



GARFIELD TALES

Growing with 4-H



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Happy Holidays & New Year,

We hope that each of you take some time this season to celebrate family and the success that this past 4-H year has brought.

There are a few important deadlines for you to remember:

- Leadership Development Conference Registration is January 3rd
- Livestock, Horse, and Dog enrollment and fees paid is Feb. 1st.
- General Projects enrollment and fees paid is April 1st.

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OPEN ENROLLMENT



4-H News

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4-H open enrollment continues. Register at www.4honline.com Don't miss out—enroll today!

If you have enrolled, be sure to call to make a payment via credit card or mail check to PO BOX 1112 Rifle, CO 81650.

Club Leaders make sure your members are all signed up so they can participate in club meetings and help with fundraisers.

MUST BE ENROLLED & PAID TO PARTICIPATE!! Call the office with any questions. 970-625-3969



Use QR for registration link. Enrollment fees are \$35 until December 31st, 2024.

4-H Cloverbuds

Cloverbuds Meeting is Saturday, January 11, 2025 at 10 am
At Wamsley Elementary

Register at <https://col.st/RkaFL>

4-H Cloverbuds is a program designed for 4-H enrolled youth ages 5 to 7. Youth participating learn:

- What is 4-H
- Taste of 4-H projects
- Fun in STEM
- Learn how to journal what we learned



4-H Scholarships

- 4-H Scholarship with [Canvas Foundation](#) (2/25/25)
- [Mount Sopris Conservation District Scholarship](#) (3/1/25)
- [Bookcliff Conservation District Scholarship](#) (3/1/25)
- Garfield County [4-H Scholarship](#) (4/1/25)
- [Holy Cross Cattlemen's Scholarship](#) (4/1/25)
- [Mike Grimm Honorary Scholarship](#) (6/12/25)
- Jonathan Marr 4-H Memorial Scholarship (TBA)



- Garfield County [4-H Honor Stole](#) Application (4/1/25)





Council Updates

- January 2nd – 4-H Council Scholarship & Honor Cords Applications Open
- January 4th – Un-decorating @ Mesa Vista
- January 21st – 4-H Council Meeting

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Do you have your 4-H

«Passport to Success?»

Registration now open in 4-H Online!

Leadership Development Conference
January 25-27, 2025
Denver, Colorado

Cost: \$215
4-H Ages: 14 and up!

 **Beyond Ready**

Contact Local Extension Office for details and deadlines

**Registration due in 4-H Online by
January 3rd.**

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Mesa Vista Un-Decorating

4-H Council invites all club members to join them in our annual un-decorating at Mesa Vista Assisted Living in Parachute.

Please meet on January 4, 2025 at 10 am

Community Service



STEM Education Bags

Your 4-H club can participate in a group community service project by selecting a month to stuff STEM Education Bags for distribution around Garfield County. Please sign up at <https://col.st/6BJfw> or scan the QR Code.



MAKING THE BEST
BETTER 

JANUARY 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 <small>New Year's Day</small>	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13 <small>Full moon</small>	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 <small>Martin Luther King Day</small>	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

DECEMBER 2024

15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	<i>Closed</i> 			26	27	28
29	30	31				

Project Dates and Trainings

- January 4th - Cloverbuds
- January 10th - Sewing & Quilting Project Meeting
- January 11th - Shooting Sports Safety Training, Event Hall, Rifle CO @ 9 am
- January 15th - Meat Quality Assurance, Event Hall, Rifle CO @ 6 pm
- January 17th - Scrapbooking & Cake Decorating Project Meetings

*Truly
Grateful
for you.*

2024 is wrapping up and we are so thankful to our many sponsors and partners that supported us throughout the year.

What a year it has been! The first quarter was full of education classes with Sourdough 101, Western Region food preservation conference, Shooting Sports safety training, Garden to Kitchen & Cottage Foods in Spanish. The 2nd quarter was full as we ramped up to Fair. We hosted a green house course at the correctional facility near Rifle Gap, held a successful plant Sale @ Rifle Rendezvous. We partnered with Colorado Mountain College in both the Rifle and Spring Valley campuses to host Family Fridays and our 1st ever Vet Science Camp. This year our livestock and fair entries grew and each club member put in a tremendous amount of work into their project. The last quarter didn't slow down either, we had a great turn out for Achievement Night, Hometown Holidays and Mesa Vista decorating! We wish each of your families are very Merry Christmas!

All of our activities in 2024 would not be possible without our community sponsors like Alpine Bank, Bendetti Solutions, Roaring Fork Coop, Hy-Way Feed, Cozy Little Kennel, Mountain Waste and Recycling, Twice the Ice, Tractor Supply, K5 Construction, Stewart Custom Builders, Terra Energy, Bank of Colorado, Jenkins Land & Cattle, Arbaney Cattle Co., Mountain View Tree Farms, Bank of Colorado, Triangle T Arena, Rifle Sportsmen Club, K & K Lumber, Western Colorado Excavating, Scott Vance Trucking, Columbine Ford, Dodd Family, Holy Cross Cattlemen's Association, Rocky Mountain Baptist Church, Peak Surveying, Two Shoes Ranch, Brent Jolley, Kent and Annie Jolley, and the Soil Conservation Districts.

2024 in Review

