

4-H News to Know

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There may be a few times that both Robin and Beverly are NOT able to be in the office. We will try to keep you posted with these necessary office closures. Call before you make the trip. THANKS!

Check out the Custer County 4-H Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/CusterCountyCO4H>

Club Meetings Scheduled - Below you will find a list of the club meetings and times thru April. More will be added later:

Triple C Clovers - April 3 @ 1 p.m. at Ranchers Roost

Trailblazers - April 3 @ 1 p.m. at school.

Silver Spurs - April 14 @ 4:15 p.m. at Annex Bldg.

Market Sheep & Goat Weigh Day - scheduled for April 24, 2016 from 2-4 p.m.

Swine will NOT be weighed on this date. Any families wanting to weigh their swine projects must make an appointment with the Fair Board. A complete list of Fair Board members is below in the newsletter. Sorry for sending out incorrect information in the previous newsletters.

The Fair Board will be requiring a COOL Form for each market livestock animal. Please download this form from the county website: www.custercountygov.com/ext under the 4-H tab. This form must be completed by your breeder/seller of each of your animals. You must turn in the form at the first weigh in. (MARKET BEEF EXHIBITORS, TOO!) Please send to your breeders/sellers for their information even though we have a bill of sale or brand inspection paper on your steers.

County Fair Info - All 4-H and FFA members will be receiving a mailed packet from the Extension Office. This packet will include your fair entry forms as well as other forms that will need to be completed and returned by the deadline. We will have these packets to everyone in early May with a **deadline of June 1st** for them to be returned. Failure to complete and return these forms will result in **NON-PARTICIPATION AT THE COUNTY FAIR!!** So please watch your mail and return asap!

4-H Project Requirements - The Custer County Fair follows the Colorado State Fair requirements on all you indoor projects. These projects include: child development, clothing construction, entomology, foods, heritage arts, model rocketry, outdoor adventures, photography, robotics, scrapbooking, shooting sports, sportfishing, vet science, visual arts and wildlife. The 2016 requirements, e-records, tip sheets and score sheets are all posted on the State 4-H website at: <http://www.colorado4h.org>

Custer County Fair Board Weights -

Market Beef - minimum 1,000 lbs.

Market Sheep - minimum 105 lbs.

Market Goat - minimum 55 lbs.

Market Swine - minimum 220 lbs. maximum 290 lbs.

Market Rabbits - (3) pen, max age 10 weeks, weigh 2-5 lbs. each

Horse Meetings Scheduled - If you are interested in attending Marci

Wommack's horse meetings, mark these dates on your calendars:

Every Wednesday, beginning June 1st at 4 p.m. and will continue thru July 6th.

Gymkhana practices will be held at 6 p.m. these same days. If there is bad weather, the practice will be held the next day.

Add/Drop Deadlines - 4-H members - don't forget your project deadlines: If you want to add or drop an indoor project (those judged in the home ec building) the deadline is May 1st. For livestock and animal projects, the deadline is the first weigh in for those animals. Horse and Dog projects, the deadline is also May 1st.

Horse Certificates - are due to the Extension Office by May 1st. This certificate must be completed for each horse that you may use for your project at the county fair. Certificates may be copied from the Horse Record Book or stop

by the office for blank copies. If leasing your horse, we will also need a copy of the lease agreement with the Horse Certificate.

Dog Health Certificates - are due to the Extension Office by May 1st. This certificate must be completed for each dog that you may use for your project at the county fair. Certificates may be copied from the Dog Record Book or stop by the office for a blank copy.



Congratulations to all clubs, members and parents that worked at the Carnival. The Carnival was once again a great success! The clubs and pizza sales amounted to \$734.00. The club proceed checks will be sent out soon. Check out the Custer County 4-H Facebook page for some of the pictures that were taken during the



CUSTER COUNTY FAIR
JULY 8TH - 17TH 2016

Your Fair board

President - Alisha Shy

Vice President - Lynetta Gillmore

Secretary - Marlissa Gonzalez

Treasurer- Donna Hood.

4-H Youth Representative - Keli Smith

Members at large include Sue Roberson, Duane Foster, Diane Rose, and Audrey Gluschke. Lia Coleman, FFA Advisor and Robin Young, 4-H Agent are ex-officio to the board.

The meetings are held every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 5:30 at the Annex. Meetings are open to everyone. Thanks to all of you who work hard to putting on the Custer County Fair!

Fremont County 4-H is sponsoring an NRA Range Safety Officers' training (RSO) on Saturday, April 23. It will be held at our 4-H Building, 1595 S. 9th St. in Canon City from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Learn to safely run shooting sports ranges, watch for safety infractions, write and follow an SOP plan. Cost is \$100 which includes lunch and all necessary materials. Register by April 18 by phone (719-276-7390) or email (verla.noakes@fremontco.com). NRA RSO certification will be earned.

Congratulations to all the 4-H Public Speaking Contestants!



Impromptu – (Intermediates) Justice Saraceno 1st, Eryn Lemoine – 2nd, Kaya Huffman 3rd

Presentation – (Intermediates) Justice Saraceno 1st

Prepared – (Junior) Jolene Mullett – 1st, Ben Stafford – 2nd; (intermediate) Justice Saraceno 1st

Impromptu – (Sr.) Keli Smith – 1st, Grace Flynn – 2nd, (intermediate) Brooke Flynn – 1st, Sheyenne Shy – 2nd, Ben Penkoff – 3rd, Eryn Lemoine – 3rd, Kyleigh Martin – 4th, Kaya Huffman – 5th, and Jessica Smith – 6th. (Junior) Jesse Mullet – 1st, Brylee Shy – 2nd.

Grand/Reserve Champion for age division:

Senior – Keli Smith, Reserve – Grace Flynn

Intermediate – Justice Saraceno, Reserve – Brooke Flynn

Junior – Ben Stafford, Reserve - Jesse Mullett

Great job everyone!!

Sale Committee Members – These ladies are working diligently to make this one of the best Jr. Market Livestock Sales ever! Please lend them your support!!

Deborah Fischer

Karalee Rowley

Ilene Squire

Lia Coleman

Brianna Livengood

List of Leaders – below is a list of current club and project leaders:

Janet Freeburg – Silver Spurs Club Co-Leader

Marci Wommack – Silver Spurs Club Co-Leader and Horse Project Leader

Alisha Shy – Trailblazers Club Leader

McKenzie Huffman – Triple C Clovers Club Leader

Bill Baker – Shooting Sports - .22 Rifle and Shotgun project Leader

Greg Watkins – Shooting Sports – Archery Project Leader

Audrey Gluschke – Resource Leader

Lisa Behrman – Horse Leader

Katie Smith – Resource Leader

Hailey Felks – Horse Leader

Donna Hood – Resource Leader

Cheryl Laramore – Resource Leader

Jake Shy – Horse Project Leader

Archery Safety Meeting/Practice Sessions – The safety meeting was held on April 2nd. If you were not able to attend, please call Greg Watkins, the archery leader to schedule a make-up class. The practice sessions will be held at the Cowboy Church on Saturday's at 9 a.m.

Gun Safety Meeting – scheduled for April 7th at the Annex. Practices will be held on Fridays at the Sangre Shooting Sports Range at 9 a.m.

Horse Info- Hi again horse project participants! As we are getting our ducks in a row for setting up a GREAT horse program for 2016, we have decided on a couple of changes since my last e-mail and additions to the program.

First – PRACTICES – The new schedule will look like this:

FRIDAYS! – All four of our leaders will be at one practice so you can either work individually with them or as a group. This will make it easier on you, your parents, and your horse to come to town and maximize your time with each leader. They will be from 1-5 pm. Locations will vary, you will be informed soon. Dates are: April 22, May 6, 20, June 3, 10, 17, 24, July 1, and 8.

Marci will still have gymkhana practices starting on June 1st and run every Wednesday at the Saddle Club at 4pm.

Second – **MADATORY SAFETY MEETING FOR ALL HORSE PROJECT PARTICIPANTS – April 15th** at the fairgrounds from 3-5pm. You have the option if you want to bring your horse, but it's not necessary. Parents **MUST** attend this meeting too. If you absolutely cannot make this meeting, there will be a make-up meeting, but you must let the Extension office know by 12pm on April 14th. There will be a lot to cover so please make every effort to attend.

Third – We will be having a **FUN SHOW** on June 4th at the Cowboy Church. Please see the attached flyer for information.

The Ford Truck Raffle is back again. Any Club can sell tickets to raise money for their club. You will need to come to the Extension office to get tickets and each stub needs to be accounted for.



***You should sell raffle tickets because:**

It is a great fundraiser: Club will receive 50% back (plus bonuses!!) of proceeds raised, there is nothing to order and/or deliver, all expenses are paid by the Foundation, and prizes are taken care of by the Foundation.

It is a great awareness campaign: What is 4-H? Why support 4-H? What is the money used for? Become a member and join 4-H! Tell people what 4-H is all about...As you sell them a raffle ticket!!

It makes giving to 4-H fun! People believe in 4-H but don't always know how to give. Buying raffle tickets supports youth on the county level and State level.

ENTER TO WIN THE 2016



Colorado
4-H Foundation

RAFFLE

TICKETS \$5 EACH OR 5 FOR \$20

GRAND PRIZE:

NEW 2015 FORD F-150 SUPER CREW TRUCK

Plus:

11 CASH PRIZES
FROM \$100-\$1,450



Drawing will be held
September 17, 2016

CSU vs. UNC Football game half-time
Hughes Stadium, Fort Collins
Proceeds benefit
the Colorado 4-H program.
Winner need not be present to win.



Get Ready for Fair Fun Show!

*Saturday, June 4th, 2016
at the Cowboy Church*

Enter at 8:30am, Show at 9:00am ~ Pre-Registration is encouraged!

Come join us for a fun and educational show open to
Junior and Senior 4-H and FFA aged youth

Non formal show clothes- Long sleeve shirt, boots, jeans & helmets for youth in speed classes!

Classes offered:

-  Showmanship
-  English Pleasure/Equitation
-  Western Pleasure/Equitation
-  Ranch Trail
-  Reining
-  Barrels
-  Poles
-  75 up and back
-  Flags
-  Dollar Race

\$10 per person for the day!

**Ribbons & Positive advice
from the judge for each class!**

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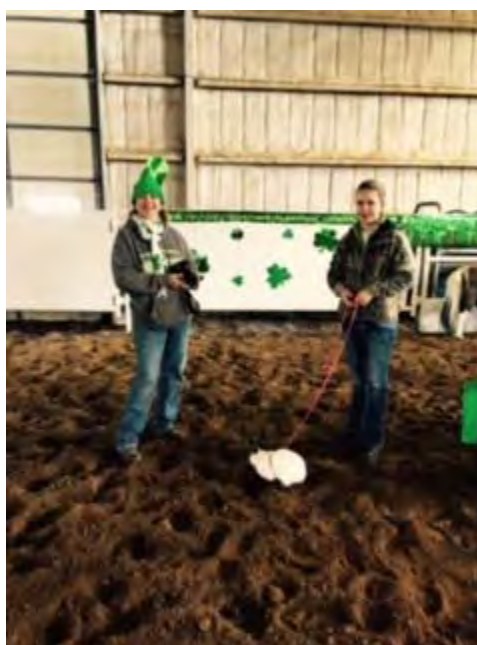
Contact Robin Young for more information 783-2514



CSU Extension programs are available to all without discrimination.

The State Fair Animal Retinal Scan is set for May 22nd at 2pm at the Fair Grounds. If you are planning on showing a Beef/Sheep/Goat project, you will need to bring this animal for a retinal scan. Please contact the Extension office for more info.

Custer County 4-H Foundation Camp – just a few pictures from the 4-H Foundation Camp. Looks like lots of kids were learning and having fun! That's what 4-H is all about!!



Colorado State University, U. S. Department of Agriculture and Colorado counties cooperating. Extension programs are available to all without discrimination. Individuals requiring special accommodations to participate in any activity, program or service should notify the program coordinator at least 5 business days prior to the scheduled event.

The UPPER ARKANSAS
COOPERATIVE WEED MANAGEMENT AREA
Presents

1st Annual
Healthy Land Stewardship
... an Open House Event

Come & go as you please. Station sessions start every half-hour & will allow for Q&A time.

Sprayer Calibration

Bring a **triple-rinsed** backpack or hand-held sprayer for assistance.



Tony Telck

Fremont County Weed Management Coordinator

Gardening

Learn how to become a more successful gardener.



CSU Master Gardeners

Revegetation & Soil Health

Learn about native grasses and cultural land management.



Rick Romano

District Conservationist, NRCS

Specimen Collection

Early detection & rapid response protocol: how to collect and submit noxious weed specimens.



Mary Menz

Teller-Park Conservation District Manager

Herbicide Labels & Recommendations

Bring a label for help with interpretation. **(No containers!)**



Larry Walker

Chaffee County Weed Supervisor

Weed/Plant Identification

Bring a plant or two for ID



Robin Young

CSU Extension Director, Custer County

For more information, contact Fremont Conservation District at 719-275-4465

What:

An "open-house" setting;
Come and go as you please ...
Visit with experts of your choosing.

You may bring:

- ♦ a clean sprayer to calibrate
- ♦ herbicide labels (no jugs please)
- ♦ plants for identification

Who:

Landowners with questions!

When:

Saturday June 18th
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Where:

Fremont County's
"Garden Park" Building
201 N. 6th Street
Canon City, CO 81212

*** **Enter in back door
off the alley.** ***

Raffle Prizes donated by ...

