MEET THE RENO COUNTY 2020 4-H FAMILY OF THE YEAR
THE KEITH & JAMIE SCHMIDT FAMILY FROM THE HAVEN 4-H CLUB
SCOTT, KELSEY, KEITH, JAMIE AND NATHAN
The Reno County Ambassadors have chosen the theme for next year's fair.
GET CREATIVE WITH 4-H

So, it is time to start brainstorming about your club's banner and display.

SAVE THE DATES

2021 RENO COUNTY FAIR
DOG SHOW: JULY 17TH
FASHION REVIEW: JULY 20TH
FAIR: JULY 21ST TO JULY 26TH

FYI CARNIVAL HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL SUMMER OF 2021

THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS WILL BE ZOOM MEETINGS TILL FURTHER NOTICE
LINKS WILL BE SENT TO CLUB LEADERS

EXECUTIVE TEAM MEETING
January 18, 2021 @ 6pm
All 4-H Council Officers are required to attend.

4-H COUNCIL DATE
January 25, 2021 @ 7pm

JUNIOR LEADERS
4-Hers 12 & up
CANCELLED
Until further notice

Council needs your help!!!

We need an adult council advisor.
If this is something you might enjoy you can call Kim Griffith from the Nickerson club or me for information.
Kim Griffith at 620-899-9453/ kimberlygriffith27@yahoo.com
Donna Phillips at 620-662-2371/ dp96929@ksu.edu

Attention club reporters if you need somewhere to post your club news please send it to dp96929@ksu.edu. We would love to know what your club is up to. This will also help when you are putting together your club reporter’s book. They are due by the 23rd of each month.
GREAT 4-H RESOURCES

Want some great 4-H information? Check out the following link

https://www.ksre.k-state.edu/

Go to 4-H youth where you will find great information to help you with projects and events that are coming up. Also under what is hot on the right hand side is where you can find great videos for officer training. It will give you list of upcoming events and contests. Check it out!!!!

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

New 4-H Club Corner Resources Available

As essential part of a successful 4-H Youth Development club program is trained volunteer club leaders. As you begin to plan for the new 4-H year, know that there are new 4-H Club Corner resources available. These resources are designed for you to use with your club leaders in creating a dynamic 4-H club environment.

The link to the recording of the webinar showcasing the new documents can be found in KSRE resources TEAM, youth development channel, 4-H Youth Development professional development folder.

Club Corner resources can be found at:

https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/ClubCorner.html

These documents were created by the Club & Project Pathway

4-H DAYS WILL BE HELD APRIL 10th & 11th. MORE INFORMATION TO COME IN NEXT MONTH'S NEWSLETTER. THERE WILL BE CHANGES FOR THIS YEAR.
MEET THE 2020 RENO COUNTY 4-H LEADERS OF THE YEAR.

KAYLA KESINGER AND JENNIFER STALLMAN
FROM THE THOMADORA 4-H CLUB

State Horse Quiz Bowl & Hippology Update

Due to Rock Spring’s current closure, the Horse Panorama will not be held in January. Instead, the Horse Action Team will host Hippology, Public Speaking, Demonstrations/Talks, Photography, Logo, Poster, PowerPoint, Ad Layout, and Model Horse Show virtually in 2021. The exact dates are yet to be determined.

In addition, tentatively, Quiz Bowl will join Horse Judging and be hosted with our Kansas Horse Council partners at Equifest March 5-7 in Salina. This plan will be tentative until we learn more about Saline County health orders in mid-January. If COVID-19 restrictions prevent us from hosting these contests in the spring, the Horse Action Team is exploring virtual options. Announcements will be made as plans are finalized.
IF YOU ARE ENROLLED IN LIVESTOCK PROJECTS
HERE IS WHERE TO FIND THE LATEST NEWS

BEEF PRICES
BLACK LEG $1.00
BOVINE RESPIRATORY $4.00
DEWORMING $4.50
GROWTH IMPLANT $2.00
TAGS $3.50
THIS IS PER ANIMAL

BEEF WEIGH IN
SATURDAY MARCH 13, 2021
8-10AM
SALE BARN IN SOUTH HUTCHINSON

SMALL ANIMAL TAGGING
SATURDAY MAY 1, 2021 8-10AM
BEHIND THE EXTENSION OFFICE

New YQCA Material Available

The national, multi-species youth livestock quality assurance program, Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA), launched its fourth year of the program on October 1. Therefore, a new set of educational modules are now available for youth to complete. Extension Agents and Ag Teachers who requested to become certified instructors to teach face-to-face classes should have received an email the first week of October. The training is completed entirely online, through an instructor’s account. Once the certification process is complete, approved instructors will receive the 2020-2021 curriculum via email and are welcome to begin teaching classes. The YQCA Board released some important reminders for instructors earlier this month. The first being that instructor-led courses may not be taught virtually. Members who would like to participate in an online training should complete the web-based course. Additionally, the junior-only slide deck is being discontinued and will no longer be available. Since Kansas has a special agreement with YQCA regarding 7-year-olds, those youth may participate in an all ages instructor-led course, with a parent/guardian, to receive their certification. Youth may complete the online training for $12/child, or participate in an instructor-led session for $3/child. The test-out option is only available for youth who are 12 or 15 as of January 1. All participants must register and pay through the YQCA site, regardless of the type of training. A young person’s YQCA certification is valid for one year, so youth need to re-certify annually. The Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and KJLS are expected to continue requiring all exhibitors to complete YQCA to be eligible to exhibit in the 2021 shows. For more information, contact Lexie Hayes (adhayes@ksu.edu; 785-532-1264).
Junior Producer Days to be held Virtually

The Kansas Junior Producer Days will be hosted in February and March 2021 as a virtual series over the course of a week. The Junior Swine Producer Week will be February 15-20. Presentations will be provided a couple of days during the week, with the final sessions and discussions being on Saturday morning. All of the sessions will be recorded and shared with those who register. Junior Meat Goat Producer Week will follow a similar format March 15-20.

All youth, parents, leaders and extension agents are invited to participate in these educational experiences. K-State faculty members, graduate students, veterinarians, extension agents, guest speakers, and specialists will speak about various topics related to project management specific to each species. Tentative topics include selection, nutrition, meat science, health, and showmanship. More details and registration information will be released in the coming weeks. Please watch the youth livestock program website and Facebook page for updated information and a link to register.

A HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE CLUBS THAT HELPED WITH THE NURSING HOME GIFTS. I AM SO BEYOND PROUD OF WHAT YOU HAVE DONE FOR THE SENIORS. WE GAVE OUT OVER 917 GIFTS TO 11 NURSING HOMES IN RENO COUNTY. NICE JOB 4-HER’S! HERE ARE A FEW PICTURES FROM THE EVENT.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO 4-H COUNCIL OFFICERS EMMIE STALLMAN, CONNOR BLUBAUGH, BLAKE GRIFFITH AND LIZZY ULLUM FOR WORKING WITH THE MEDIA TO GET THE STORY OUT ABOUT THE 4-HER’S GREAT JOB.
As a resource for club leaders the North Central Region Volunteer Specialists have created a new online training resource: “4-H EZ: Recipe for Community Club Success.”

This training includes 6 videos, handouts, and resources that go with the videos. Volunteers can watch the videos and review the handouts and resources designed to help create a better club experience. We have also included a “4-H EZ Application Guide” that allows you to reflect on the videos and apply the information specifically to your 4-H Community Club.

This online training can be completed by an individual as volunteer development or with a group of youth and adult volunteers. The videos are set up so they could be completed all in one setting or divide them up, as needed, for a busy schedule.

The videos are available at: http://bit.ly/4-HEZ. Click on the heading of each section to go to the video. You’ll first be asked to sign in, then you can click on the video link. At the end of each video, you’ll be asked to reflect on something you have learned and offer suggestions for future training opportunities.

Thank you for your interest in strengthening your 4-H Community Club!

**Kansas 4-H and Vanier Scholarship Applications**

All Scholarship state applications for the 2021 year will be done through Qualtrics. The newly updated webpage will be ready soon and will include a listing of the materials and information that the applicant will need to have ready to upload or include.

All applications and letters of support must be submitted by March 1, 2021.

**Reno County Scholarships**

- Reno County 4-H Foundation Scholarship Link: [https://forms.gle/dJpYNm99kw6kXcXg6](https://forms.gle/dJpYNm99kw6kXcXg6)
  This application is to be used for the Reno County 4-H Foundation Scholarship. The due date for this application is March 19, 2021. Applicants must be a senior in high school or a freshman in college. Submitting this application will automatically be sent to Carla McKinney (cam-cuppy@sbcglobal.net) and Debbie Spence (spenced2357@gmail.com). Letters of recommendation should be emailed to the two addresses listed above. Any questions can be answered by Carla at 620-921-0466 or Debbie at 620-663-4744.

- Reno County Fair Livestock Scholarship - This form is for the Reno County Fair Livestock Sale Scholarship. Details are listed on the form. Due to the Extension office by March 19, 2021.
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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 20\textsuperscript{th} of the month.

PLEASE EMAIL DONNA AT dp96929@ksu.edu
Join us March 15-20 for a virtual Kansas Junior Meat Goat Producer Week. This educational event will span a week of sessions during which youth, parents, meat goat project leaders, and adults can increase their knowledge of meat goat production and management practices. Presentations and demonstrations will be provided by K-State faculty members, graduate and undergraduate students, and guest speakers. Sessions will be conducted during the week, with the program concluding on Saturday morning. All presentations will be recorded and shared with those who register, so families may participate at their own pace and as their schedule allows. The program is free this year, but all attendees will need to register using the link below.

Register Online by March 8!

Schedule (tentative):

**Tuesday, March 15**
6:30 PM Selection
7:15 PM Nutrition & Daily Feeding
7:45 PM Wrap-up

**Thursday, March 18**
6:30 PM Health & Wellness
7:00 PM Livestock Guard Dogs
7:30 PM Wrap-up

**Saturday, March 20**
9:00 AM Equipment & Daily Care
9:30 AM Grooming & Show Day Prep
10:00 AM Showmanship
10:30 AM Overall Q&A, Wrap-up
1:00 PM State Livestock Nominations*

(*optional for those interested in exhibiting at the K-State Fair Grand Drive and/or KJLS)

Thanks To Our Sponsors!

- Essential Show Feeds
- Valley Vet Supply
- K-State Department of Animal Sciences and Industry

Door Prizes!
We will be drawing for show equipment and supplies!

Questions?
Contact:

Lexie Hayes
adhayes@ksu.edu
785-532-1264

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To Register Online: https://bit.ly/KSUJrMeatGoatWeek

Although the program is being provided free of charge, thanks to our generous sponsors, we do need ALL participants to register, including youth and adults.

Make sure to use a valid email address that a member of your household checks regularly, as we'll be relying on email correspondence leading up to the program.

Watch your email the week of March 8 for attendee details and specific links!

K-State Research and Extension and the Kansas State University Department of Animal Sciences and Industry, or their assigns, reserve the right to photograph, record the image and/or voice of participants for current or future research, educational, and/or promotional purposes. By attending, you provide consent to the above items and waive all rights to claims for payment or royalties in connection with any use of said images or recordings.
Please join us February 15-20 for a virtual Kansas Junior Swine Producer Week. This educational event will span a week of sessions during which youth, parents, swine project leaders and adults can increase their knowledge of swine production and management practices. Presentations and demonstrations will be provided by K-State faculty members and graduate students, as well as guest speakers. Sessions will be conducted during the week, with the program concluding on Saturday morning. All presentations will be recorded and shared with those who register, so families may participate at their own pace and as their schedule allows. The program is free this year, but all attendees will need to register using the link provided below.

Register Online by February 8!

**Schedule (tentative):**

**Tuesday, February 16**
- 6:30 PM Selection
- 7:15 PM Nutrition & Daily Feeding
- 7:45 PM Wrap-up

**Thursday, February 18**
- 6:30 PM Meat Science & Cookery
- 7:00 PM Health Management & Diseases
- 7:30 PM Wrap-up

**Saturday, February 20**
- 9:00 AM Equipment & Daily Care
- 9:30 AM Clipping & Show Day Prep
- 10:00 AM Showmanship
- 10:45 AM Q&A, Final Wrap-up
- 1:00 PM State Livestock Nominations*  
  (*optional for those interested in exhibiting at the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive or JrLS)

**Thanks To Our Sponsors!**
- Kansas Pork Association  
- Essential Show Feeds  
- Valley Vet Supply  
- K-State Department of Animal Sciences and Industry

**Door Prizes!**
We will be drawing for show equipment, supplies, & fun pork paraphernalia!

**Questions? Contact:**
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  785-532-2280
- Lexie Hayes  
  adhayes@ksu.edu  
  785-532-1264

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**To Register:**  [https://bit.ly/KSUJrSwineWeek](https://bit.ly/KSUJrSwineWeek)

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