ATTENTION IN THE BEEF BARN

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
BEEF TAGGING HAS BEEN MOVED TO
FEBRUARY 24TH FROM 8-10AM
AT THE LIVESTOCK SALE
BARNs IN SOUTH HUTCH!!!

The Junior Leaders will
be attending the Lady Cats BB game on
January 13th. Go KSU!!!
Watch for you Junior Leader newsletter (it will be emailed to all Junior Leaders) for info on the February Leadership Activity.

It’s not too soon to start planning for your 4-H Club Day presentations!!!

Save the Date!!
March 10, 2018
Kansas Junior Producer Days

The Kansas Junior Producer Days will be held in March of 2018 in Weber Hall of the Kansas State University campus. Since 2018 is an even year, we will host a beef day and sheep day. These events are one-day educational programs for youth, parents, project leaders, and agents to learn about selecting and managing a youth livestock project. For both days, tentative topics include selection, nutrition, reproduction, meat science, and health. There will also be an opportunity to experience Youth for the Quality Care of Animals, which is a new, national, multispecie livestock quality assurance program.

Junior Sheep Producer Day is scheduled for Saturday, March 17, 2018, and Junior Beef Producer Day is scheduled for Saturday, March 24, 2018. Registration information will be released in December, so watch the KSU Youth Livestock Program Facebook page and website for further details! For more information, please contact Lexie Hayes (adhayes@ksu.edu or (785)532-1264).

Livestock County Fair Management Clinics Scheduled

The biennial Livestock County Fair Management Clinics have been scheduled for 2018. The western Kansas session will be held on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at the Gray County Fairgrounds in Cimarron. The eastern Kansas clinic will be held on Thursday, April 12, 2018 at the Jackson County Fairgrounds in Holton. This is an opportunity for county agents and fair board members to learn and discuss issues regarding livestock activities at county fairs. Tentative topics that will be discussed are county fair board structure and management, fair insurance, poultry health and exhibit management, 4-H livestock policies and extension's role at county fairs, and the timing of livestock shows during the county fair.

Pre-registration will be required, and full registration details will be released by the first of the year. Mark your calendar and encourage your fair board members to plan to attend! For more information, contact Joel DeRouchey (jderouch@ksu.edu or (785)532-2280), Lexie Hayes (adhayes@ksu.edu or (785)532-1264), or Pam Van Horn (pvanhorn@ksu.edu or (785)532-5800).

“Family Carnival”

Family Carnival will be held Saturday, January 20, 2018 at Memorial Hall.
PROJECT NEWS:

If you have any questions about the dog project please contact Melaney Dick at 620-728-9743 or melrussdick@gmail.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 for any sheep project questions You may get her information by contacting the Extension Office.

Please contact Jennifer Gomes at 405-820-6481 or pherfenner@aol.com for any horse project questions.

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TEEN CHRISTMAS

Thank you to the Thomadora, Nickerson, and Haven 4-H Clubs for partnering with the Ambassadors on the Teen Christmas service project. A total of $800 in gifts was presented to First Call for Help to be distributed later this month. Winner of the Ambassador pizza party is the Haven 4-H Club.

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CITIZENSHIP IN ACTION

February 28-19, 2018

Register for CIA by January 15, 2018 at the following link: http://www.cvent.com/events/2018-kansas-4-h-citizenship-in-action/event-summary-7d914c1e87d340dd98d6bb26e1266ed2.aspx

Citizenship in Action is for Kansas youth to learn how the state legislative process works and how their voice and participation in decision-making can make a difference in their communities. Delegates will tour the Capitol, get tips on how to meet and talk with their legislators, and discuss how youth can have a greater impact in their communities.

Sunday will feature time at the Capitol, legislative sessions, and a dinner and dance at the Capitol Plaza Hotel. Monday is reserved for delegates to meet with their legislators.

This event is open to all youth 13-18 years old as of January 1, 2018.

2018 Scholarship Form Available

The Kansas 4-H Scholarship for the 2018-2019 academic year is now posted at http://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-library/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html.

The scholarship list is anticipated to be posted in December of 2017, once that information is available from the 4-H Foundation. Youth who should be applying for this scholarship should be in their Senior year in High School OR OLDER (we have many scholarships that are available to youth who are Freshman-Senior in Post-Secondary Education and some that are available to Vet Med Students).
Discovery Days 2018: Tell Your Story

Discovery Days is one of the largest events that is put on by the Kansas 4-H program and it would not be able to happen without the help and time that you put into it! This year Discovery Days will be held May 29-June 1, 2018 and classes will be held on May 30 and May 31. We are currently soliciting volunteers to teach classes while they are at Discovery Days. We offer class sessions that are 75 minutes in length, 3 hours in length and all day classes. If you have a hobby, passion or enjoy teaching a specific topic, we encourage you to sign up to teach at Discovery Days! Many of our instructors find their time rewarding and enjoy interacting with the delegates that attend Discovery Days.

If you are interested in teaching a class, please sign up by clicking https://tinyurl.com/2018DDClasses. Feel free to share this information with youth and volunteers in your Local Extension Units who you think would be interested in teaching as well. The deadline to sign up to teach a class at Discovery Days is February 1.

NEW for 2018 - All classes will be asked to align their classes with the Content Priorities of STEM & Agriculture, Communication and the Arts, Healthy Living and Community Vitality (leadership & citizenship). Also, we will no longer be offering 90 minute sessions; they have been shortened to be 75 minute sessions to allow youth a little more flexibility with their schedules.

4-H Alien Adventure Experience Coming

The Kansas 4-H SpaceTech Program and the Kansas Cosmosphere located in Hutchinson are again teaming up to provide fun, hands-on and science-based programming for Kansas 4-H Youth Development. This third program will feature “The Alien Adventure.” The experience will begin Friday, April 6, at 4 p.m., and will end on Saturday, April 7, 4 p.m. Cost will be $110 for youth between 9-18-years old and $110 for all adult participants. All youth must have a designated chaperone to attend. Parents, grandparents, other relatives, and guardians may chaperone their own children/relatives. They may not chaperone other non-family members. Registered KSRE 4-H Leaders or KSRE staff may also chaperone 4-H members. Adult chaperones will be responsible for their children overnight.

Registration includes three meals, two breaks, and an overnight stay. Program topics include: a tour of the Cosmosphere, doing experiments and microscope examinations to learn about what makes something alive, finding out how scientists are searching for life in our solar system, learning about the search for extra-solar plants, decoding alien messages, and developing an alien species with its own unique planet and culture, plus much more.

This Cosmosphere collaboration is designed to be an adult-child experience, where 4-H members and adults can interact and learn from these fun and educational experiences. The program will include overnight indoor camping at the Cosmosphere located in Hutchinson, KS, (bring your own sleeping bag, air mattress, pillow, towel and toiletry items). The experience is open to 4-H members, parents, grandparents, volunteer 4-H leaders, and KSRE staff.

The CVent registration system will be used, visit: http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html after February 1, 2018. Registration will close March 22, 2018, 11:59 p.m. There will be a minimum number required or the experience will be cancelled. The program is limited to the first 60 who register on a first-come, first-serve basis. For more information, contact Deryl Waldren, dwaldren@ksu.edu, or call 785-462-6281.

Campference 2018

4-H Campference is for youth ages 12-14 (before January 1, 2018), and will be held June 26-29, 2018 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Participants will experience the feel of a conference, while enjoying the 'camp' activities Rock Springs 4-H Center has to offer. This is a great transitional opportunity, as these tweens go from being a camper to attending educational conferences.

4-H Campference will feature workshops about opportunities in the 4-H program and how to better interact with others. Participants will meet other youth from around the state of Kansas.

Register early as the space will fill on a first come basis, and Campference was full with waiting lists for the last 5 years! Put it on your calendar now. Registration and detailed information will be the State 4-H Website in early spring.
SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR CITIZENSHIP IN ACTION

This year we have the opportunity to offer $100 scholarships for youth who are interested in attending Citizenship In Action. These scholarships are available through a generous donation from Capitol Federal. The scholarship form and online scholarship application can be found on the web by going to http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/citizenship-in-action/index.html.

We are asking that all scholarships be submitted through the qualtrics link that is on our website, or by going to https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8e5EL6WttD0K6gZ

We know that there is a desire to know what questions will be asked on the scholarship in advance, you can find that by visiting the above website, or by using the attached document.

Preference will be given to youth who are 4-H members in counties where there is a Capitol Federal branch. Those counties are Riley, Pottawatomie, Douglas, Johnson, Sedgwick, Saline, Shawnee, Lyon, Wyandotte, and Butler. This is an opportunity to encourage youth who would not be able to attend without the scholarship dollars to have a great 4-H experience.

NORTHEAST LEADERSHIP EVENT

Come see what leadership is like Under The Sea! 4-H members ages 12 to 18 are invited to the Northeast Area 4-H Leadership Event (NELE), Saturday, Jan. 20, 2018, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Clay Center Community High School in Clay Center.

NELE is led by the Northeast Area youth council representatives. Delegates can sign up for multiple classes throughout the day with many options for everyone.

Through the generosity of Kansas Electric Cooperatives, Inc. and CoBANK each registered delegate will receive a copy of the book, “Find Something To Do! No Prop Activities,” by Jim Cain. Sessions will be offered for delegates to explore and learn how to lead some of the activities outlined in the book. Adults may purchase a copy of the book for $9 through the registration process.

Don’t miss this opportunity to meet new people, learn many new leadership activities, and listen to keynote speaker, Wade Weber, State 4-H Program Leader!

Registration for the NE Area Youth Leadership Forum (NELE) is now open. Deadline to register is January 3, 2018. The event is set for Saturday, Jan. 20, 2018 at the Clay Center Community High School in Clay Center. Cost to register is $25 for both youth and adults. The entire amount will be paid for Reno County 4-Hers by the Leadership Fund.

Registration link: http://www.event.com/events/2018-northeast-4-h-leadership-event/event-summary-1d10bd8339144899ac8d5eadc48deb39.aspx

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With the launch of the new, national, multi-species youth quality assurance program, Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA), the National Pork Board plans to discontinue their Youth PQA Plus program at the end of 2017. As of January 1, 2018, Youth PQA Plus will no longer be available as an option for young people seeking swine quality assurance training. However, the National Pork Board will honor Youth PQA Plus numbers until they expire, and agents will still be able to use their credentials to log on to the pork board website and verify a young person's certification status or current number. Youth needing quality assurance training for swine, or other livestock species, are encouraged to use YQCA for their certification. This new program was launched in 2017 and provides education on food safety, animal well-being, and life skill development. The National Pork Board partnered with other industry groups, such as National Cattlemen's Beef Association and the American Sheep Industry Council, to develop and launch this new program. The YQCA program is available for youth ages 8-21. Young people may complete the training online or attend a scheduled face-to-face session. More information may be found at www.yqca.org. Kansas is in the process of training Extension Agents to teach the face-to-face sessions. Extension Agents who would like to become a YQCA instructor may contact Lexie at adhayes@ksu.edu or (785)532-1264 for details.

Please note that quality assurance requirements for the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and Kansas Junior Livestock Show exhibitors have not yet been finalized. This information will be released by March 1, 2018, and will be announced as part of the 2018 State Youth Livestock Nomination Process Updates.

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**JUNIOR LEADER CHRISTMAS PARTY**

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LOOK WHAT RENO COUNTY 4-HER'S HAVE BEEN UP TO THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

To celebrate Christmas the Ninnescah 4-H Club had a live nativity float with their 4-H animals in the Pretty Prairie parade. The club also adopted a family for Christmas. Way to show the holiday spirit and get the word out about 4-H and all the amazing things you do.

Thomadora 4-H club got great donations for Baylor's Believers! Also the director at Wesley told Kayla how thankful she was the 4-Her’s came and said the residents will be talking about the kids for days! Most of the ones that came down to see the kids sing don't have any family and really enjoyed seeing the kids. Great job Thomadora way to show the Christmas spirit.
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Reno County Extension Office Phone # 620-662-2371

All articles/pictures for the newsletter are due to the Extension office by the 20th of the month.

PLEASE EMAIL TO DONNA dp96929@ksu.edu
4-H PHOTO WORKSHOP

TRAVEL TO AN ISLAND FOR PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES

Saturday, April 14, 2018

Photo Judging Contest 11am-1pm

Workshops from 1 to 4 pm

Auburn Community Center

Auburn, Kansas

Directions: From I-70 exit onto Auburn Road (Exit 353), drive south 10 miles to Auburn, right on West 11th. The Community Center is on the west side across from the ball fields. From old Hwy 75, turn west on 93rd Street until it dead ends. Turn right (north) into Auburn.

Food Concession staffed by Paw Prints Dog Club

Photo Judging Contest for three age divisions with 1st, 2nd, & 3rd in each division. Judging starts at 11:30 a.m. (written test & photos) There is a photo scavenger session for the judging contest participants led by Bryan Boutz, following the judging contest from 12:30-1:00.

Classes are designed to be hands on for 45 minutes each. The $5.00 registration fee is per person which includes three workshop sessions.

The $2.00 fee for the contest covers cost of materials and photocopying.

Main Workshops – 1-4p.m. Bring your digital camera, memory cards for lots of photos, fresh batteries, battery charger, tripod (optional)

Fill out and return the back of this page and include payment (checks made out to Shawnee County 4-H.) Registration due March 1, 2018.

NO REFUNDS! Mail registration form and check to: Photo Workshop, Shawnee County 4-H
1740 SW Western,
Topeka, KS 66604

Questions? Call 785-232-0062

K-State Research and Extension 4-H Kansas State University Agricultural Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service. K-State Research and Extension is an equal opportunity provider and employer. Kansas State University is committed to making its services, activities and programs accessible to all participants. If you have special requirements due to a physical, vision, or hearing disability, or a dietary restriction please contact Candis Meerpohl, 785-232-0062, ext.120.

Please fill out one sheet per participant Mail all forms and check to: SnCo 4-H Photo Workshop
1740 SW Western Ave, Topeka Kansas 66604
# 4-H PHOTO WORKSHOP

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**Workshop Fee (per person)** $5.00
Anyone attending a workshop needs to pay the fee.

**Photo Judging Contest Fee** $2.00
Attending? Yes or No (Please circle one.)

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ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS

I am sending this list out because we need these completed ASAP, please.

The first group of people have enrolled and done their criminal background checks they just need to turn in their child abuse and neglect forms to the office 2 West 10th South Hutchinson or even email them to me dp96929@ksu.edu and they will be complete.
Julie Combs - WRC
Kaylie Combs - WRC
Katie Johnson - Ninnescah
Colleen Paine - Royal Clovers
Jason Paine - Royal Clovers

The second group of people have enrolled and done their child abuse and neglect forms and turned them into the office, so the just need to complete the criminal background check on line and notify me when it has been completed by either email dp96929@ksu.edu or phone 620-662-2371 then they will be complete.
Derek Zongker - WRC

The third group of people have enrolled on line and that is all. They need to first complete the criminal background check and then fill out the child abuse and neglect form and either turn it the office 2 West 10th South Hutchinson or email it to me dp96929@ksu.edu then they will be complete.
Dana & Gene Brack - WRC
Justin Combs - Buhler
Craig & Trish Cooper - Shooting Sports
Vicki Crotts - Dog
Danna Douglas - Thomadora
Jackie & Brett Eckert - Nickerson
Crystal John Frank - Thomadora
Dade Coldrin - Union Valley
Lily Coldren - Union Valley
Michael & Pricilla Hoyt - Ninnescah
John Jenkins - Shooting Sports
Ryan Klamm - Thomadora
Terri Meier - Haven
John Morgan - Buhler
Eli Meyers - Haven
Madison Meyers - Haven
Amanda Ratzlaff - Buhler
Chris & Jessica Shank - Union Valley
Dawn, Grace & Sydnee Shive - Haven
Kara & Patrick Sullivan - Union Valley

And the fourth group of people need to enroll with 4-H online, do the criminal background check online, and complete the child abuse and neglect form and either bring it into the office 2 West 10th South Hutchinson or email it to me dp96929@ksu.edu, then they will be complete.
Garie Brownrigg - Buhler
Ashley Franklin - Nickerson
Steven Stucky - Ninnescah
Justin Gray - Union Valley
Rosita & Andy Aldrich - Union Valley
Maria Coldren - Union Valley
Heath Bergkamp - WRC
Dedria Ashworth - WRC
Misha Gaeddert - WRC
Geoff Brugess - WRC
Bev Johnson - Dog
Joan Davis - Dog
Becky Ensz - Dog
Vicki Crotts - Dog
Bill Royer - Shooting Sports
Bryan Troyer - Shooting Sports
Tammy Brown – Rabbits
Karolyn Howey – Ambassadors
Jennifer Gomes - Horse
If you have any question please drop me an email dp96929@ksu.edu
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