

## Winter Workshops

Below is a list of upcoming workshops that will be presented by Dr. Norman L. Dalsted, CSU Extension and by Candiss Leathers and James Craig, Goodwill Industries of Denver.

"AgrAbility, Estate Planning, and Linking Elder Couples with Returning Veterans and Beginning Farmers/Ranchers" will be the topic. The workshops are for Colorado farm and ranch families who are dealing with barriers created by illnesses, conditions, or limitations and for professionals who work with them. Workshops are from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. with a free box lunch provided for those who pre-register at least one week prior to the workshop. If you want to participate, please call or email Candiss Leathers (720-539-4435), cleathers@goodwilldenver.org or Norm Dalsted (970-222-5657; noman.dalsted@colostate.edu), or the Extension agent listed below for more information one week prior to the workshops. (see inside page)

## What is AgrAbility? Why is it important to rural Colorado?

The Colorado AgrAbility Project (CAP) is part of a national initiative to help farmers and ranchers who (see inside page)

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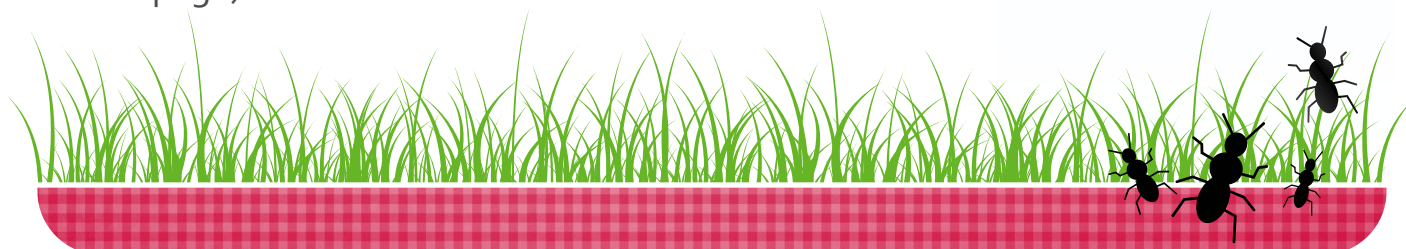
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### Important Dates

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## Workshops Cont'd

**Hayden:** Thursday, October 29, 2015, Location (TBD) with Todd Hagenbuch (970-879-0825).

**Mancos:** Thursday, November 5, 2015, Southwest Colorado Community College, ITC Building, 33057 Highway 160, Mancos 81328-9196 with Tom Hooten (970-565-3123).

**Alamosa:** Friday, November 6, 2015, SLV Water Conservancy District Office. 623 4<sup>th</sup> St. in Alamosa. The meeting room door is on the East side of the building by the parking lot. Marvin Reynolds (719-852-7381 X15).

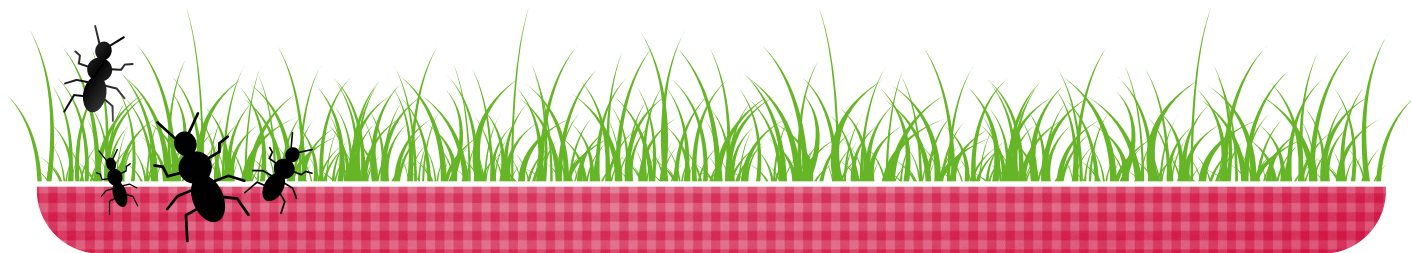
**Burlington:** Tuesday, January 26, 2016, County Extension Office 817 15th St. Burlington, Co. 80807 with Ron Meyer (719-346-5571).

**Rocky Ford:** Wednesday, January 27, 2016, Extension Office in Rocky Ford, 411 North 10<sup>th</sup>, Rocky Ford, CO 81067, with Bruce L. Fickenscher (719-438-5321; 719-688-3043).

**Aurora:** Tuesday, February 9, 2016, Arapahoe County Fairgrounds & Event Center, Room 1, 25690 East Quincy Avenue, Aurora, CO 80016 with Johnathan Vrabac (303-730-1920).

**Greeley:** Thursday, February 11, 2016, SW Weld County Service Center, large conference room, 4209 County Road 24-1/2, with Keith Maxey (970-304-6535 X2075).

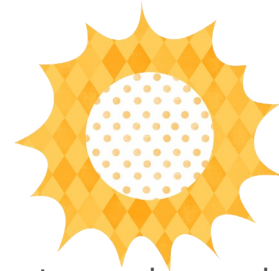
**Sterling:** Friday, February 12, 2016, County Extension Office, 508 South 10th Ave. Sterling, CO. 80751 with Dennis Kaan (Voice: 970-345-2287, Mobile: 970-520-1826)



## CAP cont'd

CAP is a partnership between the CSU Ag Extension office and Goodwill Industries Denver. Statistics reflect that within the state there are 36,180 farms and 59,479 agriculture operators. In each year 3,747 farmers/ranchers and 7,288 individuals living on rural farms will sustain an injury that limits their ability to continue in production at their prior level. At any one time, 11,105 people living on Colorado farms

have a limitation that could benefit from AgrAbility.



**Our vision** is to enhance the quality of life for these farmers and ranchers.

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## *Remain independent in your agricultural life style!*

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When one hears the term limitation, they often think of the worst, an amputation or spinal cord injury. Yet that is not the only case. AgrAbility does serve those with the most serious of injuries however most of our clients have arthritis, back injury, or other limitation caused by years of hard work. Our grant from the USDA does not provide funds for the direct purchase of adaptive equipment, our four core services of education, direct service, marketing, and networking help to eliminate or reduce obstacles to success.

We accomplish this by coming to the farm or ranch and making an extensive

assessment of the farm or ranch operation. We conduct in-depth interviews of all participants on the farm to include family and employees. We observe the mobility, accessibility, and work tolerance issues on the farm and write recommendations for assistive technology and offer resources to acquire it.

For further information contact co-director Norm Dalsted at 970-222-5657, Candiss Leathers Program Manager at 720-539-4435 or Rural Rehabilitation Specialist James Craig at 720-737-3686. See <http://agrability.agsci.colostate.edu>.



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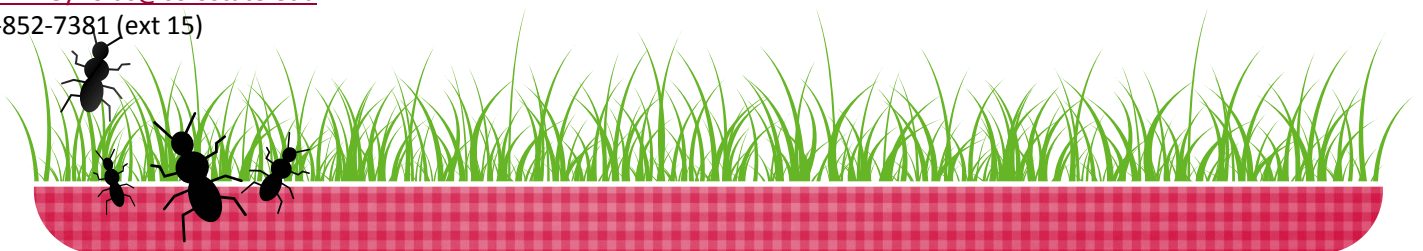
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