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#### A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

DEAN ELLIOTT

Welcome to the 2024 Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. This is the 106th year of the Fair & Rodeo, a premier event within Douglas County, Colorado.

Countless volunteers work year round, starting the week after the current Fair to make the next year bigger and better for all who attend: the 4-H exhibitor, the community attendees, and the rodeo contestant. The event would not happen if not for the countless hours invested by these volunteers to make it happen and the commitment from the County staff, the County Commissioners, and the community who know how important keeping the past as a touchstone is to the future.

The award-winning Douglas County Fair & Rodeo celebrates the agricultural underpinnings and western heritage of Douglas County each year. This event is the culmination of a nearly year-long effort by 4-H members and others within the County who submit their projects; whether that be an animal project, a quilt or a baked good item so the community has a place to learn about the heritage and agricultural history of Douglas County. Not only does the fair provide a forum for sharing and learning, but it is also a wonderful event to ride a carnival ride or watch a rodeo performance that is ranked in the top ten percent of Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA) rodeos across the United States.

Over the recent past, "Fair Week" has actually become ten days of Fair and Rodeo activities. With a cattle drive through Castle Rock and a national artist performing a live concert on July 26th to the final rodeo performance on August 4th, there are activities for almost everyone. The first weekend features our Farm to Table event combined with a car show as well as llama and equestrian events, the Marketplace, the carnival, and other fun activities for the children. The 4-H animals begin to arrive early in the week and various species shows continue throughout, culminating in our Junior Livestock Sale on Friday evening, August 2nd. Our carnival and Marketplace, which also houses the traditional fair projects such as quilts, canned goods, baked goods, photography and 4-H projects, opens on Thursday and continues until



Sunday. We have a "Barn Dance" following the Saturday night rodeo and look forward to a rip-roaring time. The four PRCA rodeos begin Thursday and occur each day until the final performance on Sunday afternoon, August 4th. It is truly 10 days of Fair & Rodeo fun for all!

I could not be prouder of the Fair Board and all the volunteers who work tirelessly to make sure the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo continues to be the award-winning experience it is today.

To each of you attending the Fair & Rodeo, thank you for your support and for sharing the values that we hold so dear.

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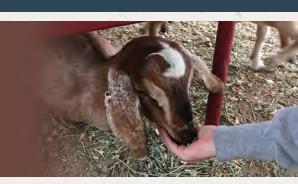
OUTDOOR ARENA 4:00 P.M. - 11 P.M.

BARN AREA SUNDAY, JULY 28 10:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

#### **EXCEPTIONAL RODEO - TWO SESSIONS**

**OUTDOOR ARENA** 

SUNDAY, JULY 28 12:15 P.M. – 1:30 P.M. 2:00 P.M. – 3:15 P.M.





County Commissioner Lora Thomas, County Commissioner George Teal & County Commissioner Abe Laydon

# YOU'LL NEVER FORGET THE MEMORIES YOU MAKE AT THE 2024 DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR & RODEO

Welcome to the 2024 Douglas County Fair & Rodeo - July 26 through August 4!

Join us and discover a place close to home where our western heritage and agricultural history meet local farm to table cuisine, top live entertainment, simple joys, and a can-do community spirit! That's Douglas County .....and that's the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo.

It all kicks off on Friday, July 26, with free grounds admission from 4 – 11 p.m., concluding with a live concert as Academy of Country Music Award-winning artist Chris Janson featuring Double Wide takes to the high-above-the-ground performance platform at 7:30 p.m.

Also, in this year's line-up are what we know are already becoming your new favorites! Join us on Sunday, July 28, at 10 a.m. for the Farm to Table Brunch, where the true spirit of farm-to-table shines as our local SALT Craft Meat Market presents a one-of-a-kind brunch experience where the story of food takes center stage. Then head over to the Outdoor Arena from 12:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. for the Exceptional Rodeo, a program of Colorado State University's Temple Grandin Equine Center, tailored to children with special needs between the ages of 4 and 12.

And the 2024 Fair & Rodeo wouldn't be complete without the great western tradition of ProRodeo. Get up close as professional cowboys from every corner of the U.S. come together to rope, wrangle, and hold on for 8 seconds. And support 4-H youth by joining us for the Junior Livestock Sale on August 2 at 6:30 p.m.

You'll find a lineup of exciting events for everyone in your family, including carnival rides; 4-H exhibits; creative arts bake sale, quilt judging and more; marketplace shopping; mouth-watering fair food; mutton bustin'; the pie-eating contest; a petting zoo; stick horse rodeo; and a delicious pancake breakfast.

And all this would not be possible without each of the generous Fair & Rodeo Sponsors; dedicated community volunteers; our 4-H youth and their families; the Douglas County Fair Board and Fair Foundation Board; our CSU/Douglas County Extension staff; and County staff -- whose collective passion and devotion to this event is beyond our greatest expectations. Together we deliver on our promise to give you the premiere annual event in Douglas County!

We hope you will find many big and small reasons to enjoy all the 2024 County Fair & Rodeo has to offer you and your family. May you be blessed today and all days.

Most Sincerely,

County Commissioner Abe Laydon (District I)
County Commissioner George Teal (District II)
County Commissioner Lora Thomas (District III)

#### WHAT IS A COUNTY FAIR?

#### A TRAVELING CARNIVAL? A WILD WEST RODEO AND MUTTON BUSTIN' FOR THE KIDS? GREAT FUNNEL CAKES AND A BARN DANCE?

Yes, all of that is fun, but the history of the county fair is much deeper. Community service and volunteer leadership are the root of the success of the county fair. The Reynolds family has made a generational tradition that they are part of the fair every year.

For 26 years Kathy Reynolds has been the Superintendent of the Seniors Department in Open Class Creative Arts. Sister-in-law, Lynn Reynolds Niehus, former Assistant Superintendent and her granddaughter, Tori, worked for Jefferson and Douglas County Fairs. Daughter-in-law, Casi O'Pry Reynolds, former Assistant Superintendent, and Casi's mother Mary O'Pry has manned the Historical Society fair booth for 20 plus years. The Reynolds children and grandchildren continue the tradition.

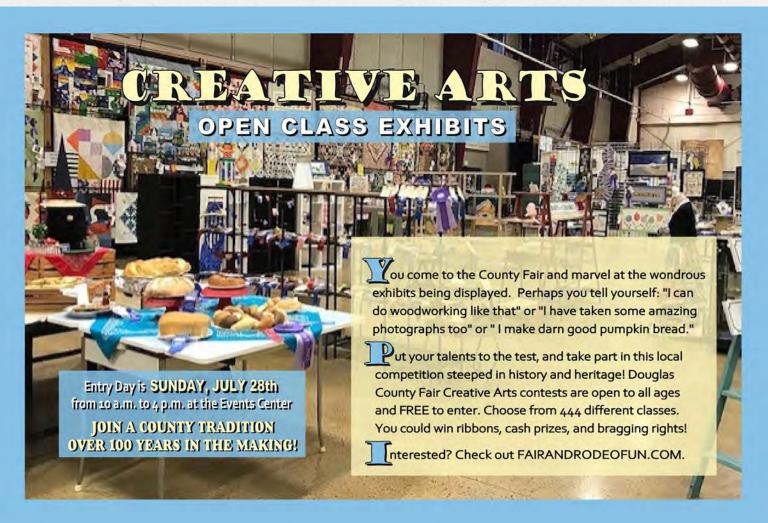
I asked Kathy why she volunteered for so many years to help build our Fair: "I love to share why I keep volunteering year after year! I started helping at the Douglas County Fair as a 4-H Mom and would go to Kirk Hall to look at all the 4-H and Open Class exhibits. I was friends with Jackie Friesen and Pat Salazar who were Superintendents in Open Class. As my son got older and wasn't in 4-H, I decided to volunteer in the Open Class because I wanted to be a part of building the fair. I wanted young people to learn life skills like communication, leadership, goal setting, work

ethics, responsibility and sportsmanship. What caught my attention was the atmosphere created by exhibitors and volunteers, the possibilities to learn new skills, but mostly the people. I watched people do what I love to do and knew I belonged here. I wanted to carry on the county fair through the generations, not just my family but every family who enters the fair. The best part of all these years has been creating lasting memories, the companionship of our "dream team" of Superintendents and Assistants, watching kids proudly bring in Lego displays, taking time to convince someone to enter an exhibit that she thought could never win anything... but then watch her burst into joyful tears when she won Best of Show!

Finally! If you are looking for something to do....*VOLUNTEER!* It is work but well worth every hour you spend for yourself and others!"



Volunteers don't get pai<mark>d</mark>, not because they're <mark>worthless,</mark> but because they're priceless." Sherry Anderson Reynolds Family Generational Volunteers, Open Class Creative Arts Division





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- Personal golf carts, ATV's, motorized scooters, or bicycles are not allowed on the Fairgrounds during County Fair.
- Dogs are not allowed on the Fairgrounds during County Fair except for those dogs that are competing or performing during the Fair.
   Owners / Handlers must keep dogs under constant control. Dogs ARE NOT allowed into any of the livestock barns, Kirk Hall, Midway, or the James R. Sullivan Events Center. Under the ADA regulations, assistance animals are allowed.
- Alcohol is not to be brought onto the grounds and will be sold
  in designated areas only on the Fairgrounds during County Fair:
  Midway Tent North & South, Main Entrance, Private Events and the
  Indoor Arena. Otherwise, alcohol cannot be consumed or carried
  anywhere else on the grounds. No alcohol in any livestock barn.
- Fireworks are not allowed on the Fairgrounds.
- Flyers and/or sale bills may not be passed out in any areas of the Fairgrounds, with the exception of within a paid vendor booth space.
- · Placing flyers on automobiles is prohibited.
- Parking vehicles for advertising purposes or sale of a vehicle is prohibited.
- Any public display of photos or video of any Douglas County Fair event, concert or rodeo for public dissemination without express written consent from Douglas County is strictly prohibited.
- Douglas County Fair may take photos of guests, contestants, employees and volunteers. These photos shall be the property of Douglas County and may be used by Douglas County Fair Management for educational or promotional materials.
- All guests, contestants and participants are subject to a search by security personnel.
- All ticket sales are final no credits, refunds or exchanges.
   Douglas County Fair retains the right to refuse admittance to anyone.

#### **DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR & RODEO**

# CARE AND TREATMENT OF ANIMALS

The Douglas County Fair & Rodeo is committed to the proper care and treatment of all livestock associated with the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. We strive to promote and preserve our Western Heritage in the safest manner for our animals, exhibitors, contestants and guests. Management and personnel of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo have extensive knowledge and understanding in all sectors of the livestock industry as well as the sport of rodeo. These people routinely put the needs of the livestock before their own.

Our rodeo performances are proudly sanctioned by the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA), the largest and oldest rodeo sanctioning body in the world. Together, the management of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo and the PRCA enforce more than 70 rules that govern the care and treatment of livestock participating in rodeo events; these are the strongest rules enforced by any rodeo organization. ProRodeo Officials, as well as the on-site veterinarian assess each animal prior to competition to ensure all livestock are well-suited and fit for competition. In addition to monitoring the livestock prior to the competition, a veterinarian is on-site during each performance.

4-H Junior Livestock Shows and educational programs promote hands-on learning and help develop life skills. Hard work, dedication, respect and responsibility learned from an interaction with animals, aids youth in developing into tomorrow's leaders. Exhibitors adhere to competition rules and a code of conduct, ensuring the safety and welfare for animals and exhibitors alike.

The Douglas County Fair & Rodeo is proud to be continuing the western way of life and will continue to address issues, especially livestock welfare, with a productive approach. We would like to thank Littleton Equine Medical Center for being the official veterinarian of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo.





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#### **Debbie Mills**

# BRINGING DEDICATION, COWGIRL SKILLS AND PASSION TO THE DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR & RODEO

For over a decade, Debbie Mills has been a dedicated Director on the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Fair Board, leaving an indelible mark on the event. Whether you've attended the fair or not, Debbie's presence is felt throughout the grounds as she zips around in her golf cart or truck, tirelessly overseeing various tasks. There's hardly an aspect of the fair that Debbie's ideas and hands haven't touched.

Debbie's journey into the Western Way of Life began when her daughter, Hannah, expressed interest in running for Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Queen. Living in Highlands Ranch at the time, Debbie embarked on a mission to gather information about the process since resources were scarce. Hannah's successful reign as Queen paved the way for her sister, Madelaine, to follow in her footsteps. Little did Debbie, her husband Randy, and their family know that this would shape their future. Today, Hannah, alongside her husband Casey, a Certified Journeyman Farrier, continues her involvement in Western culture as a skilled leather craftsman, while Madelaine went on to become Miss Rodeo Colorado and now provides Marketing expertise for rodeo committees as a consultant. This year, Debbie and Randy celebrate their 41st wedding anniversary.

As the Marketing and Sponsorship Committee Chair, Debbie plays a crucial role in shaping the fair's image and engaging the community. Throughout the year, she spearheads advertising, design, social media campaigns, and outreach initiatives like visits to daycare centers and Behind the Chutes tours. Her contributions extend to the annual Souvenir Program, and she excels at building long-lasting relationships with sponsors and the community at large.

Of all her responsibilities, Debbie is most passionate about the Royalty Program and the ProRodeo. She takes great pride in the Rodeo's growth, elevated to the Large Rodeo category, and nurturing the youth who participate in the Royalty Program. Many past royalty members continue to return and volunteer at the fair each year, while others pursue higher royalty titles or further their involvement in Western culture. Debbie dedicates a significant amount of her time to promoting the Rodeo and supporting youth within the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo.

Despite her exceptional contributions, Debbie remains remarkably humble. She didn't seek this article's publication, but the truth must be told: she is a remarkable individual with talents that encompass event decoration, boundless energy, and a



constant flow of innovative ideas. Debbie's ultimate desire is for everyone who attends the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo to have a memorable western family experience, enjoy traditional fair food and learn about our heritage and agricultural roots.

Debbie Mills was awarded the Fair Person of the Year in 2023 from CAFS (Colorado Association of Fairs and Shows). Her passion and devotion for agriculture, rodeo and the western way of life is demonstrated through her dedication to multiple organizations in Colorado. For over a decade, she has coordinated the royalty portion of the CAFS conference. You will find her at the National Western Stock Show in multiple capacities, including organizing the annual parade in downtown Denver. In addition to that, she is a continuous volunteer and supporter of Miss Rodeo Colorado, Miss Rodeo America and the ProBodeo Hall of Fame.

Congratulations, Debbie Mills, for being recognized as a 2024 Wall of Honor Inductee at the Douglas County Fairgrounds Heritage Plaza. This honor is well deserved.

#### **DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR & RODEO WELCOMES**









# CONCERTS THROUGH THE YEARS

| 1982: | Tina Carrol &         |
|-------|-----------------------|
|       | The Nashville Satin   |
| 1983: | JP & Firewater        |
| 1984: | Ed Bruce              |
| 1985: | Mel McDaniel          |
| 1986: | Reba McEntire         |
| 1987: | Marie Osmond          |
| 1988: | Tammy Wynette         |
| 1989: | Rodney Crowell &      |
|       | Lacy J. Dalton        |
| 1990: | Lyn Anderson & Ray Pi |
| 1991: | Charley Pride         |

2000: Ricky Van Shelton

Grand Opening of the Douglas County Events

Center, August 4, 2001

2001: Lorrie Morgan

1981: Stella Parton

2002: Pam Tillis
2003: Charlie Daniels
2004: Clay Walker
2005: Tracy Byrd
2006: Daryl Worley
2007: Nitty Gritty Dirt Band
2008: Joe Nichols
2009: Sha Na Na
2016: Black Hawk
2017: Face

The 100-year celebration of 2018 launched the return of concerts at the Fair on the newly built elevated

Performance Platform

stage

2018: Cody Johnson & Two Way Crossing
2019: Gary Allen
2020: NO CONCERT DUE TO COVID
2021: Buckstein at the Barn Dance
2022: Josh Turner Douglas County Events Center name changed to James R. Sullivan Events

Center

2023: Randy Houser &
Chase Bryant

A special thank you to Dan Carnahan for his research to verify and correct early concert details!

#### FUN, FAIR BOARD, BEHIND THE STAGE, STORIES FROM THE PAST-

1981's Stella Parton had a complaining manager. Concerns were the shallow stage (i.e. a flatbed tractor trailer that was probably on loan to the fair by Ramsour Bros) and not having a chartered bus for her use as a dressing room. Larry Carnahan went to one of the folks that had one of the motor homes people always parked along the back straightaway of the racetrack to request if they'd let the Fair Board borrow it for Stella's use. The first one he asked said "no problem". It was definitely a different era back then - a collective all-hands-ondeck Douglas County community!

Ed Bruce performed in 1984; the first year there was an actual stage. The stage was built by a group of Fair Board members who got together in the spring of that year.

Larry Carnahan signed the biggest act, up to that date, in the history of the fair in 1986. Reba McEntire was the headliner right before she skyrocketed to fame.

Challenges with acts came from the managers more than the artists themselves.

Tammy Wynette's manager was her 5th husband - George Richey. He was all upset that the stage didn't have a staircase other than stepping up on the tongue of the trailer it was built on, then one step up to the stage. Secondly, he was up in arms for her having to walk from the catered KYGO motorbus to the stage on the racetrack dirt. It rained that day in 1988 and Tammy refused to walk in the mud from the motor home to the stage. George threatened it was grounds for breach of contract so Larry Carnahan pointed out the Justice Center down below and asked the manager if he really thought he'd have much of a case arguing in our hometown courthouse. Meanwhile, a bunch of the Fair Board went into action hustling up plywood to lie down end to end for her to walk on. One of the Fair Board members, Dwayne Richardson, owned the local lumber store so he went and got sheets of plywood that they used to make a walkway for her. Fair Board member Lon Garrison went to a local job site where there was a nice, more substantial staircase that belonged to a job superintendent mobile building and "borrowed" it for the night.

#### **MEET & GREETS**

Most contracts for entertainers included a provision for a meet and greet event where people could meet the entertainer and get an autograph and/or picture. The provision included a limit on the number of people who could attend, usually 30 to 40 total. The Fair Board Association would offer that opportunity to sponsors and other supporters of the fair including Fair Board Members. The year we had Laurie Morgan, 2001, the limit was only 30. Some of the entertainers were flexible, especially Charlie Daniels, but Laurie Morgan was a stickler on the total number. Her road manager stood beside her and counted how many were meeting her. He told me that only 10 more people would be allowed to meet her even though the waiting line was a lot longer than that. So I counted off the next ten and told the others they wouldn't be allowed to meet her. Unfortunately Arlie Gordon, a Fair Board Member, and his girlfriend didn't make the cut. Later, I told Arlie I was sorry but Laurie was strict on the total count. He told me he really didn't care to meet her but he had convinced his girlfriend that he was a big wig and could get her an autograph. When he wasn't able to get that done, the girlfriend told him thanks for nothing and that was the end of their date.

2003's Charlie Daniels was incredible about meeting his fans. He joined fans on his bus and was glad to give an autograph as well as pictures. Even though his contract had a limit he continued to sign

autographs well beyond that number. However, the line to meet him kept growing. I went back inside the Events Center to see what was going on. Word had leaked out that you could get on Charlie's bus with him and get an autograph. So people were walking back stage and outside to get in line. We had security folks who were supposed to keep people from going back stage but I couldn't find them. When I asked where they were I was told they are on the bus getting pictures with Charlie. Once we got it back under control I apologized to Charlie for the problem and thanked him for continuing to sign for everyone in line. He laughed and said "why wouldn't I meet them? I'm pretty sure several of them will go out and buy my album in the morning."



Offered by Bruff Shea & Dan Carnahan on behalf of Larry Carnahan Douglas County Fair & Rodeo is not responsible for any exaggerated tall tales but we would love to have more of these fun stories from past Fair & Rodeos submitted for use in future publications!



Come and Celebrate our 45th Anniversary!

Friday: Clown Reunion Festivities

During the Week: Film Festival &

**Rodeo Demonstrations** 

Wednesday: Little Champions

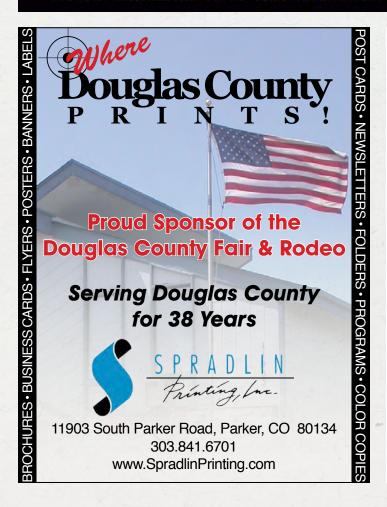
**Educational Program** 

Saturday: Open House, with vendors,

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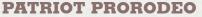
CASTLEROCK AUTOPLEX and the Douglas County Fair Board present the greatest sport on dirt with four exciting ProRodeos that feature contestants from the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association and Women's Professional Rodeo Association. Thursday night's performance features Roughstock ONLY with Bares, Broncs & Bulls. Friday, Saturday and Sunday performances will have Bareback Riding, Steer Wrestling, Saddle Bronc Riding, Tie-down Roping, Team Roping, Barrel Racing, and conclude with Bull Riding. Come to the PRCA Rodeos and see the awardwinning animal athletes perform and cheer on your favorite contestants. We are ProRodeo!

#### BARES, BRONCS & BULLS -ROUGHSTOCK AT THE ROCK

COURTESY OF & PENDLETON **TICKETED EVENT** 

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 1 | 7:00 P.M.

Professional rodeo action consists of two types of competitions roughstock events and timed events. Once again, the roughstock events of bareback riding, saddle bronc riding and bull riding will have their own fully sanctioned night in the Outdoor Arena on Thursday, August 1 at Bares, Broncs & Bulls - Roughstock at The Rock. In these events, the contestant is scored on both the animal's performance and their own. In order to score, the cowboy must stay on the animal while using just one hand to hold on for eight seconds. Combining the thrill of Bareback Riding with nothing more to hang on to than a riggin'; rodeo's classic event, Saddle Bronc Riding, and the most dangerous sport on dirt, Bull Riding, this night will be sure to get your adrenaline running. Watch top ProRodeo athletes "make an ugly face and nod" as they compete for their share of the \$200,000+ purse for an eightsecond ride.



COURTESY OF Jacobs TICKETED EVENT

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 2 | 7:00 P.M.

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#### PRORODEO

**TICKETED EVENT** 

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 3 | 7:00 P.M.

This evening we celebrate the Clown/Barrel/ Funny Men of Rodeo. Represented tonight with over 300 years of experience from among the 40 members who have joined us at Douglas County, these men and one woman are the part of the group providing cowboy protection in the arena and have grown their profession to over thousands strong. We'd also like to recognize our sponsors and community support that help make the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo happen each year. Catch all the action from our grandstands as ProRodeo contestants and the animal athletes compete for their share of the \$200,000+ purse.



## DAY AT THE RODEO

**COURTESY OF TICKETED EVENT** SUNDAY, AUGUST 4 | 1:00 P.M.

Honoring P.S. Miller and his numerous philanthropic generosities for Douglas County, enjoy discounted pricing on ProRodeo tickets courtesy of Colorado State Patrol while supporting local Law Enforcement Officers. The Colorado State Patrol (our opening ceremonies and discount ticket presenter), Douglas County Sheriff's Department, Castle Rock Police, Lone Tree Police and Parker Police Departments will be recognized. Wear blue and show your support for those who put their lives on the line daily for our safety and security.





#### PRORODEO EVENTS **ROCK THE STOCK**

#### BAREBACK RIDING

Both the rider and the bucking horse are judged in this event. It is a single-handhold, eight-second ride that starts with the cowboy's feet held in a position over the break of the horse's shoulders until the horse's front feet touch the ground first jump out of the chute. The rider earns points maintaining upper body control while moving his feet in a toes-turned-out rhythmic motion in time with the horse's bucking action. Points are awarded by the judges, up to 50 for the animal athlete and up to 50 for the cowboy's performance.

\*2023 Winner and New Arena Record 90 points (tie) Cooper Cooke on Summit Pro Rodeo's Red Feather and Tim O'Connell on Summit Pro Rodeo's Game Trail.

\*89 points in 2022 tie Mason Clements on Kirsten Vold Rodeo Company's Painted Playgirl, Kaycee Feild on Summit Pro Rodeo's Trailer Home, and Orin Larsen on Summit Pro Rodeo's Cowtown.





#### SADDLE BRONC RIDING

Known as rodeo's classic event, saddle bronc riding is judged similarly to bareback riding, but there are additional possibilities to being disqualified; that is, losing a stirrup or dropping the thickly braided rein that is attached to the horse's halter. The cowboy sits on the horse differently due to the saddle and rein, and the spurring motion covers a different area of the horse. Saddle bronc horses are usually several hundred pounds heavier than bareback horses and generally buck in a slower manner. Points are awarded by the judges, up to 50 for the animal athlete and 50 for the cowboy's performance.

\*Saddle Bronc Riding 2023 Winner Cole Elshere 88 points on Kirsten Vold Rodeo Company's Crossbreed's Captain Hook.

\*Arena Record in 2021 89.5 points Chase Brooks on Summit Pro Rodeo's Kangaroo Lou.

#### STEER WRESTLING

This event was originally called "bull dogging" and requires the cowboy to leap from the running horse onto the back of a 600-pound steer, catch it behind the horns, stop the steer's forward momentum and wrestle it to the ground with all four of its legs pointing the same direction to stop the clock. The bulldogger is assisted by the hazer, typically another competitor, who rides along the steer's right to keep the animal running straight. This is a timed event.

\*2023 Winner (6 way tie) Sam Goings, Kodie Jang, Travis Munroo, Kirk Tavenner, Tyler Waguespack and Landris White 3.7 seconds. \*Arena Record tied in 2022 3.5 Jace Melvin and Kalane Anders 3.5 in 2018 with original record set in 2008 at 3.5 (tie) Seth Brockman and Chad Van Campen.





#### TIE-DOWN ROPING

Tie-down roping is an authentic ranch skill that originated from working cowboys. Once the calf has been roped, the cowboy dismounts and runs down the length of the rope to the calf. When the calf is on the ground, the cowboy ties three legs together with a six-foot pigging string. Calves are given a head start, and if the cowboy's horse leaves the box too soon, a barrier breaks and a 10-second penalty is added to the roper's time. A fraction of a second can make the difference between winning and losing in all timed events. Tie-down roping is a timed event.

\*Tie Down Roping 2023 Winner Shane Hanchey 8.1 seconds.
\*Arena Record in 2007 7.8 seconds by Brandon Neugebauer.

#### **WOMEN'S BARREL RACING**

This event is a horse race with turns. The cowgirl's time begins as she rides her horse across the starting line in the arena. She makes a run around three upright barrels, which are in a cloverleaf pattern, and back to the starting line where the clock stops. Tipping a barrel is permitted, but if it is knocked to the ground, a five-second penalty is added to her time. Fastest time wins.

\*2023 Winner Brittany Pozzi Tonozzi 17.21.

\*Arena record in 2022 Sarah Waguespack 15.91 seconds.



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#### TEAM ROPING

Team roping is the only rodeo event that features two contestants. The team consists of a header and a heeler. The header ropes the horns, then dallies or wraps his rope around his saddle horn and turns the steer to the left for the other cowboy who ropes the heels. The heeler must throw a loop with precision timing to catch both of the steer's hind legs; only catching one leg results in a five-second penalty. The time clock stops once both ropers have made a catch and brought the animals to a stop, facing each other.

This is a timed event.

\*2023 Winner and New Arena Record Tanner James/Wyatt Cox 4.2 seconds.
\*4.3 seconds in 2022 Kolton Schmidt/Cole Davison.

#### **BULL RIDING**

Bull riders, who might not weigh more than 150 pounds, place a flat braided rope around a bull that weighs almost 2,000 pounds. The bull rope is placed around the animal, just behind its shoulders. It is then looped and threaded through itself, and the cowboy wraps it around his riding hand with only his grip holding him in place. The rider relies on balance and leg strength to make the eight-second buzzer. Look for bull riders to sit up close to their bull ropes and turn their toes out because rides are judged on the competitor's riding style and the bull's bucking ability. Points are awarded by the judges up to 50 for the animal athlete and up to 50 for the cowboy's performance.

\*2023 Winner Ernie Courson, Jr. 86.5 points on Summit Pro Rodeo's No. 911.
\*Arena Record in 2022 Garrett Smith 89 points on Honeycutt Rodeo's Ted.



# PRCA YOUTH CAMP FOR RODEO ENTHUSIASTS!

Saturday, August 3, 2024, represents the third year Douglas County Fair & Rodeo has hosted a Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA) Youth Camp for rodeo enthusiasts from 8 to 17 years of age. The goal is to provide a fun, positive rodeo experience giving a firsthand experience so kids can learn the basics of ProRodeo. Camp curriculum includes an introduction to roughstock and timed events with an emphasis on safety, fundamentals, overview of riding equipment, injury prevention and management, fitness and nutrition. The production side of rodeo will be introduced as well with a chance to meet members of the team including bull fighters, barrel man, Miss Rodeo Colorado, and our stock contractor.

With an emphasis on keeping physically fit, instructors suggest kids take care of their bodies through exercise such as gymnastics and wrestling to keep up with the demands of rodeo athletics. They also suggest setting short-term and long-term goals and treating these goals like a vision, and of course, staying up on academic responsibilities.

Kids from a wide range of areas have attended the camp in the past and receive a goodie bag including a t-shirt and swag and are treated to lunch from Dairy Queen. The Camp is a fantastic opportunity for young athletes to learn more about the rodeo and gain a professional athlete's perspective for success in the arena. Douglas County Fair & Rodeo continues to be dedicated to education, the youth of rodeo, creating new fans, and elevating the fan/contestant experience.





# Developmental Pathways

#### **EXCEPTIONAL RODEO FOR EXCEPTIONAL CONTESTANTS!**

Developmental Pathways, celebrating 60 years of enriching lives and strengthening communities, is partnering with Douglas County Fair & Rodeo and the Exceptional Rodeo to offer a unique experience for their clients. Just like a traditional rodeo, the event includes everything from roping and barrel racing with interactive props to riding a real mechanical bull and "Payday" the hand rocked bucking horse.

Providing confidence in tackling new opportunities is a big part of the Exceptional Rodeo, which is produced by Director Adam Daurio of the Temple Grandin Equine Center in Denver. "It's taking an environment that they've actually not been part of before and welcoming them in," Daurio said. "And then giving them just enough instruction so that they can have some confidence and letting them do what they want to, allowing them to take the time to approach different obstacles."

Exceptional Contestants will get the chance to try their hand at roping and riding, but what makes the event extra special is that it allows participants to interact with real cowboys, cowgirls and local rodeo queens who volunteer their time and attention. Two Exceptional Rodeos will be offered and will kick-off with performances by the Stars & Stripes Drill Team and the Pikes Peak or Bust Rangerettes Drill Team.







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#### LARRY CARNAHAN

Born August 10, 1939 - Passed on to be with the Lord March 8, 2024

#### A LIFE WELL LIVED

Larry grew up working on the family ranch south of Kiowa, Colorado that his great grandfather homesteaded in 1862. Growing up, Larry participated in the Kiowa Community 4-H Club for ten years with fat steers and was on the Elbert County livestock-judging team for eight years. During his junior and senior years, the Elbert judging team was successful in winning the 1956 Western Slope Judging Contest in Gunnison and Larry was also awarded high individual. Larry was also on the CSU livestock-judging team for two years where the team experienced a winning record including high team at the National Western Stock Show in 1961.

Larry married Carol McClure in 1963. They had three children - Joy, Jacki and Dan, all of whom were ten-year 4-H members in Douglas County. During his children's tenure in 4-H, Larry became a 4-H club leader and in 1979 he took the reins as coach of the Douglas County Livestock Judging Club where he continued until 1993. Members of those teams won and placed in several state and national contests. His famous quote, "Luck is when hard work and preparation meet opportunity" was ingrained in his young team members' minds. Coaching and traveling with this successful group was one of the finest experiences in Larry's life.

In 1979, Larry joined the Fair Board where he held positions of Beef Superintendent, Vice-President for two years and President for seven years until his retirement from the Board in 1989. During that time the Fair continued to grow and new events were added including the Antique Tractor Pull and the Rocky Mountain Horse Pull Championship. Top name entertainers began appearing at the Fair and Larry helped coordinate the shows – Reba McEntire, Tammy Wynette and Marie Osmond. He told stories about the unreasonable demands made to him by some of the entertainer's managers upon their arrival. Larry and the Fair Board always saw to it that the show went on.

The Douglas County 4-H Foundation was founded in 1996 with Larry serving as the initial President – a position he held for eight years. The foundation instituted several scholarship programs, which began during Larry's tenure. He remained a mentor for the organization until his passing.

The Colorado Agricultural Foundation (CALF) was formed in 2002. Larry was one of its founders, was President of the Board for 3 years and continued to serve the organization. Larry was particularly passionate about his involvement in CALF due to his long time friendship with John and Bea Lowell, CALF's benefactors that dated back to the first time Larry met John at a 1956 fat steer jackpot show at the fairgrounds. Several improvements have been completed at the CALF ranch and the Foundation continues to have amazing success. CALF awarded Larry "A Legend of Agriculture" in 2014.

Larry joined the Douglas County Fair Foundation Board at its inception in 2012, serving as Administrative Vice-President and sitting on the Executive Committee until he retired in 2019. The Heritage Plaza and Wall of Honor



were two of many projects Larry worked on for the Fair Foundation. The Fair Foundation honored Larry by adding his name to the Wall of Honor in 2015.

Larry was a long time member of the National Western Club. He and his cousin Charlie Carnahan and Carnahan Ranches Inc. had the honor of receiving the 2015 Friend of the National Western and Red Meat Industry Award for the family's history of showing cattle in The Yards since the start of the National Western Stock Show in 1906.

A mosaic of experiences and too many accomplishments to list all of them here, a few of his other community involvements include The National Western Stock Show, Douglas County Citizens Budget Committee, Metro Denver March of Dimes, the Douglas County Extension Advisory Committee and the Douglas County Planning Commission.

Larry's ride through life was an extraordinary journey fueled by an unbridled passion for youth and agriculture. His indomitable spirit and the profound philosophy that upheld his every endeavor touched the lives and moved those who knew him. Larry holds a special place in the hearts of so many of us in our community. The lessons and values he exuded shaped the youth he worked with and will continue to impact generations to come. He is a true legend and his was truly "A Life Well Lived".



#### ANNA BAJAJ -

2024 DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR & RODEO QUEEN

Hi everyone!

My name is Anna Bajaj, and I am so excited to be your 2024 Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Queen! I am in my final year at the University of Colorado Boulder as an Integrative Physiology student with plans to become a cardiovascular perfusionist. When I'm not studying or riding, you'll most likely find me at the rock-climbing gym competing for the CU climbing team, at church leading Bible studies, or volunteering with one of the campus ministries at CU.

Although I go to school in Boulder, my hometown is Highlands Ranch, CO. I am so blessed to have the most loving and selfless parents who have always been supportive of my horse hobby; from signing me up for summer horse camps when I was five years old, to teaching me financial responsibility so that I could buy my first horse at 11 years old. Throughout my life, I have found my passion in giving riding lessons, training horses, and showing horses in local western pleasure, English equitation, ranch riding, and gymkhana events. This last year, I even had the honor of competing in the Horseman's Challenge at the National Western Stock Show, where I navigated obstacles with speed while still maintaining proper horsemanship. It's truly been such a blessing to see my horse's training pay off through numerous buckles and saddles won during my time showing. Currently, I am training my new barrel horse named Déjà Vu, showing my "finished" horse named Zipporah, and beginning to show and "polish" my paint mare named Razzle-Dazzle.

While I have a strong desire to be active, my life took a turn when I was diagnosed with a rare neurologic condition that causes me to lose the use of my legs every 4-5 weeks for about a week. This has come as a colossal challenge and an ultimate change in lifestyle. I never imagined that I would have moments bound to a wheelchair, but without a shadow of a doubt, the Lord is good even when my circumstances are not. For the last three years, the weight of

my wheelchair has been lifted by an adaptive saddle designed by Amberley Snyder and customized to my needs, so that I can still ride and compete whether I have use of my legs or not. Because of the support of my parents, the generosity of Amberley, and the grace of God, the word "impossible" is not in my vocabulary.

I am so excited to meet you all at the 2024 Douglas County Fair & Rodeo! Come on down for a load of family fun whether it be at the carnival, ProRodeos, or relaxing with a funnel cake while listening to some live music. If you see my horses or me, please be sure come and say hello! I can't wait to see you all there, July 26th – August 4th!

#### STEFANEE WHITNEY-

#### 2024 DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR & RODEO QUEEN ATTENDANT

Howdy, y'all! My name is Stefanee Whitney, and I am honored to be your 2024 Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Queen Attendant. As a 22-year-old certified dental anesthesia assistant I have been helping in oral surgery for the past three years and maintain basic life support certification as part of my duties. From a family of four kids, I have two older brothers and a younger sister who is also part of the royalty community and previous Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Princess Attendant. Outside of the barn, I have two incredibly lovable rescue dogs; a blue heeler named Rhontu and a red heeler mix named Copper.

My passion for horses started at age 12 when I taught myself how to ride at a trail riding facility in Englewood, Florida. After moving to Colorado eight years ago, I finally got my own horse and began taking lessons in western pleasure and then competing in horsemanship shows in 2019. My sister and I competed through the buckle series at the Douglas County Fairgrounds and as a senior in High School, I participated in the 4-H horse project and won reserve grand champion in the western division.

Nowadays, when I am not working on my horsemanship, I am working on my roping skills and plan to participate in breakaway roping competitions after my rodeo royalty duties are completed. In my next chapter, I also plan to continue my education and pursue my passion for animals and medicine by entering the veterinary field as a large animal veterinary technician.

The Douglas County Fair & Rodeo is right around the corner, and I am so excited to see you! With 10 days of fun, there's something for everyone, from The Marketplace for shopping, to the Exceptional Rodeo for the special needs kids and adults, to the Jr. Livestock Sale, carnival rides, and let's not forget the 4-H animals. Come down, join us and enjoy all the fun for everyone, and make sure to stop by the stalls to meet our horses!





#### **CLAIRE TEMME** -

#### 2024 DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR & RODEO PRINCESS

Hi y'all!

My name is Claire Temme and I am so honored and excited to be the 2024 Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Princess! I am 13 years old and an 8th grader attending Castle Rock Middle School. In my free time, I love to write, bike, go on walks and hikes, and spend time with my friends and family. I live in Larkspur with my two amazing parents, two dogs, (Buck and Dolly), and my two chickens! My older brother, Jackson, is a junior at CU Boulder. My family & I are involved at Plum Creek Church, where I serve with kids aged 2-Pre-K, attend youth group, and regular church services. I am very strong in my faith and am in a Bible study with my close friends. In the far future, I would love to attend Texas A&M or Rocky Mountain College in Montana and major in communications with a minor in equine assisted therapy.

Horseback riding has taught me so much, but most importantly not to give up. I started riding at four and learned barrel racing at 6 years old and have loved it ever since. My horse, Copper, is a 6-year-old chestnut. We have come such a long way in the two years that I have had him. Our main competition is at Aurora Horseman's Foundation shows where we won reserve champion in our class in 2022.

When I am not riding, you can probably find me on a volleyball court, where I have been playing since I was 8 years old. For the past two years I have played on my school's team and last year with Panthers Volleyball Club, as well as their beach team. This year, I am excited to be playing club volleyball at 303 Volleyball Club and plan to play on a beach team again with my best friend!

I have been attending the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo for as long as I can remember. Rodeo and horses have always been a huge part of my life, teaching me many lessons. The Douglas County Fair & Rodeo has something for everyone, whether you're three years old or 100. At the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo, our community is a big family, and Copper and I can't wait to meet y'all! See you there!



#### MCKINELY HOLDEN

#### 2024 DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR & RODEO PRINCESS ATTENDANT

As your Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Princess Attendant, I am so honored and excited to represent this historic event! My name is McKinely Holden and it has always been my dream to be a part of rodeo royalty ever since my aunt, who was the Sheridan WYO Rodeo princess a few years ago inspired me to do the same. I'm a 6th grader and was born and raised here in Douglas County where my family and I have lived for the past 11 years. I love living the country life! God's goodness and faithfulness in working out all the horse-related details in my life has brought me to this position today where I hope to inspire young kids to rope their dreams, never give up hope, and to trust in God's timing.

My wonderful family is a huge blessing, and they encourage me constantly along with an amazing support system of friends in the "horse arena" who have taught me how to barrel race and the importance of horsemanship. I hope to be an Equine Rehab Specialist and professional barrel racer when I grow up. Barrel racing is my passion and I love learning all that I can about horses. My equine partners are Beau, who is my handsome royalty horse, and Maverick, who is my amazing barrel horse. Beau, Maverick and I look forward to riding for the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo brand with integrity, joy, and all the Western values that are held close to my heart!

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The Marketplace is also home to the Creative Arts, Agriculture & Floriculture Exhibits as well as the 4-H General Projects. See handmade quilts, pies, jams, jewelry, paintings, crafts, photographs, vegetables, floral arrangements and more!



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SATURDAY, JULY 27 -

10:00 AM-II:30 PM II:00 AM-II:30 PM

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General Admission (Free Day)

Carnival

Marketplace (Event Center)

Petting Zoo & Other Entertainment Chris Janson Concert with Double Wide

General Admission Hours (Free Day)

Carnival

Marketplace (Event Center)

Petting Zoo & Other Entertainment

Mutton Bustin (Registration/Weigh-in begins at 1:00 PM)

Hometown Rodeo

Farm-to-Table Brunch

Car Show

General Admission Hours (Free Day)

Carnival

Marketplace (Event Center)

Petting Zoo & Other Entertainment **CORE Electric Lineman Challenge** 

General Admission Hours (Free Day)

Carnival Marketplace

Petting Zoo & Other Entertainment

General Admission Hours (Free Day)

Carnival

Marketplace, Creative Arts, Ag Flori & General Projects on Display (Event Center)

Mutton Bustin (Registration/Weigh-in begins at 1:00 PM)

Petting Zoo & Other Entertainment Livestock Barns Open to the Public Roughstock at the Rock ProRodeo Jeffrey Alan Band After Rodeo Concert FRIDAY, AUG. 2 -

12:00-II:30 PM 2:00-II:30 PM

12:00-9:00 PM

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6:30 PM 7:00-9:00 PM

SATURDAY, AUG. 3 -

10:00 AM-II:30 PM II:00 AM-II:30 PM 10:00 AM-9:00 PM 2:00 - 3:00 PM

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9:00 PM - II:00 PM

**General Admission Hours** 

Junior Livestock Sale

Patriot Night ProRodeo

General Admission Hours

Marketplace, Creative Arts, Ag Flori &

General Projects on Display (Event Center)

Petting Zoo & Other Entertainment

Livestock Barns Open to the Public

Mutton Bustin (Registration/Weigh-in begins at 1:00 PM)

Carnival

Carnival

Marketplace, Creative Arts, Ag Flori & General Projects on Display (Event Center)

Mutton Bustin (Registration/Weigh-in begins at 1:00 PM) Petting Zoo & Other Entertainment Livestock Barns Open to the Public

ProRodeo & Clown Reunion Red Mountain Highway Barn Dance

Presented by Wide Open Saloon

SUNDAY, AUG. 4-

7:30 AM 8:00 - IO:00 AM

9:00 AM-4:00 PM 9:00 AM

II:00 AM-4:00 PM

9:00 AM-4:00 PM

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM 1:00 - 3:00 PM

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General Admission Hours (Free Day) Wall of Honor Induction Ceremony

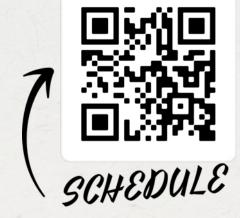
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Marketplace, Creative Arts, Ag Flori & General Projects on Display (Event Center)

Mutton Bustin (Registration/Weigh-in begins at 9:00 AM) Cowboys for Cops ProRodeo

Petting Zoo & Other Entertainment Livestock Barns Open to the Public





#### 2024 DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR & RODEO MAP

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#### First Weekend Highlights, July 26-29

| OUTDOOR ARENA                               |   |  |
|---|---|--|
| July 26 at 7:30 PM                          | Chris Janson Concert (\$)   |  |
| July 27 at 2 PM                             | Mutton Bustin (\$)<br>(Check-in begins one hour<br>prior at the Indoor Arena<br>Box Office) |  |
| July 27 at 4 PM                             | Hometown Rodeo &<br>Royalty Crowning  |  |
| July 28 at 12:15 &<br>2 PM                  | Exceptional Rodeo   |  |
|   |   |  |
| P/  | AVILION   |  |
| <b>P/</b><br>July 27 at 10:30 AM            | AVILION<br>Llama Show   |  |
|   |   |  |
| July 27 at 10:30 AM<br>July 28 at 10 AM     | Llama Show  |  |
| July 27 at 10:30 AM<br>July 28 at 10 AM     | Llama Show Farm-to-Table Brunch (\$)  |  |
| July 27 at 10:30 AM  July 28 at 10 AM  WARM | Llama Show Farm-to-Table Brunch (\$)  1-UP ARENA  |  |

#### Second Weekend Highlights, Aug. 1-4

| OUTDOOR ARENA                             |   |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| Aug. 3 at 10 AM                           | ProRodeo Slack Events   |  |  |
| Aug. 1-3 at 7 PM<br>Aug. 4 at 1 PM        | ProRodeo (\$)   |  |  |
| Aug. 1-3 at 2 PM<br>Aug. 4 at 10 AM       | Mutton Bustin (\$)<br>(Check-in begins one hour<br>prior at the Indoor Arena<br>Box Office) |  |  |
| PAVILION                                  |   |  |  |
| Aug. 2 at 6:30 PM                         | Junior Livestock Sale   |  |  |
| BARNS                                     |   |  |  |
| Aug. 1-2, 8 AM-9 PM<br>Aug. 3, 10 AM-9 PM | Livestock Barns Open to the Public  |  |  |



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**Face Painter** 

Hair Tinsel Info Booth Kettle Corn Kona Ice Ticket Office (Events Center) **Tres Amigos** Roping (2<sup>nd</sup> Weekend)

#### TICKETED EVENTS INFORMATION

Experience the thrill of four ProRodeos, indulge in a delicious Farm to Table Brunch, and sing along to the chart-topping hits of country music sensation Chris Janson. There's something for everyone at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. Don't miss out – buy your tickets today and prepare for fun, food, and fantastic entertainment!

#### Opening Night Concert Sponsored by Your Front Range Toyota Stores **CHRIS JANSON**

#### Friday, July 26 at 7:30 PM

Get ready for an unforgettable night of music as ACM Award-winning artist Chris Janson takes the stage at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo on Friday, July 26! With his infectious energy and chart-topping singles, including "Drunk Girl," "Buy Me a Boat" and "Done," Chris Janson promises to deliver a show you won't want to miss.

A local powerhouse, Double Wide, will kick off the night and perform your favorite 90s country hits.

General Admission Standing Room Only: \$30\* Reserved Seating: \$40\*

#### Four Nights of ProRodeo Action

#### Friday, July 26 at 7:30 PM

Get ready for heart-pounding excitement at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo's thrilling rodeo events! From bull riding to barrel racing, the rodeo promises non-stop action and entertainment for the whole family. Don't miss your chance to witness the professional rodeo stars in action – join us for an unforgettable rodeo experience at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo!

#### Roughstock at the Rock ProRodeo

Thursday, August 1 at 7 pm

Tickets: \$28-35\*

#### **Patriot Night ProRodeo**

Friday, August 2 at 7 pm

(Active Duty and veterans can receive a free ticket, while supplies last)

Tickets: \$28-35\*

#### **ProRodeo & Clown Reunion**

Saturday, August 3 at 7 pm

Tickets: \$28-35\*

#### **Cowboys for Cops ProRodeo**

Sunday, August 4 at 1 pm

(First responders can receive a free ticket, while supplies last)

Tickets: \$20-25\*

\*plus fees



#### Farm-to-Table Brunch Sponsored by Black Hills Energy Sunday, July 28 at 10 am-12 pm

Indulge in a true farm-to-table dining experience at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo's Farm-to-Table Brunch event. Here, the true spirit of farm-to-table shines as SALT Craft Meat Market creates a one-of-a-kind brunch experience where the story of food takes center stage. Savor delectable dishes prepared with locally sourced ingredients, celebrating the rich agricultural and ranching heritage of Douglas County while enjoying a delicious meal with hand-crafted beverages. 21+.

Tickets: \$75\*

#### **Grounds Admission**

#### Friday-Saturday, August 2-3 Only

The only two days of the Douglas County Fair you will need a grounds admission ticket are Friday & Saturday, August 2-3. On all other days, grounds admission is free.

Tickets: \$11

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### G. MARVIN BEEMAN, B.S., D.V.M.

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### **DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR & RODEO**

Dr. G. Marvin Beeman was born and raised in Highlands Ranch. His Family has lived in Douglas County since the mid-1800s. He attended the one-room Gann Grade School and graduated from Douglas County High School. As a boy G. Marvin Beeman was raised in an environment around horses, hounds and cattle. He was inspired as a child by the veterinarian who cared for the horses managed by his father. Dr. Beeman's earliest memories are of his grandmother, Harriet, winning prizes at the Douglas County Fair with her guilts and canned goods. He enjoyed being part of the Douglas County Fair: showing, racing horses and participating in various livestock projects. After earning a Bachelor of Science from Colorado A & M College in 1955 and two years later graduating as a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine from Colorado State University, he started work at Littleton Veterinary Clinic (now named the Littleton Equine Medical Center) in 1957. He has been an equine practitioner since then, and his specialties include a variety of lameness and musculoskeletal issues. The most important tool he carries on his veterinarian truck, that he can't live without, is his hoof-tester.

His most precious possession is his wife, Eunice Matthews. They met and dated in college and were married on August 21, 1955 before he finished veterinary school. She received her PHT degree, which he explains is a Putting Hubby Through degree. She has been a wonderful asset to his veterinary practice, allowing him to do what he wanted to do professionally. They have two children Laurie Ann and Grant. Both have shown horses at the Douglas County Fair.

In 1973, Dr. Beeman joined the Douglas County Fair Board where he became horse superintendent. His major responsibility was managing the Open Horse Show, sanctioned by the American Quarter Horse Association. In 1991, in honor of his lifetime of service to Douglas County youth and the Douglas County Fair, Dr. Beeman became an Honorary Lifetime Member of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Board of Directors.

He has been active in the equine world from early childhood where he rode by his father's side (and later his wife and children) in the Arapahoe Hunt Club. When not caring for horses, you can find Dr. Beeman in the hunt field for the Arapahoe Hunt Club, (mounted fox hunting-whipper-in since 1943, huntsmen since 1986 and retired in



2019), playing polo (was rated at 3 goals) and trail riding (part of Round Up Riders of the Rockies since 1963). He proudly states he rode hard up until he was 90 years old. He stopped due to a horse falling, resulting in Dr. Beeman's neck being broken in January of 2024.

Among his many awards and honors, too many to name here, two of his most meaningful are being inducted into the Hall of Fame of the American Quarter Horse Association and being chosen as Citizen of the West in Colorado. The Douglas County Fairgrounds Heritage Plaza bears his name as a 2019 Wall of Honor recipient. He was recently honored as CALF's (Colorado Agriculture Leadership Foundation's) 2023 Legend of Agriculture.

Thank You Dr. G. Marvin Beeman for your commitment to youth, agriculture, our community and especially for your service to the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo.

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In 1984, Parker Feed and Western Supply began supporting the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo by attending and purchasing animals from the Jr. Livestock Sale. They have been supporting our Douglas County Jr. Livestock Sale every year since.

Reminiscing about all the Douglas County Jr. Livestock Sales Tom has attended, he remembers one time at the sale when he was bidding on a turkey. A friend (who will remain nameless) was sitting behind him at the sale and a second bidder kept raising the price of the turkey. Tom started looking around wondering who was trying to outbid him. Out of the corner of his eye, he saw a bidding paddle behind him being raised, and he turned around to see his friend behind him raising the bid. Tom was gobbled into paying a higher price for the turkey that year!





In 2015, to honor Herman, who passed January 12 of that year, the Schacht family started the Herman Schacht Scholarship to provide assistance to a 4-H member in good standing who tragically lost his or her livestock animal. This scholarship is presented each year at the 4-H Achievement Night.

The Schacht family continues to thrive in an ever-changing Parker community by still providing dog, cat, wild bird feed, poultry supplies, electric tank heaters, tack for a variety of animals, work gloves, propane, U-Haul's packing supplies, moving trucks and trailers. The Schacht family is thankful for the past fifty-three years and the continued support of the community.





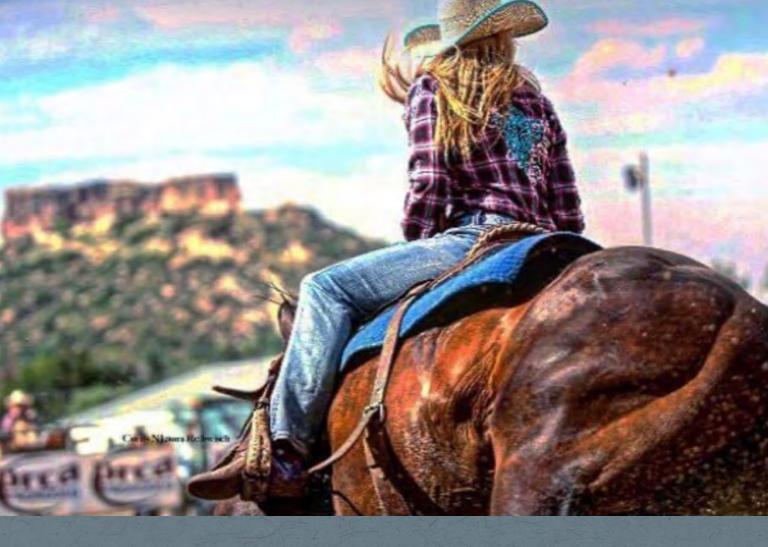




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# RODEO CLOWN REUNION BRINGS LAUGHS AND THE RIDICULOUS

Put forty or so people together in crazy colored shirts, baggy britches, wild hats, and make-up and there is no telling what they will do. Especially when they used to be rodeo clowns, bullfighters and barrelmen in rodeos across our nation and beyond.

The ProRodeo Hall of Fame, in Colorado Springs, on August 2nd and the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo in Castle Rock, Colorado, on August 3rd and 4th will be the destination for these Rodeo Clowns of yesteryear who are returning to enjoy the fans in and out of the arena.

The Rodeo Clown Reunion was started in 1974 at Roseburg, Oregon, by Karl Doering, a retired funnyman and bullfighter and has been held in various locations including Guthrie, Oklahoma and Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo in Colorado Springs. Other destinations include Santa Fe, NM; Springdale, AR; Deadwood, SD; Dodge City, KS; Stephenville, TX; Sheridan WY; Pendleton, OR; Coffeyville, KS and the Fort Worth Coliseum & Stockyards. In 2021 Douglas County Fair & Rodeo was honored to host the group and they had such a great time; they have decided to return in 2024!



Each venue has a variety of activities for the honorees; however the theme is always to show the former laugh-getters and cowboy protectors how much they are appreciated. The honorees in turn show their appreciation for a fun time at these Reunions. They are very excited to return to Colorado, the ProRodeo Hall of Fame and the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. They will be signing autographs, performing old-time acts and interacting with fans, young and old.











### 2023 JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SALE BUYERS

### MARKET BEEF

**EXHIBITOR** Silas McQuate Chayse Coggins Madelyn Eben Tristin Hastings **Natalie Hobbs** Piper Warren James Mullins Alison Wagester Andrew Eben Job Knight Brayden Sawyer Hailey Coggins Lilah McQuate Violet McQuate Kinlsey Ford Hannah Joiner Jacob Hawley Camden Brown **Audrey Griffith Tucker Long** Jayna Eben Norah Eben **Bristol Coggins** Hannah Hawley Hannah Hawley Phoebe McQuate

Hannah Hawley Phoebe McQuate Sierra Holt Isabella Gibson Iylah VanHorn Cassidy Griffith Jaden Mortensen Josiah VanHorn Brianna Thompson Isabelle Carlblom Tyler Fritz

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#### **BUYER**

T. Lowell Construction, Inc. JHL Constructors, Inc. Moore Lumber and Hardware **Cowboys After Hours** Colorado Powerline, Inc. Hier Drilling Co. **Larry Coggins** Wylaco Supply Co. Jeff Armstrong IMI Global Jason Maxwell Doug & Tina Decker Kiana Creek Ranch **Cowboys After Hours Griffith Engineering Services** Aztec Consultants, Inc. Potestio Brothers Equipment Hier Drilling Co. Hier Drilling Co. **Cowboys After Hours** Potestio Brothers Equipment Total Property Inc. Lakewood Electric Company Inc. **Bret & Brooke Fox Transwest Cowboys After Hours** Les Schwab Tire Centers Elizabeth Locker Plant **Griffith Engineering Services** Kiana Creek Ranch Sedalia Tire & Automotive Elizabeth Locker Plant Lifted High Roofing Colorado Pump Service Supply **Brett Banister Family** Cameron Carlblom

### MARKET SWINE -

### **EXHIBITOR**

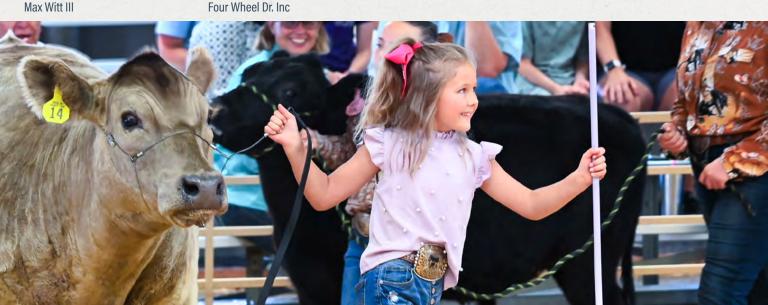
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Kaitlynn Alden

### **BUYER**

Westside Towing Inc. **Griffith Engineering Services** Hallmark Inc Semocor Inc **IMI** Global **Griffith Engineering Services** Cowboys After Hours Elizabeth Locker Plant Potestio Brothers Equipment Sawyer Legal Group, LLC Westside Towing Inc. **Transwest** Driftwood Builders, LLC **Griffith Engineering Services** Cowboys After Hours Les Schwab Tire Centers Potestio Brothers Equipment Floyd Hernandez Doug & Tina Decker Clough Cattle & Fence Co. Samuel Cheng Cowboys After Hours Sawyer Legal Group, LLC Cowboys After Hours Driftwood Builders, LLC Cowboys After Hours Gary & Kimberly Neal Sawyer Legal Group, LLC Elizabeth Locker Plant Skidder Done LLC

Cowboys After Hours



### **2023 JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SALE BUYERS**

### **MARKET LAMB**

### **EXHIBITOR**

Alaina Mauck Trent Mauck Dalton Carpenter Abby Nagel

Braelyn Candelaria Diana Nagel Cason Candelaria

Kenzie Summervill Isabel Petrosky Maisey Petersen

Linden Frazier

Karly Alden Kenzie Sijelmassi Bernadette Menghini

Acacia Frazier Anna Blayter Mariah Wiskus

### MARKET TURKEYS

### **EXHIBITOR**

Taylor Clark
Charley Critton
Keela Craft
Marcus Moe
Tyler Williams
Benjamin Dykstra
Ethan Williams
Colten Williams
Charlie Dykstra
Jared Moe

Rylen Craft

### BUYER

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Les Schwab Tire Centers

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Douglas County Commissioners Sawyer Legal Group, LLC Lifted High Roofing Parker Feed Sterling Auto Interiors Aztec Consultants, Inc. FirsTier Bank

Wiens Ranch Company Inc. IMI Global

IMI Global Parker Feed O'Brien's Cafe



### MARKET DUCKS

### **EXHIBITOR**

Peyton Holt Toni Osburn

### RABBIT MEAT PEN

### **EXHIBITOR**

Adyson Vogel Beatrix Roberts Steele Grafft Shaun Junior Konecnystrait Brooke Albright

### **BUYER**

JHL Constructors, Inc. Darren Weekly

### BUYER

Lifted High Roofing Kevin Good Family Lifted High Roofing Lifted High Roofing Les Schwab Tire Centers

### MARKET GOATS

### **EXHIBITOR**

Jordan Spall
Trent Mauck
Bailey Fischer
David Surry
Whitney Clark
Lauren Clark
Charliene Surry
Samantha Seela
Aribella Guntermann

#### **BUYER**

Kiana Creek Ranch
Pac/West Strategies
Pac/West Strategies
Les Schwab Tire Centers
CORE
Kiana Creek Ranch
Cowboys After Hours
Les Schwab Tire Centers

Stanley Worcester

### MARKET CHICKENS

### **EXHIBITOR**

Blake Carlblom Rachel Dunbar Lilly Lucas Julia Dunbar Carina Coyle Wyatt Ridgeway Colton Gerstner Evelyn Petrosky

### **BUYER**

Simla Frozen Foods & Locker
NavPoint Real Estate Group
Westside Towing Inc.
The Melvin & Elaine Wolf Foundation
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Sterling Auto Interiors
Lifted High Roofing



# 2023 JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SALE RESULTS GRAND CHAMPION

### MARKET BEEF

**GRAND CHAMPION** 



SELLER: Silas McQuate

BUYER: T. Lowell Construction, Inc.

PRICE: \$18,000.00

### MARKET SWINE

**GRAND CHAMPION** 



SELLER: Livi Tanin

BUYER: Westside Towing Inc.

PRICE: \$10,500.00

### MARKET LAMB

**GRAND CHAMPION** 



SELLER: Alaina Mauck
BUYER: JHL Constructors, Inc.

PRICE: \$4,000.00

### **MARKET GOATS**

**GRAND CHAMPION** 



SELLER: Jordan Spall BUYER: Kiana Creek Ranch

PRICE: \$3,300.00

### MARKET CHICKENS-

**GRAND CHAMPION** 



SELLER: Blake Carlblom

BUYER: Simla Frozen Foods & Locker

PRICE: \$1,650.00

### **MARKET TURKEYS**

**GRAND CHAMPION** 



SELLER: Taylor Clark

BUYER: Douglas County Commissioners

PRICE: \$2,400.00

### MARKET DUCKS-

**GRAND CHAMPION** 



SELLER: Peyton Holt

BUYER: JHL Constructors, Inc.

PRICE: \$2,000.00

### **RABBIT MEAT PEN**

**GRAND CHAMPION** 



SELLER: Adyson Vogel
BUYER: Lifted High Roofing

PRICE: \$1,050.00



## 2023 JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SALE RESULTS RESERVE CHAMPION

### MARKET BEEF

RESERVE CHAMPION



SELLER: Chayse Coggins
BUYER: JHL Constructors, Inc.

PRICE: \$10,250.00

### **MARKET SWINE-**

**RESERVE CHAMPION** 



SELLER: Levi Mauck

BUYER: Griffith Engineering Services

PRICE: \$5,200.00

### MARKET LAMB

RESERVE CHAMPION



SELLER: Trent Mauck BUYER: Transwest PRICE: \$4,000.00

### **MARKET GOATS**

**RESERVE CHAMPION** 



SELLER: Trent Mauck
BUYER: Pac/West Strategies

PRICE: \$2,200.00

### MARKET CHICKENS

**RESERVE CHAMPION** 



SELLER: Rachel Dunbar

BUYER: NavPoint Real Estate Group

PRICE: \$1,500.00

### **MARKET TURKEYS**

**RESERVE CHAMPION** 



SELLER: Charley Critton

BUYER: Sawyer Legal Group, LLC

PRICE: \$1,800.00

### MARKET DUCKS

**RESERVE CHAMPION** 



SELLER: Toni Osburn
BUYER: Darren Weekly
PRICE: \$1,000.00

### RABBIT MEAT PEN

**RESERVE CHAMPION** 



SELLER: Beatrix Roberts
BUYER: Kevin Good Family

PRICE: \$1,100.00



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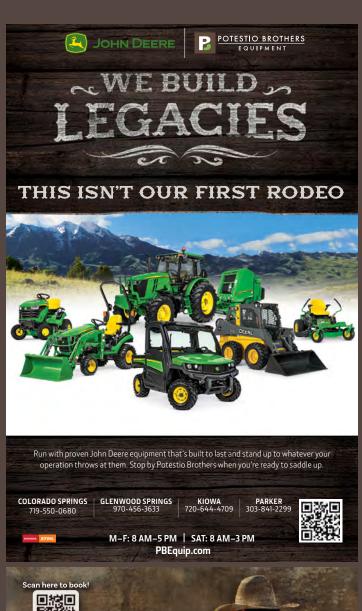
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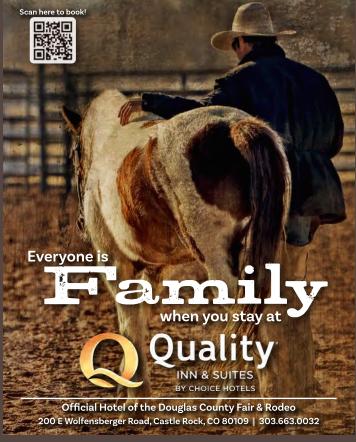
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### **DOUGLAS COUNTY 4-H**

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### 4-H WAY

4-H empowers youth with the skills to lead for a lifetime. The research-based experience that includes a mentor, a hands-on project, and a meaningful leadership opportunity.

### 4-H COMMUNITY

Douglas County 4-H currently offers over 40 project areas and has over 500 youth members. Youth can experience 4-H through community clubs, in-school and after-school programs.

### 4-H PROGRAMMING

Based on their interests, and guided by over 150 adult volunteers, youth develop their own pathway in 4-H by selecting from a broad menu of local 4-H programming and projects. Douglas County 4-H strives to provide back to the community while growing future leaders. There are hands-on, learn-by doing, opportunities for ages 5-18.

QUESTIONS? Please call the CSU Extension Office at 720-733-6940





### **DOUGLAS COUNTY FFA**

The National FFA Organization or FFA (Future Farmers of America), as it is more commonly known is a premier student leadership organization for middle school and high school students. The letters FFA are a part of our history and our heritage harkening back to the early 1900's. The organization has evolved over the years but has stayed true to the precepts of personal growth, career success and premier leadership. FFA welcomes members and teaches skills to students who aspire to careers not only in agriculture, but also as teachers, doctors, scientists, business owners and more.





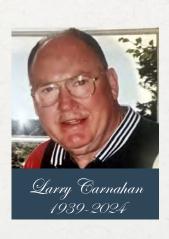
Douglas County FFA remains committed to each individual student in guiding them and helping them achieve their personal goals. As a Chapter, we focus on the FFA model of "Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living to

Serve". We also encourage members to get involved in FFA Events, and contests as well as community events which offers students the opportunity to gain skills and experience that relate to possible future careers or interests.





### In Appreciation For All Douglas County 4-H Foundation Past Presidents







### THE DOUGLAS COUNTY 4-H FOUNDATION

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During the 2024 Douglas County Fair & Rodeo, we want to acknowledge four great men: Joe Julian, Larry Carnahan, Paul Clayton and Russ Squires, all who have served as Presidents of Douglas County 4-H Foundation, Inc. These men have provided us with great forward thinking leadership regarding the education of our youth through the various disciplines in 4-H.

The Douglas County 4-H Foundation was established due to the philanthropic generosity of Mr. P.S. Miller, a long time resident of Douglas County (Castle Rock), Colorado. Mr. Miller passed away on June 7, 1995, at Ninety-Nine years of age. Joe Julian, the Douglas County Director of CSU Extension, along with many agriculture enthusiasts established the Douglas County 4-H Foundation, Inc., a 501 (c) (3) in the year 1997. A few of the many 4-H Foundation members involved over the years include: Terra Thorpe, Paul Clayton, Karen Serafini, Larry Carnahan, Russ Squires and Dan Danser.

The mission statement of the Douglas County 4-H Foundation is comprised of community leaders working collectively to obtain funding sources that provide Douglas County 4-H members academic scholarship opportunities, financial grants for educational experiences and learning opportunities that prepare them for their future. This also enables 4-H members to excel in their projects, develop life skills, contribute to their community and grow into valuable young adults.

The vision of the Douglas County 4-H Foundation is to generate and distribute resources to support programs that increase achievement, foster lifelong learning, develop citizenship and provide Douglas County 4-H youth opportunities to become contributing citizens.

We assist Douglas County 4-H members by donating a specific amount of funds to help the members attend Local, State, Regional and National 4-H Leadership events. We also offer 4-H project grant money for the following: Animal Science, Companion Animals, Natural Resources, Self-Determined and General Projects which include Communication Arts/Leisure Sciences, Family Consumer Science and Mechanical Science.

Livestock projects are excluded due to an agreement between the Douglas County 4-H Foundation and the Douglas County Fair Foundation. The Fair Foundation provides livestock opportunities through their L.E.G. Up program.

We have scholarship opportunities for long term, in good standing Douglas County 4-H club members who plan to attend accredited four year colleges or universities, two year Jr. colleges and trade schools.

### **GET INVOLVED**

We are always looking for people to participate with our Douglas County 4-H Foundation. If you are interested please attend a meeting and / or send an email to: <a href="mailto:dc4hgrants@gmail.com">dc4hgrants@gmail.com</a>

The 4-H Foundation is the proud sponsor of The Pie Eating Contest and The Blind Man Tractor Drive. Free and open for ALL folks at the fair (events have some requirements). You can find the Blind Man Tractor Drive Saturday, August 3 and the Pie Eating Contest Sunday, August 4. Please check the schedule for event time and location. Come join in the fun!



### 2023 AWARDS WON FOR DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR & RODEO

### INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS & EXPOS (IAFE)

Promotional/Advertising Poster: Fair Poster Third Place - Division 1



Online Advertisement: Fair Online Ads Third Place - Division 1





### **2023 REMUDA AWARDS**

The annual PRCA Remuda Awards go to the stock contracting firm and rodeo committee that provides the best, most consistent pen of bucking horses, creating the greatest opportunities for contestants to score well. For 2023, Douglas County Fair & Rodeo was honored to receive the committee award.

Summit Pro Rodeo has been Douglas County Fair & Rodeo's primary stock contractor since 2017 and said, "It's our privilege to be a part of your success. Thanks to the great crew, from the county commissioners to the volunteers at the gate. Thank you to Vold Pro Rodeo CO and Honeycutt Rodeo Inc. for bringing us great bucking horses and bulls. And thank you to Polaris for sponsoring the award."

"To receive an award like this is payoff for what I would say is over 100 years of work," John Adams, Rodeo Committee Chairman of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo, said. "Our first rodeo was in 1918 and it has been a fun journey for an awful lot of people, and it is really neat to be recognized at this point and time.



Remuda award, custom bronze sculpture by Tony Chytka presented to Douglas County Fair & Rodeo.



2023 Polaris presented to Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Committee as part of the Remuda Award recognition.







Colorado State University Extension Mission Statement Empower Coloradans to address important and emerging community issues using dynamic, science-based educational resources.

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4-H empowers youth to reach their full potential by working and learning in partnership with caring adults.

### 4-H Foundation

The mission statement of the Douglas County 4-H
Foundation is comprised of community leaders working
collectively to obtain funding sources that provide Douglas
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financial grants for educational experience and learning
opportunities that prepare them for their future.

The Fair Board strives to make the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo the premier annual community event in Douglas County by bringing together the best of Rural Heritage, Agriculture, Western Sports, Youth & Adult Exhibits and Quality Entertainment.

The Douglas County Fair Foundation supports the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo by promoting education and year-round community involvement to expand and enhance the overall Fair & Rodeo experience.

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# COUNTY FAIR



Celebrating a Douglas County Tradition

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Our passion grows for fundraising in 2024 to support the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo and promote education with year-round community involvement to expand and enhance the overall Fair & Rodeo experience. The Fair Foundation is an all-volunteer Board of Directors made up of community leaders, dedicated citizens, current and former Fair Board members with a shared commitment to ensuring the County Fair continues for generations to come.

### **FOUNDATION GOALS -**

We raise money through multiple fun activities throughout each year and provide a contribution platform for designated gifts, and sponsorships for specific youth programs, scholarships, and fair activities. We promote education to the community concerning the value of agricultural tradition and the rural heritage of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. We work to expand our Fair & Rodeo by fostering and encouraging year-round citizen and family involvement in various programs and volunteer opportunities.

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Visit www.DouglasCountyFairFoundation.com or reach out to one of our members to learn more.

### **2023 WALL OF HONOR INDUCTEES**



Pictured: Wall of Honor Inductee Group 2023
The Spencer Family, Family of Monty Anderson, John and Pat Carson, Pam Spradlin
Not Pictured: Family of Richard Stevens

### 2024 WALL OF HONOR INDUCTEES

In 2013 the Wall of Honor was established to recognize distinguished men and women who have demonstrated a high level of service and long-standing commitment to the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. Please join us at our annual ceremony on Sunday, August 4, at 9:00 a.m.

Inductees are selected annually by nomination forms available at www.DouglasCountyFairFoundation.com/wall-of-honor

### -2024 INDUCTEES

Debbie Mills Craig Sloan Christina VanBibber Bob VanPelt

### PAVE THE WAY TO HERITAGE PLAZA

Do you have great childhood memories from the Fair? Did you spend summer days together showing animals, and enjoying carnival rides? Celebrate priceless memories with your personalized brick in the Heritage Plaza walkway. These are a great way to share your family legacy or give the gift of a lifetime.

Order forms - www.DouglasCountyFairFoundation.com Take a walk on the paved bricks between the playground and the Rabbit barn. You're bound to see a family name.

### -2024 WILD WEST COWBOY BALL

The Wild West Cowboy Ball on May 11, 2024, was an exclusive, sold-out event. Dinner was provided by local restaurants, a trick roper, an old-time photo booth, and dance music was provided by the Walker Williams band. Fundraising from the event supports scholarships,



grants, and programs for the Fair & Rodeo. A huge thank you to our generous community. We are truly grateful for the support we received from our guests, partners and sponsors!

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-SEPTEMBER 14, 2024

The Cowboy Golf Stampede will be a fun new event for Colorado. It's limited to 10 teams of 4 playing golf (5 holes) on horseback; dismounting to hit their golf balls and then mounting up to ride to the location of their ball to swing again.

This all takes place in a beautiful pasture on a large Colorado ranch. Come play or watch! Everyone's welcome.

BBQ, Carlos Washington's Steel Horse Swing, Miss Rodeo Colorado, and too much more to list!



### **SIGN UP TODAY!**

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### THE DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR & RODEO ROYALTY SCHOLARSHIP FUND-

The Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Royalty Scholarship Fund provides financial awards annually to the Queen and Queen Attendant, to assist them in pursuing higher education. These awards are dependent on both the availability of funds and the successful completion of their

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Royalty year-long reign. The awards represent the efforts put forth to assist the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo in marketing and overall promotion of our annual event. The scholarships are matched annually by the Roxann Harris Memorial Scholarship Fund.

# Mack Critton receives the Bob Thomas Award presented by Betty Thomas L.E.G. UP -

### THE JON JACOBS MEMORIAL PROJECT

The Jon Jacobs Memorial project is our way to honor one of our most beloved friends for his lifelong dedication and distinguished service to both 4-H and the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. The sculpture, "Binding Contract", is prominently on display in the Events Center. This will serve as a reminder that your handshake is your word and the most important way to express your character and integrity.

### THE BOB THOMAS MEMORIAL **SCHOLARSHIP FUND**



The Bob Thomas Memorial Scholarship Fund is for youth winners, on a point system, who participate in the Hometown Rodeo. Initial funding for this scholarship came from the many contributions made to the Foundation in Bob's name, at the request of Bob's family. Recent contributions made are in honor of Monty Anderson, a longtime Fair Board member.

### THE LIVESTOCK EDUCATIONAL **GRANT PROGRAM KNOWN AS**

The Douglas County Fair Foundation, Fair Board, 4-H, and FFA are proud to partner and facilitate L.E.G. Up. Recipients learn to raise and care for a market animal with the intent to show and hopefully sell at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Jr. Livestock Sale. 4-H and FFA provide structured education that teaches about the market livestock industry. Grants are available for steer, swine, lamb, goat, rabbit and poultry.

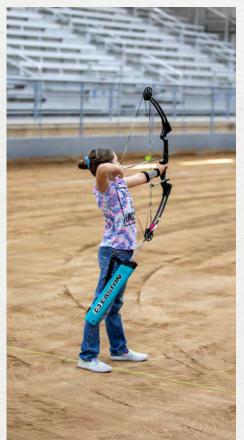
Prize money and sale proceeds are kept by each grant recipient. Visit www.DouglasCountyFairFoundation.com and click on grants and scholarships.

















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## DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR & RODEO THROUGH THE YEARS







Common themes abound as you read through the history of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. Committed, passionate people, appointed from around the county by County Commissioners, dedicated to the task of putting on a county fair to offer a good time to county residents, and at the same time make the fair of some value to it's attendees and the county as a whole. These people, who volunteer massive amounts of their time, divide into committees of their special interests and expertise and then magically, as a team, collect all the parts together to display the best Douglas County has to offer, each year striving to be even better than ever before while managing the challenge of trying to break even financially and continue on to the next year.

The Fair has endured wars, years of bad crops, protests and the Great Depression. It reflects the county's hardships as well as it's successes and remains the premium event of each year to showcase Douglas County's western and rural heritage, agriculture and traditions while creating an experience for both youth and adults with quality exhibits and entertainment that appeal to today's guests.

It began Oct 6 & 7, 1892; the first County Fair was held at Castle Rock and has been a symbol of strength and hope since that time. A butter fair was discussed among the grangers of Douglas County. The fair was the suggestion of W. Holly, secretary of the Colorado Stock Growers' Association, and was very favorably received by the butter makers, as Douglas County was largely a dairy producer at the time.

The Second Fair was held October 5 & 6, 1894. After the second fair, droughts resulted in lean crops for several years and no fairs were scheduled.

A Fair Association was organized and on September 27, 28 & 29, 1906, the third fair was held at Castle Rock. The Association sent out some very attractive one, two and three sheet colored posters advertising the Douglas County Fair. This third fair for Douglas County was much larger than the two earlier fairs. A dance was given each night of the fair, under the management of the Association. Good music and a good time for everybody.

In 1908, John and Margaret O'Brien gave 7.5 acres of land for use as the fair grounds.

In 1909, these new fairgrounds were used the first time for a fourth Fair. Canvas tents were erected with dirt floors. Dust and grit were plentiful! These fairs of yesteryear lacked grandstands and a rodeo arena. Spectators stood or sat on benches or their cars, and cars were parked in a circle to form a show ring.

A glimpse back from the 1909 fair was reported: "Something Doing Every Minute" was the slogan. There was something for everybody, young and old, to see or do every minute of the time. With four as perfect days as ever were seen in Colorado with the best grain and vegetable exhibit, the best fine-arts exhibit, the best school exhibit and the best culinary exhibit ever seen in Douglas County.

Because of the fact that inducements were not offered to bring in outside horses this year, it was thought by some that the racing would be pretty tame. But this is where they were mistaken in the Douglas County horses. No outside stock could have given us any more exciting races than were furnished by our own horses, and we may well be proud of their speed.

As for broncho busting, this part of the program was a whole show in itself, in which Sam Lee and Sylvester Clevenger took the prominent part. Riders not only rode the worst buckers that could be procured, but they rode them without any delay.

Special credit is due G. W. Nixon for his assistance in giving exhibitions of tight rope walking each day. Mr. Nixon belongs in Douglas County and because of his interest in the Fair gave his services without charge. His daily performances on the tight rope added greatly to the success of the program.

The band boys had plenty of music and gave the people the best they had. No former Douglas County Fair ever had music as good.

Attendance fell short of what was hoped for; farmers are so far behind with their work. The Fair Association did its best to give everyone a good time, and at the same time make the fair of some value to the County.

No fair was held in 1914 – 1917 due to World War I. There were a few grange rodeos put on during that span of time.

# COUNTY BUYS FAIR GROUNDS, REPORTED MAY 10, 1918

The County Commissioners made the purchase from John Hilburger and the Geradehand estate into whose hands the property fell when the old Fair Association went out of existence. The purchase was brought about very largely through the efforts of Archie Lapham, who, with a few others, has realized the advantage to the county holding a fair here every year. It has been proposed to place the management of the fair in the hands of a committee, and quite extensive improvements are contemplated in the near future.

REPORTED JULY 12, 1918, An Executive Committee was appointed by the Commissioners who met at the courthouse for the purposes of organizing for work. Dates for fair: October 8,9 & 10. Commence making your plans to attend. Fair prospects to include: agriculture exhibits, a string of bucking bronchos will be procured and the racing program will be a good one.

In 1918, the Fair Board again held a fair. The influenza epidemic curtailed the gate receipts and the Board called off the dance but the fair was a success.

The fair was cancelled in 1926 due to drought.

Money was tight in 1933 from the depression years. The Fair Board pulled together and the show went on.

The fair was again cancelled in 1934 due to drought.

Fair was called off from 1942 – 1946 due to World War II and the subsequent polio epidemic. Charlie Kirk stated in an interview that a race meet and rodeo were held during a couple of those World War II years. "We financed it ourselves," he said," and if there was money to be lost, we lost it ourselves."

The Extension Service lent stability to the post-war fairs but the Fair Board operated on a limited budget. There were years of "making do". Fair Board Directors acted as judges and range cows were used when bucking stock could not be afforded. The town-folk pitched in to help and the fair grounds received a face-lift. Fair Board, dedicated ranchers and merchants built a cattle barn, the rodeo chutes, exhibit hall and arena.

Rodeos have been a mainstay of the fair since it's inception. Pro-Rodeo came to the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo in 1949. A Hometown Rodeo is put on each year for the locals.

The racetrack along with it's races were an integral event during the fair from it's beginning.

Chariot races were an extremely popular race track event during the 50's and 60's.

The population in Douglas County began to rise in the 1960's bringing urbanization and decreasing agriculture.

New business from this growth helped grow the Jr. Livestock Sale for 4-H, started in 1959.

The community built Kirk Hall around 1964. It was remodeled in the 1980's to add the larger restrooms.

Glass doors and a new entrance on the Heritage Plaza side of the building renovated the space to make it more inviting to the public in 2023.

1978 is remembered for new grandstands.

The Plum Creek Parkway entrance to the fairgrounds opened in 1992. The original Lewis Street entrance was closed for public use in 1994.

The Commissioners adopted a new master plan for the Douglas County Fairgrounds in 1996. This plan added 37 acres for additional parking and sports fields. The racetrack was removed and replaced with a straightaway.

The Douglas County Events Center opened in 2001.

In 2012, the Douglas County Fair Association moved operations of the fair under the county with the fair managed by a Commissioner appointed, volunteer Board of Directors. Liability issues were a major factor in this decision. The Douglas County Fair Association became the Douglas County Fair Foundation, Inc. during this same time in order to accept the fair's share of the Philip S. Miller trust disbursement that benefits the fair. The Fair Foundation is a 501(c) 3 organization that also raises funds for the fair and youth that participate at fair. The Douglas County Fair Foundation Board, a group of volunteers, is made up of many current and past Fair Board Directors along with other devoted folks from the community and is dedicated to grow, enhance and celebrate this century old tradition.

2018 marked the 100-year celebration of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo and it was a tremendous success. A new outdoor Performance Platform was built and this marked the return of big name concert talent to the fair. The Marketplace, Creative Arts Open Classes, Agriculture and Floriculture were all housed in the indoor Events Center; food trucks with "fair food" and healthy options supplied food for attendees. The Jr. Livestock Sale continued to set record sales. PRCA Rodeos, Mutton Bustin' and an expanded Carnival offered something for everyone.

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2020 was the year of COVID. It was determined that the show must go on for the 4-H animal shows and the Jr. Livestock Sale. The resilient Douglas County Fair & Rodeo was one of the few local counties to hold a live livestock sale. All safeguards were taken with limited seating and attendance for guests, on-line bidding and animal pens placed with distancing guidelines in place for the participants. ProRodeos and Hometown Rodeo also took place, with social distancing and spacing requirements in effect. The Douglas County Fair & Rodeo was televised on The Cowboy Channel that year. Precautions continued into 2021 including wearing of masks and distancing, encompassing the rodeo stands and all event seating.

A first weekend was added to the fair dates in 2022. This had been attempted in a prior year (2017) without much success due to not having additional budget or enough manpower.

21 Fair Board Directors, Associate Members, countless community volunteers and Douglas County Staff work all year long to bring you the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo each year.

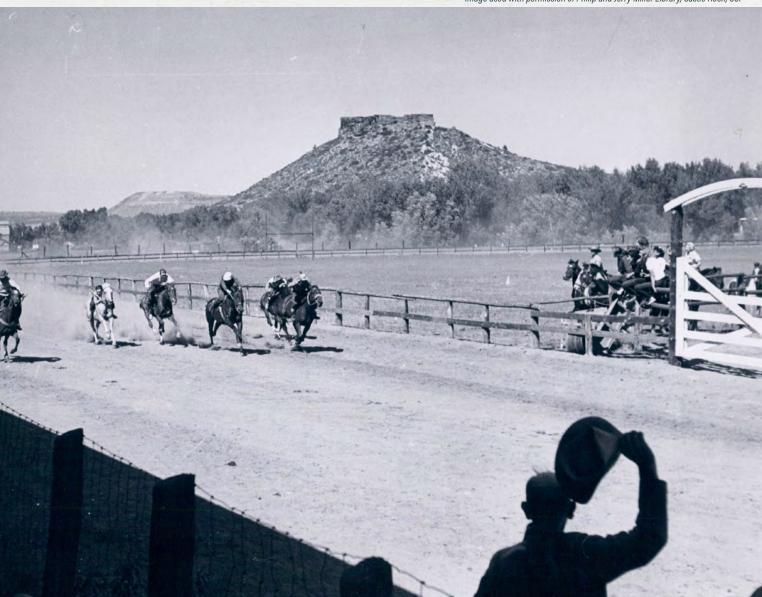
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### A note from a 1950's program:

The publishing of this premium list is made possible by the support of the various firms and individuals who carry ads in the booklet. The Fair Board therefore, would appreciate your patronage of these firms throughout the year.

**Douglas County Fair Association** 

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