



# SOUTHWIND DISTRICT



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## A NOTE FROM JENNIFER

It's November, the month where we celebrate with family, including our 4-H Family. Soon be gathering to recognize all of the achievements of 4-H'ers and volunteers across the Southwind District at our local Achievement Banquets.

I feel in this month of November we all have so many things to be thankful for! I encourage you to think of all the things that you have and how great it is to have them! And spend time with the ones you love! And don't forget to take time to share your appreciation with those individuals who help you throughout the year with your 4-H projects, those who help guide your club, and are active participants with you in your club family!

Sincerely,

*Jennifer*



## CITIZENSHIP WASHINGTON FOCUS

Information for the Kansas 4-H Citizenship Washington Focus trip is now out! If you have been thinking about attending this trip, you are encouraged to apply this year! If you are interested in attending as a chaperone, please plan on registering as a chaperone as well.

The trip will be June 16-26, 2017. The cost to attend is \$1,850. For more information please contact Jennifer 620-244-3826.

## 2017 4-H CAMP

Dates have been set for Sunny Hills Camp—June 24-27 and Campference—June 27-30. Be sure to mark your calendar now!

## 4-H AWARD QUICK TIPS

Before we get too far into the new 4-H year, check out the Member Achievement Application that you are eligible for in 2017. Make note of the events and activities you need to participate in. Receiving all your pins is doable with a little pre-planning, goal setting, and sticking to your plan!

You can find the form on the Southwind District website under 4-H Youth Development ->Record Keeping.

## 2017 HORSE PANORAMA

The 2017 4-H Horse Panorama has been scheduled for January 27-29 at Rock Springs. Registration and contest rules for Horse Panorama will be posted to the Kansas 4-H web site soon on the [Horse Events page](#).

## 4-H RECRUITMENT

Take advantage of this new school year to invite new families to join 4-H. Drive parents to include 4-H as part of their fall activities. Be sure to increase recruitment efforts and share the key messages that: 4-H is the network of families that grows great kids and 4-H is for city/town families, too.

## ENROLLMENT

Enrollment/Re-enrollment for the 2016-2017 4-H Year began October 1st. Don't forget to enroll, the deadline is Jan. 1, 2017.

## AGE DIVISIONS

In the Southwind District, all age divisions will be referred to as follows:

- Senior - 14 years and older
- Intermediate - 10-13 years of age
- Junior - 7-9 years of age

Remember – **ALL** youth must be 7 and enrolled by **January 1, 2017** to participate in competitive events and be eligible for competitive scholarships.

## 4-H'ers CELEBRATE AND GIVE BACK

The first National 4-H Week Dance was held in Fort Scott with 47 participants. Although the participation was small, the admission received was mighty! There were 113 HUGS or canned good items donated and given to the Beacon of Fort Scott. Best Yet 4-H Club of Chanute, were not able to attend the dance and wanted to still participate. They gave two sacks full of HUGS items that were then given to Faith House of Chanute. Thank you to all who participated and hope that we can donate more in the years to come!

## KANSAS JUNIOR SWINE PRODUCER DAY

The 2017 Kansas Junior Swine Producer Day will be held on Saturday, March 11th, in Weber Hall on the K-State campus in Manhattan. Youth, parents, project leaders, and extension agents of any skill level or knowledge base are invited to participate in this program. Participants will learn about various topics related to swine production and youth swine projects. More details and registration information will be released at a later date.

## KS 4-H DOG JUDGES' CERTIFICATION TRAINING

The Kansas 4-H Dog Judges' Certification training will be held January 20-22, 2017, in Salina, Kansas. This is a good opportunity for local project leaders and older 4-H members to observe the training and better understand how they will be judged at invitational and the Kansas State Fair 4-H Dog Show. Details for registration will be available in early December.

## SOUTHWIND EXTENSION OFFICES CLOSED

Allen, Bourbon, and Neosho County Extension Offices will be closed November 11th in observation of Veterans Day and November 24th & 25th in observation of Thanksgiving.



## SOUTHWIND 4-H SKATING PARTY

Break up your winter vacation with some roller skating FUN! Bring a guest and join the Southwind District at Skate City in Chanute on December 27th from 6-8 pm. It is sure to be a warm and fun time for everyone! Watch for details in December.

## CORRECTION

The Kansas 4-H Foundation selects exhibits from both Photography & Visual Arts to travel across the state. These exhibits are used in a number of different special events and even Rock Springs. The following 4-Her was inadvertently left off the list last month

**4-H Foundation Selections (Photography), Neosho County:** Sophie Osborn

*Thanksgiving  
November 24*



## KANSAS 4-H SPACETECH CHANGES FOR 2016-17

Kansas 4-H SpaceTech currently has five project areas: rockets, robotics, astronomy, computers and GPS/GIS. Through the years, as new sub-areas have developed, they have been added to SpaceTech. The following is a description and breakout for the project area. While commonly referred to as "drones", Kansas 4-H will refer to them as Unmanned Aerial Systems.

### Unmanned Aerial Systems

Take flight with Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS). Explore the world from above the trees and discover new frontiers with unmanned aerial systems. This project provides the opportunity to expand ones understanding of UAS and the world around them safely. In this project you can explore the uses and applications of unmanned aerial systems including how UAS links to other projects such as geology, robotics, electronics, crop science, and many more.

- Junior Age 7 to 9  
Pre-flight – Youth explore the foundation of UAS and how it can be applied to the world around them.
- Intermediate Age 10 to 13  
Cleared for Takeoff – Youth discover UAS applications and operations, becoming more adept in their knowledge of UAS.
- Senior Age 14 and up  
Flight Master – Youth advance their knowledge of UAS and gain experience in applying UAS applications to the world around them.

## SUSPENSION OF GPS/GIS FOR 2016-17

The Kansas 4-H SpaceTech Action Team routinely looks at participation levels of all the project areas. The participation in the GPS/GIS project has been declining the past three years at the Kansas State Fair. In 2014, there were 12 exhibits; five in 2015, and six in 2016. We know this is not the only factor to consider, but it is an important one. For the 2016-17 4-H program year, Kansas 4-H will be suspending the GPS/GIS project area.

## U.S. DEPARTMENT of STATE ANNOUNCES SCHOLARSHIPS for AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS to STUDY ABROAD

These merit-based scholarships include international airfare, tuition, and program costs, as well as meals and living accommodations (often with a host family). The programs have no language prerequisites and gap year students are encouraged to apply as long as they meet the age requirements.

Please note that each program has a separate online application process, and application deadlines vary from late October through early January. Visit the program websites or [www.exchanges.state.gov](http://www.exchanges.state.gov) for specific information and application deadlines. We are particularly trying to reach young people who would not otherwise have the opportunity to participate in a study abroad experience.

1. The National Security Language Initiative for Youth (NSLI-Y) offers merit-based scholarships to study one of seven critical foreign languages: Arabic, Chinese, Hindi, Korean, Persian (Tajiki), Russian, and Turkish. The NSLI-Y program is designed to immerse participants in the cultural life of the host country, provide formal and informal language practice, and spark a lifetime interest in foreign languages and cultures. The application deadline for summer 2017 and academic year 2017-2018 programs is October 27, 2016. Visit [nsliforyouth.org](http://nsliforyouth.org) for more information.
2. The Kennedy-Lugar Youth Exchange and Study (YES) Abroad Program offers merit-based scholarships to study for an academic year in countries that may include Bosnia & Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Jordan, Macedonia, Malaysia, Morocco, Philippines, Senegal, Thailand, and Turkey. This program increases understanding between people in the United States and people in countries with significant Muslim populations. Students live with host families, attend local high schools, do community service, and complete a capstone project. Applications for academic year 2017-18 programs are due December 1, 2016. Visit [yes-abroad.org](http://yes-abroad.org) for more information.
3. The Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Program (CBYX) offers merit-based scholarships to study for an academic year in Germany. The program was established in 1983 to celebrate German-American friendship based on common values of democracy. Students live with host families, attend local schools, and participate in community life in Germany. For more information and application deadlines, visit the organization in charge of recruitment for your state at [usagermanyscholarship.org](http://usagermanyscholarship.org).

For more information on exchanges sponsored by the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, visit [exchanges.state.gov](http://exchanges.state.gov). To receive printed brochures about our study abroad opportunities, send an email with your request to [youthprograms@state.gov](mailto:youthprograms@state.gov). For information on having an international experience without leaving home, consider hosting a Department of State- sponsored exchange student. Learn more at [hosting.state.gov](http://hosting.state.gov).

## IFYE OUTBOUNDS

Kansas is again offering International 4-H Youth Exchanges (IFYE) for 4-H alumni (19-25) through IFYE USA, Inc. These exchanges promote longer stays in a country with multiple families for all delegates in order to gain in depth experience in one or more cultures. IFYE prefers their long-time model of 3 or 6 months in the program, but this year IFYE is offering the opportunity for a two-month summer exchange for individuals who find longer stays too difficult to accommodate. Two-month exchanges may be allowed in 2017 on a case-by-case basis. The two-month schedule has participants leaving Kansas June 15 (the same time as longer exchanges) and returning August 14. Be sure to go to the **IFYE** section on the Kansas 4-H web page. For more information, contact Jennifer Murphy 620-244-3826.



## BOURBON COUNTY 4-H NEWS

### DATES TO REMEMBER

**Nov. 4**—Achievement Banquet  
**Nov. 11**—Office closed, Veterans Day  
**Nov. 24-25**—Office Closed, Thanksgiving  
**Jan. 27-29**—Horse Panorama  
**March 11**—KS Jr Swine Producer Day  
**June 16-26**—CWF  
**June 27-30**—Sunny Hills 4-H Camp

### 4-H JUNIOR LEADERS CLUB

All 4-H members 13 years and over are encouraged to join the 4-H Junior Leaders club. The club provides members leadership opportunities throughout the year and have some fun along the way.

For more information, contact Lynette Westhoff, Sabrina Keating or Rachel Wagner.

### ATTENTION

If you have any questions regarding Friend of 4-H or the Achievement Banquet, please contact the Extension Office at 620-223-3720.

### RECORD BOOK TIP

Now is a great time to complete your personal page while you have a school picture available and have enrolled in your projects.

### ATTENTION

### 4-H CLUB LEADERS

Due by Friday, November 13th  
 1) Club Officer List  
 2) Club Project Leaders, Teen Leaders, and Junior Leaders



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- BAKING
- BLESSINGS
- CELEBRATION
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- STALK
- CORNUCOPIA
- DRESSING
- FAMILY
- FEAST
- INDIANS
- PIES
- PILGRIMS
- THANKSGIVING
- TURKEY



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