

May Extension Newsletter

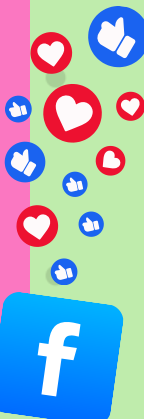
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- MASTER GARDENERS

READ THE WHOLE
NEWSLETTER!
THERE'S SOMETHING
FOR EVERYONE!



FOLLOW US ON
FACEBOOK AND
MAKE SURE TO
CHECK OUT THE
FREMONT
COUNTY FAIR
AND RODEO
WEBSITE!



UPCOMING DATES

MAY

- 4 Market Tests Study Guides Available
- 6 4-H Council, 6:45 p.m., 4-H Building
- 6 LAST DAY to own and have in your possession–Market Sheep, Market Goats, Market Swine, Breeding Sheep and Breeding Goats.
- 7 **LAST DAY** TO TURN IN CSF Nomination Cards to the Extension Office before 5:00 p.m.
- 7 4-H Contest Night! (Demonstrations & Public Speaking) 5pm
- 9 WEIGH DAY–Market Swine, 8:00 a.m. Market Sheep and Market Goats,9:00 a.m., Pathfinder Park (For State Fair Must request DNA packets from State Fair website).
- 12 Fremont County Fair Board, 6:30 p.m., Pathfinder Park Event Center
- 15 Creative Cooks Contest Time 9:00am–Noon @ 4-H Building
- 18 MQA Make up Date, 5:00 p.m. @ Pathfinder Park Event Center
- 21 Market Rabbits MUST be born to Does you own on/or after April 19th in order to meet the “less than 70-day age limit”
- 22 Mini Gardening Camp – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. 4-H Building in Canon City
- 25 **Holiday (Memorial Day Observed) Extension Office Closed**

JUNE

- 1 LAST DAY TO OFFICIALLY DROP a project to be able to repeat it next year (call or email the office to drop any projects!)
- 1 Cake Decorating Contest 5:30 @ 4-H Building
- 1 FAIR ENTRY OPEN all entries will be done on paper and turned into the Extension Office
- 2 4-H Summer Day Camp: Day 1–Registration due by 5/21
- 3 4-H Council, 6:45 p.m., 4-H Building
- 3 Take County Fair Market Animal and Horse Tests in Extension Office. 5:30–7:30pm
- 3 Parli Pro Contest @ 4-H Building time TBD
- 4 Take County Fair Market Animal and Horse Tests in Extension Office. 8:00–10:30am
- 7 Dog Show – Arrive at 7:00 a.m. set up, 8:00–8:30 check-in, 8:30 Showmanship test, 9:00 Show
- 9 Fremont County Fair Board, 6:30 p.m., Pathfinder Park Event Center
- 9 4-H Summer Day Camp: Day 2
- 15–19 State 4-H Conference, Colorado State University
- 16 4-H Summer Day Camp: Day 3
- 18 Cloverbud Day Camp: Day 1 –Registration due 6/4
- 20 Livestock Clinic @ Pathfinder Park Event Center Covered Arena – 8:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Hogs, Sheep, Goats, Beef
- 22 Entomology Discovery Camp – 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Pathfinder Classroom Florence
- 23 4-H Summer Day Camp: Day 4
- 23–24 Power Up Retreat ages 10–15 @Pathfinder Park Even Center RSVP by June 1st
- 24 Record Book Workshop 5:00 p.m–6:30 p.m.@ Pathfinder Park Event Center RSVP by 6/22
- 25 Cloverbud Day Camp: Day 2
- 25 Retake tests for County Fair Market Animal and Horse Tests in Extension Office by appointment with Office.
- TBD** Last day to have Horse Levels written and riding tests completed for the County Fair.
- 25 MAIN CLUB LEADERS 4-H Attendance page due by 5:00 p.m. Attendance page MUST be filled out correctly! (REQUIRED)
- 29 LAST DAY to enter Fremont County Fair at no charge.
- 30 4-H Summer Day Camp: Day 5
- JULY 1** Late entries for Fremont County Fair accepted until 5:00 p.m., \$25.00 per project. No entries accepted after July 1st



Congratulations

Class of

2026

We are proud of you!



Jacob Adamic- 14 years in 4-H

Hunter Bamford- 12 years in 4-H

Ellee Carr- 11 years in 4-H

Charissa Fourtner- 8 years in 4-H

Evelyn Freeland- 13 years in 4-H

Alicia Henley- 11 years in 4-H

Drake McQueen- 9 years in 4-H

Brylee Wellborn- 10 Years in 4-H

PROJECT MEETINGS

Leather Craft

1st and 3rd Wednesdays 6:00-7:00 @ the 4-H Building starting the 21st of January. If you are new to leathercraft, and haven't purchased a Tandy's kit from the Extension office (\$50) you can do so. They are much cheaper through us.

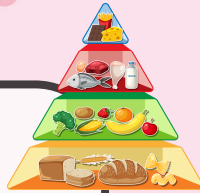
Cake Decorating

1st and 3rd Monday starting in March.
5pm- 8pm at the 4-H Building
Contact Val at berrydvakc@aol.com



Foods

Fridays starting in January 9am-11am @ the 4-H Building
4/3-All Units
4/17 Unit 301 Only
5/1- All Units
5/15- All Units
5/29- Unit 201 Only
6/12-Unit 101 Only
6/26-All Units



Horse

6pm Pathfinder Park
5/4, 5/11, 6/1, 6/22,
7/6, 7/13, 7/20



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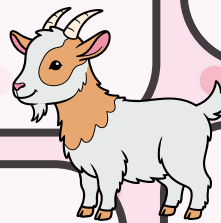
June 12th 10am-3pm
13th 10am-12pm

Horseless Horse

5/28, 6/25
Classroom at Pathfinder Park at 6pm

Utility Goat & Dairy Goat

May 1st @ 2pm - Pathfinder Park
May 17th @ 2pm- 4-H Building
in Canon City



Small Animals

2nd Monday of each month
6-8pm beginning in January
@ the 4-H Building



Dog

Practices will be every Wednesday 6:30 pm-8pm starting in January at Pathfinder Park Auditorium-Practice location may be different some days. That information will be communicated by the Dog Project Leaders.



Meeting Dates TBD-
based on enrollment & will begin in
the spring...
Discovering 4-H
Public Speaking
Entomology
Gardening

CLUB NEWS

Beaver Park Ag 4-H Club has been busy! They volunteered at the Penrose Park for the annual Easter Egg Hunt and hosted the April Cloverbud meeting!





LIVESTOCK UPDATES

Weigh ins are NOT optional!!

Weigh-In & Tag In

May 9th

Market Swine

Tag-in 8:00 a.m.

Market Sheep and Goat weigh-in

9:00 a.m.

MQA Make Up Date

May 18th 5:00 pm @ Pathfinder Park
Event Center.

Market animal/horse written tests are in
person. You must pass the written test in order
to show

Study Guides will be available May 4th

Test Dates

June 3rd 5:30pm-7:30 pm

June 4th 8:00 am-10:30am

Any questions please contact Kelsey @
kelsey.story@colostate.edu

CSF Nomination Deadlines

June 8th, 2026 – Goat, Lamb, and Hog

DNA postmarked and sent to CSF

July 27th, 2026 – Entry Forms Due

Online for CSF. Mailed entries are not
accepted. These must be completed
online.

Colorado State Fair Website

<https://coloradostatefair.com/livestock/>

**(Don't wait to order! Make sure you give
yourself enough time to receive the DNA
packet and mail it back to CSF in time for
the deadline)**

Record Books

**Exhibitors showing both large and small
animals will be required to complete
separate record books.**

**Animal Record Books are required to be in a
3-prong folder. Please do not put pages in
plastic sleeves!**


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Shooting Sports

PRACTICES

Air Rifle- Mondays Beginning 4/6/26 6 PM @ 4-H Building

Archery- Tuesdays beginning 4/21/26 5:30 PM @ Florence PD Range

Muzzleloading- Tuesdays beginning 4/14/26 5:30 PM @ Florence PD Range

.22 Rifle- Tuesdays beginning 4/7/26 5:30- 6:45 PM and 6:45- 8:00 PM light permitting @ Florence PD Range

Shotgun- Thursdays beginning 3/26/26 Trap & Skeet 6:00 PM @ Cactus Flats

FLORENCE PD RANGE WAIVERS!

Parents must complete a waiver for themselves, their child, and any additional children prior to entering the range. Coaches must also complete these forms. Extension Office Staff will be present with the waivers at the first few practices to ensure that we have them on file. You are not allowed to enter the range without completing the waiver first. If another responsible adult brings your child to practice, please contact the office to fill out a waiver prior to practice.

These Forms are available at the office and have been emailed out.

Extension Staff will be at the first few practices to get waivers signed if you still need to complete yours!

SOME 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS RULES

1. Must have a valid Colorado Hunters Education Card
2. Must attend a Mandatory Safety Meeting for your discipline (first year in a discipline)
3. Must attend at least 4 practices and they must take place prior to the County Fair Entry deadline. Safety class does not count towards the minimum practice
4. Archery, Muzzleloader, .22 Rifle must sign Florence PD Range Waiver
5. Record books are due in the Extension Office by 5:00 pm July 21st

\$20 per mini camp

4-H MINI CAMPS

Discover Gardening: May 22nd 9am-Noon Ages 8+
Registration Deadline May 14th
Discover Entomology: June 22nd 8am-Noon Ages 8+
Registration Deadline June 15th

Registration Deadline May 26th

4-H SUMMER DAY CAMP

Ages 8-11
9am-11:30 am
June 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th
July 7th, 14th

\$55

CLOVERBUD SUMMER DAY CAMP

Ages 5-7
10am-11:30 am
June 18th & 25th
July 2nd, 9th, & 16th

\$25

Registration Deadline June 11th

To register for camps please visit us at
Fremont County Extension Office
6655 State Hwy 115
Florence, CO 81226
719-276-7390

Space is limited per camp. Reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis. All sign up fees MUST BE PAID at time of paper enrollment to reserve a space. Place make payment payable to CSU Fremont Extension.



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Teamwork **Dancing**

POWER-UP RETREAT

AGES 10-15

JUNE 23-24TH

@ PATHFINDER PARK EVENT CENTER

Bring a snack to share

\$25 WITH SCHOLARSHIP
\$40 WITHOUT

SIGN UP BY JUNE 1ST

CHECK-IN AT 5:30PM
CHECK-OUT AT NOON

SPONSORED BY FREMONT COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

CONTACT THE EXTENTION OFFICE TO SIGN UP @ 719-276-7390

FUN



HANDS IN THE DIRT, ROOTS IN THE GROUND

2026

State Conference
June 16th -19th
Ages 14-18
Registration Due by 5:00 p.m. Wednesday May 14th

Scholarships for camps are available! Applicant must attend a 4-H Council meeting and write a thank you card to Cornerstone and 4-H Council to receive the scholarship! If you are interested or have more questions, please contact the office!

4-H Council meets the first Wednesday of each month at 6:45 pm at the 4-H Building in Canon City

FREMONT COUNTY DOGS SHOWS

AT PATHFINDER PARK EVENT CENTER
6655 STATE HWY 115, FLORENCE CO 81226

June 7th

Registration
Deadline June
2nd 5:00 pm

&

July 12th

Registration
Deadline July
7th 5:00 pm

Arrive at 7 AM for both shows to help with setting up.

Check-in from 8:00 – 8:30 AM.

8:30 AM, take the showmanship test

Show starts officially at 9:00 AM.

Entry fee is \$8.00 per class per dog
Add \$1.00 for Fun Class per show (optional)



Out of county entries please pay dog leaders at check-in or call the Fremont County Extension Office at 719-276-7390 to pay over the phone by credit/debit card

All Fremont County 4-H Members must pay registration before deadline to Dog Leaders at training meetings or to the Extension Office

We accept card, cash, checks made payable to CSU Fremont County. Payments can be made by credit/debit card over the phone

Registration forms can be emailed to
Verena Burger Schmid at horsedharma12@gmail.com. If you have entry related questions, please email or call her at 719-248-8093.

For all other questions, please call Margie McNew 719-458-5762.



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Fair Prep

Fair Book!

The Fair book is on the Fremont County Extension Website! Take a second to go look at your project rules for the year! Some rules may have been changed!

Project Manuals!

Get your project manuals ordered ASAP! The order form is on the website! Please call the office with any questions!

Record Books!

Get your record books printed as soon as possible! We can print them off in the office for you!

Display Boards

The Extension office has poster boards for sale again to purchase if you need to! They are available Mon-Thurs from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. and are \$6 while supplies last.

FAIR CONCESSIONS!

Your club will need to sign up for a spot to work concessions during the 2026 Fair. The email with information and the schedule for signing up will be sent out soon! You will need to e-mail Julianne to get signed up! Spots are on a first come first serve basis!

**Fair will be here
before you know it!
Are you ready?!**

FAMILY DAY

FRIDAY, JULY 31ST

FAIR BOARD IS LOOKING FOR CLUBS TO COME UP WITH AND HOST ACTIVITIES FOR FAMILY DAY

THEY ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR SUGGESTIONS FOR FUN ACTIVITIES THAT COULD BE ADDED TO FAMILY DAY

WE WILL HAVE THE PEE-WEE SHOW, WATERMELON EATING CONTEST, COTTON CANDY, BUBBLES, OLD TIMER SHOW IN THE EVENING

PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE IF YOUR CLUB WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER OR IF YOU HAVE A SUGGESTION FOR AN ACTIVITY

FREMONT COUNTY 4-H CLUBS!

THE GREAT SILENT AUCTION BASKET CHALLENGE!

DELORES COMSTOCK
SCHOLARSHIP FUND

RAISE THE **MOST MONEY** FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP AT COUNTY FAIR
WITH YOUR CLUB'S **SILENT AUCTION BASKET** &...

WIN A DIRTY SODA BAR PARTY!



DIRTY SODA BAR

CUSTOM
MIX&TILLS

CREAMS

FRESH
LIME

CREAMS

STRUPE

LIME

FOR THE MEETING
OF YOUR CHOICE!

HOW TO WIN:

1. CREATE A UNIQUE BASKET THEME!
2. FILL IT WITH AMAZING ITEMS!
3. GET IT TO THE FAIR!
4. SECURE THE HIGHEST BID!
5. GET READY TO PARTY!

WINNING
SILENT AUCTION
BASKET

TOP
DOLLAR!

SUPPORT OUR SCHOLARS!

Every Bid Counts For the
Delores Comstock
Scholarship Fund.



LOOK OUT FOR
MORE DETAILS!

QUESTIONS? CONTACT THE
EXTENSION OFFICE!

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Fremont County Fair & Rodeo

JULY 24TH - AUGUST 1ST, 2026



Open Exhibits

Anyone can exhibit at the Fair!

Novice-Adult-Golden Age-Professional

- Floricultural & Gardening
- Quilting, Sewing, Crochet, & More
- Pet Rock
- Baked Goods, Canning, Wines
- Woodworking, Arts, Photography, Jewelry, Ceramics
- Pick up the Open Fair Book & Entry Forms at the Extension Office

Save the Date

- July 24 Jr Rodeo
- July 25 Car Show & Swapmeet
- July 25 Ranch Rodeo
- July 26/27 Enter Open Exhibits
- July 27 Free Movie Night
Zootopia 2
- July 31 Family Day
- August 1 Buyers' Day
- August 1 CPRA Rodeo

4-H/FFA Exhibits

- Shooting Sports
- Dog Show
- Cat Show
- Horse Show
- General Projects-Cloverbuds
- Market Livestock Shows
 - Beef, Swine, Goat, Sheep, Poultry, Rabbit
- Dairy Show
- Market Livestock Sale

Pathfinder Event
Center Auditorium
and Outdoor Pavilion
6655 State Hwy 115
Florence, CO 81226

For more
information
contact the
Extension Office at
(719) 276-7390.
Located at
Pathfinder.

The Full Schedule, Open Fair
Book, Sponsors, Rodeo
Information, Special Events,
Fair Board Members, and other
information can be found on
the Fremont County Fair &
Rodeo website and Facebook.



Interested in Camping at Pathfinder during County Fair?



Campers may come in on Sunday July 26th AFTER 6:00 p.m.

Anyone that brings their camper in prior will be asked to leave for the remainder of the fair and forfeit your camping fee for this year!

Contact person: Amanda Fouche (719)371-5031 or Tracy Brubaker (719)371-1001.
Fair board members and superintendents will be there 4-8 p.m. for pen setups of personal items, fans, chutes, etc.

Dates

Monday, July 27th through Saturday, August 1st

Cost

4-H/FFA families and fair board members- \$10 per night per camper

Vendors are \$20 per night per camper

No refunds will be given!

Registration forms can be picked up and filled out at the Extension Office.

Camping spots are limited and are first come first serve.



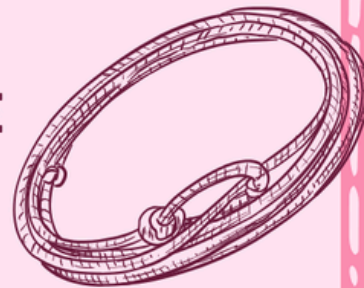
**Become the beginning of a Legacy
and be the first ever**

MISS FREMONT COUNTY FAIR & RODEO

**IF YOU ARE A HORSEWOMAN THAT
IS 16 TO 24 YEARS OLD
RESIDES IN OR ATTENDS SCHOOL IN FREMONT
COUNTY
AND
ARE WILLING AND ABLE TO FULFILL THE QUEEN'S
RESPONSIBILITIES**



**APPLICATIONS ARE
DUE MAY 8TH!**



REACH OUT TO KELSEY STORY! KMSTORY99@GMAIL.COM



Teacup Treasures

MAY 9TH AT 9:00 A.M.

1595 S. 9TH ST. IN CANON CITY

PRE-REGISTRATION & PRE-PAYMENT IS REQUIRED

CALL 719-276-7390 TO REGISTER



Dandelion Delights

MAY 21ST AT 9:00 A.M.

1595 S. 9TH ST. IN CANON CITY

PRE-REGISTRATION & PRE-PAYMENT IS REQUIRED

CALL 719-276-7390 TO REGISTER



Creating with Calendula

Get fizzy with it! Let's whip up some fizzy fun for you to relax in at home.

Date: Thursday, September 17th

Time: 6:00 pm (Approx 1.5hrs. Long)

Locations 1595 S. 9th St. Canon City

Cost: \$20

Pre-registration and pre payment is REQUIRED

Call 719-276-7390



Roses Reimagined

Lather up! Hands on lesson in soapmaking and take home a rosy soap bar!

Date: Thursday, October 8, 2026

Time: 6:00 pm (Approx 1.5hrs. Long)

Locations 1595 S. 9th St. Canon City

Cost: \$20

Pre-registration and pre payment is REQUIRED

Call 719-276-7390



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Master Gardeners



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