LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS
Congratulations to all local 4-H Foundation, 4-H Development Fund, 81-40 Riding Club, and County Fair scholarship recipients:

Shaylee Arpin
Jamie Bergstrom
Collyn Fouard
Evan Morrical
Lane Nichols
Andrew Peuchen
Luke Pfannenstiel
Courtney Reed
Justin Schmutz
Zoe Woolsoncroft

FLASH DEADLINES FOR 2015
If you have something you would like in the *Flash*, be sure to email it to semaass@k-state.edu. The deadline for the July/August *Flash* is Sunday, June 7; and September *Flash* is Sunday, August 9.

WELCOME SHELBY! OUR SUMMER INTERN
Hello, my name is Shelby Bargmann and I am from Marysville, KS. I will be a senior at K-State in the fall in Agricultural Education and will student teach in the spring. I was a 4-H member in Marshall County for 13 years. My favorite parts of being involved with 4-H was showing livestock and getting to meet many new people. I am so excited to meet even more new people during my internship here this summer! I am really looking forward to all of the experiences I will have and opportunities to work with many different people. It’s going to be a really great summer here in the Central Kansas District!!

~ Shelby

4-H COUNCIL PICNIC & THEME
The annual 4-H Council Picnic will be held on July 27 in Lindsborg (this was voted on at the May 4-H Council Meeting) with the theme of *Fun in the Sun*. Details are still being worked out. Look for more information in the *July 4-H Flash*. We will also send an email out to the Organizational Leaders as soon as this information is available.

PARENTS...BE PREPARED FOR SUMMER
Read the *4-H Flash*...stay current! Summer is busy! Keep focused as deadlines need to be met for eligibility to exhibit at the fair, participate in activities and much more!
MEET YOUR 4-H COUNCIL EXECUTIVE TEAM
We will be highlighting the 4-H Council Executive Team members throughout the summer months. We hope you will enjoy learning more about fellow 4-H members in the District!

LUKE PFANNENSTIEL
What school do you go to? Grade?
Salina Christian Academy, 12th.

What are your favorite hobbies?
Entomology, reading, basketball.

If you could have anything for your last meal, what would you choose?
Pizza.

How many projects are you in, what’s your favorite, and why?
5, my favorite is Entomology because I like insects.

What’s your favorite 4-H event?
The Fair because there are lots of cool events to attend.

If you could be any superhero, who would you be and why?
Superman because he’s super, man.

PAUL PERSIGEHL
What school do you go to? Grade?
Southeast of Saline, 9th.

What are your favorite hobbies?
Riding horses and playing sports.

If you could have anything for your last meal, what would you choose?
Steak.

How many projects are you in, what’s your favorite, and why?
6, I like Horse because I love showing horses.

What’s your favorite 4-H event?
The Fair because I like to see everyone’s projects.

If you could be any superhero, who would you be and why?
Superman because he has a lot of different super powers.

LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP: PLAYING CARDS INITIATIVES – PART 2
Want to know how you can take an ordinary deck of cards and turn them into leadership games and initiatives? Why not come to the Playing Cards Initiative Workshop (part 2) to find out more. The workshop will be held on Thursday, June 11 from 7-8:15 p.m. in the Meeting Room at the Minneapolis Extension Office. Please register by going to the 4-H Youth Development page on the District website (http://www.centralkansas.k-state.edu/4-h) and click on the link under “Upcoming Events & Online Registration.” You may call the Extension Office to register if you do not have access to the internet. Please register by Thursday, June 4. Remember…This workshop will count for the leadership workshop on the pin applications.

Who can attend? 4-H Members, Parents and Volunteers can attend! Participants will learn activities that they can take back to their clubs and other groups they work with or are a part of. Key lessons that will be emphasized are: teamwork, cooperation, leadership, problem solving, communication and decision making.

FASHION REVUE WORKSHOP
Join us to enhance your knowledge of fashion revue with breakout sessions covering hair & makeups, accessories, how to care for garments, questions and answers with a judge, cost per wear, and coordinating colors in an outfit. You will also get to practice modeling! This event will have a $5 registration fee and will be held in Salina at Salina Heights Christian Church (801 E Cloud St) on June 13 from 9 a.m. until 12 p.m. To register, please go to http://www.centralkansas.k-state.edu/4-h, under Upcoming Events and Online Registration. Registration will be due online and the $5 registration fee will be due in either Extension Office by June 1.

INSECT SPECTACULAR WORKSHOP AND COLLECTION TRIP
The Insect Spectacular Workshop will be held June 26-27, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Salina (corner of 9th Street & Crawford Street). Any 4-H member in the Entomology project or with an interest in entomology is invited to attend, learn, and have fun. Topics will include: how to photograph insects, bug hunts, and more! The early bird registration deadline has passed, but you can still register. More information is available at http://www.centralkansas.k-state.edu/4-h under Upcoming Events & Online Registration. The new state entomology guidelines will be discussed at this workshop.
COUNTY FAIR INFORMATION

Ottawa County Fair – July 14-18 (exhibits released on July 18)
Theme – “Country Pride, County Wide”

When available, the Fair Paper will be posted on the District website at http://www.centalkansas.k-state.edu/4-h under County Fairs, Ottawa County Fair.

Dates to Remember:

- **Monday, June 29** *(please note date change)*
  - 4-H Pre-entries due, Minneapolis Office
- **Friday, July 10**
  - Fairgrounds Clean up, 7 p.m.
    - The Fair Board asks that horse families not set up any horse pens this night. Please wait until Monday to bring trailers and panels.
  - 4-H & Open Class Superintendents Meeting, 8 p.m.
- **Monday, July 13**
  - Foods Judging, 8:30 a.m., Courthouse
  - Arts & Crafts, 1:30 p.m., Courthouse
- **Tuesday, July 14**
  - 4-H & Open Class Livestock entries accepted, 8-11 a.m.
  - Entries accepted in 4-H, FFA and Open Class divisions, 8-12 noon
  - Rabbits and Poultry entry time 11 – 12 noon
  - 4-H Cloverbuds “Show & Share” sign-up (12:30 p.m.) with session starting at 1 p.m.
  - Posters, Pets, Notebooks, Booths, Banners, Home Environment, Woodworking judged 1 p.m.
  - 4-H & Open Class Crops & Garden judged, 1:15 p.m.
  - Photography Judging and Photography Judging Contest, 1:00 p.m., Scout Hall
  - Space Tech, Electricity, Entomology, 2:30 p.m.
  - Parade, 6 p.m.
  - Registration begins for Ag Olympics at covered arena, 7:45 p.m.; Ag Olympics, 8 p.m.
- **Wednesday, July 15**
  - 4-H Swine Show (followed by Sheep, Goat and Dairy Shows) – In each species 4-H entries will show first, followed by Open Class entries, 10 a.m.
  - 4-H Bucket Calf Show followed by open class, Beef Show, heifers followed by steers (4-H entries followed by open class) 5:30 p.m.
- **Thursday, July 16**
  - 4-H Horse Show (Classes 1-24), 8 a.m.
  - 4-H Rabbit and Poultry Show followed immediately by open class, 1:00 p.m.
  - 4-H Clothing, FCS Judging Contest & Fiber Arts, 1:30 p.m.; Fashion Revue, 2 p.m., Scout Hall
  - 4-H Horse Show resumes (Classes 25-39), 7 p.m.
- **Friday, July 17**
  - 4-H Project and Livestock Sale listings due *(MUST be listed to sell)*, 11 a.m.
  - 4-H/FFA Round Robin Showmanship Contest, 3 p.m.
  - Preview of Silent Auction Items, 5:00 p.m.
  - Public Fashion Revue, 4-H Awards Ceremony and Farm Bureau Photo Contest winners announced, 6 p.m.
  - 4-H Silent Auction, (Silent Auction will end 30 minutes after the Premium Auction)
  - 4-H/FFA Premium Auction, 7 p.m.
- **Saturday, July 18**
  - Livestock released at 7 a.m. with all other exhibits released and fair clean-up at 8 a.m.
  - 4-H Dog Show (with Tri-Rivers Fair), check-in 8-9 a.m., show 9 a.m., Salina, Ag Hall and Kenwood Hall
- **Tuesday, July 28**
  - Kansas State Fair pre-entries due by 5 p.m.
- **Wednesday, July 29**
  - Payout of Fair Premiums to 4-H Clubs

*PLEASE NOTE ENTRY DEADLINES (DATE AND TIMES) IN THE FAIR PAPER.*
Tri-Rivers Fair – August 5-9
Theme – “The Fair is Great in the Sunflower State”

Dates to Remember:

- **June 1**  King & Queen résumés due (see the May 4-H Flash more details of this contest and changes for 2015)
- **June 16**  King & Queen Orientation Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Room 109, Salina Office
- **July 1**  ALL PRE-ENTRIES DUE ONLINE by the 4-H MEMBER:
  - Beef
  - Bucket Calf
  - Dairy Cattle
  - Dairy Goat
  - Dog
  - Display Entries (see division details in the fair paper)
  - Rabbits
  - Performing Arts
  - Poultry
  - Sheep
  - Swine
  - Meat Goat
  - Table Settings

From Organizational Leaders by Club
  - Foods / Food Preservation
  - Visual Arts
- **July 18**  4-H Dog Show, Ag Hall and Kenwood Hall
- **July 25**  4-H Fashion Revue, Clothing Construction and Fiber Arts Judging
  (all construction and fiber arts needs to be checked in by 9:30 a.m.)
- **July 31**  Fair Clean-up, 4-H Building and Livestock Areas, 8 a.m.
- **August 4**  Pre-Fair Judging in 4-H Building
  - Other Projects
  - Wildlife
  - Shooting Sports
  - Photography
  - Notebooks
  - Foods
  - Food Preservation
  - Cloverbuds
  - Fashion Revue
  - Entomology
  - Home Environment
  - CO2 Cars
  - Crops
  - Table Settings
  - Horticulture
  - Geology
  - Banners
  - Woodworking
  - Forestry
  - Energy Management
  - Space Tech

- **August 4**  4-H Clothing and Fiber Arts entered 10 a.m. – Noon
- **August 4**  Banners checked in by 1 p.m.
- **August 4**  Tri-Rivers Fair Parade, 7 p.m.
- **August 5**  Judging in the 4-H Building continues (check fair paper for check in and conference judging info)
  - Table Settings
  - Entomology
  - Home Environment
  - CO2 Cars
  - Banners
  - Horticulture
  - Visual Arts

- **August 5**  Crowning of King and Queen, Heritage Hall, 7 p.m.
- **August 6**  4-H Cat and Hand Pet Show, 4-H Building, 1 p.m.
- **August 7**  Performing Arts, 9 a.m., 4-H Building
- **August 8**  CO2 Car Races, Bicentennial Center Concourse, Noon
- **August 8**  4-H Awards Assembly, 8 p.m.
- **August 8**  4-H Entries released, 4-H Building, 9-10 p.m. or after Awards Program; Livestock 9 p.m.
- **August 10**  Kansas State Fair pre-entries due by noon

**PLEASE NOTE ENTRY DEADLINES (DATE AND TIMES) IN THE FAIR PAPER.**

**Online Pre-Entries – DUE July 1**  – Above you will find the list of all items that the 4-H member is responsible for pre-entering himself/herself. The links are already posted on the Central Kansas District website, http://www.centralkansas.k-state.edu/4-h under County Fairs, Tri-Rivers Fair. Please call the Salina Extension Office if you have any questions. **DO NOT wait** until the last minute to pre-enter your fair exhibits. If you do not have access to a computer to do the online pre-entries, feel free to go to the public library or come to the Extension Office.

**Fair Paper, 4-H Divisions** - The 2015 fair paper has been posted on the Central Kansas District website, http://www.centralkansas.k-state.edu/4-h under County Fairs, Tri-Rivers Fair. Please refer to the fair paper online for the most updated rules, classes, etc.

**Bake Sale** - Just a reminder that each club is asked to donate two dozen **individually wrapped** cinnamon rolls for the bake sale. Clubs have been assigned days to bring the cinnamon rolls and they should be at the Pop Stand in the 4-H Building by 8 a.m.: Wednesday – Gypsum Valley, Rolling Meadows and Smoky View; Thursday – Boldly Go, Cardinal and Friendly Valley; and Friday – Stoney Ridge, Sunny Valley and Willing Workers.

**Fair Fun Day Help Needed** - Youth – Here is your opportunity for some leadership within your 4-H project…Tri-Rivers Fair Fun Day. Contact Sarah at 309-5850 or semaass@k-state.edu if you would like to do a demonstration or activity on your 4-H project(s).
SUPERINTENDENTS AND ASSISTANTS STILL NEEDED
We still need individuals to help in the following areas as Superintendents and Assistant Superintendents for both county fairs.

Ottawa County Fair – We are still looking for individuals to serve as superintendents and assistants in several 4-H Divisions. Please call Paula at the Minneapolis Office to volunteer – 392-2147.

Tri-Rivers Fair – If you are interested in serving in one of these roles identified below in the 4-H Divisions, please call the Salina Office – 309-5850.
- Beef (needs at least 1 adult superintendent)
- Bucket Calf (needs at least 1 adult superintendent)
- Dairy Cattle/Dairy Goats (needs at least 1 adult superintendent)
- Round Robin (needs at least 1-2 adult superintendents)
- Meat Goat (needs at least 1 adult superintendent)
- Horse (needs additional assistant superintendents)
- Poultry (needs 1 assistant superintendent)
- Swine (needs 1-2 assistant superintendents)
- Cat & Hand Pets (need at least 1 assistant superintendent)
- Entomology (need at least 1 assistant superintendent)
- Horticulture (need at least 2-3 assistant superintendents)
- Woodworking/Energy Mgmt/Forestry/Geology (need at least 1 superintendent and 1 assistant superintendent)
- Other Projects/Shooting Sports/Wildlife (need at least 1 superintendent)
- Notebooks (need at least 1 superintendent and 1 assistant superintendent)
- Dog (need at least 1-2 adult superintendents)
- Foods & Nutrition (need additional adult superintendents)
- Woodworking/Electric/Forestry/Geology (need 1-2 adult superintendents)

Thank you to everyone who have already volunteered!

TRI-RIVERS FAIR KING & QUEEN CANDIDATE INFORMATIONAL MEETING
An informational meeting (required) will be held on Tuesday, June 16, 6:30 p.m. in Room 109 at the Salina Extension Office. If you have any questions regarding this contest, please do not hesitate to contact Sarah.

ATTENTION: 4-H'ERS ENROLLED IN FOOD PRESERVATION
The Ball Canning jars are now available in blue, green, and purple colors to celebrate the 100th anniversary of these jars. While these are fun for people to use, they are not to be used for 4-H exhibits. 4-H members are to use only CLEAR jars for their 4-H food preservation exhibits. The 4-H member will be docked one ribbon placing if the colored jars are used.

4-H PHOTOGRAPHY ITEMS TO REMEMBER FOR FAIR
If you are enrolled in photography, please make sure you understand the information below as you prepare for the county fair.
- Photographic subject matter is expected to follow 4-H standards. For a sense of prohibited subject matter, review the Kansas 4-H member Code of Conduct; in general, if it is not allowable at a 4-H event, it is not allowable in a 4-H photograph at the State Fair.
- Photos with live subject(s) on railroad right away or taken from railroad right of way property will not be displayed in Kansas 4-H Photography.
- Copyright protections must be observed.
- Decisions as to display and/or penalties will be made by the Photography Department Superintendent and the 4-H Specialist responsible for the photography department.
FIVE MYTHS ABOUT COMPETING AT THE COUNTY FAIR
As we begin the countdown to the county fair, let’s focus on what 4-H is all about. Listed below are some common myths heard before, during, and after the fair.

#1 – The fair is the most important part of 4-H
The fair is one highlight of the total 4-H experience but it is not necessarily the most important. The goal of 4-H is to learn new skills and share what you’ve learned with others. The fair is an opportunity for 4-H’ers to measure their progress and skills against accepted standards.

#2 – Judging starts with the purple ribbon
Not true! Judging begins at the red ribbon level.

In the Danish Ribbon System:
- A red ribbon means…The exhibit has met all minimum standards. It shows an honest effort has been made. There are visible signs of needed improvement. A red is average.
- A blue ribbon means…The project exceeded minimum standards. It has smaller flaws but improvements can be made.
- A purple ribbon means…The exhibit is outstanding on all standards. There are usually no flaws or only a few minor ones, only the trained eye would see.
- A white ribbon means…Is probably the most misunderstood of all. It means that for one reason or another, the exhibit did not meet all the minimum standards. It does not mean that the exhibit is not worthwhile.

#3 – I have to wait until the night before the fair to finish my exhibit
It will reduce stress in your life if you plan ahead and finish those things that can be done ahead of time. Make a list of entries, equipment, supplies, and clothing you will need to take with you to the fair and then check it off the list as you load it into the car.

#4 – There is only one way to do things – the “4-H way.”
The fair is a learning event. There is often more than one way to do something. As long as your way is appropriate and you know why you did it that way - - it’s okay!

#5 – The judge is out to get you.
A judge is a human being, hired to give their evaluation of exhibits on a given day. You may not agree with the judge, but by choosing to participate as an exhibitor, you are agreeing to have another person evaluate your exhibit. Learning to accept criticism graciously is part of good sportsmanship.

CAN PROJECTS BE MADE AT SCHOOL?
Concerned about managing time and resources? You might consider combining 4-H and school projects, however, a few guidelines must be considered before combining, as a definite “yes” or “no” cannot be given across the board for all projects. To legitimize the option of projects serving dual roles answer the following questions:

1. Will you plan ahead of time to correlate the projects for better use of time and money?
2. Will the 4-H project you are enrolled in have a similar suggested learning requirement as your school class project?
3. Will the project be a part of the suggested learning and/or requirements in both the 4-H project and school projects?

If you can honestly answer YES to the above questions, then you can legitimize combining the two projects.

However...
1. If you wait to enroll in a 4-H project after the school project is completed and select a “project” that fits the completed school project…or
2. If you do no advanced planning but instead decide at the last minute to enter the completed school project at the fair because it’s done. . .then. . .the project is not considered eligible as a 4-H project.

Take time now and pre-plan…it will save you from confusion in the end.
GENERAL GUIDELINES ON COPYRIGHT
4-H exhibitors (individuals or group) should avoid using copyrighted materials whenever possible by originating his/her own work. A 4-H member or group should use with caution a copyrighted and/or trademarked product or service (a brand name, label or product). The intent of using the copyright or trademark materials for educational purposes such as an exhibit, educational poster/display or public presentation is acceptable under the “Fair Use” (legal use) provision.

“Fair Use” is a provision of the current copyright law that allows reproduction without payment or permission of limited portions of a copyrighted work for educational and other public interest purposes. Regardless of the “Fair Use” provision, the reference that a specific name brand project is good or bad inherently or through comparison must be done cautiously, using acceptable research/comparison methods and have a disclaimer that the conclusions are those of the 4-H participant and not those of K-State Research and Extension.

A copyright and trademark are legal methods used by writers, artists, corporations and others to protect their original work. Protected items may range from books to music and logos to computer graphics. Copyrighted and/or trademarked materials utilized in banners, displays, demonstrations, posters or other activities for endorsement or promotion instead of educational purposes will be disqualified and will not receive ribbons and premium and will not be displayed.

The use and inclusion of specific brand names for educational purposes does not imply endorsement or refusal by the Department of Extension 4-H Youth Programs, Kansas State University Agriculture Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension, or the State of Kansas.

JUST A THOUGHT
By bringing an entry to the 4-H Fair, you are asking for a judge’s opinion of your work. Although you may not always agree with the judge’s decision, remember that you asked for an opinion. Youth are allowed to ask questions of the judge during the consultation time and that may help make it easier to understand the comments that the judge gives.

Judging is not a final grade! It is not a reflection on the 4-H member. A red ribbon animal or garment does not mean that the 4-H member is a red ribbon person! It only means a little more work is needed…that’s all!

Parents and project leaders can help a great deal by going through the judging process at home several times before the fair. This may relieve some of the anxieties of fair time. This will make fair time just another opportunity for an opinion. Consultation judging is an excellent opportunity for the 4-H’er to listen to the judge’s comments about their product and for the 4-H’er to tell the judge about their product. This exchange should be between the 4-H’er and the judge.

As a parent, it is easy to answer the questions. Please let this be a learning experience for your child. Always speaking for your child only deprives them of the ability to think on their feet and present their own ideas.

KANSAS JUNIOR DAIRY SHOW
The Kansas Junior Dairy Show will be held August 14-15, in Salina. All animals will need to be registered for the show by Monday, August 10. Information and registration forms will soon be available at http://www.salinakansas.org or http://www.asi.ksu.edu/juniordairyshow. Remember: All animals will need to be registered or have a Grade ID/Lease Form completed by June 15. There will be judging, quiz bowl, and skill-a-thon contests on Friday, August 14. You can find the rules for these two contests at http://www.kansas4-h.org/.

NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT HORSE SHOW
The North Central District Horse Show will be held in Salina on July 1, for 4-H’ers enrolled in the horse project, ages 9-18 years before January 1, 2015. Registration is now available on our website (www.centarkansas.k-state.edu/4-h), under Upcoming Events and Online Registration page. Entries are to be registered online by June 1, with entry fees and 4-H Participation form postmarked by June 1. **No District Horse Show Forms will be accepted without Horse ID’s on file in our office** (deadline was May 1, 5 p.m.). If you have any questions, please contact Sarah.
STATE HORSE JUDGING CONTEST
For all of you horse members that are interested in judging, the State Horse Judging Contest will be held June 25, 2015, at Ag Hall in Salina. How much closer can you get? Please check http://www.kansas4-h.org for sign up information which should be available shortly. Get your teams organized!

OTTAWA COUNTY FARM BUREAU HOLDS 4-H PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST
The Ottawa County Farm Bureau Association is proud to announce the Third Annual 4-H Photography Contest. The purpose of this contest is to promote agriculture in Ottawa County. The contest is open to all current Minneapolis Area 4-H’ers. The photo must be taken in Ottawa County. The photo could be of animals, crops, equipment, landscape, water sources, farm buildings or grains, but please, no people should be in the picture. All photographs should be by 8”x10” and be turned into the Farm Bureau Financial Services offices by 4 p.m., Tuesday July 7th, 2015. Prize money will be 1st place $50, 2nd place $30 and 3rd place $20. Any picture submitted for this contest cannot be entered into the Ottawa County Fair. Winners will be announced at the County Fair. The winners and their families will be invited to the Ottawa County Farm Bureau annual meeting in August. Winning photographs become the property of the Ottawa County Farm Bureau. They will be framed and placed in various locations throughout Ottawa County. If you have any questions, contact Clara Mull at ottawafb@kfb.org or 785-392-7501.

THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX LEADERSHIP INITIATIVES WORKSHOP
What:        Think Outside the Box Leadership Initiatives
For Whom:  4-H’ers and Volunteers of Any Age!
When:        July 23
Where:        Salina Extension Office, Room 109
Time:        7-8:30 p.m.

Are you a recreation leader? Do you ever have times when you need an initiative to play? Come to Think Outside the Box Leadership Initiative class and learn all about how to effectively lead initiatives. Attendees will learn about how to turn games into initiatives, how to have fun with common household objects, and what items are supplied by the extension office for clubs and individuals to check out and use. Initiatives are based off of research and 4-H principles. Organizational leaders will be trained on the initiatives before the class. The class will be taught by Shaylee Arpin. Please register by going to the 4-H Youth Development page on the District website (http://www.centralkansas.k-state.edu/4-h) and click on the link under “Upcoming Events & Online Registration.” You may call the Extension Office to register if you do not have access to the internet. Please register by Thursday, July 16. Remember…This workshop will count for the leadership workshop on the pin applications.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! – 4-H SUMMER LEADERSHIP ACADEMY
In collaboration with McPherson County 4-H, we are excited to bring another leadership opportunity to our District with a national speaker! The 4-H Summer Leadership Academy will be held at K-State, Salina on Saturday, June 13, from 12:30 – 6:30 p.m. This day is for 4-H members 12 and older, including our adults (parents, volunteers, etc.). Ron Drum from National 4-H Council will be joining us to provide sessions for both youth and adults. This event will focus around the theme of “Making Your Dreams Come True” and include leadership development for youth and adult leaders in Kansas 4-H. Other sessions for the day led by area and state 4-H specialists, master volunteers, local youth and 4-H professionals might include:

**Volunteer Sessions:**
- What is Your True Color?
- Club Leaders
- Project Leaders
- Expanding Your Volunteer Opportunities (i.e., Master 4-H Volunteer, etc.)

**Teen Leader Sessions:**
- What is Your True Color?
- Making the Most out of Your 4-H Experiences (i.e., state events, etc.)
- Strengthening Your Leadership & Citizenship
- Day Camp Activities

The cost for this leadership opportunity is $15 and will need to be paid to either Extension Office by the registration deadline of June 1. **Online registration is due June 1.** This fee includes all sessions, snacks, USB Drive with resources, and a T-Shirt. Registration will be taken at: http://tinyurl.com/4HLleadershipAcademy
DISTRICTWIDE YOUTH SERVICE DAY
Districtwide Youth Service Day will be held on Tuesday, June 9, from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. at the Rolling Hills Zoo AND on Sunday, June 28 from 4-7 p.m. at the Ottawa County Fairgrounds. Those planning to participate in the service event at the Rolling Hills Zoo will have to complete an *Acknowledgement and Assumption of Risk* form and bring with you the day of the event. **In an effort to be better prepared for both events with supplies, etc., everyone is asked to register online.** The form needed for the Rolling Hills Zoo and registration can be found on our website at [http://www.centralkansas.k-state.edu/4-h](http://www.centralkansas.k-state.edu/4-h) under Upcoming Events and Online Registration. **Online registration is requested no later than 1 week prior to the event.**

KANSAS STATE FAIR

- Livestock Nominations are due by June 15 (and for Kansas Jr. Livestock Show).
- Livestock entries are due July 15 to the Kansas State Fair. Entries are available on-line at [http://www.kansasstatefair.com](http://www.kansasstatefair.com).
- Entry forms are needed on market and breeding animals.
- Volunteer forms will be coming soon. Start making plans to assist during the fair.
- 4-H Club Day, blue and purple ribbon demonstrations, qualify for State Fair. Entries due by 12 p.m. Noon, August 11.
- Horse entries are due by July 28 to either Extension Office for agent signature.

**NEW FAMILY MEETING SCHEDULED**

The biggest event of the 4-H year is just around the corner-4-H FAIR TIME! Are you ready? Are you confused about what to do? Do you have questions about how things work and what you need to know? Want to eliminate stress during the Fair? We’re here to help! Any 4-H Family that has limited or no experience at either the Tri-Rivers Fair or Ottawa County Fair is invited to come **Thursday, June 25, at 7:00 p.m.** to the City County Building, Room 109. **Please RSVP online by Thursday, June 18** by going to the District website, [http://www.centralkansas.k-state.edu/4-h](http://www.centralkansas.k-state.edu/4-h) and a link for the online registration can be found under Upcoming Events and Online Registration.

At this meeting, we will be reviewing Fair pre-entries, rules on all exhibits, and tips on how to get the most out of the event without stressing out the entire family! There will be a livestock expert on hand to answer all those technical questions about the animal exhibits. Set yourself up for success-bring your questions and we’ll find you the answers. Since the FAIR is such a great learning opportunity, we want to make sure all 4-H’ers have a positive experience at what usually becomes everyone’s favorite part of the 4-H program-the County FAIR.

DIGGING A HOLE TO CHINA by Kelli Ludlum

A friend once shared with me a story of two young boys who decided to dig a hole to China. For days they worked in their backyard, digging with spoons from their mother’s kitchen. While they were removing dirt from the yard, they uncovered cool new discoveries. The first day they found a brightly colored piece of pottery; the next day a monstrous earthworm; then a beautiful blue stone. Each day as the hole grew bigger, their pile of treasures grew larger as well.

After several days a couple of older kids came into the yard and approached the two young boys asking, “What are you two doing diggin’ that hole?”

The youngest boy, with a big smile on his face, proudly answered and said, “We’re digging a hole to China.”

“Why that’s stupid,” said the oldest youth, with a mocking smirk. “Anybody knows you can’t dig a hole to China! You’re never going to get there.”

The smallest boy looked up, holding a jar full of assorted finds such as bugs, worms, and rocks. As he held his “treasure” jar high in the air, he said, “We now know that we aren’t going to get all the way to China. But look what we found on the way.”

The moral of this story is that the end result is not always most important. The things learned and experienced along the journey of life make the trip worthwhile. 4-H members have probably had experiences like the two boys in the story. A goal is set, and you work extremely hard to accomplish your goal. Regardless of whether you reach that original goal, invaluable experience is gained along the way.
DISTRICTWIDE PROJECT NEWS

HOOFBEATS NEWS – HORSE CLINICS / OPEN ARENA

Below is the list of clinics that will be offered for 2015. There will be a $10 fee per clinic or you can attend all of them for $50. To reserve your spot, please go online (http://www.centralkansas.k-state.edu/, 4-H Youth Development, Upcoming Events and Online Registration) and download the registration form and mail to Stefany Kaniper (details on the registration form). All checks will need to be payable to CKD 4-H Council. If you have any questions, please contact Stefany at 785-822-7358 or email at ckdhoofbeats@yahoo.com.

- June 4 5:30-8:30pm, Ag Hall...Open Arena*
- June 18 5:30-8:30pm, Ag Hall...Open Arena*
- June 25 6-8pm, Rodeo Arena...Timed Events
- July 9 6-8pm, Ag Hall...English and Western Pleasure Rail Work and Patterns
- July 23 6-8pm, Ag Hall...Halter, Showmanship, Trail
- July 30 6-9pm, Rodeo Arena, Fun Show

* “Open Arena” is provided so the 4-H members and their horses can get used to the arena and get comfortable working around other horses. 4-H members can work on whatever it is they wish to work on. If 4-H member works with a trainer, the trainer is welcome to attend this open arena time to assist the 4-H member with his/her horse. We will also have some volunteers available to provide as much assistance as possible.

SCRAPBOOK MEETINGS

A Districtwide scrapbook meeting will be held the first Sunday of every month (now through July), from 2 to 4 p.m. at Allison Lecklider’s house (630 S. Santa Fe, Salina). Please RSVP to Allison to let her know you plan on attending by emailing her (allisonlecklider@yahoo.com) or calling her (785-822-5125). If you have any questions, contact Allison.

CLOVERBUD MEETINGS SCHEDULED

Districtwide Cloverbud Meetings have been tentatively scheduled for 2015. Please RSVP for EACH meeting to Linda Lecklider at 785-823-2409 or Linda.lecklider@gmail.com. Meetings will be held from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. in Room 109 at the Salina Office unless otherwise noted.

- June 18 (Note date change)
- July 16 (Note date change)

Depending on the activities, participants may be asked to bring supplies or donate a small fee. You will be notified of any cancellations (if you RSVP).

K-9 CAPERS NEWS

If you would like to arrange a District meeting in your area please have your local project leader contact caninecapers4h@yahoo.com.

Below are the meeting dates for 2015. All meetings will be held from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted. If you have any question, please email caninecapers4h@yahoo.com. This email address is checked frequently.

- June 2 (Ag Hall)
- June 6 (Ag Hall) 8 – 10:30 a.m.
- June 19 (Ag Hall) 5-8 p.m. (Set-up for Invitational Show)
- June 20 Invitational Show
- July 7 (Ag Hall) 6:30-8:30 p.m.

- July 17 (Ag Hall) 5-8 p.m. (Set-up for Tri-Rivers Fair Dog Show)
- July 18 Fair Dog Show
- August 22 (Ag Hall) 8-10:30 a.m.
- September 1 (Ag Hall) 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- September 5 (Ag Hall) 8-10:30 a.m.
- September 19 KSF Dog Show

Quiz Bowl Practices 6 p.m.
( Salina Office, Room 109)

- September 15, 22, 29*
- October 6, 13*
- * Location TBD
DISTRICT RABBIT MEETINGS
We will be having two rabbit workshops. The first is Tuesday, June 16, from 9 a.m. -12 p.m. noon in Room 109 at the Salina Extension Office. We will have several learning stations, have a quiz bowl from 9:30-10:00 a.m., do some rabbit judging, and answer any questions you may have.

The second workshop will be on Wednesday, July 1, from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. noon in Room 109 at the Salina Extension Office. Bring your showmanship rabbit and practice showmanship. We will be talking about how to prepare your rabbits for fair, and can tattoo rabbits at this meeting. We will answer questions about the fair.

At both of these meetings, members will have an opportunity to do a rabbit project talk. This counts on your pin app. as a district presentation. You could talk about your own rabbit and rabbit experience; care, housing, and feeding of rabbits; rabbit breeds; or whatever you want.

As always, rabbits are welcome at the meetings. Any questions, contact Jessica Fahrenthold, svhe.eagle@yahoo.com or 785-822-7817.

DISTRICT POULTRY MEETINGS
We will be having two poultry workshops. The first is Tuesday, June 16, from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. noon in Room 109 at the Salina Extension Office. We will have several learning stations, have a quiz bowl from 10:30-11:00, have chicken and egg judging, and answer any questions you may have.

The second workshop will be on Wednesday, July 1, from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. noon in Room 109 at the Salina Extension Office. Bring your showmanship bird and practice showmanship. We will be talking about how to prepare your birds for the fair. (i.e. how and when to wash them so that their natural oils return and they look their best for the show). We will answer questions about the fair.

At both of these meetings, members will have an opportunity to do a poultry project talk. This counts on your pin app. as a district presentation. You could talk about your chickens or other poultry and your experiences with them; breeds; care, housing, and feeding of your birds; or whatever you want.

As always, birds are welcome at the meetings. Any questions, contact Hannah Fahrenthold, purplechickengirl@yahoo.com or 785-822-7810.

HOME ENVIRONMENT MEETINGS
There will be several classes offered over the summer. Please RSVP to Michele or Hannah Henry no later than the Tuesday prior to the event. ngaks@aol.com, or 785-640-9733. Some supplies will be provided. Additional details will be emailed to members. All meetings will take place at 4 p.m. and will be held at 424 S. Brenda Lane, Salina.

- June 2 – Mason Jar Herb Project
- June 16 – Chalk Paint Project
- June 30 – Picture Frame Project
- July 14 – Floral Design
- July 21 – Storage Solutions
- July 23 – Displays and Record Keeping/Fair Preparation

“SEW HELP ME” WORK EVENINGS
On June 22 and July 2, Mary will host “Sew Help Me” work evenings in Room 109 at the Salina Extension Office. The times available are 5:30 – 7 p.m. OR 7:30 – 9 p.m. Both dates are open to anyone that just needs extra help on a sewing project that is giving them problems. 4-H members are allowed only one time slot / date. You can bring your own machine or use one of the District machines. To sign up, email Mary at mary_bernhardt@cox.net indicating the date and time you will be attending. Space will be limited, so sign up early!
JUNE CHECK-UP
Summer has arrived…where has the time gone!!!  School is out!  It’s time for a break...how about a vacation?  We all need one of those every once in a while, but not for too long...remember all those 4-H activities?  Remember even though there is no school the summer schedule is just as busy.  Let’s take a look at what’s coming up so you can stay organized.

____Tri-Rivers Fair Queen and King resumes’ due June 1.
____Summer activities planned...tour, exchange meeting, or swimming party.
____A day planned just for you!

Review
____4-H Flash read and important dates marked on calendar.
____Review highlights from the 4-H Flash at club meeting.

To-Do
____Project Leaders conducting meetings.
____Check project leaders on progress, they should be nearly completed with project meetings.
____Visitors’ reported to Sarah (semaass@k-state.edu).
____Check club mailbox at Extension Office.
____Report from the May 4-H Council meeting.
____Plan fair exhibits.
____Check club’s progress toward goals.
____Club summaries up-to-date.

Promote/Recruit
____Visual Arts Day promoted (registration will be posted on the web when it is available and emailed to Org. Leaders).
____Promoting North Central District Horse Show.  It will be held June 30 and July 1.  Entries are due online by June 1.
____Parents’ Committee recruitment started for the next 4-H year.
____Parents’ Committee search for Organizational Leaders and Project Leaders for new year.
____Encourage Fashion Revue participation
____Recruit volunteers for the county fair for the pop stand and to help in project areas.
____Recruit Tri-Rivers concession & pop stand workers and building monitors.

Remember
____Calendar marked for the June 30, Organizational Leaders’ Update in Minneapolis, 7 p.m.

RECRUITING FOR THE 2015-16 4-H YEAR
Another 4-H year is quickly approaching...have you given any thought to preparing?

Lay the Foundation...
...get the 4-H Parents’ Committee together
...write down leadership tasks needed
...think about people who can do tasks
...decide who will call individuals

Put action into motion...
...ask-personal contact or phone call
...stay positive as you may have to ask several people

Building the team...
...orient new leaders
...get 4-H materials
...encourage and mentor new leaders
DEADLINE FOR CLUB ROLL
Organizational leaders, if you want to drop members from your club roll, it must be done no later than September 1. Requests must be made by phone or email to Sarah (semaass@k-state.edu) with the rational for dropping the member(s) from the roll. Please note: If 4-H members participated in the county fair, they will not be dropped from the roll.

TRI-RIVERS FAIR INFORMATION FOR ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERS

4-H BUILDING MONITORS
Time again for “guarding” the 4-H Building during the evenings of the fair. Clubs are asked to help. Wanted: At least three individuals for two hour shifts. Start recruiting now. Please call the Salina Extension Office to sign up!

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FAIR POP STAND & CONCESSION STAND
It is hard to believe that the fair is just around the corner. So…let’s start planning early for the fair...it’s POP Stand / Concession Stand time!!! Join the team…get involved! POP Stand operates smoothly with at least one adult and two or three youth. But during the time frame of 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., we would like at least two adults and four youth. We will be serving food from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. (on Wednesday through Saturday) and set up will begin at 10 a.m. Clubs may sign up as many times as they want. Clubs with over 25 members are asked to work at least two to three times! Please call the Salina Extension Office to sign up OR email Carol Craver at cmcraver@ksu.edu! Any time slots not filled will result in the pop stand / concession stand being closed during that time at the fair.

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Building Monitor and Pop Stand Schedule – Please go to our website to find the most up-to-date schedule. It will be located under 4-H Youth Development, County Fairs. To sign up, please call the Salina Office or email Carol at cmcraver@ksu.edu. Thanks!
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