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Date: Wednesday, September 01, 2021
Time: 8:00 AM
Location: Zoom Meeting

EXTENSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA

Public Registration:

Join Zoom Meeting to be let into the waiting room

<https://zoom.us/j/92311325191>

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Call To Order

Approval of Minutes

Draft Minutes for Approval 7/7/2021

Discussion

4-H

Members: Katie, Pam, Diane, Toby and Bailey

- Developed information guides (total of 6) for several program areas involved with livestock.
- 13 Livestock workshops offered throughout the summer months (Sheep/Goats/Cattle).
- 5 separate farm visits to members with questions concerning livestock projects.
- Weekly ride nights for horse members.
- Offered a day for horse levels testing.
- Successful 2021 County Fair
 - 270 4-H youth participated in Interview Judging on August 3
 - 1756 Class Entries across all 4-H project Areas
 - Dog Trials: 145 entries

- FCS Exhibits: 138 Entries
- General Exhibits: 169 Entries
- Shooting Sports Exhibits: 135 Entries
- Horse Show: 433 Entries
- Livestock Shows: 569 Entries
- Model Rocketry Fly Day: 20 entries
- County Shooting Competition: 146 Entries
- Tabling in the McKee Building during the county Fair generated inquiries from 40 known potential new 4-H families.
- Collaborated with mobile vets around the area for vet inspections for animals entering the grounds.
- Collaborated with CSU to achieve carcass data with junior livestock entries.
- Hosted state shooting sports events 3 different locations across 5 dates.
- 2021 Open House will be held Monday, October 18th

Horticulture & Farmers Market

Members: Alison

- Emily resigned from her position effective 8/7/2021; we are evaluating the position for rehire after this season.
- The market netted about \$20,000 in revenue in 2020.
- There continues to be high demand for HOA site visits and homeowner assessments. Like Karen (see below), it has been a busier-than-normal year doing both Lawnchecks and HOA assessments. Many that Alison is doing are focused on conversions from “typical” turf to alternative turf species, as well as overall water use.
- Grow & Give has 76 registered participants and already hundreds of pounds of produce has been donated.
- Master Gardener Donna Lambert was recently featured in the Loveland Reporter-Herald!
https://lovelandreporterherald-co-app.newsmemory.com/?publink=146300de8_1345e96
- The Northern Colorado Library gardening classes continue through the end of the year; these are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 12:30pm via Zoom. Coming up:
 - September 8: The Basics of Pickling with Amber Webb
 - October 13: Fall Planted Bulbs with Alison O'Connor
 - November 10: A Horticulture Wrap-up of 2021 with Amy Lentz and Alison O'Connor
 - December 8: Evergreens and Holiday Decor with Amy Lentz and Alison O'Connor
 - Register for these classes at the CO-Horts Blog
- Alison will attend the ESP National Conference in Savannah, Georgia at the end of October; she is currently the Zeta Chapter president.

Food & Nutrition

Members: Amber

- A partnership with CSU Expanded Food and Nutrition Program (EFNEP) will hire 2 local EFNEP educators that will be based out of our Larimer County office. This meets our community needs, and includes outreach to underserved populations in both English and Spanish. Please help us distribute the job posting (in packet), ending on 9/7.
- Amber will be launching a financial literacy program series in partnership with the Larimer County Human Services department. This pilot will be an additional offering to the supportive services model offered by HS.

- In partnership with the Food Bank of Larimer County, Amber is offering a Preserving Foods with Confidence course to food bank clients who have taken a Cooking Matters course offering through the food bank. This pilot partnership is expanding on the basic culinary and nutrition literacy curriculum to include food preservation skills as well as reducing food waste in the home. The goal is to continue this offering as an add-on to future Cooking matters programming.

- Amber is working with Larimer County Health Department and Larimer County Workforce center to bring back the Food Safety Works certification offering to county restaurant workers. FSW is a commercial food safety course developed by CSU campus that carries a two year certification.

Ag & Natural Resources

Members: Karen

- The last Native Plant Master course will be taught in August. Most courses and classes were filled and participants were happy to have the opportunity to take classes this year!

- It has been a busier year than normal conducting small acreage site visits. I have gone out on over 20 site visits and more than half have been new small acreage property owners. With more and more people new to small acreage ownership, this trend will only continue.

- I visited the research plots in the Cameron Peak burn area for the two CSU Extension interns I am mentoring. CSU Source mentioned both projects in the August 2 publication. If you would like to read more, the articles are, "CSU Mountain Campus update" and "Former wildland firefighter teaches, conducts research on record-breaking fires": <https://source.colostate.edu/cameron-peak-fire-one-year-later/>

- Two radon awareness programs will be held in Spanish on September 16 and September 21. These are the first programs offered by Extension that will be given in Spanish.

Community Development

Members: Sue and Lisa

- Sue welcomed Cheryl Noble to LCE in the role of Community Development Coordinator. Cheryl had been doing contract work with LCE as the Senior Access Points and Market Days! Project Coordinators for over a year while she was at the Partnership for Age-Friendly Communities. She brings significant outreach, volunteer management, and communications experience to our office. Assessment findings pointed to the importance of expanding our aging work, addressing social isolation and supporting mental health, particularly among rural communities. Cheryl will support our work in these and other areas.

- Sue and Cheryl are working on rebuilding the Senior Access Points leadership team, re-amping outreach efforts, and redesigning the SAP website which should be ready to launch at the end of Aug. SAP will be featured on KRFC through interviews, PSAs, service announcements and a new web-based resources hub in the months of Sept and Oct. as a result of a new partnership and grant with NextFifty Initiative.

- Sue and Lisa (along with two community partners) have completed a Mindfulness for Community Leaders curriculum that will be piloted with FLTI alumni in September. The program will be 9 weeks and will include in-person (hopefully) and online self-study modules and will conclude with a graduation celebration. The pillars include Foundations of Mindfulness, Interpersonal Connection, Trauma Resilience and Appreciation of Culture.

- Sue is partnering with the CO School of Public Health and serving as a preceptor this semester for two MPH Capstone students to conduct a health assessment for Extension in preparation for the rural health initiative that the CSU Board of Governors have funded to address mental health, healthy aging and preventive health throughout CO. Various assessments will be focused on Extension health workforce, Extension national peer programs, training and capacity building, health system partnerships, and health program evaluation.

- Sue is developing a Bohemian Fund proposal (\$30,000) to implement a new Health Navigator program for Market Days! in which a part-time navigator would support low-income older adults in three areas: social isolation, food insecurity, and resource access.

- Lisa and Laura continue to serve as Ambassadors in English/Spanish for the LCFM on the first Saturdays of the month as well as the first and last markets.

- 14 participants graduated from the Mi Voz FLTl Civic Learning Lab. A copy of the graduation booklet which includes an overview of the projects is in the drive.
- La Familia has been awarded a grant to provide the Mi Voz FLTl Civic Learning Lab in collaboration with FLTl Larimer County for the next two years.
- Lisa is currently serving as a steering committee member for the Local Foods, Local Places (LFLP) project. LFLP is a federal partnership program that supports community-led efforts to reinvest in existing neighborhoods, protects the environment, and improves residents' health and quality of life through the development of the local food economy.
- In light of the pandemic and youth on Zoom, FLTl has developed a youth curriculum that is 10 weeks long vs 20 weeks. Both Lisa and the youth FLTl facilitators were trained on the curriculum August 25th.

Staff Presentation

Presenter: Karen Crumbaker, Ag and Natural Resources Agent

- SAM/Wildfire/NPM/Radon updates

Information Items

CSU Extension Strategic Guidance Document (V8)

Strategic Guidance Internal Goals

SG Budget Requests

SG Overview Final

MI VOZ Leadership Lab

Nutrition Education Flyer

Discussion

- 2021 Larimer County Fair
 - Livestock and Open Class
 - Use of Fair Entry software for registration
- 2021-2026 Larimer County CSU Extension Strategic Guidance
 - One page summary
 - Executive Summary
 - Goals and objectives
- Review and discuss budget requests to jump start the plan

Action

- Recommendation to approve or make changes to the 2021-2026 Larimer County CSU Extension Strategic Guidance plan

- Board elections - Chair and Vice Chair

Other Business

- Trends and issues you see in the community to share? Other items?

Next Meeting Scheduled

11/3/2021: 8:00am - 10:00am

Adjourn