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Colorado's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives Junior Livestock Sale

Honors Colorado's 4H & FFA Youth

PUEBLO, Colo. – The annual *Colorado's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives Junior Livestock Sale* at the Colorado State Fair has come to a close. According to preliminary totals, the 2014 sale accumulated approximately \$480,950 from the state's most dedicated bidders. Last year's sale totaled \$452,424. The sale is instrumental in supporting the future of Colorado's agribusiness as it demonstrates to youth the importance of raising quality livestock and the work required of those who pursue careers in agriculture.

"This sale is the culmination of long hours and dedicated work by Colorado's 4-H and FFA exhibitors. Over the past 35 years, the Colorado State Fair Junior Livestock Sale has raised over \$8,734,600 for the youth involved in these programs. They truly are tomorrow's agricultural leaders," said State Fair General Manager, Chris Wiseman.

“We would also like to thank the generous bidders for their participation. Their participation helps make this sale a success,” said Jeanne Robison, State Fair Livestock Coordinator.

PRELIMINARY results are available at <http://www.coloradostatefair.com/p/events/244>.

Grand & Reserve Champion	Exhibitor Name & Hometown	Buyer	Bid
Grand Beef	Vada Vickland, Longmont, CO	Sam Brown & Family	\$59,000
Reserve Beef	Baylor Buck, Wray, CO	Denver Rustlers	\$21,000
Grand Hog	Cassie Chapin, Akron, CO	Anadarko Petroleum, Co.	\$30,000
Reserve Hog	Brooke Stromberger, Iliff, CO	Sam Brown & Family	\$20,000
Grand Lamb	Cameron Pugh, Byers, CO	Denver Rustlers	\$15,000
Reserve Lamb	Darren McLaughlin, Craig, CO	Sam Brown & Family	\$11,000
Grand Goat	Lacey McCurry, Pueblo, CO	TIC Southwest	\$5,750
Reserve Goat	Ben Weinroth, Sedalia, CO	Southwest Motors	\$3,250
Grand Rabbits	Alyssa Weigel, Castle Rock, CO	Friends of the Fair	\$3,500
Reserve Rabbits	Sydney Baty, Loveland, CO	Legacy Bank	\$3,000
Grand Chickens	Jerica Hernandez-Husher, Boone, CO	Fair Ladies	\$2,000
Reserve Chickens	Cole Hooker, Fort Collins, CO	Crabtree Amusements	\$1,500

The Junior Livestock Sale Committee was formed 51 years ago in 1963 through the Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce. The committee does all the behind-the-scenes work to put on this important event, contributing more than 1,800 hours of work. Anyone with livestock and agricultural experience is invited to inquire about joining the committee. Contact the Livestock Office Jr. Sale Manager at 719-404-2035.

The Colorado State Fair runs August 22 - September 1, 2014. For more information, visit www.coloradostatefair.com.

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