**March 2022**

**Southwind 4-H News**

**UPDATE: 4-H Questions? Please call!**
If you have any 4-H questions, please direct them to Pat, via a phone call at 620-223-3720. Don't worry about calling after hours, just please leave a message and she will be able to get back to you as soon as she can.

**REGIONAL 4-H DAY**
4-Her’s that received Top Blue placings at District 4-H Day will be attending Regionals March 5, 2022. At the Neosho County Community College, Chanute.

**RECORD BOOKS**
It’s a new year and there is a new way to complete your record books. With everything there is an app or online version available to your family. There are a few videos that have been created as help guides and they can be found here: www.kansas4-h.org/resourc es/awards-and-recognition/ZBooks.html. Please take some time to carefully read and review the information. I know that many of you expressed issues with the PDF version of the record book forms. The use of the online version will eliminate that issue for you and when you print, they will look like the PDF version. If you would like to continue the use of the PDF forms, you are definitely welcome to do so. All of the information to complete those can be found here: www.southwind.k-state.edu/4-h/record-keeping/index.html. Make sure you are on track with the Member Achievement Plan for the year. If you haven’t already, make plans to print a copy out to know what activities you should plan to be a part of for this 4-H Year! Here is a link to the forms: www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/index.html. Finally, if you have any questions about record keeping don’t hesitate to ask your club leader or let us know! Best way to do this currently is to call, 620-223-3720.

**SUMMER INTERNS NEEDED**
Southwind District is looking for four youth to work approximately 20 hours per week to assist with programming and preparation for the County Fair. An intern will be hired for each office location in the Southwind District: Erie, Fort Scott, Iola and Yates Center. Applicants should be at least 16 years of age with the ability to drive. Applications are located on our website: www.southwind.k-state.edu Please drop off or mail applications to your local Extension Office by May 1, 2022.

**WALK KANSAS 2022 – DATE CHANGE**
Walk Kansas, will take place from March 27th to May 21st this year! Through this 8-week program, you will work together with your teammates to achieve a physical activity goal. Each team is made up of six people. Youth can participate for free! If your 4-H club would like to create a team, we will also waive the registration fee for the adult who serves as team captain. Like last year, all youth who sign up to participate will receive a weekly newsletter in the mail with information about physical activity, nutrition, and health. Please contact Clara Wicoff with questions at clarawicoff@ksu.edu or 620-365-2242.

**KANSAS 4-H PROJECT CHALLENGES**
Looking for a Spring-break activity? Explore the Kansas Clover Classroom for fifteen challenges to choose from. Challenges range from Livestock to Fiber Arts. Check them all out at: kansas4-h.org/resources/leader-resources/cloverclassroom/index.html.

**KANSAS JUNIOR PRODUCER DAY**

**HORSE ID CERTIFICATES**
Horse ID Certificates are due May 1 to your local Extension Office. 4-Her’s need to be using the January 2020 ID certificate, found on the Horse Project website: https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/horse/index.html.
DOG CARE AND TRAINING PROJECT
The Kansas 4-H Dog Care and Training Project is being updated with revisions to Agility rules and regulations. The following changes will be effective in the 2023 4-H year: kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/dog/Agility%20Updated%20Effective%202023.pdf.

GREENBUSH 4-H CAMP
Greenbush 4-H Camp is June 6th & 7th for 7-8-year-olds. Cost is $70 to be made out to Neosho County 4-H Council. Completed Forms and checks need to be mailed to the Erie Office 111 S. Butler, Erie, KS 66733 no later than May 1st. Forms are located on the Southwind website www.southwind.k-state.edu. If you have any questions contact the Erie Office at 620-224-3826.

PICTURE PERFECT PHOTOGRAPHY EVENT
Shawnee County is hosting a Picture-Perfect Photography Event led by 4-H club leaders. Programming will include: Hands-on classes in the park, online spotlights of careers in photography, youth photo judging contest, plus videos to improve technical skills. What to Bring: camera and/or smartphone, blanket to sit on, reusable drink container, colorful umbrella. For more information visit: https://tinyurl.com/mamevyuy. Registration is due by April 1.

SUPER 4-H SATURDAY-HAYS JUDGING CONTEST
The Annual Super 4-H Saturday NW Judging Contest, which includes Crops, Entomology, Horticulture, Life Skills, Photography and Livestock will be held at Fort Hays State University (FHSU), Hays, Kansas on Saturday, March 26, 2022. Indoor Judging will start at 9:30 a.m. and run until noon. You can judge one or all five contests. Livestock judging registration starts at 12:30 p.m. with contest starting at 1:30 p.m. The day will include a Volunteer Gathering/Training in conjunction with the indoor contests. There will be project opportunities offered in conjunction with the Livestock Contest. Mark your calendars and watch for the final details to be announced soon. Any questions contact Robyn Trussel, Walnut Creek District Extension 4-H Agent at rdeines@ksu.edu

ENTOMOLOGY PROJECT MEETING
Meeting will be Saturday, March 12, 1:00 p.m., Iola Extension Office. We will be making educational display mobiles. If you do not want to make a mobile, we will see you at the April meeting. If you want to come pin insects or work on identification you may do so, but I will be helping 4-Hers get their mobiles completed. If you would like to make a mobile for an Educational Display for the Fair, please choose an insect from the list below and email or call me with your choice so I can get supplies ready. Supplies will cost $10. Questions contact Vicky at (620)804-9170
- Plains Lubber Grasshopper
- Antlion
- Black Witch Moth
- Convergent Lady Beetle
- Dobsonfly
- Eastern Tiger Swallowtail Butterfly
- Monarch Butterfly
- Ichneumon Wasp
- Katydid
- Luna Moth
- Mantidfly
- Praying Mantid
- Queen Butterfly
- Rainbow Scarab Beetle
- Red Milkweed Beetle
- Stag Beetle
- Thread Legged Bug
- Viceroy Butterfly
- Wheel Bug

FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY
The state 4-H Entomology Workshop will be held in Chanute June 17-18, 2022. I’m looking for a 4-H Club to prepare, serve and clean up after an evening meal Friday, June 17. If interested, contact Vicky Wallace at (620)804-9170.

KANSAS 4-H INSECT SPECTACULAR 2022
A two-day state-wide entomology workshop, will be held in person on June 17-18 in Chanute, Kansas. Classes will include basic pinning, basic and advanced identification, insect photography, invasive species, pollinator gardens and more. A parent or legal guardian must attend with their 4-H’er. Registration, proposed schedule, and full information will be posted around May 1st.
JOIN THE FEMA YOUTH PREPAREDNESS COUNCIL
The Youth Preparedness Council (YPC) brings teens together from across the country who are passionate about emergency preparedness and making a difference in their communities. Council members are selected based on involvement in extracurricular activities, leadership experience, and interest in preparedness and emergency management. Students in grades 8 through 11 are eligible to apply. YPC members share ideas and feedback with FEMA, collaborate to develop preparedness projects, and build their leadership and emergency management skills. Youth leaders who are interested in applying to the YPC must submit a completed application form and provide two letters of recommendation. The application period is January 24 – March 6 (11:59 p.m. PST), 2022. Learn More and Apply Today! Visit ready.gov/kids/youth-preparedness -council to learn more.

ALLEN COUNTY NEWS

ALLEN COUNTY FAIR
Allen County Fair is scheduled for July 28-31, 2022.

BEEF WEIGH-IN & TAGGING
All Beef and Commercial (crossbred) Heifers must be weighed and tagged to be eligible to show at the Allen County Fair. Tags will cost $4 per tag. Mark your calendars for Sunday, March 6 from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the Allen County Fairgrounds in Iola. Registered heifers do not need to be tagged. If you have any questions please contact Dale Lanham at 1-620-625-8620.

BOURBON COUNTY NEWS

BOURBON COUNTY FAIR
Bourbon County Fair is scheduled for July 16-23, 2022.

MARKET SPRING TAG-IN
4-H/FFA members may tag as many animals as they wish but after the 2 allowed tags per specie members will be charged $4.00 per tag. Please bring exact change or checks can be made out to: Livestock Account. Return payment to Chad Guthrie, Extension Agent during Market Spring Tag-in.

BOURBON COUNTY BORN NOMINATIONS
Bourbon County Born Animals will be declared at the Fair, no prior nominations required. Prize money will be sponsored by the local breeders.

BOURBON COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL
4-H Council will meet March 23, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at Common Ground.

NEOSHO COUNTY NEWS

NEOSHO COUNTY FAIR 2022
Neosho County Fair is scheduled for July 21-25, 2022.

SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE
$750.00 Scholarship available for 4-H members who are planning on attending CWF in summer of 2022. For more scholarship information, contact Krista.

BEEF TAG-IN
Choose the location that works best for you.
Wednesday, March 9: Bourbon County Fairgrounds, Fort Scott 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Friday, March 11: Saddle Club Arena, Uniontown 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Registered heifers do not need to be tagged.

SHEEP, MEAT GOAT, SWINE TAG-IN
Choose the location that works best for you.
Wednesday, April 27: Football Field Parking Lot, Uniontown 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 30: Bourbon County Fairgrounds, Fort Scott 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

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BEEF TAGGING AND WEIGH IN
Beef tagging has been set for Sunday, March 13th 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. at SEK Genetics, Galesburg. Beef animals that need a tag include market steers and feeder beef. Breeding heifers and bucket calves DO NOT need to be tagged or weighed. The cost of each tag is $4.00. Please bring exact change or a check.
MARKET BEEF PROJECT CHANGE
At the last fair board meeting, it was decided to allow heifers to exhibit in the market division at the county fair. The same division rules apply. It will now be referred to as “Market Beef” instead of steer. All animals in this division, regardless of sex, will be exhibited by weight.

4-H COUNCIL MEETING
4-H Council will meet March 20, 2022 6:00 p.m. at the Neosho Valley Event Center.

JUNIOR LEADERS MEETING
Junior Leaders will meet March 20, 2022 7:00 p.m. at the Neosho Valley Event Center.

WOODSON COUNTY NEWS

WOODSON COUNTY FAIR
Woodson County Fair is scheduled for July 16-20, 2022.