Grand County 4-H Clover Connect February 2025

Calenda<mark>r</mark> Spotlight

January 2025!

- January 31: 4-H Open Enrollment Closes! Enrollment must be approved and fees paid in full.
- January 31: Mini-Grant Application initial deadline DEADLINE HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO FEB 28

February

- February 3: 4-H Council Meeting, 7pm @ Hot Sulphur Springs Town Hall
- February 4: Blue Ribbon Club Meeting, 7pm Ext Hall
- February 7: CLOVERBUD Meeting, 5:30 Extension Hall
- February 9: Shooting Sports Council Meeting, 2pm Hot Sulphur Town Hall
- February 9: Winner's Circle 4-H Club Meeting, 5pm Extension Hall
- February 10: Fair Board Meeting, 6:30 Ext Hall
- February 14: Beef Tag-In , 10am-12pm Beef Barn @ Kremmling Fairgrounds
- February 14: Shooting Sports Leader Training Registration Opens!
- February 17: Office Closed / President's Day
- February 20: Mandatory New Member Orientation 6pm Granby Community Center (If unable to attend you must schedule a meeting with Tonja; call 970-724-3436)
- February 23: 4-H Middle Park Council Retreat @ Sky Zone
- February 24: Fair Board Meeting, 6:30 Ext Hall (Kentucky Derby discussion)
- February 28: Mini-Grant Applications Due to Extension Office

March (Shooting Sports leader trainings every weekend in March)

- March 3: 4-H Council Meeting, 7pm @ Hot Sulphur Springs Town Hall
- March 4: Blue Ribbon Club Meeting, 7pm Ext Hall
- March 7: CLOVERBUD Meeting, 5:30 Granby Community Center
- March 14: 4-H Middle Park Council BINGO NIGHT! Come help/support/play!
- March 14: Shooting Sports Leader Training Registration Closes!
- March 21: Middle Park 4-H Scholarship Applications deadline!
 - $\circ~$ Application to be released early February
- March 28-30: Youth Fest (ages 11-13) in Pueblo, CO



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February 2025

MIDDLE PARK 4-H COUNCIL NEWS

Middle Park 4-H Council upcoming meeting schedule: February 3 / March 3 @ 7pm, Hot Sulphur Springs Town Hall **Everyone welcome & encouraged to attend!**





The Middle Park 4-H Council annual fundraiser BINGO event on March 14th needs your help with donations of food and raffle items! Donations are tracked & counted towards Council fundraising requirements for trip assistance. The Sign-Up Genius link is below:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054CAAAC28A5FF2-54727391-middle#/

Remember to come out and eat, play bingo and invite others to join in the 4-H fun! The funds earned help our 4-H community!



Middle Park 4-H Council offers Trip Assistance for Conferences! To qualify, you must:

- Work Council fundraising (4 hours)
- Participate in a Council community service project
- Attend three Council meetings
- Request funds from 4-H Council for approval at least one meeting before the conference registration deadline.

Contact the Extension Office if you'd like a trip assistance application.

GRAND COUNTY 4-H Shooting Sports SHOOTING SPORTS COUNCIL NEWS

Please join us at our next meeting:

February 9th @ 2:00 pm, Hot Sulphur Springs Town Hall Shooting sports members are welcome & encouraged to attend.

Meet your Shooting Sports Council members:

President: Penny Myer Vice President: Hunter Horn Secretary: Brooke Antonio Treasurer: Chase Fosha Reporter: Logan Glancey Pledge Leader: Gabe Eichler Leader: Sheridan Myer Co–Leader: Taura Perdue

March 7-9: Morgan Co (Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, Archery) *Register Jan 24-Feb 21 March 14-16: Weld Co (Rifle Pistol, Shotgun, Archery) *Register Jan 31-Feb 28 March 21-23: Pueblo Co (Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, Archery, Western Heritage, Hunting & Outdoor Skills) *Register Feb 7-Mar 7 March 28-30: Garfield Co (Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, Archery, Western Heritage, Hunting & Outdoor Skills) *Register Feb 14-Mar 14 The schedule for all trainings can be found at this link: <u>https://co4h.colostate.edu/ss/forms/leader-training-schedule.pdf</u>



MP FAIR & RODEO NEWS



Please welcome our Fair Board Members!

David Buckley - President David Valance - Vice President L Bonnie Wheatley - Secretary Jordan Meeks - Treasurer Taylor Flanigan - Asst. Secretary Creyton Shearer - Asst. Treasurer

Dalene Harthun - Member & Livestock Sale Committee Liaison Jace Provance - Member Andy Murphy - Member Koby Miller - Member

Find Fair Board Meeting Agenda's at Grand County's website linked here: <u>https://www.co.grand.co.us/agendacenter</u>





4-H CLUB NEWS & EVENTS

WELCOME NEW CLOVERBUDS & 4-H MEMBERS! We're happy to have you part of our 4-H family!





Montey Hren Molly Beisel Aiden Perkins Paxton Henderson Ada Banks Faegan McGovern Brecon & Run Powell Fletcher Hinkel Evelyn Franklin

Hunter Jase & Lucas Reed Wilder Marostica Logan Perizzolo Duncan Salvador Luton Emerson McNertney Myla Pearson Natalya & Stefan Poh Vince Vermeer

<u>Welcome new 4-H members!</u>

Elliana Aranyosi Jaiden & Rachel Duncan Cassidy Acker Colton McNertney Coral Rust

Janek Poh Brookelyn Antonio Sadie & Sebastian Snyder Garrett Trevino Hailey Duncan





Topics: Where to find project information, record books & project books, County Fair vs State Fair, mini-grant opportunity, completion requirements, and more! Essentials to having a successful year!

*Cloverbuds are welcome, but topics are for Junior-Senior 4-H members.





The Grand County 4-H Mini-Grant Program is now accepting applications!

Mini-Grant applications are for new or returning members to apply for grant money up to \$250 to use towards project expenses. There are completion requirements - both for projects and for the grant - that must be followed, otherwise grant funds must be returned to the office.

More details provided in the links below. Let us know if you have questions!

Link to: Application in Word Document Format

Link to: Application in Fillable PDF Format

Applications are due: February 28, 2025 (extended*)

*Applications received by initial deadline of Jan 31 will be submitted for approval and checks disbursed as soon as possible. Applications received in February will be submitted for approval and checks disbursed in March.



2025 CALENDARS

Our office made 2025 4-H calendars with fun pictures from last year, important 4-H dates, holiday's & office closures, and more! We gave some calendars as leader gifts and have a limited quantity remaining that we're selling at cost for \$15 (cash or check payable to CSU Extension). Our office intends to build on this project every year to keep us connected as a 4-H family. Call or stop by the Extension Hall to get yours today!



GRAND COUNTY 4-H NEWS







Grand County 4-H members attended Leadership Development Conference (LDC) Jan 25-27 and visited Colorado Capital Building, meeting with local representatives.

SUBMIT YOUR PHOTOS TO THE OFFICE ~ LET'S SHARE WHAT CLUBS & GROUPS ARE DOING IN 4-H!





STATE-WIDE 4-H NEWS





SAVE THE DATE! March 28-30, 2025 Youth Fest for 4-H ages 11-13

*More information will be shared as it becomes available.

SAVE THE DATE! April 4-6, 2025 DISTRICT 9 Retreat for ages 10-18



Held at the Residence Inn and Community Center in Glenwood Springs to include keynote speakers, workshops, fun dances, and free time at the rec center. Registration on 4honline.com opens Feb 10 and closes early March. More details to come ~ don't miss out!





Website/Curriculum/Record Book/Rule Updates

The following spreadsheets and documents have been updated on the State 4-H Website:

- Leathercraft Project Guide
- Leathercraft, Shooting Sports, and Entomology judging score sheets
- <u>2025 State 4-H Dog Trials Rules</u>
- 2025 State Fair 4-H Contest Requirements
- 2025 State Fair 4-H Exhibit Requirements
- <u>Horse e-Record PDF</u> has been made fillable. Note: The Horse e-Record is no longer available in an Excel format.

March 17th, 6pm - Virtual Career Night

Join fellow 4-H members from Colorado and Wyoming in a free career night to learn about career options available to you! Register by going to: <u>https://wyoming4h.org/virtual-career-night/</u>





Virtual Show Pig Conference

This event is held through Ring Central, a virtual online conference platform (think in-person conference, only online). How it works: The live conference is all free! Individuals sign-up for their free ticket. The conference will feature over twenty speakers who are excited to help youth and their families learn and succeed. Attendees will be able to listen to mainstage speakers, breakout group sessions, enter virtual expo booths, and ask show pig experts the questions that they have always wanted answered. Sign up here: <u>Free Ticket</u>







Senior aged (14-18) members only:

The National 4-H Conference is April 11-16, 2025. If you are interested in going, you will need to be nominated and submit a resume with cover letter to Colorado 4-H.

Share your voice with federal agencies and congressional committees at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City in Arlington, Virginia. Registration rates are \$980 for youth or adult (double occupancy) and \$1,510 for adult (single occupancy). Registration period is Feb 3 - 24.

Want to run your own flock of Targhee Sheep? The Targhee Sheep Association is running a starter flock program that will award sheep. The program is open to youth 10-15 years old and applications are due March 1, 2025. Visit their site for more information: <u>Targhee Sheep Association</u>

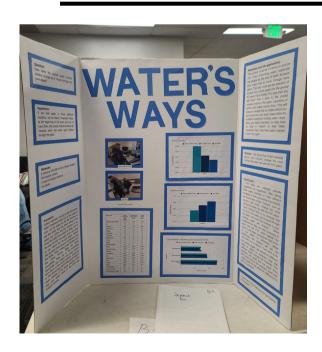












Congrats to Ryder Pryor and Lyndee Thomson for putting together a great Science Fair project!

Ryder and Lyndee used the CSU Soil and Water Testing Lab to answer the question: "How does the overall water mineral content change as it moves through the town pipes?" Their project qualified for Middle School Regionals! Good luck as you move on!

Great job to all the 4-H members on their projects at the science fair. We saw so many amazing projects!

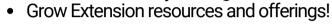




We need your help!

The Grand County CSU Extension Office is looking for Advisory Committee members. We are seeking 5 to 15 community members (Including the 4-H Community!)

- Advise Extension and 4-H programming in Grand County
- Provide community oversight



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Submit a letter of interest to the Grand County Extension Office. Mailing Address: PO Box 475, Kremmling, CO 80459 Or email to: brianna.osborn@colostate.edu

Once formed, the Advisory Committee will meet quarterly.

Contact us for more information or to receive a copy of the Advisory Committee Bylaws

Free Webinars:

Advancing Healthy Aging Webinar Series Upcoming Sessions

 February 20, 2025: Strengthening Intergenerational Connections with Dr. Christine Fruhauf, Colorado State University
March 13, 2025: Ahead of the Curve: Advance Care Planning with Cheryl Noble, Advance Directives Specialist and Kat Laws, UC Health Aspen Club
April 17, 2025: Bridging the Digital Divide: Advancing Digital Equity for Older Adults with Dayton Romero, Older Adult Technology Services & AARP Senior Planet
May 15, 2025: Advancing Inclusive Older Adult Programming: Success Stories from the Field, panel facilitated by Ginger Williams, MHA
Don't miss out! Be sure to register, share these opportunities with your networks, and mark your calendars! If you can't attend live, recordings will be emailed to registered participants. We look forward to seeing you there. Register here:
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