

4-H is a welcoming, inclusive and vibrant community where youth and adults are empowered to grow into positive and productive citizens. 4-H is a trusted community partner that provides relevant, experiential learning for all youth.

# **4-H Spotlight**

### **IFYE Potluck and Presentation**



Come and join us at our annual IFYE potluck and presentation on **Monday, March 11**, 2019 at the Arapahoe County CSU Extension Office, 6934 S. Lima St.,

Centennial, CO, 80112. This year we will host Emily Haver and she will present on her trip to Japan. We are looking forward to having her at this program. The event will start at 6 p.m. with a potluck. Please bring an item to share with the group. Families with last names that start with "A" through "L", please bring a main dish or salad. Families with last names that start with "M" through "Z" please bring a side dish or dessert. If you plan to attend, please RSVP (total # attending and what dish you are bringing) with Jean Walton at 303-730-1920 or <a href="mailto:jwalton@arapahoegov.com">jwalton@arapahoegov.com</a> no later than Friday, March 8 so we know how many to plan for.

## **Headlines**

### 4-H Foundation IVY Award Applications Due - TODAY!

The 4-H Foundation is once again accepting applications for their IVY (Important Volunteer of the Year) award. More information and the application can be found <a href="here">here</a>. The deadline for the application is today, Friday, February 15.

### **Enrollment Fee Reminder**

Today (February 15, 2019) is the deadline for leaders to turn in all LATE returning members' enrollment fees. Please turn in your Enrollment Confirmation Form, Literature Request form (if you haven't already), all animal project paperwork (Code of Showring Ethics and Animal Care and Housing Forms) and ONE club check to the Extension Office. The last Enrollment Confirmation form deadline is April 15, 2019 to account for NEW 4-H members.

If members choose to pay online: Members who pay and complete the Animal Care and Housing form online via Eventbrite are responsible for communicating this to their leaders. Leaders should account for online completions on the Enrollment Conformation form by writing "Eventbrite" in the appropriate columns. For more information on the enrollment procedure, please reference the <a href="Arapahoe County CSU Extension 4-H Enrollment and Confirmation">Arapahoe County CSU Extension 4-H Enrollment and Confirmation</a>
Packet online. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call Dani at 303-738-7954.

#### **Consumer Choices Contest Cancelled**

The Consumer Choices Contest has been cancelled for this year due to low entry numbers. Please mark your calendars for March 14, 2020 and get the word out to your club about the contest.

Beef Tag-In and Weigh-In

Tag-In for Market Beef will be held on March 2, 2019.

Beef Weigh-In will be held March 2, 2019 from 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. at the Arapahoe County Fairgrounds. Emergency date for cancellation only TBA. For more detailed information, please click here.

**Beef Blow and Go Show** 

The Jr. Livestock Committee and the Livestock Advisory Committee will be holding a Blow & Go Prospect Market Show following the Weigh-In on March 2nd. The show will begin at 12 p.m. For more information, including weigh-in times for out-of-county calves, please click here.

**Shooting Sports Help Needed** 

Help is needed from Arapahoe County Shooting Sports members on March 16th! The Arapahoe County Shooting Sports program is receiving a grant from the Friends of The NRA that night and we need to help set up, assist with stations and attend the banquet! It's a really fun time whether you are setting up or working the evening. Please come and join us!

When: March 16th

Where: Douglas County Fairgrounds, Castle Rock

We need people to fill two different shifts:

9 a.m. - 12 p.m. - Set up - this is great for juniors, intermediates and parents.

3 - 6 p.m. - helping with the banquet and accepting the grant! Best suited for older intermediates, seniors and parents.

For more information or to sign up to help, please text Kathy Euritt at 530-632-7737.

**Meeting Reminders** 

If you would like to serve on one of these advisory committees, please contact Jonathan for details ASAP.

- Livestock Advisory Committee: February 19, 7 p.m., O'Malley's
- Horse Advisory Committee: February 21, 6:30 p.m., Arapahoe County Fairgrounds
- Shooting Sports Advisory Committee: March 4, 6:30 p.m., Arapahoe County Fairgrounds
- Jr. Livestock Committee: March 5, 6:30 p.m., Arapahoe County Fairgrounds

**Shooting Sports Winter Workshop** 

February 24th at the Fairgrounds we will have a winter workshop for all disciplines at 1 p.m.

Hunting and Outdoor Skills will also meet that day and will be going outside, so dress for the weather. Please let us know you will be attending. Email <a href="mailto:katydidklv@hotmail.com">katydidklv@hotmail.com</a> with your name and shooting discipline.

### **Shooting Sports Olympic Training Center**

We have an exciting opportunity arranged to tour and shoot at the Olympic Training Center coming up on Sunday, March 17! We will meet at and caravan from Cabela's (Lone Tree) at 12 noon. Anyone can attend, but only shooters with one year of 4-H Shotgun participation will be allowed to shoot. Please RSVP to Shotgun leader Ken Read at Kendal.read@gmail.com.

### **4HOnline Leader Training Update**

Here is an update on where our clubs' leaders currently stand in the 4HOnline training. Just as a reminder, this counts towards our Volunteer Incentive Program:

- Antelope Crossing 56% complete
- Band of Bison 100% complete
- Bar C 0% complete
- Bit of Class 0% complete
- Champion Drive 40% complete
- Cove Circle Creations 75% complete
- Davidsen Family Club 100% complete
- Elk Creek 63% complete
- Highline Foxes 50% complete
- Lucky Clovers 33% complete
- Quint Valley 0% complete
- Roots and Boots 100% complete
- Smoky Hill 0% complete

#### **Open Class Living Arts Department Seeks Coordinator**

We are actively recruiting a Coordinator or Co-Coordinators to recruit, schedule and train other Open Class Living Arts volunteers for the Arapahoe County Fair. Our next committee meeting is Monday, February 25th at 1 p.m. at the Arapahoe County Fairgrounds.

This position helps recruit volunteers and works with the Arapahoe County Volunteer Coordinator to receive and accept on-line volunteer applications. Volunteer recruitment activities are mostly done from home and require the ability to send and receive email, a telephone, and transportation to attend meetings and fair activities. Recruitment starts mid-May through the fair (July 21 - 28, 2019). Background: Adults and youth enter their creations for judging, competing for ribbons, premiums and bragging rights. Living Arts competitions include a variety of culinary arts (baking, food preservation, candies, etc.), visual arts (photography, painting & drawing), fiber arts (clothing construction, knitting, crocheting and needle arts) and skilled arts (soap making, wood working, metal art and leather craft).

If you are interested in this volunteer position, please contact Kathy McDaniel at 303-919-2177.

### **Record Books**

One of the most important life skills 4-H can offer members is good record keeping skills. That is why we require members to complete a record book for every project they are enrolled in. Our full record book policy is located in the Policies for Success document posted on our website, and it is copied below. To find the record book you should be using, click here.

### Record Book Policy

- Members must complete a record book for each project the member is enrolled in, receiving a score of 70% or above.
- Please be aware that some record books have a supplemental form that must also be submitted.
- Record books for Family Consumer Science, Shooting Sports and General projects will
  be turned in at the County Fair with the member's exhibit (only if the member chooses
  to exhibit) otherwise they will be turned in to their project leader and graded prior to the
  last Friday in August.
- Record books for Dog, Horse, Livestock and Small Animal projects are to be graded by the project or club leader prior to being turned in to the Extension Office by September 4th.
- The official score sheet should be used when grading record books. Score sheets (rubrics) are posted on the COUNTY 4-H website and can usually be found on the project area pages.
- 6. Animal project record books are to be one project area per book i.e. breeding beef in one book and market beef in a separate book. Those are two separate projects so they each should be in their own e-record book. Score sheets are posted on our website on the project pages. Please put books in record book binders or thin covers, NOT 3-ring binders as they take up too much space.

Note: In the event a member turns in an unsatisfactory record book, they should be given one week to revise their record book to reach a score of 70% or higher, prior to the final due date, the first Monday in September. If revisions are required, they will not be eligible for end of the

year record book awards, but will satisfy the completion requirement.

Important - any record book due after county fair (i.e. Animal project e-records) please do not hand it in in a 3-ring binder. Something like the picture below would be a great option. They help keep our record books easier to handle, store or transport as they go out to be graded. These are available from the extension office for \$3 each, or through <a href="Shop 4-H">Shop 4-H</a> online. You can also pick up something similar at an office supply store or anywhere they sell school supplies.

#### **Activities and Teams**

As the new 4-H year begins, it is time to start thinking about the various projects and activities you plan to get involved with this upcoming year. Several fun, rewarding and educational activities are available to kids interested in Horses and Livestock (you do **not** have to be enrolled in these projects in order to participate in these activities). Below is a list of the various activities we will be having in Arapahoe County this year. These teams/activities are open to members of all ages, but Senior 4-H members (ages 14 - 18) have the opportunity to represent Arapahoe County in the State Contests in these activities. In Horse and Livestock judging there are scholarships. As always, you can contact Jonathan via email at <a href="mailto:jvrabec@arapahoegov.com">jvrabec@arapahoegov.com</a> if you need more information or have questions about any of these:

- Livestock Judging
- Livestock Quiz Bowl
- Parliamentary Procedure Team
- Horse Judging
- Horse Speech and Demo We will be having a contest again this year. Anyone is welcome to enter. It will be held during our County Speech and Demo Contests. This is a great way to satisfy your demo requirement for completion and possibly receive an award and recognition for doing it!

### **Cat and Dog ID**

The deadline for Cat and Dog ID in 4HOnline is May 1. Please take the time to get that completed. The sooner the better!





# **Project Updates**

<u>Dog</u>

Family & Consumer Science

**General & Natural Resources** 

<u>Horse</u>

Livestock

**Shooting Sports** 

\*\*Please note - the State Office is in the process of updating their website and if the links on our website do not work, this will be why. Once the State completes their site, we will then be able to update our links.



### **Deadlines**

### Registration Deadline for Speech and Demonstration Contest

March 29, 2019 - See "Upcoming Events" section below for a link to more information.

### **Enrollment Deadline for New 4-H**

#### **Members**

April 1, 2019

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Arapahoe County Dog Fun Match**

April 6, Arapahoe County Fairgrounds - for more information, please click <u>here</u>.

### **Speech and Demonstration Contest**

April 26, 2019 - Registration and more info Registration deadline: Friday, March 29, 2019.

### **Cake Decorating Contest**

May 10, 2019 - Registration and more info

### **Rocket Fly Day**

June 23, 9 a.m. We will be doing this with Douglas County. More information will be available as the date gets closer.





## 4-H Resources

4-H Policies and Procedures

4-H Leader Resources

**4-H Foundation** 

4-H Scholarships







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