

2012 RECOGNIZED LEADERS

15-YEAR



Amy Hogsett

As an 11 year 4-H member alumni, Amy Hogsett began her service as a 4-H leader as a way to give back to Weld County 4-H. 4-H was a very positive activity for Amy and offered her a lot of opportunities; she feels that all kids need those life skills that lead to positive experiences. Amy has given 15 years as a leader, becoming the counties key leader in Cake Decorating and project leader for Sport Fishing at the Galeton 4-H Club.

Amy has been a teacher at Eaton Middle School for 13 years, she coaches the chess team; she is also a Sunday school teacher and Vacation Bible School coordinator for Gloria Christi Lutheran Church. In her spare time, Amy enjoys her family, fishing, gardening and reading.

Amy credits all of her 4-H leaders from Grover to the county office, especially Carol Schneider and Mark Cronquist for pushing her to realize her goals. She believes that 4-H allows kids to do well and find talents that they never knew they had.



Jerry Haffner

Jerry's 15 years of leadership in 4-H began when he became the Goat Project leader for Hudson Shamrocks 4-H. He stays motivated to help youth, enjoying the opportunity to see them grow from their first experiences in 4-H until they became young adults and move on to the next steps of life. Jerry has worked for Telecom Tech for 30 years, he lives in Hudson where his family; wife-Sherri, sons Justin (Hoss) & Jason; daughter Jessica Villela enjoy raising goats.

Jerry feels that 4-H gives kids an outlet to try new things with supervision, and to learn it is "ok" not to win all the time, but to always to do their best.



Mike & Nancy Lohr

Mike & Nancy's 15-year 4-H leader career began when their oldest daughter started in 4-H. They became organizational leaders for Country Side Ag 4-H Club when Nancy's sister, Linda Sidwell, stepped down after years of leadership. During their leadership, Nancy has served as the volleyball and soft ball coach, while Mike coached Basketball and softball. They are also members of the Weld County Livestock Association & Galeton Community Church. During their years as leaders, they were motivated by watching not only their own children grow up in the 4-H program, but by seeing all of the other kids as they moved through the program.

Nancy has worked as an escrow-closer for 29 years, Mike has been self employed, raising and running the cattle herd and owner of Country Johns for the past 10 years. They live in Gill, Colorado where they raised their children, Casseday, Ross, Reid and Jaylinn on the family farm. Mike and Nancy believe that 4-H teaches kids responsibility, hard work and dedication & develops lifelong friendships.

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Kris Schreibvogel

Kris got started as a 4-H leader by starting a Cloverbuds group to entertain her younger children while the older kids were in their regular meetings. She has served as a club leader for 15 years and traveled on the Citizenship Washington Focus trip in 2011.

Kris is an active member of the Southeast Weld County Fairboard, currently serving as their queen coordinator. She has been a teacher for 30 years, and currently is teaching 2nd grade.

Kris feels that the most important role for 4-H is the lasting memories and self development it allows kids. The leaders her own children have known have always gone the extra mile to help them – whether it was coming over late at night to check on a sick animal or spending extra time with them a shooting practice.

There is truly power in being a leader that invests time in our youth. Without the 4-H leader role, 4-H couldn't continue to make a difference for kids. Kris would like to say a big thank you to all the leaders that give unendingly of their time.

20-YEAR



Kim Miller

Kim Miller began as a Cloverbud leader when her son, who is now 27, was 6 years old, since that time her other two children have completed their 4-H careers, and now her niece is just getting started. Her major roles in 4-H leadership have included being a Ceramic and Rabbit project leader, and for the past two years she has served as the Poultry Superintendent. Kim has served on the Shooting Sports Council for a number of years; she helps to organize and run the County Shoots, and is also certified as an archery instructor for shooting sports. She enjoys working with the 4-H kids and watching them grow through their 4-H involvement. Kim is married to Arnold and they have three children: Steven, Jonathon & Stephanie, they live in Hudson Colorado. She has been a leader with Keene 4-H Boosters for 20 years and has also served as a Cub Scout and Girl Scout leader.

30-YEAR



Dorothy Bates

Dorothy has been serving the 4-H community for 30 years. She became a foods leader when her daughter, Julie, became a member. Dorothy lives with her husband, Dave in Kersey, Colorado.

Dorothy has served in numerous leadership roles including organizational leader, 4-H leader's council and Fair superintendent. She has presented many bread making workshops and demonstrations, helped with after-school programs in District 6; taught bread making and cake decorating through Aims Community College's College for Kids and served as the Foods & Nutrition Resource Leader for 25 years. She is motivated as a leader by seeing youth gain self-esteem and self-confidence after completing a project. They have learned something new and now have a skill to use for the rest of their life.

Dorothy is retired from Aims Community College, where she worked in the Human Resources Office for 20 years. In addition, she was a member of Weld County Family & Community Education Club, CSU Extension Advisory Council, Friends of the Greeley Museums, Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, and Master Farm Homemakers Guild.

Dorothy believes that 4-H helps children to build relationships with other youth and adult leaders in a fun and safe environment while learning a variety of life skills, while offering many opportunities to explore different projects and build a strong educational foundation for their future.