16 Year Old
Sven Folgesvold

Norwegian 4-H Exchange Youth to Stay With the Thimmesch Family this summer!!!
Let’s all be sure to welcome him!

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NEXT MONTH’S FEATURED CLUB

Partridge 4-H Club

Information for the newsletter is due the 20th of each month by 5pm no exceptions

What an exciting time to be a part of the Ninnescah 4-H Club! We have grown in the last couple of years bringing a lot of young and new members into our club. We have approximately 40 members and 3 leaders. We also have a lot of greatly appreciated parents and project leaders.

Some of the highlights of our year are the community service projects that we are involved in. One of our service projects include hiding and planning the Easter Egg Hunt at both the Pretty Prairie Sunset Home and the Pretty Prairie Park, which is sponsored by the City. Other service projects included the cleaning of our public park and decorating the Pretty Prairie Senior Center for Christmas.

We welcome visitors anytime.
Please join us on the first Sunday of each month at the Pretty Prairie United Methodist Church at 4pm.
CLOVERBUD CONNECTS

Cloverbuds come and join other Cloverbuds in the county on Saturday morning, June 6, 2015 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 Cloverbuds please RSVP by May 29th.

Sewing Camp

Create a garment from pattern to wear during this year’s 4th annual Kansas 4-H Sewing Camp! Participants will explore new sewing concepts and improve current sewing skills. Junior participants (age 9-12) and Senior participants (age 13 and older) will attend camp at K-State Salina, work on touch control sewing machines, and receive assistance from teen counselors and textile knowledgeable adults.

Junior camp will be held June 25-27, and Senior camp will be held June 27-30. All fabrics, supplies and equipment will be provided for youth to construct their garment. Junior participants will choose from an apron, pull-over shirt or pants. Senior participants will choose between a tailored vest or “silky” shirt. Junior registration cost is $170 and Senior registration cost is $215. Space is limited, so early registration is strongly encouraged. Registration closes May 8, 2015.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A CAMP COUNSELOR???

If you would like to be a camp counselor this summer at Sunny Hills 4-H Camp June 15-18 (counselors go to Rock Springs on June 14), check out the enclosed camp counselor application. You must be 14 years of age by the date of camp. Applications are due in the Extension office on May 8, 2015.
KANSAS 4-H SPORTFISHING TOURNAMENT 2015

The Kansas 4-H Sportfishing Tournament is open to all 4-H members. The contest runs throughout the year and ends September 15, 2015. One 4-H Angler of the year will be named in each of the species listed below. These are fish commonly found in Kansas waters. Each Angler of the Year will receive a 4-H Sportfishing cap and tackle box with fishing gear or comparable prizes (one per individual). All participants that enter a certified entry will receive a 4-H Sportfishing cap (one per individual).

The following species will make up the contest:

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RULES:
1. Must be enrolled in 4-H.
2. Entry must be measured by length and girth, verified by a witness and be accompanied by a photo of the entry. (This is a minimum entry to receive a cap.) Please use the 2015 entry form as there have been some changes in the form to get addresses of anglers and county 4-H agents or sportfishing leaders.
3. To compete for Angler of the Year Award the entry must also be weighed and witnessed (digital hand scale is acceptable, no spring scales please.) Only one Angler of the Year award per individual will be awarded. If a participant is selected as first in a class their additional entries will not be considered in subsequent classes.
4. Fish can be caught anywhere in the state of Kansas.
5. Fish must be caught by a legal method as outlined in current Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks Fishing Regulations Summary.
6. Entries must be postmarked by September 15th. Winners will be announced around October 1, 2015.
7. Entries are to be submitted to Tommie Berger 406 S. New York Ave. Sylvan Grove, KS 67481. bergkwf@wtciweb.com 785-524-6112.
4-H SHUTTERBUG PHOTOGRAPHY EVENTS

The Photo Action Team has scheduled two Shutterbug workshop events. Shutterbug events provide opportunities for youth to participate in hands-on sessions covering a variety of topics, such as lighting, composition, portraits and posing, camera Q & As, etc. Youth may choose from 7-8 sessions at each location. Dates and details are as follows:

Shutterbugs at Garden City Zoo (Garden City). **Saturday, May 2, 2015**, 9:00 am - 12:30 pm, Lee Richardson Zoo, Garden City. No preregistration. Fee: $5 per person/maximum $20 per family.

For more information visit [http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=427](http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=427)

4-H HORSE SNAFFLE BIT PROJECTS

Horse snaffle bit projects are due into the local Extension Office by **May 1**. Along with the nomination, the 4-H member must submit the Horse ID and a $10 fee. The nomination form, a copy of the horse ID (including a color picture of the horse) and fee needs to be forwarded to the State 4-H Office. Three-year old snaffle bit projects must have been nominated the previous year and did not have to be shown to be re-nominated. State Fair entries for these projects are due August 1 in the State 4-H Office. For more information concerning the Snaffle bit project check the 4-H Horse Show Rule Book.

HORSELESS HORSE

Questions have come concerning the Horesless Horse project. Pam VanHorn, State 4-H Specialist, offered these clarifications based on learning and risk management.

4-H Horseless Horse
- 4-H member does not own or lease a horse
- Project intended to offer a 4-H member opportunity to learn about horses
- 4-H member may participate in judging contests, quiz bowl, hippology and give presentations
- 4-H member may volunteer to assist another 4-H member at horse show and trails rides
- Project member may exhibit at local fair with a borrowed 4-H Identified horse in the showmanship class only. No riding.
Kansas State University will be hosting a series of Barbecue 101 workshops this May and June

These one day workshops will focus on teaching the basics of grilling and smoking for consumers of all ages and experience levels. The topic areas will cover the basics of grill selection and use, the fundamentals of meat selection and preparation, discussion of new and innovative cuts for barbecue, and the science of smoking. Additionally, these workshops will include several hands-on demonstrations, tastings of different sauces, meat cooked with different woods, spices, and rubs. The day will conclude with a question and answer session with several barbecue experts. Watch for more details about dates, times, locations, and registration in the coming months. For more information, contact Travis O’Quinn (travisoquinn@ksu.edu; 785-532-3469).

2016 Kansas 4-H and FFA Wheat Variety Plot Enrollment

As wheat harvest approaches it is time to remind members to re-enroll or ask new members to enroll for the 2016 Kansas 4-H and FFA Wheat Variety Plot program. The program begins fall of 2015 and goes through September 2016. The enrollment form and program details are currently available. Visit: [http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=297](http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=297). Members are asked to contact their local Extension Office by July 10 for information with enrollments due to the Northwest Area Extension Office by July 24, 2015. **Cost for 2015-16 will again be $30.00 to receive the five varieties of wheat. This fee is now needed to contribute to the cost of the wheat varieties.** It is very important that we know the number of participants early, so we can have enough seed and metal signs available for Extension agents and leaders to pick up at the Kansas State Fair. New participants will receive a free large plot sign, and five free individual variety signs. These will be distributed on Friday, September 11th at the 2015 Kansas State Fair.

Don’t forget to pull your wheat samples for the Kansas State 4-H Wheat Show on Thursday, August 6th at Hays, and also for wheat samples at your county fair, that may be eligible for the Kansas State Fair 4-H Crops Division. Resource information for the wheat variety project includes: (1) Wheat Variety Plot Brochure, 4-H 565 Revised 2010,) (2) Wheat Variety Plot--Youth Participant Handbook, 4-H 566, Revised 2010, and (3) 4-H Wheat Variety Plot Record, P1099, Revised 2010. To download these files, visit: [http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=297](http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=297). This year’s participants who are getting ready to harvest their plots should be planning their county fair display for possible qualifying for the Kansas State Fair entry in the Showcase Building. For more information, email or call Daryl Waldren at 785-462-6281.

2015 KANSAS 4-H STATE WHEAT EXPO

The Kansas 4-H State Wheat Expo is a wheat fun day showcasing all things wheat. Join us for the annual event on Thursday, August 6th from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the K-State Ag Research Center Auditorium, 1232 240 Avenue, Hays, KS 67601. It is open to all 4-H family members, 4-H leaders and Extension staff. There will be eight contests open to youth members with cash prizes and ribbons awarded. There will be tours. There is a $5.00 per person registration cost. Pre-registration will be required by Friday, July 31st to ensure an accurate meal count and tour divisions. For more information about the wheat expo, visit: [http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=432](http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=432). For additional questions or to get involved with the wheat expo planning committee, email Deryl Waldren or call him at 785-462-6281.
CONGRATULATIONS TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE MARCH AND APRIL SHOOTING SPORTSMATCHES!

Wabaunsee Co. Virtual Match-For First year shooters
Joel Guffey-BB 5th in 8 year old shooters
Tate Smith-BB 7th in 8 year old shooters
Layne Whisler-BB 8th in 8 year old shooters
Evan Bartholomew-BB 7th in 9 year olds
Adam Schweizer-BB 8th in 9 year old shooters
Mikayla Milburn-BB 11th in 9 year old shooters
Jesse Goertzen-BB 8th in 10 year old shooters
Grace Whiler-BB 3rd in 12-14 year old shooters
Conner Langlais-BB 4th in 12-14 year old shooters
Callie Cooper-AR 1st in 9-11 year old shooters
Mason Cooper-AR 4th in 12-14, AP 2nd in 10-13 year old shooters
Landon Schmucker-AR 6th in 12, 14 year old shooters
Jacob Milburn-AP 3rd in 14 year old shooters
Alek Royer-AP 2nd in 15-16 year old shooters
Koby Royer-AP 3rd in 15-16 year old shooters
TEAM-BB 3rd Evan, Adam, Grace, Joel, Jesse
TEAM-AR 2nd, Callie, Mason, Landon
TEAM-2nd, Mason Cooper, Jacob Milburn

Riley County Match
Nathan Schmidt – BB 16th in Jr. Shooters
Callie Cooper – BB 12th in Jr. Shooters; AR 6th Jr. First Year
Marlie Cooper – BB 27th in Jr. Shooters
Garrett Koon – BB 32nd in Jr. Shooters
Mason Cooper – BB 50th in Jr. Shooters; AR 5th in Jr. First Year,; AP 4th in Jr. Sporter
Connor Langlais – BB 14th in Sr. First Year
Justin Hard – AR 11th in Jr. Shooters; AP 5th in Sr. Sporter
Koby Royer – AR 12th in Jr. Shooters
Alek Royer – AR 19th in Sr. Shooters
Maddie Troyer – AR 16th in Sr. Shooters
TEAM – BB 9th – Nathan, Callie, Marlie, Garrett, Mason
TEAM – AR 7th – Maddie, Alek, Justin, Mason
TEAM – AP 8th – Justin, and Mason

Miles Friday receiving 3rd place medal at the state competition.

Kansas State Match, Alma, KS
Wade Koon-BB 101st, Sr. Shooter
Landri Guffey-BB 44th, Jr. Shooter
Kaitlin Colle-BB 69th, Sr. Shooter
Callie Cooper-BB 46th, Jr. shooter
Miles Friday-BB 3rd, Jr. Shooter ; AR 20th, Jr. Shooter;
Nathan Schmidt-BB 33rd, Jr. Shooter
Scott Schmidt-AR 37th Sr. Shooter; AP 4th, Sr. Shooter
Michael Meier-AR 55th Sr. Shooter, AP 11th Sr. Shooter
Alek Royer-AR 66th Sr. Shooter
Kaitlyn Graham-AR 65th Sr. Shooter
Justin Hard-AP 16th, Sr. Shooter
Mason Cooper-AP 11th, Jr. Shooter
TEAM – AP 9th, Scott and Michael

For more information contact Joan at 620-662-2371.
IMPORTANT INFORMATION BELOW
DEADLINE ALERT
MAY 1ST IS THE DEADLINE FOR ANY PROJECTS TO BE DROPPED OR ADDED TO YOUR ENROLLMENT. YOU MUST CALL OR EMAIL DONNA AT THE EXTENSION OFFICE TO HAVE THIS COMPLETED. WE ARE OPEN 8-5 MONDAY THRU FRIDAY 620-662-2371 DONNA’S EMAIL ADDRESS IS dp96929@ksu.edu

ENTOMOLOGY/GEOLGY
WE HAVE 2 DISPLAY BOXES THAT CAN BE USED FOR ENTOMOLOGY OR GEOLOGY THAT HAVE BEEN DONATED. IF YOU WOULD BE INTERESTED IN 1 PLEASE CONTACT DONNA AT THE EXTENSION OFFICE.

RENO COUNTY 4-H SEWING PROJECT WORK DAYS

WHO: KIDS SIGNED UP FOR SEWING

WHEN:
• THURSDAY, MAY 28TH 10:00-NOON
• FRIDAY, JUNE 5TH 1:30-3:30 PM

PLEASE RSVP BY MONDAY, MAY 25TH!!!

WHERE: EXTENSION OFFICE BASEMENT

MAKE SURE TO BRING YOUR SEWING EQUIPMENT AND PROJECTS

County Fair Changes
1. Sheep & goat weigh in will be Thursday July 23rd 6:30-9:00pm
2. Sheep Show is @ 4:00 on Friday July 24th
3. Swine weigh in is 8-10am Friday July 24th
4. Beef weigh in is 10:30 – 11:30 Friday July 24
5. Some of the new/old categories that have changes are: Club Displays, Scrapbooks (rubric rules), Round Robin, Livestock sale order, Open Class areas: Decorated Cakes, Open Class Scarecrow there are other changes in the fairbook so please make sure when you receive your book you read it very carefully.
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PLEASE READ YOUR NEWSLETTER CAREFULLY FOR FUTURE EVENT DATES AND DETAILS OF THIS MONTH’S EVENTS

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