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Completed Mini Arapahoe County Fair Animals (*directions at right*)

## Make Your Own Mini Arapahoe County Fair Animals!

### Materials:

3 Styrofoam eggs	Black ball-head straight pins
Tacky glue	Extra-fine permanent marker
Fluffy, curly and smooth yarn	Felt
	Scissors

**Time:** About 1 to 2 hours

### Directions:

1. Flatten the rounded end of each egg by pressing it on a hard surface. Hold this end and drizzle glue on the opposite half. Press the end of the yarn into the glue at the egg's tip and spiral it around the egg. When you reach the midpoint, cut the yarn.
2. Apply glue to the egg's uncovered half and wrap as before, again working toward the middle.
3. Cut ears, a pig nose, and faces from felt. To make ear creases, dab glue on the ear's bottom edge and pinch from the back. Pin the creases in place until the glue sets.
4. Glue the ears and pig nose to the faces and attach the faces to the eggs' flat ends. Use ball-head pins for eyes. Then draw on noses and mouths with a marker.

This project courtesy of FamilyFun.com. For pictures of the directions, go to their site and look under "Barnyard Cuties".

## Speech and Demonstration Contest

**9 a.m., Saturday, April 11, 2009** (date was incorrect in the last newsletter.)

Arapahoe County Fairgrounds

Registration Due: March 18.

This event includes speech, impromptu speech, demonstrations and horse demonstrations. Guidelines and registration form on pages 15 - 16.

### Got Talent? Strut your stuff at the 4-H Talent Show

Everyone has a special talent. If it's dancing, singing, acting or playing an instrument you can strut your stuff at the 4-H Talent Show.

**2 p.m., Sunday, May 17**

South Fellowship Church, 6550 S. Broadway, Littleton, 80121

"It's about having fun and demonstrating talents outside of your regular 4-H projects," said Shaylen Florez, 4-H Agent. "Everyone has a great time and it's always exciting to see youth demonstrate their creativity."

All 4-H'ers, ages 5-18, are eligible to participate in up to two events at the Performing Arts Contest. For categories and information see guidelines and entry form on pages 17 - 18. Help is needed for decorating - call Larry 303-730-1920.

**Registration deadline (postmarked): Monday, April 27. Late entries will not be accepted.**



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## MEETINGS

### Junior Leader Meetings

7 p.m., April 13, 2009  
Centre Point Plaza  
7 p.m., May 11, 2008  
CentrePoint Plaza

### District III Senate

7 p.m., March 23, 2009  
Arapahoe County Extension  
7 p.m., April 27, 2009  
Arapahoe County Extension

### Fair Planning Committee Meetings

March 18, 2009 – Fairgrounds  
April 15, 2009 – Fairgrounds  
May 20, 2009 – Fairgrounds  
6 p.m. for all

### 4-H Advisory Council

March 11 – Extension Office  
June 10 – Extension Office

### 4-H Horse Council

6:30 p.m., April 16, 2009  
6:30 p.m., June 18, 2009  
Location: Centre Point Plaza

## ACTIVITIES/CONTESTS

### **Adams County Judging Extravaganza**

8:30 a.m., Saturday, April 4, 2009  
Adams County Fairgrounds  
Livestock judging, rabbit judging, & Consumer Choices  
For more information, contact the Adams County Extension Office at 303-637-8100.

### **Celebrate Earth Day**

April 22, 2009  
For information and promotional materials, go to  
[www.positivepromotions.com/category.asp?c=4088&bhcd2=1235070547](http://www.positivepromotions.com/category.asp?c=4088&bhcd2=1235070547)

### **Cake Decorating Contest**

Tuesday, June 9, 2009  
Arapahoe County Fairgrounds  
Contestants must be enrolled in the same Cake Decorating Unit they are competing in at the contest.

### **2009 GPA Wild Bug Fish Camp**

June 15 – 18, 2009  
Sport Fishing, Wildlife and Entomology members, parents and leaders should make plans now to attend the Wild Bug Fish Camp. The camp is near Victor, CO.

There will be educational programs on wildlife, wildlife habitat, fishing, tackle crafting, fish environment and entomology. The camp will provide plenty of fishing, fly tying, wildlife viewing, insect catching and learning with a little camping and a lot of fun thrown in. For more information, or to register, please go to [www.4hfishing.org](http://www.4hfishing.org)

### **Save the Date - 2008 State 4-H Conference**

June 23 – 26, 2009  
More information will be available at a later date.

### **Save Your County Fair Book**

The County Fair book lists project exhibit requirements. With the exception of new projects, there are few changes from year to year, so refer to it to choose projects and plan exhibits for the upcoming fair.

### **Cash those checks!**

If you have not yet cashed your premium check from the 2008 Fair, do so immediately before they are voided. Call 303-730-1920 and ask for Karen if you have any questions.



Edwin & Rebecca Gaffney with their ribbons at Western Round Up

## CLUB FINANCIAL SUMMARY REQUIRED

**These were due Jan. 31, 2009.** If you have not yet turned one in for your club, please do so **ASAP** as these need to be on file in our office! Please have a committee of three club members and one adult (not a leader) directly related to the club do the audit for your club's account and complete the form. For more information, call the 4-H office, 303-730-1920.

## 4-H LEADERS NETWORK

**Congratulations** to Renee May, Roxanne Brockelman, Rodney Brockelman, Russell Morris and Mindi Phipps for completing your volunteer requirements!

### 4-H Newsletter Information

All newsletters, contest information, entry forms as well as all 4-H policies and guidelines are available on the following web site, [www.arapahoeextension.org](http://www.arapahoeextension.org). If you have questions about events and activities, do not hesitate to call the 4-H office at anytime.

### New Volunteer Leader Orientation

Thursday, May 7, 2009

6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Arapahoe County Fairgrounds, Aurora

This two-hour training is required for all **new** 4-H leaders. 4-H Extension staff members teach this fun and informative session. You will learn background information on the 4-H program, helpful hints for working with your project groups and much more!

### What to Do When it Snows???

If it is after 4:30 p.m. and you are wondering if a County 4-H event is canceled because of bad weather, please call the Extension Office at 303-730-1920 and listen to the recorded message. Clubs are urged to make a decision about what they will do in bad weather conditions and communicate that decision to the club members.

**To make 4-H the best it can be**, all 4-H families have a responsibility to read the 4-H newsletter and understand the information and deadlines that apply to them.

Club leaders can provide guidance to members in encouraging them to take advantage of opportunities, but families must take the initiative to know the rules and policies that apply to 4-H activities and the deadlines associated with them.

### New Natural Trail for Hiking and Horseback Riding at the Fairgrounds

Celebrate warm weather by trying out the new one mile trail at the Arapahoe County Fairgrounds Open Space! The marked trailhead is located just west of the parking area on the west side of the Exhibit Building. Currently, the trail is natural: simply mowed into the natural vegetation and is marked by stakes.

Future plans include a crushed fines type surface and connectivity with other regional trails. Walk or ride your horse while enjoying the spectacular view of the Rocky Mtns with red tailed hawks soaring in the sky. The trail leads to a creek lined with cottonwood trees. Admire the diverse native species along the trail such as the common sunflower, prickly pear cactus, and blue gamma and buffalo grass.

Although the trail is usually open normal business hours (8 a.m. - 4 p.m. M – F), it depends on staff presence at the Fairgrounds to open the gate, so be sure to call **303-795-4955** before coming.

## CLUB NEWS

4-H Club Secretaries/Reporters can submit news to the Pipeline by the 5<sup>th</sup> of each month. Reports may be edited due to limited space.

### Pony Pals

During our holiday party, we collected donations for the MaxFund Animal Shelter. Families brought things like kitty litter, dog food, toys, leashes, etc. On December 31, our group met to drop off the items and take a tour of the wonderful shelter! We learned a lot about how they help the community and the animals. It was fun to see all the dogs and cats! ~Silje Hayes, Pony Pals 4-H Club Reporter

On November 15th, families from the Pony Pals club helped to clean up and rake a LOT of leaves at the Families First facility. This is the Pony Pal's 'family' charity whose mission is 'To provide services which strengthen families and protect children from the cycle of child abuse and neglect.' ~ Mindy Trautman



### Antelope Crossing

Everyone from Antelope Crossing 4-H would like to welcome the 2009 4-H officers.

*2009 Antelope Crossing 4-H Club officers (left to right): Natalie Eastwood, Byers, historian; Devyn Plumley, Byers, reporter; Kody Hale, Strasburg, recreation and community service director; Brittney Pelton, Strasburg, secretary; Geoffrey Baker, Byers, parliamentarian; Ashley Hale, Strasburg, vice president; Dustin Williams, Strasburg, treasurer; and Christina Williams, Strasburg, president.*



"This is a really a fine group of kids with strong ambitions and leadership skills," said Marilyn Wentz, Antelope Crossing 4-H Club organizational leader. "They will guide our club well and help new members learn and grow."

In addition to leading the club, Christina Williams is president of the Arapahoe County 4-H Jr. Leaders Council, and Dustin Williams is parliamentarian of the council.

## Fashion Revue Committee

**ATTENTION** all 4-H Clothing, Knitting, Crocheting, Decorate Your Duds project participants, Cloverbuds, parents and leaders.

The 2009 Public Fashion Revue is Wednesday, July 22, 2009. Fashion Revue Judging and Workshops will be held Tuesday, July 14 and will be here before you know it.

Take a leadership role and meet other 4-H youth and leaders. Work on the theme, decorations, prizes, scripts, emcees and more.

Please call Shaylen at 303-730-1920 to get involved today!

## To Better Serve You, Please Call Ahead

When you need to see a 4-H agent at the Arapahoe County Extension Office, be sure to call in advance. If you need forms or specific literature, please call ahead so that the material will be ready for you to pick up.

As professionals, extension agents are out of the office frequently attending meetings, working on collaborations with other groups, or preparing for future programs.

Due to Arapahoe County Office Security Procedures, all individuals must check in at the front reception desk and the agent(s) or secretary will be notified that you are in the office. We do want to see and help you! If you only need to drop something off, a call is not necessary.

## Gardening Project Grants Available

The **Littleton Garden Club**, which serves Arapahoe, Douglas and Jefferson Counties, is pleased once again to make available several \$50 - \$500 grants to be awarded to service organizations in the Littleton area wishing funding to promote gardening; the beautification of public gardens by a service group or educational horticultural programs.

We encourage all types and ages of groups to submit an application. The deadline for grant application submission is March 25, 2009.

To receive an application form, and for more information call or email:

Tranga	or	Jan
303-979-8669		303-978-9000
<a href="mailto:tj@pbmexcavating.com">tj@pbmexcavating.com</a>		<a href="mailto:janr40@msn.com">janr40@msn.com</a>

Grants will be awarded at the Littleton Garden Club meeting to be held on Wednesday, April 1, 2009, 6:30 p.m. at the Prince of Peace Church in Littleton. Recipients will be notified the 4<sup>th</sup> week of March.

## ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

### Member Enrollment Deadlines

All animal projects – March 1, 2009

New members in existing clubs – March 1, 2009 (individual club deadlines may vary)

County Fair Exhibit Eligibility – May 1, 2009

*Only 2008-2009 enrollment forms will be accepted this year. 4-H'ers may enroll in one county only.*

- Returning 4-H members and leaders were encouraged to enroll in 4-H between Oct. 1 – Nov. 30, 2008.
- New 4-H members and leaders may enroll in existing 4-H clubs until March 1, 2009.
- Enrollments in animal projects will not be taken after March 1, 2009.

### Leader Enrollment Fees

Leader enrollment fees are \$5 each except for first year leaders who pay a one-time registration fee of \$15. The leader insurance is still optional, \$2 for horse leaders and \$1 for all other leaders.

### Member Enrollment Fees

4-H enrollment fees are \$25 per member for three projects. This fee covers the state membership fee, project literature and accident insurance. Each additional project is \$5 per project.

### E-Records for 2008 – 2009

E-Records are available. Please go to [www.colorado4h.org/project\\_resources/index.shtml](http://www.colorado4h.org/project_resources/index.shtml) to check the status of the E-records and to print out your E-records once they are ready. Do not use last year's E-records as they will not be counted. If last year's E-records are used, there will be a penalty applied when the records are graded.

## A Message from the State 4-H Director

As someone who had an Animal Science degree and no formal training in teaching, I found myself in a Texas county Extension office in January 1983 with the job of being an Extension educator. That was a rude awakening, but I quickly discovered something.

It was big fun to see that *light bulb* turn on over someone's head! That's what we do in Extension and in 4-H work. We turn *light bulbs* on over people's heads. We help people learn and we help people see the world a little bit differently. What a great way to spend your life – by making a difference in other people's lives. And, that's what 4-H leaders do. They make a difference in young people's lives.

I know that many 4-H leaders do not see themselves as teachers or educators. Many of you only see mission as a 4-H leader is as a *setter-upper* of tables and chairs – stop, look in the mirror and tell yourself that the 4-H members in your charge are different because of your involvement in their lives. They are different because you taught them things – many things.

Now that you understand that you're a teacher and an educator, start planning those teachable moments with your 4-H members. Plan to spring those educational traps on 4-H'ers. Don't just let them happen by accident. Make a conscious effort to have young people learn something every time you're with them. If you make an effort to be the 4-H teacher, kids will be different because of you. **Go be the teacher! Believe it!**

~Jeff Goodwin, Colorado State University Extension, 4-H Youth Development Associate Director

## GET READY FOR THE FAIR

### 2009 Fair Dates – July 22- 26

Attention exhibitors! The 2009 Arapahoe County Fair is coming soon. Go to [www.arapahoecountyfair.com](http://www.arapahoecountyfair.com) to view the schedule of events. Please check the website frequently for the most current details.

### Compete in the Fair – you don't have to be a 4-H member

Are you someone who is not in 4-H but would like to exhibit at the Arapahoe County Fair? Do you make a prize-winning cherry pie? Are you a great quilter? Do you have an artistic eye with a camera? Do you have a green thumb?

If so, then our Open Class Competition is for you! Open Class fair books will be mailed to all 4-H friends and families this month and contain all guidelines for exhibiting in culinary arts, visual arts, fiber arts, horticulture and floriculture. Pre-entry deadline is June 26, 2009. There will be no online entry this year. Submit your best!

### 2009 4-H Fair Books

The 2009 Arapahoe County Fair Book will be mailed to all 4-H families in May. There are a few changes in exhibit requirements this year. The project enrollment numbers from the 2008 – 2009 pink project list should not be used on Fair pre-entry forms. Please use lot numbers from the Fair Book when completing entry forms. There will be no online entry this year.

### County Fair Volunteers Needed!

Would you like to see displays from all over the County? Do you like to see people having fun? Do you like to volunteer? The Arapahoe County 4-H Fair is in need of volunteers this year. If you are interested in helping, or if you would like more details, please call Shaylen or Larry at 303-730-1920.

### State Fair Contests

Champions of Creative Cooks, Cake Decorating, Talent Show, etc. may enter the State Fair contests subject to contest rules and regulations. The Extension Office will contact champions with complete details.

### 4-H Enrollment Age

Any youth, 5-18 years of age as of Dec. 31, 2008, may join 4-H. All children, ages 5-7, enroll in the Cloverbud project which explores a variety of 4-H topics and is noncompetitive. Youth, ages 8-18, enroll in 4-H projects of their choice. Every member, between the ages of 5 and 18 is a 4-H member and the number of years a youth has been enrolled will count from age five or from whatever age they initially enroll.

### New Leader Requirements

In order to be recognized as volunteer 4-H leader in Arapahoe County, all new leaders, both traditional club and family club leaders, must complete the following requirements by June 1, 2009.

1. Complete and return the green volunteer application with complete addresses of three references. Project literature orders will not be processed until the application is on file in the 4-H office.
2. Complete and return 4-H enrollment form each year (white).
3. Attend one of the 2-hour 4-H new leader orientations offered at different times and locations throughout the 4-H year. Please call Shaylen at 303-730-1920 for scheduled trainings.
4. Pay \$15 enrollment fee.
5. Interview and background check.

**All returning leaders, both club and family club, must complete and return an enrollment form with a \$5 enrollment fee.**

## National Volunteer Week April 19 – 25, 2009

4-H staff wish to thank all the volunteer 4-H leaders and the 4-H Foundation members who work with the youth of Arapahoe County. Working with committed volunteers like you is definitely a treat! Please watch your mailbox during National Volunteer Week for a token of our appreciation. Volunteers are listed below.

### 2009 ARAPAHOE COUNTY 4-H LEADERS

Listed below are leaders who have completed all leader requirements as of Feb. 19, 2009. If you or someone you know is enrolled and serving as a leader but is not listed, please contact the office. Many other individuals are in the process of becoming leaders, and we look forward to recognizing them upon completion of their volunteer requirements. A special thanks also to those volunteers listed below who serve on committees dedicated to the education of youth and adults.

Janell Amundson  
Tammy Arnold  
Leanne Bowen  
Merle Bowen  
Rodney Brockelman  
Roxanne Brockelman  
Robin Brockopp  
Roger Brown  
Darlene Buglovsky  
John Buglovsky  
Rochelle Chiles  
Jeri Cretti  
Jennifer Crismon  
Marty Daugherty  
Wenda Dueck  
Daniel Einarsen  
Susan Einarsen  
Myrna Folsom  
Janet Ford  
Carolyn Fox  
Tonette Gaffney  
Ann Gamble

Chad Graham  
Marti Graham  
Helen Gray  
Paula Gurnsey  
Jessie Hagen  
Brian Hanlon  
Kelly Hanlon  
Gregory Hanouw  
Stephanie Hanouw  
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Lisa Johnson  
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Jody Kelly  
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Shelly Moorman  
Rachel Morelock  
Maureen Morley  
Troy Morley  
Russell Morris  
Carmen Moyer

Mary O'Malley  
Angela Pelton  
Kathleen Petersen  
Mindi Phipps  
Terrie Plumley  
Amy Price  
Mary Renstrom  
Laura Schick  
Kimberly Seipp  
Jamie Sketers  
Richard Thompson  
Mindy Trautman  
Jennifer Vaughan  
Steven Vaughan  
Katy Vincent  
Jean Walton  
Erna Waterman  
David Wentz  
Marilyn Wentz  
Nancy Woods  
Diane Yousling  
Karen Zareck

### ARAPAHOE COUNTY 4-H FOUNDATION

Linda Alexander  
Leigh Ann Boyack  
Cindy Camp  
Rita Campbell  
Marilyn Chisholm  
JT Choquette

Jenise Conway  
Sally Eliassen  
Loretta Hiatt  
Renea Ihrke  
Melody Kollath  
Theresa Kollath

Kathy McDaniel  
Jean Nelson  
Art Stewart  
Lindsey Vincent  
Youth Representative

### ARAPAHOE COUNTY FAIR PLANNING COMMITTEE

Ms. B. Jo Alford  
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Leanne Bowen  
Merle R. Bowen

Rochelle Chiles  
Janet Cook  
Brian Hanlon  
Kacey Johnson

Gail Mazurek  
Kathy McDaniel  
Ellie Reiser  
Katy L. Vincent

### ARAPAHOE COUNTY 4-H ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Ann Pearce  
Jeanne McWilliams

Kate Kleen  
JulieMarie Shepherd

Shelly Moorman  
Cliff Barnes

## ANIMAL NEWS

### 4-H Animal Ownership Deadlines

Members in livestock projects must be enrolled in Arapahoe County 4-H by March 1, 2009. Please note that animal ownership deadlines are **different** from the 4-H enrollment deadlines. Animal ownership must be noted in your e-records. Horse ownership/leases must be sent to the 4-H office by June 1, 2009. Animal ownership deadlines are:

March 1, 2009	Market Beef
April 1, 2009	Dogs
May 1, 2009	Breeding Beef, Market and Breeding Sheep, Swine, Goats, Poultry and Rabbits
June 1, 2009	Horses
June 1, 2009	Poultry Meat Pen

### Poultry Update

Don't forget to order your chickens now in order to give them enough time to grow before Fair.

### Guide Dogs for the Blind

This program teaches youth responsibility as well as helping the Guide Dogs for the Blind organization. Guide Dogs for the Blind are always looking for puppy raisers and they sponsor college scholarships to members who have raised a guide dog. For more information, call Dot Dill, 303-771-3428 or Carmen Moyer, 303-798-5934.

### Primary Care and Premise ID

All livestock and horse exhibitors are required to fill out the Primary Care Form which will be available from your club's organizational leader. It will also be available at the Extension Office and on the Arapahoe County Extension website.

New this year: It is mandatory for all livestock and horse exhibitors to have a Premise ID # for Arapahoe County. Call Colorado Premise Identification at 1-877-842-0102 for more information.

### Livestock Shows & Sales

For information on upcoming livestock sales and shows, call Larry at 303-730-1920.

### 2009 Horse Expo: March 13 – 15

For more details and deadlines, go to [www.rockymountainhorseexpo.com](http://www.rockymountainhorseexpo.com)

### Meat Quality Assurance Training

6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Thursday, April 2, 2009 - Arapahoe County Fairgrounds

If you plan to attend this training and workshop, please call Larry Hooker, 303-730-1920 to reserve a seat.

All 4-H members enrolled in breeding and market beef, sheep, swine, goats as well as poultry and rabbits must attend a meat quality assurance training in order to be eligible to participate at the County or State Fairs. The following rules are set according to the State 4-H Office.

1. Anyone with a market or breeding project who has not attended training must do so.
2. Anyone who was in the junior division last year (age 8-13) and moving to senior division (14 years old as of Dec. 31, 2008) must also attend a training.
3. New members with livestock projects must attend the training.
4. Swine project members must update their Pork Quality Assurance training every two years.



**Katie Wilson (above) presents “An Elizabethan Banquet at the 2009 Creative Cooks Contest**



**Amy Einarsen, Judge’s Helper, gives some pointers to 2009 Creative Cooks participant, Stephen Walton**

### **ANIMAL NEWS (cont.)**

#### **More than 100 Baby Chicks Need to Find Good Homes**

Do you want some baby chicks? With our Embryology School Enrichment program about to begin, we will have some locally grown chickens hatching in April, May and possibly June.

There may be a slight charge per bird to help cover costs.

If you are interested in obtaining some of these baby chickens (approximately 2 - 3 weeks old), please call Larry at 303-730-1920.

#### **Dog Workshop**

Do you want to better prepare yourself for the Arapahoe County Fair 4-H Dog Show? If so, attend the Dog Workshop 10 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., Saturday, May 23, 2009 at the East Wing of the Fairgrounds. Work on showmanship, obedience and rally skills. A postcard with more details will be sent out at a later time.



**Rebecca Gaffney, Governor Bill Ritter, Edwin Gaffney, Representative Nancy Todd, and Julia Gaffney at the 2009 Leadership Development Conference Banquet**

## LIVESTOCK CONTESTS

### ELBERT COUNTY EVENTS

Eastern Slope Rabbit Judging – March 21  
Dog Educational Seminar – April 18  
Eastern Slope Livestock Judging – May 2  
Dog Fun Match – June 6  
Eastern Slope Horse Judging – June 13  
Elbert County Pre-Fair Horse Show – June 20  
Elbert County Fair Dog Rally – July 24

For more information and/or to register, contact the Elbert County Extension Office at 719-541-2361.

### ADAMS COUNTY EVENTS

4-H Sheep, Wool and Goat Field Day – March 21  
4-H Livestock and Rabbit Judging Extravaganza – April 4  
4-H Competitive Trail Ride in Denver – April 5  
Adco Summer Series Horse Shows – April 19, May 30, June 28, July 18  
4-H Working Ranch Horse Competition

For more information and/or to register, contact the Adams County Extension Office at 303-637-8100.

### WELD COUNTY EVENTS

Weld County Goat Extravaganza – April 24, 25, 26  
Livestock Judging Contest – May 9 (tentative)  
Colorado Dairy Youth Extravaganza – May 31, June 1, 2

For more information and/or to register, contact Keith Maxey at 970-304-6535 x2075.

### EL PASO COUNTY

El Paso County Select Sale and Prospect Selection Clinic – April 19  
El Paso County Horse Judging Contest – May 31

For more information, contact the El Paso County Extension Office at 719-636-8920.

### Grand County 4-H & Open Dog Fun Match

July 11, 2009  
8 a.m. Registration  
9 a.m. Show starts  
Kremmling Town Square, Grand County, rain or shine.  
For more info call Grand County Extension, 970-724-3436

## Hats Off To You!

### Thanks to....

- All who participated in the District III Senate Night Owl event.
- Darlene Buglovsky and Amy Einarsen for being Judges' Helpers at the Creative Cooks Contest.
- Michelle Wilson for being the Kitchen Helper at the Creative Cooks Contest.
- Windmill Creek 4-H Club and all others who helped with Creative Cooks Clean-up.
- All those who participated and helped with the Beef Weigh-in.
- Kellie Lynn Martindale for presenting her program about Austria and Greece at the Annual IFYE Potluck.

## Preserving our Heritage

4-H members, leaders and parents are invited to share their ideas on the future needs, activities and facilities of the Fairgrounds and Regional Park:

**1-2:30 p.m., Monday, March 2**  
**Arapahoe County Fairgrounds - Paintbrush Room**  
**25690 East Quincy Ave., Aurora 80016**

The information gathered will be used to develop a master plan for the future of the Fairgrounds and Regional Park.

If you can't make it, you are welcome to attend one of the 7 p.m. public meetings:

- **March 2** - Arapahoe County Administration Building – East Hearing Room, 5334 S. Prince St, Littleton, 80166
- **March 3** - Arapahoe County Fairgrounds, 25690 East Quincy Ave., Aurora 80016

For more information, call the Fairgrounds Office at 303-795-4955 or visit [www.co.arapahoe.co.us](http://www.co.arapahoe.co.us)

## Colorado State Fair Nomination/Ownership Deadlines

Only livestock project members who were enrolled by March 1, are eligible to weigh their market goats, sheep and swine. Enrollments will not be accepted at the weigh-in.

If you are planning on entering an animal at the State Fair, this is the only time to nominate them. Each sheep entry must be nose printed on an official State Fair Nomination Card. Each swine entry must be ear notched and have a State Fair Ear Notch Card filled out. Each goat entry needs to have a goat nomination card filled out.

All livestock nomination cards must be sent to the Colorado State Fair Livestock Office from the Extension Agent or the Vo-Ag Instructor. All market animals must be tagged in the right ear with County tag.

Market Beef nominations were due April 1, 2009

Market Goat, Sheep & Hog nominations are due June 1, 2009

### Nomination Requirements:

- ❑ Market Goats: Nose print is not required, but goat must have a county ear tag and number. A side profile picture of the Market Goat with the bonafide Junior exhibitor must be attached. Digital Camera pictures will not be accepted.
- ❑ Market Lambs must be nose printed and have county ear tag and number.
- ❑ Market Beef must be nose printed and have county ear tag and number. (This must have been done at the beef weigh-in on 3/1/09.)
- ❑ Market hogs must have no more than 2 ear notches in each quarter and only 1 notch out on the tip of the ear and have county ear tag and number.

The Extension office must do lamb nose prints and hog ear notches for ownership identification purposes before June 1, 2009 for all 4-H animals to be shown at the 2009 Colorado State Fair.

If you have only one or two State Fair animals please bring them to the weigh-in for identification. If you have more than two, call Larry for an appointment to identify State Fair animals. All market animals must be tagged in the right ear with a county tag.

For more information, contact Larry at 303-730-1920 or go to [www.coloradostatefair.com](http://www.coloradostatefair.com).

## Shooting Sports News

### Shooting Sports Leader Certification Dates

<u>Event Dates</u>	<u>Registration Due</u>	<u>County</u>
3/13 – 3/15	3/6	Weld
3/20 – 3/22	3/13	Delta
4/17 – 4/19	4/10	Kit Carson
5/1 – 5/3	4/24	Gunnison
5/29 – 5/30	5/22	Eagle
10/2 – 10/4	9/25	Park

For registration information, please go to [www.co4hshooting.org/2009\\_workshops\\_registration\\_form.pdf](http://www.co4hshooting.org/2009_workshops_registration_form.pdf)

### Shooting Sports Training Videos

Shooting Sports videos are available for county and club use. These videos can be checked out by the County Extension office from CSU and are available on a first come, first serve basis. For a list of videos, call Larry at 303-730-1920.

### Hunter Safety Classes

A Hunter Safety certificate is mandatory to participate in the Arapahoe County 4-H Shooting Sports program. For hunter safety classes and fees, call the Colorado Division of Wildlife at 303-291-7530

### 2009 Flagler Youth Hunter Education Challenge Event - May 2 & 3, 2009

This year's YHEC challenge is co-sponsored by the Cheyenne, Kit Carson, Kiowa & Yuma County 4-H Shooting Sports Programs and will be held at the Flagler Lake State Wildlife Area in Flagler Colorado. The registration **deadline is April 24, 2009.**

YHEC was developed by the NRA exclusively for youth and their families who enjoy hunting and the outdoors. **YHEC is NOT a Colorado Hunter Safety Certification Course!**

YHEC provides youth and adults with a unique opportunity to test their abilities at a variety of hunting techniques. For more information, or to register, go to [www.co4hshooting.org/2009\\_flagler\\_yhec.html](http://www.co4hshooting.org/2009_flagler_yhec.html).

### Congratulations to....

- Hope Shuford for completing the Catch-a-Calf project at the 2009 National Western Stock Show.
- Rebecca Gaffney for winning Reserve Champion in Prepared Speech at Western Round-Up.
- Edwin Gaffney for winning Champion Impromptu Speech and Champion in Horse Public Speaking at Western Round Up.
- Creative Cooks winners:
  - **Jr. Ind. Champion** – Joseph Yousling; **Jr. Ind. Reserve Champion** – Stephen Walton; **Jr. Ind. Popularity** – Joseph Yousling; **Int. Ind. Champion** – Katie Wilson; **Int. Ind. Reserve Champion** – Jacob Wilson; **Int. Ind. Popularity** – Katie Wilson;
  - **Sr. Colo. Specialty Ind. Champion** – Julia Gaffney; **Sr. Colo. Specialty Ind. Popularity** – Julia Gaffney;
  - **Int. Team Champions** – Melissa & Amanda Minor; **Int. Team Reserve Champions** – Amanda & Abigail Vaughan; **Int. Team Popularity** – Melissa & Amanda Minor; **Jr. Group Champions** – Emily Gray, Nicole & John Mullin; **Jr. Group Popularity** – Emily Gray, Nicole & John Mullin;
  - **Sr. Group Champions** – Geoffrey Baker, Brooke Hanlon, Brianna Osborn, Tyler Teddy, Natalie Eastwood & Breanna Alloway; **Sr. Group Reserve Champions** – Eric Einarsen, Abby, Ashley, Zach & Amanda Vaughan; **Sr. Group Popularity** – Brice Hanlon, Brittney Pelton, Devyn Plumley, Ashley & Kody Hale, Hayden Leach.
- Also congratulations to the Cloverbuds who participated in Creative Cooks! John Yousling, Daniel Minor, Scott Shamblin and Maxwell Moore.

## **NEED \$\$\$ FOR COLLEGE?**

**For more information and scholarships forms, contact Jean at 303-730-1920.**

### **Collegiate 4-H Scholarship - \$1,000**

Application Deadline: April 1, 2009

Graduating high school seniors who are currently enrolled or are alumnus of the Colorado 4-H program and are planning on attending CSU may apply for this scholarship.

### **Johnson & Wales Scholarship**

Application Deadline: April 1, 2009

Johnson and Wales University provides up to a \$20,000 scholarship (\$5,000) per year for up to four years for 4-H members interested in majoring in Culinary Arts.

### **Holthaus Scholarship – 3 @ \$1,000 each**

Application Deadline: April 1, 2009

Graduating high school seniors, who are enrolled in 4-H, have completed three years of club work and who plan to attend any four year college or university in Colorado may apply.

### **Audrey Sandstead Scholarship - \$400**

Application Deadline: April 1, 2009

Graduating high school seniors planning on attending CSU and pursuing a degree in Applied Human Sciences are eligible for this scholarship.

### **Colorado Agricultural Development Authority Scholarship - 5 @ \$1,000 Each**

Application Deadline: April 1, 2009

Graduating high school seniors enrolled in 4-H who wish to major in an agriculturally related field are eligible to apply.

### **Howard & Marjory Smith Scholarship - \$1,000 per year**

Application Deadline: April 1, 2009

All Colorado 4-H'ers in their senior year of high school may apply and must show good academic record and demonstrate real financial need and support to be eligible.

### **Kimberling Family 4-H Scholarship**

Application Deadline: April 1, 2009

The scholarship program provides \$500 for 4-H youth (high school seniors) who have exhibited food animal projects and are enrolling in a pre-vet program at CSU. Scholarship is awarded in spring semester if recipient maintains 3.0 or higher GPA.

### **Portouw Photography Scholarship - \$300 per year**

Application Deadline: April 1, 2009

Applicants must be between 16 – 20 years of age at time of application, must have been enrolled in and completed 4-H Photography for three years and entered their photography at the Colorado State Fair a minimum of two years. Recipients may reapply for the scholarship a second time.

### **Guide Dog Raising & Training Scholarship**

Application Deadline: May 15, 2009

Applicants must be high school seniors and currently enrolled in the 4-H Guide Dog project.

### **4-H Scholars Program**

Application Deadline: TBA, Fall Semester

4-H Scholars serve as representatives of the Colorado 4-H Youth Development Program and promote Colorado 4-H to potential donors and supporters through involvement at various functions, participation in donor calls and public speaking. Each scholar (one senior, junior, sophomore and freshman attending CSU) will receive a stipend of \$750 per semester for their work.

# **SPEECH AND DEMONSTRATION CONTEST GUIDELINES**

## **Prepared Speeches**

Juniors (8 – 10) and Intermediates (11 – 13) may give a talk, recite a poem, or tell a story without visuals (3 – 5 minutes). Seniors (14 – 18) are to give an original speech on 4-H (4 – 6 minutes). The top two seniors are eligible to compete at State 4-H Conference. Juniors and Intermediates may use notes as necessary.

## **Demonstrations/Illustrated Talks**

Show and tell how to make or do something with visuals. You may do individual and/or team demonstrations (10 minutes). An additional five minutes is allotted to set up and take down. Presentations must be directly related to 4-H projects or activities. The top three winners in each age division will compete at State Fair.

## **Horse Demonstrations/Speeches**

Horse speech, individual and team horse demonstrations will be held as well. Senior winners (14 – 18) are eligible to compete at the State 4-H Conference. Junior and Intermediate horse demonstration/speech contestants are judged with all other contestants of their age group. Only the Senior horse contestants are judged separately. All horse members are encouraged to give either a speech, individual or team demonstration or illustrated talk. See the Colorado 4-H Horse Rule Book for rules.

## **Impromptu Speaking**

Juniors (8 – 10), Intermediates (11 – 13), and Seniors (14 – 18) will select a topic question and have ten minutes to prepare a speech. Topic areas include personal issues, youth issues, 4-H promotion, leadership or current events. Contestants receive a pencil and note card to prepare notes. The note card is the only prop allowed during the speech. Junior and Intermediate speeches are 2 – 3 minutes and Senior speeches are 3 – 5 minutes. All contestants receive a thirty-second warning before their time is up. The top two Seniors will represent Arapahoe County at the State 4-H Conference.

## **Awards**

Demonstrations, Impromptu Speaking, and Prepared Speech contestants will be awarded a blue, red or white ribbon. A champion and reserve champion will be awarded in each age category (Junior 8 – 10, Intermediate 11 – 13, and Senior 14 and over).

# SPEECH AND DEMONSTRATION CONTEST REGISTRATION

Saturday – April 11, 2009

Registration Deadline: Wednesday – March 18, 2009

(Late entries will not be accepted)

## RETURN FORMS TO:

Arapahoe County Extension Office – 5804 S. Datura St. – Littleton, CO 80120

Fax Number: 303-730-2764

Each 4-H member participating must fill out a form for demonstrations and speeches. Make copies of the form if more than one member in the family needs to complete the form. Participants may enter each event: Demonstration, Prepared Speeches, and Impromptu Speaking.

Please print or type:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City Zip

Age as of Dec. 31, 2008: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Club: \_\_\_\_\_

CIRCLE ONE:

**Cloverbud**                      **Junior**                      **Intermediate**                      **Senior**  
(Ages 5-7)                      (Ages 8-10)                      (Ages 11-13)                      Ages (14-18)

PLEASE CHECK EACH EVENT(S) IN WHICH YOU PLAN TO PARTICIPATE:

\*\*\*BE SURE TO LIST TITLES\*\*\*

_____ <b>DEMONSTRATION: Title</b> _____ Individual: _____ Team: _____ Name of Teammate: _____ A large and/or small table, easel, and an extension cord will be provided if needed.
_____ <b>HORSE DEMONSTRATION: Title</b> _____ _____ <b>HORSE SPEECH: Title</b> _____ Individual: _____ Team: _____ Name of Teammate: _____ A large and/or small table, easel and an extension cord will be provided if needed for demonstrations.
_____ <b>PREPARED SPEECH: Title</b> _____
_____ <b>IMPROMPTU SPEAKING: Topic will be received day of contest.</b>

- You will be notified beforehand of your scheduled speaking time.

I will be attending the Speech and Demonstration Contest with my child and would be available to assist.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## ARAPAHOE COUNTY 4-H TALENT SHOW GUIDELINES (Updated 2/09)

1. Age is determined as of December 31 of the current year. Cloverbuds are 5-7 years old, Juniors 8-10, Intermediates 11-13, and Seniors 14-18. All participants will receive a commemorative ribbon and a 4-H memento for performing. Cloverbuds will not be scored or compete but will be given a comment sheet by the judge. **Everyone is a winner!**
2. Groups (2-5) or Ensembles (6 or more) with mixed ages will be placed in the division of the oldest member in the group. **Cloverbuds may not join in any older age group.**
3. Except for one accompanist, all participants must be enrolled in the Arapahoe County 4-H program. Adult accompanist is not considered in the scoring or given a ribbon or award. Accompanist cannot play the same type of instrument as the talent show participant, which will make it difficult to evaluate the 4-H member. (example – violin & guitar, guitar & guitar, piano & piano, etc.).
4. A member may enter two separate events only.
5. Members must supply and set up their own props. A microphone and piano are available.
6. At the discretion of the judges, champions and reserve champions may be chosen for **each event** in the Junior, Intermediate, and Senior age divisions. Grand champions and reserve grand champions for **each division** may then be chosen from the champions and reserve champions.
7. Champions of each event in each age category, except Cloverbuds, are eligible to participate in the State 4-H Talent Contest at the State Fair in Pueblo.
8. The time guidelines are specified for each event. At the Arapahoe County Talent Show, contestant **will not** be penalized for exceeding the time limit. However, at the State 4-H Talent Contest, time restrictions are strictly enforced.
9. There are age categories in each event. The events are listed under each division below:
  - Vocal Music Division** - not over 6 minutes, may or not be memorized. Copies of lyrics and/or music must accompany entry. If using a tape for accompaniment the copy of music may be words only. If performing with a tape as accompaniment, there should not be any voice in the background.
    - Solo
    - Ensemble (2-5) or Group (6 or more)
  - Instrumental Music Division** - not over 6 minutes, may or may not be memorized. Copies of music must accompany entry. Instrumental will be judged in the following categories: Keyboard/piano, String, Woodwinds, Brass, and Percussion.
    - Solo
    - Ensemble (2-5) or Group (6 or more)
  - Dance Division** - not over 4 minutes. Floor routines must have at least **five** gymnastics tricks **to music**. Modern may **not** have more than four gymnastic tricks. Western may **not** be clogging. If tapes are used, there may be no sound enhancements on the tape such as background sound of taps, clogging, etc.
    - Solo - Ballet, Jazz, Lyrical or Modern
    - Solo – Tap, or Clogging
    - Solo - Gymnastics, Baton, Pom Pom or Drill
    - Solo - Folk, Western, Native or Ethnic
    - Ensemble (2-5) or Group (6 or more) - Ballet, Lyrical, Modern or Jazz
    - Ensemble (2-5) or Group (6 or more) - Tap, or Clogging
    - Ensemble (2-5) or Group (6 or more) - Gymnastics, Baton, Pom Pom or Drill
    - Ensemble (2-5) or Group (6 or more) - Folk, Western Line Dancing Native, or Ethnic
    - Ensemble (2-5) or Group (6 or more) - Swing, Western swing or Square Dance
  - Theatrical Division** - not over ten minutes, must be memorized. A copy of the script must accompany the entry form.
    - Solo - Skit, Pantomime or Mime
    - Ensemble (6 or more) or Group (2-5) - Skit, Pantomime or Mime
    - Solo - Does not fit any other event
    - Ensemble (6 or more) or Group (2-5) – Does not fit any other event.
  - One Act Plays** - 20 to 30 minutes (no age categories and can be a solo duet or group)
10. Please check in with the stage director 20 minutes prior to show time. Please be ready to perform two acts prior to your performance. If you cannot perform on time or must drop out at the last minute, call 303-730-1920 the day of the Performing Arts Show.

**2009 TALENT SHOW REGISTRATION**  
**Sunday, May 17, 2009 – 2 p.m.**  
**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Friday – April 27, 2009**  
**South Fellowship Church, Littleton**  
**(Late entries not accepted)**

Copy this blank form as needed.

Please complete **one** form per member. Mail or fax to Arapahoe County 4-H, 5804 South Datura Street, Littleton, CO 80120.  
 Fax # 303-730-2764

**Please print or type:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ (Street) \_\_\_\_\_ (City) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ (Zip)

Age as of December 31, 2008: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_ Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**CIRCLE ONE:**      **Cloverbud**      **Junior**      **Intermediate**      **Senior**  
 (Ages 5-7)      (Ages 8-10)      (Ages 11-13)      (Ages 14-18)

List names, addresses, telephone numbers, ages and birth dates of other participants in the **same** act.

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Check the event(s) in which you will be performing.

**VOCAL MUSIC:** SOLO \_\_\_\_\_ ENSEMBLE (2-5) \_\_\_\_\_ GROUP (6 or more) \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUMENTAL:** SOLO \_\_\_\_\_ ENSEMBLE (2-5) \_\_\_\_\_ GROUP (6 or more) \_\_\_\_\_ WHAT INSTRUMENT? \_\_\_\_\_

Title of musical piece & name of composer (if applies) \_\_\_\_\_

**DANCE:** SOLO \_\_\_\_\_ ENSEMBLE (2-5) \_\_\_\_\_ GROUP (6 or more) \_\_\_\_\_

**Please write on one of the lines below what your dance will be:**

- Will your dance be Ballet, Modern, Lyrical or Jazz? \_\_\_\_\_
- Will your dance be Tap or Clogging? \_\_\_\_\_
- Will your dance be Gymnastics, Baton, Pom Pom or Drill? \_\_\_\_\_
- Will your dance be Folk, Native, Ethnic or Western? \_\_\_\_\_
- Will your dance be Swing, Western Swing, Western Line or Square? \_\_\_\_\_

**THEATER OR MISC. TALENT:** SOLO \_\_\_\_\_ ENSEMBLE (2-5) \_\_\_\_\_ GROUP ACT (6 or more) \_\_\_\_\_

Theatrical Act Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**FILL IN THE FOLLOWING FOR USE BY THE PROGRAM MASTER OF CEREMONIES:**

School attending _____	Grade in school _____
Favorite hobbies, interests, or 4-H projects _____	
Other activities _____	
_____	
_____	

## 2009 ARAPAHOE COUNTY 4-H CALENDAR

### MARCH 2009

- 1 Enrollment deadline for livestock/animal projects.
- 1 Western Regional Leaders' Forum
- 7 Consumer Choices Contest

### APRIL 2009

- 11 Speech and Demonstration Contest

### MAY 2009

- 1 Add/Drop deadline for projects.
- 1 Enrollment deadline for 4-H members for county fair eligibility.
- 1 Family Club Enrollment Deadline
- 7 New Leader Orientation
- 17 Talent Show

### JUNE 2009

- 9 Cake Decorating Contest
- 14-21 Citizenship Washington Focus
- 26 Fair Entry Deadline – Open Class & 4-H

### JULY 2009 (Fair Dates are Subject to Change.)

- 14 Fashion Revue Workshops & Judging
- 19 County Fair Dog Show
- 20 Home Ec. & General Judging

- 22 Beef, Sheep, Swine Entries; Livestock Weigh-in; Brand Inspection; Sheep Show; Public Fashion Revue
- 23 Rocket Fly; Goat Show; Swine Show; Poultry Entries; Poultry Weigh-in; Horse Entries
- 24 Horse Entries; English Written Test; English Show; Gymkhana & Cattle Written Test; Cattle & Gymkhana Show; Rabbit Show; Poultry Showmanship & Show; Beef Show
- 25 Horse Entries; Western Written Test; Halter & Western Riding Show; PeeWee Sheep & Hog Showmanship; Livestock BBQ; Livestock Sale; 4-H Dance
- 26 Home Ec. Exhibit Release; Round Robin; Adult Round Robin; BBQ; Award Program; Brand Inspection; Animal Release

### AUGUST 2009

- 28-31 Colorado State Fair

### SEPTEMBER 2009

- 1-7 Colorado State Fair

### OCTOBER 2009

- 4 Achievement Program

### CHECK US OUT ONLINE!

Access all 4-H newsletters, contest information, entry forms as well as policies and guidelines at [www.arapahoextension.org](http://www.arapahoextension.org).

### RESOURCES

Colorado 4-H – [www.colorado4h.org](http://www.colorado4h.org)  
National 4-H – [www.national4-hheadquarters.gov](http://www.national4-hheadquarters.gov)  
National 4-H Council & 4-H Center in Washington D.C. – [www.fourhcouncil.edu](http://www.fourhcouncil.edu)  
National 4-H Supply Service – [www.4-Hmall.org](http://www.4-Hmall.org)  
Children, Youth and Families Education & Research Network – [www.cyfernet.org](http://www.cyfernet.org)  
CSU Extension – [www.ext.colostate.edu](http://www.ext.colostate.edu)  
CSU Equine Extension – [www.csuequine.com](http://www.csuequine.com)  
Colorado Premises Identification – [www.COanimalid.org](http://www.COanimalid.org)  
CSU Livestock Extension – [www.livestock.colostate.edu/index.html](http://www.livestock.colostate.edu/index.html)  
State Shooting Sports – [www.colorado4h.org/ss/](http://www.colorado4h.org/ss/)  
4-H Leaders Newsletter – [www.colorado4h.org/communications/leaderline/index.shtml](http://www.colorado4h.org/communications/leaderline/index.shtml)  
Arapahoe County Fair – [www.arapahoecountyfair.com](http://www.arapahoecountyfair.com)