DATES TO REMEMBER:

October
1 – 4-H Online Enrollment opens 8:00 a.m.
1 – Officer Books, MIG & KAP Books due in Extension Office
6-12 – National 4-H Week
7 – Record Book Judging, Iola
8 – Record Book Judging, Erie
8 – 4-H Spirit Day
9 – Record Book Judging, Fort Scott
12 – Clovers Care 5K Walk/Run
12-13 – 48 Hours of 4-H
14 – Offices Closed, Columbus Day
15 – KYLF & KVF Registration due
27 – Officer Training, Moran

November
6 – Iola Achievement Banquet
10 – Fort Scott Achievement Banquet
11 – Offices Closed, Veterans Day
12 – Erie Achievement Banquet
23-24 – KYLF & KVF
28-29 – Offices Closed, Thanksgiving

December
1 – 4-H Online Enrollment and Payment must be complete
24 & 25 – Offices Closed, Christmas

ENROLLMENT DEADLINE
4-H Enrollment opens October 1, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. Enrollment and Payment must be complete before Sunday, December 1st. Youth age 18: If you plan to participate as a 4-H member you will need to enroll as youth. If you are planning to volunteer in 4-H only please enroll as an adult. During enrollment in 4HOnline, you will be asked to declare a program fee intention. There will be an option for credit cards, checks, and waiver. Unless you are asking for a waiver, please select check. Payment is due within seven days. Clubs who plan to pay for their members need to speak with Jennifer about a form to submit with their check to the State Office. Cloverbuds & volunteers are exempt.

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK
INSPIRE KIDS TO DO!
Help celebrate this year’s National 4-H Week, Oct 6-12, by joining the movement to “INSPIRE KIDS TO DO!” Club leaders, 4-H Councils, Ambassadors, 4-H etc. would all find this webinar helpful to watch! https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/marketing/national4week.htm. The webinar will highlight materials and marketing assets that are available to you, social media messaging, will provide an opportunity to share with others across the state how you celebrate National 4-H week locally.

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

RECORD BOOK JUDGING
Mark your calendars for the following dates which have been set for record book judging:
Iola, Monday, October 7
Erie, Tuesday, October 8
Fort Scott, Wednesday, October 9
Judging will be from 1:00 – 7:00 pm. Volunteers are needed. Junior Leaders and any adults who are interested in judging are welcome. This is a great opportunity to learn more about completing the KAP. Please contact your local Extension Office if you are planning on attending.

ENROLLMENT DEADLINE
NATIONAL 4-H WEEK
INSPIRE KIDS TO DO!
4-H SUNDAY
This is a Sunday designated by your club throughout the year set aside to highlight the Heart “H” and the spiritual side of 4-H work. 4-H strives for fourfold development, spiritual, mental, physical and social. Spiritual growth is enhanced as young people take their place in the Church and put its teachings into practice in everyday living.

48 HOURS OF 4-H
Join us October 12-13, 2019 in seeing just how much we can give back to our communities! Invite your friends, clubs, adult volunteers, potential 4-H members and 4-H Alums too! Check out the website https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/48-hours-of-4-h/index.html for more information.

OFFICER TRAINING
All officers and leaders are required to attend Officers Training October 27 at 2:00 pm, Marmaton Valley High School, Moran. If you are unable to attend, let Jennifer know ASAP! Leaders will be having a special meeting regarding club leader succession plans. Please bring any adults that would like to be a future leader.

VOLUNTEERS
Each year Community Leaders, Project Leaders and Youth Project Leaders are required to complete paper work to be registered as a volunteer. All paper work is reviewed and approved by the Extension Board. If you are unsure of your status please contact Pat, at the Southwind District Fort Scott Office, 620-223-3720 or by e-mail psimpson@ksu.edu.
CLOVERS CARE 5K WALK/RUN
Celebrate National 4-H Week with the Clovers Care 5K Walk/Run on Saturday, October 12 at the Marmaton Valley Schools Track in Moran. The 5K will begin at 9:00am and is open to everyone. Each registration will receive a medal and breakfast. Watch for details about price and registration links via email. Proceeds will go to the Southwind 4-H Program and $5 of each registration will be divided between the District to be given to a local food bank.

2019/2020 RECORD BOOKS
Southwind District was selected as a pilot for the new record book process effective October 1, 2019. All of Southwind District will be utilizing the same record book and judging process.

RECORD BOOK TIPS
Now is the perfect time to complete your personal page while you have a school picture available and have enrolled in your projects. Check your next pin application for activities and events you may need to attend throughout 2020. Forms can be downloaded from the Southwind website www.southwind.k-state.edu 4-H Youth Development>Record Keeping and Forms.

SAVE THE DATE!
SUNNY HILLS 4-H CAMP
Sunny Hills 4-H Camp 2020 has been set for June 7-10 at Rock Springs Center. Be sure to mark your Calendar now!

KSF EXHIBITS RECEIVING SPECIAL RECOGNITION
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 4-H Center.

SECRETARY
Allen County: Abby Rinehart
Bourbon County: Alexis Marchaino

KYLFF AND KVF LEADERSHIP WEEKEND
Kansas 4-H Leadership Weekend is on the web and in the Cvent Registration system. The Forums will be held November 23-24, 2019. Enjoy beautiful Rock Springs 4-H Center as we Explore Leadership, a Jungle of Fun! KYLF is for youth ages 14-18, before January 1, 2020 and the KVF is for Adult 4-H Volunteers! Youth - Come and build your leadership skills and potential throughout workshops, delegate groups, inspirational speakers and more. The 2020 State 4-H Youth Leadership Council will be elected at KYLF. Speaker Chris Koch will be with us Saturday and Sunday! An awesome set of skill building workshops are planned as well. Come to KYLF to learn more! Adults - Workshops, engaging speakers, and a great opportunity to network! Learn new ideas to take back to your club or local 4-H Program. And it's going to be fun too!

YOUTH COUNCIL AND NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE APPLICATION
The Youth Council Application and National Conference Application will be combined this year, with applicants indicating if they are applying for one or both. Information is now available on the KYLF webpage and the National Conference webpage on the State 4-H Website. Any Kansas 4-H member age 14-18 before January 1, 2020 may apply as a Council Rep and those 15-18 before January 1, 2019 may apply for National Conference. Up to 6 National Conference Delegates will be selected through an interview process at KYLF serving a two year term on council. Council members will plan and conduct the Kansas Youth Leadership Forum, Citizenship in Action, Campference, 48 Hours of 4-H and other events.

Columbus Day

4-H DOG CONFERENCE AND QUIZ BOWL
The Kansas 4-H Dog Conference and Quiz Bowl will be October 19-20 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. It is open to all Kansas 4-H members, accompanying parents, volunteer 4-H leaders and KSRE staff. The theme is “Rock Star 4-H Dogs” Cost is $125.00 for full-time participants, $75.00 for Saturday only and $50.00 for Sunday only. The fee for full-time registration covers all educational sessions, speakers, dog presentations, quiz bowl, skill-a-thon, lunch, dinner and breakfast, breaks, and one night’s lodging at Rock Springs 4-H Center. T-shirts and hoodies may be ordered on-line for an additional cost. The conference will have a special youth-dog activity outside, "Dog Fashion Show and Karaoke" evening program, dog skill-a-thon, quiz bowl, prepared and impromptu presentations, plus s’mores and much more. To register please visit: https://www.kansas4h.org/events/index.html. Registration is set to close on October 7th.

ENTOMOLOGY PROJECT MEETINGS
Entomology project meetings have been scheduled for Saturdays at the Chanute High School at 2:00 p.m. Please see the listed dates below. Come to the back of the school to the door with the porch over the entrance. I will have a sign up. The October meeting is for anyone interested in taking the Entomology project. There are three different ways to display your work at fair: 1) a collection of insect specimens. 2) a collection of photographs of insects. 3) educational displays. These meetings are open to any 4-H’er and their families. Questions: contact Vickey at 620-804-8170 or vicky.wallace55@gmail.com.

Kansas 4-H Equine Extravaganza, Saturday, November 9, Rock Springs brings together novice and professional horsemen in a one-of-a-kind setting for cross learning from beginning to advanced techniques, skills and knowledge. A three-tier educational pathway for youth, adult volunteers, and achievement level evaluators proposed to offer a choice to the participants to further the educational efforts. Youth can learn basic care, feeding practices and safety concerns while adult volunteers dive into methods for extending learning from discovering curriculum to educational competitive activities. Prospective level evaluators will learn about level testing and develop skills needed to effectively assess youth. This one-day event promises to spark an interest in youth to achieve greatness by participating in the 4-H Horse Panorama, competing in a Horse Judging Contest or exhibiting at the District Horse Show. The adult volunteer will be encouraged to mentor youth through additional training or preparing for these contests. Registration is available at https://www.kansas4h.org/events/index.html through Cvent September 1 and closes October 15. Cost per person $20. Overnight lodging available at an additional cost.

KANSAS 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT GUIDE
The Kansas 4-H Shooting Sports Handbook is now available for purchase or download at the KSRE - Bookstore. You can find the resource at https://www.books.tore.kse.kus.edu/pubs/4H1101.pdf. 4-H Shooting Sports is one way for youth to develop life and social skills. This handbook includes program goals, policies, training requirements, and other information for adult volunteers and youth participants.
4-H Community Conversations and Youth Citizen Open Forum

Kansas 4-H and the K-State Institute for Civic Discourse and Democracy invite youth citizens to use their leadership and communication skills to learn how to have tough conversations that matter. 4-H Community Conversations offer youth citizens the opportunity to join together to deliberate in an open forum, to make choices with others about ways to approach difficult issues and have tough conversations to work toward creating reasoned public judgment for the common good. Forums focus on a youth issue such as health, safety, violence, education, drugs and alcohol abuse, bullying, rural and urban issues, and much more. The forums provide a way for youth of diverse views and experiences to seek a shared understanding of the problem and to search for common ground for action. Forums are led by trained, neutral youth moderators who present the overall problem and then three or four approaches to working through the problem. Youth forum participants work through the issue by considering each approach; examining what appeals to them or concerns them, and also what the costs, consequences, and trade-offs may be that would be incurred in following that approach. Youth in middle or high school, 4-H agents, and adult volunteers. Saturday, October 26, 2019 from 10-2 (lunch will be provided) Staley School of Leadership Studies, 1300 Mid Campus Drive Manhattan, KS 66502. Free! But space is limited. Register by Monday, October 14 at http://www.cvent.com/d/0yqtlg. This event is created in part to help youth build leadership communication skills to prepare for Citizenship in Action and Citizenship Washington Focus in 2020. This program is funded through 4-H program fees.

Applications for IFYE Program

Kansas 4-H Alumni young adults 19-25 may participate in exchanges which focus on home and farm stays in rural areas throughout the world through Kansas 4-H International Exchange programs organized by IFYE USA. These programs can be tailored to individual interests and goals of applicants, usually including multiple home stays in a country for at least three months. Individuals can request internships with international companies or credit for the experience from their universities. These experiences help participants build their resumes and increase skills for living and working in a global society. Six month exchanges often include experiences in two countries. Counties available to host IFYE’s in 2020 include: Argentina, Austria, England, Estonia, Finland, Germany, India, Luxembourg, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan and Thailand. Others that may become available this year are The Philippines, Poland, Slovenia and Uruguay. To apply, go to: https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/global-citizenship/host-family-information/index.html Secure IFYE application and related information. Submit application to Mary Kay Munson by November 1 at 1114 N. Spring Valley Road, Junction City, KS 66441 or munson@ksbroadand.net. 785-238-3631 (Plan to attend Kansas interviews and first orientation at Junction City November 24. Information about IFYE Exchanges is also available at www.ifyeusa.org.

4-H Volunteers and Staff May Apply as Chaperone on States’ 4-H Exchanges

Chaperones are being recruited for each of the exchanges listed for teens. Chaperones must be at least 25 years of age. Depending on the size or the delegation, one or more will be selected by States’ 4-H at the U. S. national level. States’ 4-H is looking for international travel experience and language capability for non-English speaking areas. They also favor experience working with teens and like to reward volunteers and Extension staff who have helped conduct 4-H exchanges and other programs. Applications are posted on the Kansas 4-H Exchange web page: https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/global-citizenship/host-family-information/index.html. Due November 1, and participants are required to participate in Kansas interviews and the orientation November 24 in Junction City. Include references on the form, but do not provide the Medical form until selected at the national level. Placements may come as late as March, 2020. Contact Mary Kay Munson for information.

Woodson County News

4-H Enrollment and Club Elections

The 2019-2020 4-H year starts on October 1. Again, this year 4-H Council will pay enrollment fees for enrollments completed by December 1. Club elections are coming up, and clubs should keep in mind the following:

- Brand new members who have just joined are not eligible to be elected officers or to vote.
- Who gets to vote? Last year’s 4-H’ers.
- Candidates should be introduced or allowed to introduce themselves with a very brief (one minute) “speech” before voting.
- Numbering the candidates may allow very young members to vote without assistance. Writing a number instead of a name may be easier for 7 - 8 year old’s.
- Term limits may be a good idea, and should be consistent from year to year. Every leader, nominating committee member, and officer should be familiar with their club by-laws.

2020 Outbound Exchanges

Applications Due November 1. 4-H’ers (and alumni) wanting an international exchange experience should apply this month. Flyers and the applications are now posted on the Kansas 4-H website: http://www.kansas-4-h.org/events-activities/global-citizenship/kansas-4-h-international-exchanges/. For information contact Mary Kay Munson at 785-238-3631.

Achievement Recognition

4-H Achievement Recognition will be Sunday, Nov. 3 at 2pm in the Community Building. Each family should bring finger foods to share. Piqua 4-H Club will be responsible for setting up tables and chairs, Eager Beavers will decorate, and 3-in-1 will set up food and drinks. All clubs will assist with cleaning up afterwards.
STATE FAIR RESULTS
Another State Fair has come and gone, and Woodson County 4-H’ers once again should be proud of themselves! Here are the results:

Clothing Construction: Jaylynn Birk received a blue ribbon.

Dog Show Novice: Courtney Spoon received a white ribbon.

Food & Nutrition:
Purple: Jaylynn Birk, Michael Rasmussen, Aidan Yoho
Blue: Clayton Culver, Courtney Spoon, Hannah Sterling, Jarrett Birk, Clayton Holmquest
Red: Blake Cuppy, Kaidan Cuppy, Sydnea Bumstead, Josiah Rasmussen, Peyton Petit, Gabriel Rasmussen

Horticulture:
Blue: AnnMarie Smith
Red: Corbin Schultz, AnnMarie Smith

Photography:
Purple: Allie Pringle
Blue: Sydnea Bumstead, Courtney Spoon, Grace Westerman, Mylin Tidd, Madelyn Proper, Anna Westerman, Jack King, Aidan Yoho, Cooper O’Brien, Emmett Brittain
Red: Lauren McConaghe, Blake Cuppy, Kaleigh Hardy, Garrison Brittain, Cody Wille, Clayton Culver, Emery Yoho, AnnMarie Smith
White: Gabriel Rasmussen, Josiah Rasmussen, Michael Rasmussen
Allie’s picture was chosen to be displayed at Rock Springs; Courtney’s and Aidan’s were selected for use by Kansas 4-H Foundation.

4-H BASICS

THE 4-H SYMBOL
A green 4 leaf clover with head
A white “H” on each of its leaves

MOTTO
“To Make the Best Better”

PLEDGE
I pledge my head to clearer thinking,
My heart to greater loyalty,
My hands to larger service,
My health to better living,
For my club, my community, my county, and my world.

THE 4-H’s
HEAD
HEART
HANDS
HEALTH

Slogan
“Learn by Doing”

Colors
Green – Representing Springtime
White – Representing Innocence