

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!

We are wishing a warm welcome to Carlan Cardenas as she begins her new position as the Custer County Extension Office Manager! She will begin part-time beginning on Monday, September 12th, working and training with Beverly until she retires at the end of the year. Stop by and get to know her!!

Custer County Courthouse closures thru end of 2016:

Friday, November 11th for Veterans' Day

Thursday & Friday, November 24th & 25th for Thanksgiving

Friday, December 23 & Monday, December 26th for Christmas

Check out the Custer County 4-H Facebook page:

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

69th Annual Custer County Fair- Congratulations to all 4-H, FFA and Open Division contestants and winners at the County Fair! Hope everyone had a great time and you are all eager to start again for the next year! The results are posted at the end of this newsletter. Again, CONGRATULATIONS!!

County Fair Premiums- All 4-H and FFA members with non-saleable projects are entitled to fair premiums from the Custer County Fair Board. If you earned a Blue or 1st place ribbon – that is worth \$8. A Red or 2nd place ribbon is \$5, a White or 3rd place is \$4 and a 4th place will earn \$3. These apply to all the indoor projects, dog, horse, breeding & dairy projects. The premiums have been calculated and are available at the extension Office to pick up. You will also get an email!

4-H Projects head to Colorado State Fair- Congratulations to all the County Fair exhibitors with their projects that qualified to go to the State Fair. Exhibits were taken down on Wednesday, August 17th. Following is a list of those projects and exhibitors with their results:

Kyleigh Martin-Vet Science-Qualifier

Kaya Huffman-Photography-Qualifier

Andrew Flynn-Robotics-5th

Brooke Flynn-Photography-3rd

Grace Flynn-Quilting-1st & Champion, Shooting Sports-9th, and Shooting Sport Competition

Justice Saraceno-Entomology-1st & Champion, & Shooting Sports .22 Rifle-7th

Katlyn Freeburg-Photography-5th, Best Photo-10th, Wildlife-1st, Champion & Grand Champion, Scrapbooking (2 page)-1st & Champion, Scrapbooking (album)-9th, Cooking-2nd, Reserve Champion, Shooting Sports-.22 Rifle-1st & Champion, Shotgun-Qualifier

Scott Freeburg-Rocketry-3rd, Shooting Sports .22 Rifle-Qualifier and Shooting Sports Competition

Cameron Penkoff-Outdoor Adventures-1st, Champion & Reserve Grand Champion

Hannah Kennedy-Cooking (101)-2nd, Reserve Champion, (201)-4th, and Visual Arts-Qualifier

Sheyenne Shy-Scrapbooking-10th

Kayla Carter-Child Development-2nd, Reserve Champion

Kenna Ingram-Shooting Sports-Qualifier and Market Sheep-8th

Dalton Wommack-Shooting Sports Shotgun-Qualifier and Shooting Sports Competition

Morgan Foster-Market Swine-2nd, 3rd and Market Sheep-5th

Lindsey Gillmore-Market Swine-1st, 2nd, 5th and 2nd Showmanship and Market Sheep

Ben Stafford-Market Swine-4th

Shelby Murphey-Market Sheep-9th

Emma Rusk-Market Sheep-10th & 4th Showmanship

Grace Watkins-Market Sheep-3rd, 5th, 6th & 6th

Katelyn Roberson-Rabbits

Congratulations!!

Market Livestock Competitions Continue- Best of luck to Lindsey Gillmore and Grace Watkins as they continue with other market livestock competitions and shows. Both are headed to Nebraska for AK-SAR-BEN competition in September. Good luck!!

National 4-H Congress – Congratulations to Katlyn Freeburg for her opportunity to attend this event. She won the Grand Champion 4-H Wildlife project at the State Fair which earned her this chance. She will be going to Arlington, Virginia in November. Congrats!!

4-H Achievement Awards Program – mark your calendar! The date has been set for Sunday, October 23rd beginning at 12:30 p.m. in the multi-purpose room at school. Each family is being asked to bring a salad (pasta, macaroni, potato, fruit, etc.) or desserts. The Custer County 4-H Foundation will provide the rest.

Custer County Cattlewomen Beef Loan Program – The Cattlewomen are again offering low cost loans to help any 4-H or FFA members with a beef project. The application is available at the Extension Office. The Deadline to complete and return the application and any documents needed is October 1st. Stop by soon to pick up your application.

Custer County 4-H Foundation Market Livestock Micro Loan – this is available to help any 4-H member with a market project. Funds available are \$500 for a swine, sheep or goat project. \$100 will be available for (2) meat pens of rabbits. Applications are available at the Extension Office with a deadline of March 15th. You must be a member of the Custer County 4-H Foundation to apply!

National 4-H Week – October 2-8, 2016

4-H Enrollment – It is almost time to start the enrollment process for the 2016-17 4-H year. Enrollment materials will soon be available and placed on the website when we get them. Families are highly encouraged to complete enrollments through 4HOnline. All 4-H members must complete the 4-H enrollment form by the deadline of December 1st. (This is for re-enrollment of previous members and any new members to join up)

The county enrollment fee is \$25 per member. This fee needs to be paid by the deadline as well unless you have talked to the Extension Office for an extension or to apply for a scholarship. The literature fees will be based on your actual manuals, record books, etc. that are ordered for any of the projects.

We are working on the end of the year process with the State 4-H Office now and they are telling us that you can go online to enroll beginning October 15th. If this changes, we will let you know. If you have any questions, please stop by or give us a call.

Upcoming Events and Camps:

Colorado Leadership Conference - CLC is for 4-H youth in grades 6th through 9th with a cost of \$120 for the registration. Join your 4-H friends at the upcoming Colorado Leadership Conference (CLC) in Glenwood Springs, November 4-6, 2016 to see how high you can soar. The theme this year is "Soaring to Success". The conference will have several hands on workshops to develop your skills in communication, teamwork, critical thinking and social skills. Delegates will enjoy building planes and flying them. Delegates will design a miniature roller-coaster to meet criteria. Teamwork is always a part of every workshop as you work with new friends and old. As a part of the conference we will build Christmas Shoe Boxes for less fortunate children around the world. These boxes will include pencils, paper, markers, small toys, etc. For more information and to register, contact the Extension Office.

Workshops for CLC are:

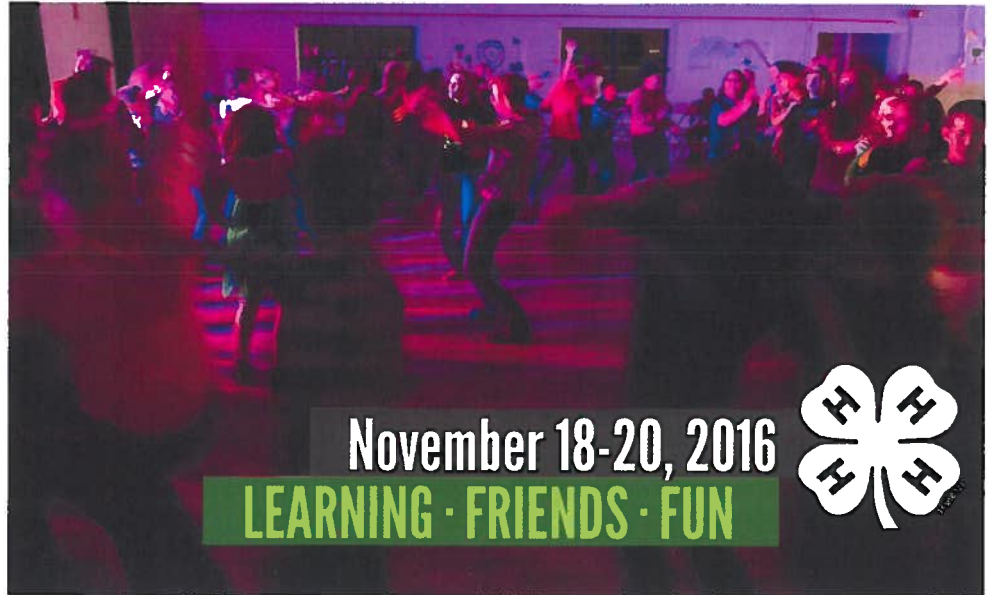
Drones & Copters: Can you soar high?

Build your own plane: Keeping afloat

Rolla-Coaster: Life has its ups and downs Operation Christmas Child: Community Service

Dance: Moving & Grooving

DARE TO BE YOU CAMP



November 18-20, 2016

LEARNING · FRIENDS · FUN



JOIN US FOR A FUN-FILLED WEEKEND OF MAKING NEW FRIENDS AND LEARNING TO BE THE BEST 4-HER YOU CAN BE!

Learn life skills and gain new knowledge through workshops, recreation, games, community service and other fun activities. This low-cost camp is a great way for youth to expand their horizons and meet 4-Hers from around south-central Colorado.



What to Bring

Bring warm clothes, sleeping bag/bedding, pillow, towel, toiletries, water bottle, and a snack to share such as pretzels, fruit or chips.



Who Can Come

Enrolled Colorado 4-H members ages 11-13 can attend Dare to Be You. Age is based on the campers 4-H age (age as of December 31, 2016).



Where It's At

Dare to Be You will be held at the 4-H Buildings and Growing Minds dorms at the Colorado State Fairgrounds in Pueblo.

Sign up today:

Dare to Be You costs \$45 per camper (plus any additional county fees). Register online using the 4HOnline system at <https://co.4honline.com>. Registration will be open from September 1 to 29 and again from mid-October to October 31.

HOW TO REGISTER FOR DARE TO BE YOU

Registration will take place in 4HOnline.

1. Login to your family account at <https://co.4honline.com/>
2. Click the orange "Continue to Family" button.
3. Scroll down to the bottom box titled "Register a Member in an Event."
4. Select the member or chaperone's name, then the event, and then click the "Register" button.
5. Answer the questions about t-shirt size and dietary restrictions, and then click through all of the annoying payment screens (there are several).
6. At the very end you will get to a screen that says "Finish 2016 Dare To Be You Camp" at the top and it will have a "Print Confirmation" button if you would like to use it.
7. Once you are registered, you will need to make a check payable to your area Extension office and turn it in to get your registration approved.

Remember, registration will be open from September 1 to 29 and again from mid-October to October 31. You must be a currently enrolled member or chaperone to register to attend.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

- Dinner on Your Own
- Check In from 5-6 pm
- Activities from 6 pm until Lights Out

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19

- Activities all Day
- Meals Provided

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

- Breakfast
- Activities until 9:30 am Check Out



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DIRECTIONS TO THE STATE FAIRGROUNDS

The camp will take place in the 4-H buildings and Growing Minds Dorms at the Colorado State Fairgrounds, 100 Beulah Ave. Pueblo, CO 81004. Please enter the Fairgrounds using the Beulah Avenue gate. The dorms are located behind the 4-H Dining Hall and 4-H Auditorium buildings.

ROBOTICS CAMP 2016– Thanks to Betsy Banks and her volunteers for another great robotics camp. Youth participants used engineering processes and LEGO Mindstorms components to meet increasingly difficult design challenges. They worked in teams and learn to make decisions based on objective requirements. They controlled their own mechanical designs with sensors and computer programs they write. An introduction to robots is used for exploration, medicine, industry, defense, convenience, and entertainment!



Thanks Betsy!!!



NEEDS YOU!

We are looking for volunteers with all different skills. If you would like to help our youth gain the knowledge and skills to become the leaders of tomorrow, then please contact the Extension office.

Project nights are coming. Are you interested in other 4-H projects? Then be on the lookout for Project nights! You will discover all about what projects 4-H has to offer! Remember, 4-H enrollment begins on October 16th and ends December 1st. You don't have to know what projects you are taking, drop/add deadline is May 1st.



The Purpose of 4-H Projects

*"Create a blue ribbon child
not a blue ribbon project."*

Life Skills Development

- Decision Making
- Goal Setting
- Planning, Implementing and Evaluating
- Accepting Responsibility
- Communicating
- Teamwork and Cooperation
- Record Keeping

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Thanks for being a part of the Custer County 4-H family!!!

Catch-A-Calf Program- The Catch-A-Calf Program will be awarding 40 steers to participants who successfully catch calves at the 2017 rodeo performances at the Western Stock Show. Youth must be 12 years old by December 31st, 2016 and enrolled 4-H members for the 2016/2017 4-H year to participate. The deadline to submit entries is December 1st, 2016. Applications are available at the Extension Office so if interested, stop by.

The Ford Truck Raffle is winding down.

The drawing will be held on Saturday, September 17th at Hughes Stadium during the CSU vs UNV Football Game.

We will definitely let you know if any of you win!!

4-H Peach Sales Fundraiser

Thanks to all the 4-H Clubs, Organizations and Project leaders that participated in this fundraiser. Over \$2,000 was raised! Congratulations!!

SAVE THE DATE!!!

**THE 4-H FOUNDATION AWARDS BANQUET WILL BE HELD ON
OCTOBER 23RD, 12:30PM AT THE SCHOOL.**

CUSTER COUNTY 4-H FOUNDATION MEMBERSHIP

The Custer County 4-H Foundation has been in existence since 1965 with the same mission; to administer and make funds available in the form of scholarships for various 4-H educational purposes and activities that will best meet the needs of the interest in 4-H work. They cooperate with all individuals, groups, institutions, or organizations whose purposes are in accord with the objectives of the Colorado 4-H Foundation. They also sponsor the annual awards ceremony to honor all 4-H members, leaders, families, and volunteers who contribute to the 4-H program.

Membership is for the family members under age 18 or (19 if still enrolled in 4-H of the current year) and the parents. Membership dues are \$25.00. Membership runs from January 1 to December 31. Membership dues are due by January 31.

Scholarship policy: If you are a member of the Foundation 75% of your camp/conference cost may be covered by the Foundation. Only 25% will be covered if you are not a member. Adult fees (50% if a member) may be covered if the Extension Agent is unable to attend.

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Thank You

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.