

4-H News to Know February 2016

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We will continue to publish all newsletters electronically. Please make sure we have your current email address so we can keep you in the loop. If you don't have internet, we can print a newsletter for you. Stop by the office.

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>

Custer County 4-H Camp – We have 49 youth coming to our camp! That's only 14 shy of the whole enrollment, way to go! We are going to have so much fun and I'm looking forward to spending the whole afternoon with all of you! See you on the 13th!



Congratulations to our new Club Officers!



Triple C's: Lindsey Gilmore, President; Kaya Huffman, Vice President; Kyleigh Martin, Treasurer; Anna Berry, Secretary; Shelby Murphy, Jesse Smith and Paige Lorenzen are the new Historians/Reporters.

Silver Spurs: Katlyn Freeburg, President; Dalton Wommack, Vice President; Hannah Kennedy, Secretary; and Justice Saraceno, Treasurer.

Trailblazer's: Ryan Young, President; Ben Penkoff, Vice President; Morgan Foster, Secretary; Brooke Flynn, Treasurer; and Grace Moos, Historian/reporter.

You all have taken on an important leadership role within your club and you can be proud of yourselves for stepping up! For those of you who missed the officer training, please stop by the Extension office for an officer packet.

Welcome the 2016 officers of the Custer County Fair Board!

Your Fair board President is Alisha Shy, Vice President is Lynetta Gillmore, Secretary is Marliisa Gonzalez, and Treasurer is Donna Hood. 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.

Keli Smith is our new 4-H Fair Board Representative. Keli's responsibility will be to listen and learn how the fair board conducts business and give ideas to the fair board from the 4-H perspective and contribute to putting on the Custer County Fair.

The meetings are held every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 5:30 at the Annex. Meetings are open to everyone. There are currently two vacancies on the board, so if you have an interest on serving, please contact the Extension office. Thanks to all of you who work hard to putting on the Custer County Fair!

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

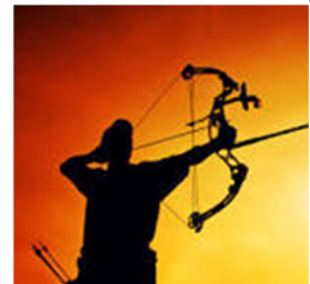
Triple C Clovers - Feb. 7, March 6, April 3 @ 1 p.m. at Ranchers Roost

Trailblazers - Feb. 7, March 6, April 3 @ 1 p.m. at school.

Silver Spurs - Feb. 11, March 10, April 14 @ 4:15 p.m. at Annex Bldg.

District Retreat – 2016 South Central District Retreat will be held at the Silver Cliff Ranch near Nathrop on March 18-20. The cost of the retreat is \$125 and covers two nights lodging, two breakfasts, one lunch, one dinner, one dance and workshops. Registration will be done in 4HOnline. If you need help with this process, please let us know and we can walk you through it. The Extension Office will need additional forms and fees submitted by March 1, 2016. Don't forget about Custer County 4-H Foundation scholarships for some of the camp fees costs. For more info, give us a call.

Archery News - We have a new leader! Although Greg Watkins is not new to 4-H, he has stepped up to be our new Archery Leader after Shannon Byerly served as the archery leader for 6 years. We want to thank Shannon for his leadership and we thank Greg for becoming our new leader. We know our youth will benefit under Greg's leadership. Be looking for Archery practices to start sometime in May at the Cowboy Church.



Hunter Safety Course offered locally on March 12 - 13. It will go from 8-5 on Saturday and 8-3 on Sunday at the Wet Mountain Valley Fire Station. Just show up and have your \$10 to pay. You will need your hunter safety card if you are doing any shooting sports. This is a great opportunity for you to get your hunter safety card locally. Please see the attached flyer for information.

HUNTER EDUCATION CLASS WESTCLIFFE, CO

Saturday, March 12th 8am- 5pm

AND

Sunday, March 13th 8am-3pm

****Attendance on BOTH days is required****

Wet Mountain Fire Protection District Firehouse

215 North 4th Street

Westcliffe, CO

Cost: \$10

Colorado law requires that anyone born on or after January 1, 1949, complete an approved hunter education course before applying for or buying a Colorado hunting license.

**Please call and pre-register with Justin Krall, Custer
County Wildlife Officer, (719) 371-2240**

Market Sheep, Goat & Swine Weigh Day - scheduled for April 24, 2016 from 2-4 p.m. THIS INCLUDES SWINE AGAIN!!!!

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.

The weight requirement for market swine will be 220 lbs. minimum to 290 lbs. maximum in order to sell.

Please call if you have any questions.



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

Janet Freeburg - Silver Spurs Club Co-Leader
Marcy Wommack - Silver Spurs Club Co-Leader and Horse Leader
Alisha Shy - Trailblazers Club Leader
McKenzie Huffman - Triple C Club Leader
Bill Baker - Shooting Sports - .22 Rifle and Shotgun Leader
Greg Watkins - Shooting Sports - Archery Leader
Audrey Gluschke - Resource Leader
Ashton Hutton - Horse Leader
Lisa Behrman - Horse Leader
Katie Smith - Resource Leader

4-H Public Speaking Event - Practices continue at 4 p.m. at the Annex Building. The four categories are: Prepared, Demonstration, Interpretative, and Impromptu. Practices are not mandatory, but they are HIGHLY recommended. This year, we are offering an open category to the general public ages 8-18 or grades 3-12 so let your non 4-H friends know and encourage them to join! Speaking Contest will be held on March 7th, location and time to be determined at a later date. Deadline to sign up is March 2nd.



4-H Calendar



MQA - March 5th 10:00am in the court house basement.



March 7th, 5pm at the School Multi-Purpose room. Deadline to register is February 29th.



March 12th - 4-H Foundation Camp at a Painted View



MARCH 18TH TO 20TH - DISTRICT RETREAT IN NATHROP

CARNIVAL

March 30th from 4:30 to 6:30 at the school multi-purpose room! Please send the Extension office your clubs carnival booth information so we can get organized.

Custer County Courthouse will be closed:

Monday, February 15th for Presidents' Day

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.