

https://colostate.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV 9KS7BJGqcYqDGM6



| 1:15pm: | m: Afternoon Breakout Sessions (Food & Drinks Available from 2-4pm) |            |            |
|---------|---|------------|------------|
| Time    | Breakout 1  | Breakout 2 | Breakout 3 |

| Lime     | Breakout 1               | Breakout 2            | Breakout 3                 |
|----------|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 1:30-3pm | AgNext: Research-        | Market Access Session | Tour: Tour of the CSU Spur |
|          | Based Solutions in       |                       | Campus and National        |
|          | Livestock Sustainability |                       | Western Stock Show         |
|          |                          |                       |                            |

3-3:30pm Break

| Time     | Breakout 4        | Breakout 5  | Breakout 6            |
|----------|-------------------|---|-----------------------|
| 3:30-5pm | Consumer Insights | Maximizing Genetic<br>Potential: Research<br>Update | Small-Processor Panel |