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## Yuma County Employees Newsletter

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## April 7-13 is National Volunteer Week

April 7 marks the beginning of National Volunteer Week. Small communities like ours depend upon volunteer efforts from all of us to ensure the same level of growth and progress as our larger community counterparts. Whether it's coaching a youth sports team, leading a 4H group, volunteering on a fire or EMS service, serving on a board or even starting your own charitable organization, we thank all of our county partners for the time they contribute to our communities through volunteer service.

## Health Fair Opportunities

Spring brings with it many things, including Health Fair Season. The Wray Community Health Fair has been scheduled for Saturday, April 27 at the WRAC. Before the Health Fair, blood draws will be held at Idalia Cornerstone on March 26 from 7:00-9:00 am and at the Wray Hospital every weekday from April 1-19th from 6:00-9:00 am. Costs are \$30 for a chem panel, \$15 for A1C, and \$20 for PSA. Appointments are encouraged and can be scheduled at 332-4811.

Employees with County Health Pool medical insurance coverage are incentivized to utilize Health Fair services. If you're not familiar with how to utilize your Health Fair benefits, contact the Commissioners' Office for more information.

### First Quarter New Employees

*Jason Allacher, Sherriff's Office*

*Matt Allacher, Sheriff's Office*

*Perla Brown, Clerk's Office*

*Todd Combs, Sheriff's Office*

*Larry Gilliland, Sheriff's Office*

*Kara Hoover, Human Services*

*Jessica Paz, Road & Bridge*

*Shannon Petterson, Sheriff's Office*

*John Standley, Road & bridge*

*Zach Starks, Road & Bridge*

*Bryan Weese, Road & Bridge*

*Matt Yost, Sheriff's Office*

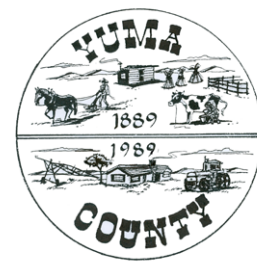


"Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in."

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## Tax Deadline Approaching

April 15 is most generally the tax deadline that springs to mind, but it's not the only April deadline for tax payments. April 30 is the deadline for full year property tax payments at the Yuma County Treasurer's Office. Payments can be made at the Treasurer's Office or online through the Treasurer's website at <http://yumacounty.net/treasurer/>.



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## Assessor's Office Preparing Notices of Value

Each year the Yuma County Assessor's Office sends notices of value to property owners by May 1. Being an odd year, 2019 is a reappraisal year, meaning the Assessor's Office is preparing an analysis of appraisals across the county. The Assessor and her staff work closely with the public during the month of May to answer questions and address concerns associated with the valuations assigned to properties.

Following a discussion with the Assessor, some property owners may opt to file an appeal of the valuation, which should be submitted to the Assessor's Office.

A senior residential property tax exemption may be available for Yuma County residents who meet the following criteria: aged 65 as of January 1 of the current year, have lived in their home for 10 consecutive years as of January 1 of the current year, and who have owned their home for 10 consecutive years as of January 1 of the current year. Employees and residents with questions on the exemption are encouraged to visit the Assessor's website at <http://yumacounty.net/assessor/> or stop by the Assessor's office for more information.

### Extension Office Offers Community Involvement

As one pillar of the local CSU Extension Office branch prepares to wrap up the health-focused Healthier Weigh Challenge in the first week of April, another begins a series of events designed to match local kids with unexplored areas of interest.

Local 4H Agent JoLynn Midcap has recently begun hosting a series of events called Try it Tuesday. Once a month on a Tuesday evening, Midcap arranges an unexpected hands-on activity for area youth to get a sense of what possibilities are available to explore in the wonderful world of 4H.

Events are designed for 4H members to identify opportunities for new projects and areas of interest as well as for non-4H members to get an idea of the vast array of projects available. April's activity focuses on robotics. Keep an eye on the Yuma County 4H Facebook page (link below) for updates and additional opportunities to take advantage of all that Yuma County 4H does for our local kids.

[https://www.facebook.com/yumacountycolorado4h/?ref=br\\_rs](https://www.facebook.com/yumacountycolorado4h/?ref=br_rs)

### Phillips County Loses a Legend

Yuma County was saddened by the recent and sudden loss of neighboring County Administrator Randy Schafer. Randy was not only a good neighbor, but through a career spanning over 40 years, he directly contributed to and assisted in the success of various aspects of Yuma County Operations. Our hearts go out to the Phillips County Government as they pull together to heal and move forward from such a difficult loss.

#### Dates to Remember:

- 4-1 Wray Blood Draws Begin
- 4-5, 4-19 Payables Deadlines
- 4-7 National Volunteer Week Begins
- 4-15 BOCC Meeting
- 4-15 Payroll Deadline
- 4-30 BOCC Meeting

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