RED ALERT

IT IS THAT TIME OF YEAR WHEN MEETINGS OR EVENTS CAN BE CANCELLED AT THE DROP OF A HAT. IF AN EVENT WOULD BE CANCELLED DUE TO BAD WEATHER FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL 4-HERS AND PARENTS WE WILL POST CANCELLATIONS ON THE RENO COUNTY EXTENSION WEB SITE AND ON THE RENO COUNTY EXTENSION FACEBOOK PAGE.

Household Nominations Forms

On page 7 of this newsletter is the household nomination forms for 2016. If you have more than 1 child showing livestock in your family you will need to fill this out and return to the Reno County Extension Office 2 Wets 10th South Hutchinson, KS 67505 by February 1st, 2016. The office will fill in tag numbers this is to help speed up the processes at taggings.
EXECUTIVE TEAM MEETING:
January 18, 2016 @ 6:00 pm
Upstairs in the conference room of the Extension Office.
All 4-H Council Officers are required to attend.

4-H COUNCIL DATE
January 25, 2016 @7:00pm
Downstairs in the west meeting room

JUNIOR LEADERS:
January 25, 2016
Following the council meeting downstairs in the west meeting room

2016 Scholarship Form Available

The 2016 Kansas 4-H Scholarship Form can be found by visiting http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=479, this is the only form that will be used for the 2016 4-H Scholarships. A list of scholarships available to apply for will come out closer to the end of the year.

THE EXTENSION OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

JANUARY 1ST

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SAVE THE DATE
SUNNY HILLS CAMP
JUNE 24-27, 2016

CLOVERBUD CONNECTS

Cloverbuds come and join other Cloverbuds in the county on Saturday morning, February 6, 2016 from 10:00 to Noon for some fun activities. A light lunch will be provided. Any junior leaders wanting to help please contact Donna at the Extension Office @ 620-662-2371

Citizenship Washington Focus 2016

There are still several spots left to attend the 2016 Citizenship Washington Focus trip! This is a great opportunity for youth to visit their Nation's Capitol, visit with the legislators and participate in Citizenship Washington Focus at National 4-H Headquarters. For more information, please visit http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/national-regional-events/citizenship-washington-focus/index.html. We encourage you to sign up sooner rather than later as spots are going quickly!

2016 4-H Horse Panorama

The 2016 4-H Horse Panorama has been scheduled for January 29-31 at Rock Springs. Registration for Horse Panorama will be posted to the Kansas 4-H website soon. Check the following link for information and rules for 4-H Horse Panorama.

http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/horse/index.html

CALLING ANY 4-HER THAT WOULD LIKE TO BE ON THE LIVESTOCK JUDGING TEAM. PLEASE CONTACT AG AGENT DARREN BUSICK AT THE EXTENSION OFFICE @ 620-662-2371 OR darrenbusick@ksu.edu
PROJECT NEWS:

If you have any questions about the dog project please contact Melaney Dick at 620-728-9743 or melaney@bartelcabinet.com

If you have any questions about shooting sports, please call Ray Bartholomew at (620) 663-3312 or Cindy Colle at (620) 664-3344 or email Cindy at collec83@gmail.com.

Please contact Tammy Brown (620) 899-4792 for questions about the rabbit project.

If you have any questions about photography, contact Karolyn Kellogg Howey at (620)663-5731 ext. 344.

If you have any questions about the clothing project, contact Kathy Zongker at (620) 543-2767.

Please contact Ashley Franklin at 620-278-6519 or a.franklin618@hotmail.com for any sheep project questions.

Remember to check out our website: www.reno.ksu.edu
Announcements, rules and entry forms for upcoming events may be found on the website.
For county shows throughout the state stop by the office and look at our notebook.

Check out the State 4-H website for information on Upcoming State 4-H Events. www.kansas4h.org

Kansas 4-H with the Lady Cats

Mark your calendars for February 27th at 3:30PM for the annual KAE4-HA Lady Cat game with Kansas 4-H. Additional information will be coming out soon, we just want to make sure you get this on your calendar now! $20 will get you a t-shirt, ticket to the game and a meal voucher for a hot dog and drink. Registration information will be coming soon - be watching! The Lady Cats will be taking on the Baylor Bears that Saturday.

ATTENTION SENIORS STATE 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS

The 2016 Kansas 4-H Scholarship form-fillable application can be found at http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=479
Forms are also available at the Extension Office. 4-H members wanting to apply must have completed applications to the Kansas State University Department of 4-H Youth Development by Monday, February 1, 2016.
Deadline for request of letters of application from extension agents is January 22nd, 2016.
Scholarship selection is based on 4-H merit: 40 percent on 4-H leadership: 30 percent on 4-H citizenship/community service in 4-H; 20 percent on 4-H participation and recognition; and 10 percent on non-4-H participation, and recognition in the school and community. Graduating seniors and college students are encouraged to apply.
Thank you to all of the Cloverbuds and junior leaders who help with the making of the reindeer for the nursing homes and shut-ins and to all of the clubs that delivered the deer I couldn’t do it without you. We made 140 reindeer filled with candy.

Kansas Lifts Ban on Poultry Exhibitions

The Kansas Department of Agriculture announced on Dec. 4, 2015, that it will be lifting the ban placed on poultry exhibitions and other events where birds are gathered or co-mingled. The order, signed by Secretary of Agriculture Jackie McClaskey on June 9, 2015, was implemented in an effort to prevent the spread of highly pathogenic H5N2 avian influenza (HPAI) and protect poultry health in Kansas. Kansas experienced a positive case of HPAI in Leavenworth County in 2015.

Secretary McClaskey, in consultation with Kansas Animal Health Commissioner Dr. Bill Brown, lifted the ban as a result of no new cases of HPAI in Kansas since March 2015.

SAVE THE DATE:  
2016 RENO COUNTY FAIR

**DOG SHOW: JULY 16**
**HORSE SHOW: JULY 17**
**FASHION REVIEW: JULY 18**
**FAIR JULY 20 – 25**

BEEF WEIGH IN  
SATURDAY  
MARCH 5, 2016  
8-10AM  
SALE BARN IN SOUTH HUTCHINSON

SMALL ANIMAL TAGGING  
SATURDAY  
MAY 7, 2016  
8-11AM  
KANSAS STATE FAIR GROUNDS

2016 Willie and the Beanstalk competition.

The contest is to grow the largest soybean plant in 47 days. The starting date is February 29, 2016 and the Judging date is April 16th at the KSU Open House.

Any questions about contest rules can be directed to beanstalk@ksu.edu.

Youth & 4-H Shooting Sports  
2015 – 2016

CKGC’s new webpage and support of 4-H Shooting Sports. Try this link:

http://www.centralkansasgunclub.com/ckgc-youth.html

The Ambassadors would like to thank all of the clubs that donated to the Teen Christmas. Buhler, Haven, 4 Leaf Clovers, Mitchell, and Nickerson Congratulations to the Nickerson Clovers for winning the Teen Christmas challenge.

THE RENO COUNTY LIVESTOCK JUDGING TEAM WENT TO THE KANSAS BEEF EXPO JUDGING CONTEST WINNERS: GAUGE STAUFFER PLACED 6TH, CAYLEE BLEW PLACED 7TH AND COPPER COLLINS PLACED 9TH THEIR JUNIOR REASONS TEAM PLACED 2ND. NATHAN HOYT PLACED 11TH SIENNA DEFRRAIN PLACED 15TH AND CALE JOHNSON PLACED 13TH THEIR JUNIOR REASONS TEAM PLACED 3RD KINLEY SIEMENS PLACED 5TH OVERALL IN INTERMEDIATE REASONS.
Ride the Wave with 4-H

Reno County Fair
July 20-25, 2016
Reno County 4-H Livestock HOUSEHOLD NOMINATIONS:  
DUE MAY 1st to Extension Office if wanting to household nominate

Household Name: _____________________________________________________________
(Ex: Willie Wildcat Family. Include at least **one first name**. Use the same name each year.)

Individual exhibitor names in Household:
___________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________

__________________________ Initial (youth and parent) to certify you have read the rules of Household Nominations.

**Housing and Care:** Reno County 4-H exhibitors are responsible for the proper care of their animal(s) by following acceptable methods of good animal husbandry. 4-H’ers choosing to household nominate livestock are responsible for following the rules for Reno County 4-H’ers and in the Reno County Fairbook. Please check the box for each species you will be household nominating:

- [ ] Market Beef Tag #’s: ______________________________
- [ ] Commercial (Market) Heifers Tag #’s: ___________ ______________________________
- [ ] Swine Tag #’s: ______________________________________________________________
- [ ] Sheep Tag #’s: ______________________________
- [ ] Goats Tag #’s: ______________________________

**Exhibitor(s) Primary Residence:**

Physical Address: ____________________________________________________________

City: _____________________________       State: Kansas      Zip: ____________________

Phone: (_____ )________ - ___________    Email: _________________________________

**Declaration:** I attest that I have owned, possessed and cared for my livestock projects since the specified date by specie. I hereby certify that I have read the household nomination information and will comply with these rules. I understand that false information provided concerning household nominations will result in show and/or sale awards and/or premiums being forfeited. Exhibitors presenting false statements are also subject to further penalties by the Reno County Extension Council.

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Exhibitor(s) Signature(s)          _________________________              _______________________

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*We make every effort to place all events on calendar; however, it is your responsibility to make sure none were inadvertently left off.

PLEASE READ YOUR NEWSLETTER CAREFULLY FOR FUTURE EVENT DATES AND DETAILS OF THIS MONTH’S EVENTS

Reno County Extension Office Phone # 620-662-2371

Articles for the newsletter are due on or before the 20th of each month by 5pm