



Colorado State University  
EXTENSION

*Douglas County*

# 4-H Thursday Blast

January 11, 2018

## Upcoming Events

Jan  
**15** Office closed  
- Martin  
Luther King  
Day

Jan  
**22** Horse  
Steering  
Committee  
Meeting

## Reminders

Beef project enrollment deadline is March 1st, and beef tag and weigh in will be held on March 3rd.

4-H Day at National Western Stock Show is January 12th.

## Social Media



## YOUTH COUNCIL SPAGHETTI DINNER AND AUCTION FUNDRAISER

This year Youth Council will be hosting the Spaghetti Dinner and Auction fundraiser. It will be held on February 16th from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm at Kirk Hall, Douglas County fairgrounds. The theme this year is "4-H Grows". Monies raised will be used for fees for youth camps, conferences, trips and awards. Cost is \$10 for adults (12 and older) and \$8 for kids (kids age 5-11 and under 5 is free). Tickets will be only sold at the door.

Every club in the county is asked to submit 2 silent auctions items and 1 larger item worth at least \$100. Silent auction items can be restaurant certificates, movie theme baskets, feed store gift cards, jewelry... and the larger items could be things like golf outing package, hotel stay, weekend condo, larger baskets, drawings, artwork...

All of the items for the auction must be new, unused items. You can drop off the auction items to the Extension office. Attached to this Thursday Blast is a tax donation letter for donations.

## HORSE STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

The Horse Steering Committee meeting will be held on Monday, January 22nd at 6:30 pm at the Extension basement conference room. All are welcome to attend.

## YOUTH FEST

The purpose of this camp is to provide an opportunity for youth to learn teamwork, leadership, communication, and citizenship skills through a variety of workshops. The event will be held February 9-11 at the Ponderosa Retreat & Conference Center (15235 Furrow Road, Larkspur, CO 80118). 4-H members must be between 9 and 13 years of age as of December 31 of the current enrollment year. Registration is now open through 4honline.com and will close on January 22nd. Register soon camp fills up quickly. Cost is \$130.



## CAKE DECORATING - PROJECT WORKSHOPS

Interested in cake decorating? You don't have to be enrolled in 4-H or in the cake decorating project to attend. You are welcome to bring a friend.

The first workshop will be held on January 30th (RSVP to the Extension office by January 23rd). The second workshop will be held on February 13th (RSVP to Extension office by February 6th). You can attend both or just one. Workshops will be focusing on cake decorating unit 1 and unit 2.

Workshops will be held from 6:30 pm - 8 pm at Kirk Hall at the Douglas County Fairgrounds. Workshops are open to kids ages 8 to 18. Cost will be \$5 each. More information and details to follow.

## CONTEST WORKSHOP

Douglas County 4-H offers several contests to participate in every year.

Creative Cooks  
Speech and Demonstration  
Fashion Revue  
Rocket Fly Day  
Cake Decorating  
Performing Arts

The Contest Workshop is a fantastic opportunity for our members to learn about the requirements and do some hands on activities related to the contests. These contests are a great way to qualify for State Fair, State Conference and scholarships. The Contest workshop will be held on February 6th at 6:00 pm in the basement conference rooms at the Extension office. RSVP by January 30th to the Extension office.

The workshop will cover 4 out of the 6 contests. Stay tuned for more information.

## CITIZEN WASHINGTON FOCUS

Every summer, high school students from across the country travel to Washington, D.C. to participate in Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF), 4-H's premier leadership and citizenship program for high school students. CWF is more than a Washington, D.C. field trip – it's an opportunity for 4-H'ers to learn how to be citizen leaders and make a difference in their communities.

CWF participants enjoy a behind-the-scenes look at our nation's capital and the chance to meet members of Congress, develop communication, leadership and citizenship skills through hands-on learning and group activities and build new and lasting friendships.

2018 CWF Application Process is through the [4honline.com](http://4honline.com) "Event Registration" section and follow Application Procedures for Selecting Delegates document. For more information go to: <https://4-h.org/parents/citizenship-washington-focus/>. Deadline for Douglas County applications is February 2nd. A selection process will follow.