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UPDATE: 4-H Questions? Please call!

In the coming months, 4-H staff will be unable to assist with 4-H questions as both will be on maternity leave. MaKayla, 4-H Program Assistant, began maternity leave on December 14th and will be back to work mid-March. 4-H Agent, Jennifer, is due the end of January and will be out until April. If you have any 4-H questions, please direct them to Pat via a phone call at 620-223-3720. She will do what it takes to make sure that questions are answered. 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.

DISTRICT 4-H DAY – UPDATE

Neosho County Community College have set policy to require masks while on campus. Also, programs were emailed out a couple weeks ago. There are some areas where participation is lower than normal, so please make sure that your family is planning to attend early.

REGIONAL 4-H DAY

4-Her's receiving a Top Blue placing at District 4-H Day will be invited to attend Regionals March 5, 2022. At this time, we will plan the event for Neosho County Community College, Chanute. The hope is an in-person event; however, it will be important to be willing to adapt to a virtual format.

ALL STATE 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2022

4-H Scholarship applications are now available. Please make sure to read all of the criteria. These are due online by March 1, 2022. Visit <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html> for a listing and requirements. Please use Jennifer Terrell and jkterrell@ksu.edu for your 4-H Agent question.

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: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/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: 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: <https://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.

WALK KANSAS 2022

Save the date for Walk Kansas, which will take place from March 20th to May 14th 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.

HORSE ID CERTIFICATES

Horse ID Certificates are due May 1 to your local Extension Office. 4-Her's that intend to participate at the State 4-H Horse Show will need to be using the January 2020 ID certificate, found on the Horse Project webpage kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/horse/index.html.



KANSAS JUNIOR PRODUCER DAY

Kansas Junior Beef Producer Day Saturday, March 5.
Kansas Junior Sheep Producer Day Saturday, March 19. Both events will be hosted in Weber Hall on the K-State campus in Manhattan. Youth, adults, extension agents, project leaders, and volunteers are invited to attend! Topics range from selection, to nutrition, to meat science and showmanship. For more information, check the KSU YLP website: asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/.

DOG CARE AND TRAINING PROJECT

Effective in 2023. 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: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/dog/Agility%20Update%20Effective%202023.pdf>.

ENTOMOLOGY PROJECT MEETING

The next Entomology project meeting will be held Saturday, February 26, 1:30 p.m. at the Iola Extension Office. Please bring insects to pin and your pinning boards and supplies. If you are doing the Photography notebook bring your camera. 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 me or call me with your choice so I can get supplies ready. Cost for supplies will be \$10.

Plains Lubber Grasshopper
Antlion
Black Witch Moth
Convergent Lady Beetle
Dobsonfly
Eastern Tiger Swallowtail Butterfly
Monarch Butterfly
Ichneumon Wasp
katydid
Luna Moth
Mantidfly
Praying Mantis
Queen Butterfly
Rainbow Scarab Beetle
Red Milkweed Beetle
Stag Beetle
Thread Legged Bug
Viceroy Butterfly
Wheel Bug

FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY

Insect Spectacular, the state 4-H Entomology Workshop will be held in Chanute June 17th and 18th, 2022. I'm looking for a 4-H Club to prepare, serve and clean up after an evening meal on Friday, June 17. This can be hamburgers, hot dogs, taco salad, sloppy joes, relish trays, dessert, drinks, etc. It doesn't have to be fancy. We will confirm the number of meals that we will pay for in plenty of time for your Club to plan your preparation needs. We do have some dietary restrictions that have to be worked around, but they are simple. If interested, please contact Vicky Wallace at (620)804-9170.

4-H ENTOMOLOGY AND VISUAL ARTS MEMEBERS

It's time once again for K-State's Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Insect Art Contest! This year's theme is "The Benefit of Insects". The goal is to capture in an art piece that insects benefit us as a society and why they are important. Selected artwork will be used to promote the importance of insects and to create other educational items. Artists that have art selected will receive a certificate and a prize to recognize their achievement. We will select a winner from each of the outlined categories and one overall winner will be selected from those entries. Why should your 4-H'er participate? It's fun. It's an opportunity to learn more about the benefits of insects. It's an opportunity to flex your creative muscles and practice your (art)craft. It's a state contest and you can add that to your record book or pin application for Entomology and/or Visual Arts. For more information visit: <https://www.ksre.k-state.edu/pesticides-ipm/>.

HOSTING JAPANESE EXCHANGE SUMMER 2022

Kansas 4-H International Exchange Programs are offering hosting opportunities for 25- 30 families this summer. Host families are needed who would be willing to host a Japanese boy or girl. The youth will be between the ages of 12 and 15. Our responsibility is to make host family assignments matching each delegate with an American same-gender host sibling as soon as possible so that families and exchange delegates can communicate and get to know each other. Any Kansas family with children aged 10-16, who is interested in the Japanese culture, may host. If you have further questions, please call Pam Van Horn, Kansas 4-H Japanese Exchange Coordinator, 785-826-8917, or e-mail pvanhorn@ksu.edu.



SE REGION PROJECT WINNERS SELECTED

Special congratulations to all 4-H'ers who submitted Project Record Reports (PRRs) to the SE Region Project Award Screening. Once again, Southwind had winners selected. They are: Gage Reinecke - Dairy, Chellby Cosby - Meat Goat, Josiah Stockebrand - STEM Robotics, and Kyser Nemecek - Swine. This makes a winner selected from each county within our District. These PRRs will now represent Southwind at the State Project Award Screening in March.

CALLING ALL FOURTH GRADERS

The Family Community Education organization in Kansas is sponsoring a 2022 Essay and Artwork theme on "FAIRNESS". Anyone interested in participating can look up contest rules and forms by going to www.nafce.org or call Nancy Kernick, State FCE President at 620-431-1353. Deadline for submission to Nancy is March 1, 2022.

ALLEN COUNTY NEWS

ALLEN COUNTY FAIR

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

BEEF WEIGH-IN AND TAGGING

All steers 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 6th from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Allen County Fairgrounds in Iola. Registered heifers do not need to be tagged.

BOURBON COUNTY NEWS

BOURBON COUNTY FAIR

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

FCE SCHOLARSHIP

The Bourbon County FCE Council Scholarship is a \$200.00 scholarship. Requirements or qualifications:

- Applicant must be a resident of Bourbon County.
- Applicant must plan to enroll in Family and Consumer Sciences or a related field.
- Scholarship can be used in any college in Kansas.
- Applicant must have average or above scholastic rating.

- Summit completed application with two letters of recommendation, post marked by February 15, 2022. Address to: Family and Community Education Council, Southwind Extension District, Fort Scott Office, 210 South National Avenue, Fort Scott, KS 66701. Applications can be found on the Southwind website: www.southwind.k-state.edu.

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 a check and return payment to the Chad Guthrie, Extension Agent during Market Spring Tag-in.

BEEF TAG-IN & WEIGHING

Choose the location that works best for you. Only the cattle that weigh-in and tag in Fort Scott are eligible for the Rate of Gain.

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 & WEIGHING

Choose the location that works best for you. Only the animals that weigh-in and tag in Fort Scott are eligible for the Rate of Gain.

Wednesday, April 27: Saddle Club Arena, 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.

BOURBON COUNTY BORN NOMINATIONS

To be eligible for this class a completed form and nomination fee is due day of Market Spring Tag-in. Beef nominations will be \$10.00, Meat Goat, Sheep and Swine nominations will be \$5.00 for each nomination. Make checks payable to: Bourbon County Fair Board Association Inc. Please return forms and payment to Chad Guthrie, Extension Agent. All forms are available on the District website www.southwind.k-state.edu under the Fairs tab and Bourbon County Fair. **NO FORMS OR FEES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER TAG-IN DAY.**

KSF/KJLS AND OTHER NATIONAL NOMINATIONS

Families receiving nomination stickers during Market Spring Tag-in must pay the \$4.00 nomination fee.

Make checks payable to Livestock Account and return forms and payment to Chad Guthrie, Extension Agent when tagging.

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 TAGGING AND WEIGH IN

The date for beef tagging has been set for Sunday, March 13th from 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.

WOODSON COUNTY NEWS

WOODSON COUNTY FAIR

Woodson County Fair is scheduled for July 15-20, 2022.

Happy
Valentines Day