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4-H Council News

March Meeting
The March 4-H Council Meeting will be held on Monday, March 25 at 7:00 p.m., in Salina. We will meet in the College Center Conference Room. Council members should watch their email for the agenda packet closer to the meeting date.

4-H Newsletter Deadlines for 2024
If you have something you would like in the 4-H Newsletter, be sure to email it to jlschmeid@ksu.edu.

Deadlines are:
• April - March 10
• May - April 10
• June - May 10
• July/August - June 10

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Project Awards Going to State Contest

Congratulations to those individuals who have their Project Award Applications going to the state contest:

Beef: Josi Schrader, Solomon Valley
Civic Engagement: Ariana Baltazor, Willing Workers
Foods & Nutrition: Brynna Anderson, Smoky View
Plant Science: Ariana Baltazor, Willing Workers
STEM: Eian Pracht, Smoky View
Visual Arts: Brynna Anderson, Smoky View
Wildlife: Jaelyn Gates, Cardinal

Congratulations!

Add/Drop Due May 1

There are several responsibilities as a 4-H member and a 4-H parent. One of these responsibilities is the adding and dropping of 4-H projects. Here are the details for adding and dropping projects in 4HOnline.

Adding Projects: 4-H members CAN ADD 4-H projects in 4HOnline. Remember, you must be enrolled in the projects you plan to exhibit in at the County Fair no later than May 1.

Dropping Projects: 4-H members CAN DROP 4-H projects in 4HOnline. Remember, you should plan to do a record book on all projects you are enrolled in.

It is YOUR responsibility to add or drop any projects by May 1, 11:59 p.m. You will need to do this by logging into 4HOnline. After May 1, the system will not allow you to add or drop projects.

Remember, 4-H members must be enrolled in the project area(s) they will be exhibiting in at the county fair. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact either Extension Office.

Please go into 4-H Online
https://v2.4 honline.com/

to check and double check the projects your child(ren) are enrolled in.
National Shooting Sports Quiz Bowl

Congratulations to our National Shooting Sports Quiz Bowl participants. We had quite the showing, and those placing are as follows:

Junior Division:
- Easton Klein, Solomon Valley
  1st Region, 2nd Overall
- Maryn Gates, Cardinal
  6th Region

Intermediate Division:
- Gauge Fritz, Gypsum Valley
  1st Region, 2nd Overall

Senior Division:
- Lane Fritz, Gypsum Valley
  1st Region, 1st Overall
- Charlie Klein, Solomon Valley
  5th Region, 7th Overall

Junior Team:
1st Region, 1st Overall
- Easton Klein, Solomon Valley
- Maryn Gates, Cardinal
- Troy Wisbey, Pleasant Valley

Intermediate Team:
1st Region, 3rd Overall
- Gauge Fritz, Gypsum Valley
- Bailey Fritz, Gypsum Valley
- Tye Malmberg, Pleasant Valley
- Landon Wisbey, Pleasant Valley

Senior Team:
1st Region, 3rd Overall
- Lane Fritz, Gypsum Valley
- Charlie Klein, Solomon Valley
- Jaelyn Gates, Cardinal
- Coy Malmberg, Pleasant Valley

CKD 4-H Quiz Bowl

Congratulations to 4-H members who competed in the Central Kansas District 4-H Quiz Bowl. Prizes were given to the top three Jr. and Sr. teams. They were:

Junior Teams:
1st Place - Smoky View Jr
Eddie Littich, Smoky View
J.D. Mettlen, Smoky View
Maia Pracht, Smoky View

2nd Place - The Duckies
Jonathan Chamoff, Pleasant Valley
Colbie Koster, Pleasant Valley
Troy Wisbey, Pleasant Valley

3rd Place – The 10’s
Vivien Abdullayev, Smoky View
Bristol Isaacson, Smoky View

Senior Teams:
1st Place - Solomon Valley Purple Passion
Clare McKain, Solomon Valley
May McKain, Solomon Valley
Jos Schrader, Solomon Valley

2nd Place - Triple Threat
Jaelyn Gates, Cardinal
Reagan Schrock, Cardinal
Laykin Walker, Cardinal

3rd Place - The Teens
Acacia Pracht, Smoky View
Eian Pracht, Smoky View
Caroline Stone, Sunny Valley

A $25 prize was given to Smoky View, the club with the most points. We appreciate all the helpers who assisted with this event.

Horse Panorama Results

Horse Panorama was held on the K-State Saline Campus on January 28. Congratulations to Kaitlyn Watkins who placed 2nd in Senior Public Speaking and 3rd in 14-18 Year Old Open Horse Bowl.
4-H CLUB DAY RESULTS

Congratulations to all who participated in 4-H Club Day. Those who will represent the District at Regional 4-H Club Day are:

**Project Talks:**
- Maryn Gates, Cardinal
- Soren Johnson, Smoky View
- Parker Page, Cardinal
- Bradley Pfannenstiel, Boldly Go

**Junior Demo./Ill. Talk:**
- Vivienn Abdullayev, Smoky View
- Bailey Fritz, Gypsum Valley
- Eddie Littich, Smoky View
- Isaiah Olander, Friendly Valley

**Senior Demo./Ill. Talk:**
- Colbey Hyde, Woodsdale
- Elizabeth Hyde, Woodsdale
- Acacia Pracht, Smoky View
- Laykin Walker, Cardinal

**Public Speaking:**
- Odessa Miller, Willing Workers
- Josi Schrader, Solomon Valley
- Jocelyn Taylor, Cardinal

**Vocal Music**

**Junior Solo:**
- Eddie Littich, Smoky View
- Cadence Rich, Friendly Valley

**Dance:**
- Emrie McDuffee, Pleasant Valley

**Instrumental Music**

**Junior Solo:**
- Cullen Manning, Friendly Valley
- Matthias Schlatter, Boldly Go

**Senior Solo:**
- Caleb Schlatter, Boldly Go

**Drama**

**Junior Reading:**
- Brik Johnson, Smoky View
- Eddie Littich, Smoky View

**Senior Reading:**
- Adalaynn Johnson, Woodsdale

**Senior Solo Acting:**
- Elizabeth Hyde, Woodsdale

CLUB DAY THANK YOU!

What a fantastic day! 4-H Club Day was awesome! Thanks to everyone for a terrific day. Thank you to the Organizational Leaders for training room monitors, as it helped the judging run smoothly. Thank you for volunteering and assisting where needed! A BIG shout out to the 4-H Club Day Committee as they helped make the day possible too! Thanks for contributing in making the day a success!

SERVICE PROJECT THANK YOU

Thank you for all the Birthday Cake Kit donations. We assembled 31 kits which were donated to Ottawa County Love, Inc. and to the Salina Food Bank. - 4-H Club Day Committee

FCS JUDGING RESULTS

**Senior**

1. Reygan Schrock, Cardinal
2. Lillian Hulse, Pleasant Valley
3. Odessa Miller, Willing Workers
4. Jake Tillberg, Cardinal
5. Jaelyn Gates, Cardinal
6. Acacia Pracht, Smoky View
7. Josi Schrader, Pleasant Valley
8. Caroline Stone, Sunny Valley
9. Kiley Isaacson, Gypsum Valley
10. Eian Pracht, Smoky View

**Intermediate**

1. Maia Pracht, Smoky View
2. Kyson Griffin, Willing Workers
3. Parker Page, Cardinal
4. Maria Escobedo-Baltazor, Willing Workers
5. Emmelyn Woody, Boldly Go
6. Kade Riffel, Gypsum Valley
7. Isaiah Olander, Friendly Valley
8. Brogan Isaacson, Gypsum Valley
9. Paisley Cook, Cardinal
10. Cora Isaacson, Friendly Valley
Livestock Information

Attention Livestock Exhibitors – 2024 YQCA Certification

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a national, multi-species youth livestock quality assurance program that focuses on food safety, animal well-being, and character development, through an age-appropriate educational curriculum for youth 8-21 years of age. This program is an annual certification that grows with a young person, so the learning modules are different every year. ALL livestock exhibitors (beef, swine, sheep, meat goat) are once again required to be YQCA-certified in order to participate in the 2024 Ottawa County Fair, Tri-Rivers Fair, Kansas State Fair Grand Drive, and/or Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS). This includes youth who will be showing market animals, commercial breeding females and/or registered purebred breeding females.

If you are a 7-year-old and do not plan to show at KJLS, you are not required to have your YQCA certification, but you are more than welcome to attend just for the learning experience (no registration needed). If you are a 7-year-old who will show at KJLS, you must be YQCA certified by attending an instructor-led course.

Certification dates for 2024 are set for March 5 (Salina, K-State College Center Conference Room), March 14 (Minneapolis Courthouse Meeting Room), and April 17 (Minneapolis Courthouse Meeting Room) and will begin at 6:30 p.m. Parents do not need to attend. They may drop off and pick up children accordingly. Also, know that if you do not wish to attend in-person training, the online course is available.

Follow the link https://yqcaprogram.org/ to login into your 4H Online account and sign up for a class. Help videos including information on registering, logging in, how to sign up for courses, and more can be located at https://www.youtube.com/@yqca2199. Please remember to have members complete the PRE-TEST before coming to the course and the POST TEST after attending the course. They will not be able to receive their certificate until both are completed. For more details about the YQCA program, contact Justine Henderson (jwh04@ksu.edu or 785-392-2147).

Beef Weigh-In & Tagging for District Beef Project Members

Beef Weigh-in will be Saturday, March 9, in two locations. From 8:00 a.m. -11:30 a.m. we will be at Glenn Engelland’s Farm and from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. at Spencer Schrader’s Farm. Regardless of where you plan to go, please go to http://www.centralkansas.ksu.edu/4-h and click on the Beef Weigh-in sign up for a spot before Thursday, March 7. Sign-up will be ONLINE ONLY. Both locations are open to all District 4-H Members. All animals will have an official “Kansas 4-H” ear tag put in the ear at a cost of $3.50/tag.

NEW FOR 2024 - We will be weighing, tagging all market animals, and tagging all commercial heifers. Photo submissions are no longer accepted as a way to tag commercial heifers. Registered heifers and bucket calves DO NOT need to come to weigh-in and tagging.

Small Animal Weigh-In & Tagging - Market & Breeding Meat Goat, Sheep & Swine

The Districtwide small animal tagging and weigh-in will be held April 24, in Salina (fairgrounds) and April 25, in Minneapolis (fairgrounds) from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. for meat goats, sheep, and swine. Tags will cost $3.00/tag.

NEW FOR 2024 - Swine projects are now required to be at the small animal weigh-in and tagging. Photo submissions are no longer accepted as a way to tag pigs. You will need to bring all market and breeding swine projects to tagging. They will not be weighed and will be left on trailers for tagging. Members or an associated adult will be required to tag all swine.
CENTRAL KANSAS BEEF CLASSIC SHOW

This “Blow and Go” show will be held on Saturday, April 13. The show is open to any bonafide 4-H and FFA member who has not yet reached their 19th birthday before January 1, 2024. There will be a special class for the 4-H members enrolled in a club in the Central Kansas District. The entry fee is $25 per head, but after April 5 the fee will increase to $30 per head. All fees must accompany registration. For registration information, please go to the District website (http://www.centralkansas.ksu.edu), click on 4-H Youth and Development on the left-hand side, and a flyer will be located under Upcoming Events and Online Registration.

Mark Your Calendars - Tractor Safety Class in Salina

Tractor Safety certification is required for youth aged 14 and 15 who plan to be employed on a farm or ranch. Central Kansas District Extension will once again be hosting their Tractor Safety course in Salina on May 23 at 9:00 a.m. at the Great Plains Conference Center. To register, go to https://bit.ly/2024-tractor-safety or click on the QR Code.

Manual cost is $15 and can be picked up at either Extension Office. Please pick up your manual PRIOR to the course.

Agent contacts: Jay Wisbey jwisbey@ksu.edu or 785-309-5850 and Justine Henderson jwho4@ksu.edu Minneapolis office phone at 785-392-2147.

District 4-H Horse News

Horse IDs
- A link to the Horse ID Form can be found at https://www.centralkansas.k-state.edu/4-h/ under 4-H Member Forms and Documents, “Horse ID.” Be sure and check the back page, lower right-hand corner for the date to ensure you have the correct form. For new horses, the date should be January, 2023. If you are showing the same horse that was ID’d previously, a prior date is okay. Due date for Horse IDs in 2024 is May 31.

Items to note:
- The form MUST BE front and back of one page, not 2 pages.
- A standard size picture MUST BE attached. The picture should include all 4 legs and feet showing a profile of the horse with the head turned toward the camera. ALL markings must be clearly visible.
- Members, Parent/Guardian, Owners (if horse is leased) and County Agents MUST sign and date.
- The ORIGINAL 4-H Horse Identification Certificate MUST accompany the 4-H member. The county office and project leader may have a photocopy.
- This form can be signed anytime between now and May 31, 2024.

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact the Extension Office.

Livestock Premium Auction Policy Change

Attention Livestock Exhibitors: Due to recent policy changes at the state and local levels, livestock that have sold through the Ottawa County Fair and Tri-Rivers Fair Livestock Sales are now eligible to show at the Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show, as long as they have not changed ownership. Please feel free to give the Extension Office a call if you have any questions.
**Fair Superintendents and Assistant Superintendents**

The dates for the Ottawa County Fair are July 16-19. The Tri-Rivers Fair will be on August 7-10 (pre-fair days on August 5 & 6). Both fairs need superintendents and assistants. We need a lot of parents and youth to help ensure a smooth-sailing event. Do not forget that these leadership and citizenship opportunities can be counted in the 4-H member’s record book. Interested 4-H members, parents and volunteers should sign up online by May 1 by going to http://www.centralkansas.ksu.edu/4-h, and you will find a link under “Upcoming Events and Online Registration” for County Fair Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent Sign-up. **Note:** Sign-up is not open at this time but will be open soon.

**Fair Papers**

The fair papers for the county fairs will be posted online as soon as they become available. Watch the newsletter and/or email for when they are posted.

**Photography Themed Class at the County Fairs**

We are pleased to announce the theme for the 2024 4-H Photography Competition is **Essence of the Written Word.** 4-H members can submit a photograph based on a poem, story or even a line from a story. The goal is not to make a scene from the literature, but to capture the essence of the poem, story or line from the story in a photograph. More details on this competition will be in the respective county fair papers. Be sure and check out the specifics when the fair papers are available later this year.

**Themes for County Fairs:**

- **Ottawa County Fair:** Fair Fever
- **Tri-Rivers Fair:** Fair Lights & Starry Nights

**King & Queen Candidates & Contest Update**

The Fair King and Queen represent 4-H during the Tri-Rivers Fair in the 4-H and Open Class Departments, and at the evening fair events. Since 4-H is part of the Tri-Rivers Fair, your club has a part by selecting the best candidates. The names for the King and Queen candidates are due online by May 1. The link was emailed to Organizational Leaders on March 1.

Candidates must be 14 years old before January 1, 2024. They must have been a member for a minimum of three years. The contest consists of résumé/essay, interview, and thank you note writing. Further details may be viewed by going to the 4-H Youth Development page on the District website (http://www.centralkansas.ksu.edu/4-h) and clicking on the link under County Fairs (left hand side), click on Tri-Rivers Fair, and then scroll down to 4-H King and Queen Info.

Important dates for candidates include May 31 (deadline for résumé, essay, and bio) and July 30 (Royalty Reception and interviews). At this time, the informational meeting date and time have not been set, but will be available soon.

**Minimum Livestock Weights at County Fair**

The minimum weights for livestock to be eligible for grand or reserve champion or be eligible to sell in the premium auction at the 2024 Ottawa County Fair and 2024 Tri-Rivers Fair are as follows:

- **Beef:** 1,000 lbs
- **Meat Goats:** 50 lbs
- **Sheep:** 90 lbs
- **Swine:** 220 lbs
Leadership Opportunities

Volunteer Orientation

The next Volunteer Orientation is scheduled for Sunday, March 24, from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. An online “RSVP” is required by March 17. This orientation will be determined by the RSVPs. The link can be found on the website at http://www.centralkansas.k-state.edu/4-h under Upcoming Events and Online Registration. If you do not have access to the web, please contact either Extension Office. If there are not enough individuals interested, it will be cancelled, and those who sign up will be notified.

Youth in the 4-H program often engage in leadership and volunteer experiences as part of their 4-H program participation. Youth are welcome to attend volunteer orientation as a leadership workshop.

Districtwide Leadership Workshops

Come learn some fun activities you can use at club meetings for ice-breakers, team building, and discussion. The workshop will be held on Thursday, March 7, from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in the College Center Conference Room. Registration has been extended to Monday, March 4. Another districtwide leadership workshop will be held on Tuesday, April 16, from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in the Minneapolis Courthouse Meeting Room. Please register by Tuesday, April 9. Register by going to http://www.centralkansas.ksu.edu/4-h and click on the link under “Upcoming Events & Online Registration.”

Remember…This workshop will count for the leadership workshop on the pin application. Who can attend? 4-H Members, Parents, and Volunteers can attend! Participants will learn activities 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.

4-H Camp Update

A quick update regarding 4-H Camp...

- 4-H Camp is for ALL AGES!
- 4-H Camp Details on cost, dates, and age categories can be found at https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/sessions-rates/
- 4-H Camp 2024 will be using the “Open Enrollment” method. 4-H Open Enrollment means families can register for any 2024 4-H Camp Session that fits their schedules. For additional information, to https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/
- Our older 4-H members who would typically be interested in serving as a camp counselor are encouraged to participate in the LIT and/or CIT camp sessions at Rock Springs.
- Registration is handled on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- The Central Kansas District 4-H Council, Ottawa County 4-H Foundation, and the Saline County 4-H Development Fund have made possible a scholarship in the amount of $110 per night for qualifying 4-H Members to attend 4-H Camp. In order to receive a scholarship, an approved scholarship application must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, April 1 at either Extension Office.
- Once the scholarship form has been received and approved, one check will be written to Rock Springs to cover the scholarships for all of our 4-H members.
- If any family has already paid their registration in full, please contact Kate.

Discovery Days

Are You Ready for Discovery Days? Put June 5-7, 2024, on your calendar to be in Manhattan on the K-State campus. Discovery Days is open to all youth who are 13 to 18 years old by January 1, 2024. 4-H membership prior to Discovery Days is not required.
CKD Babysitting Clinic

Unlock the world of responsible and FUN babysitting with our engaging and informative babysitting clinic designed specifically for youth ages 11-15. In this interactive program, participants will gain essential skills in child care, safety and emergency preparedness.

One of our favorite parts about hosting the clinic is preparing our youth to care for young children with a binder full of resources and a kit filled with basic first aid supplies and activities!

Spaces are limited and registration closes March 8. RSVP to the CKD Minneapolis office at 785-392-2147 or lmnewman@ksu.edu. Cost is $5 and is due the day of the clinic.

Wanted Host Families for 2024

Looking for fun and excitement this summer? Host a new friend from Japan in your home this summer, July 23 – August 15. Kansas 4-H International Exchange Programs are offering hosting opportunities for 35-40 families this summer. Host families are needed who would be willing to host a Japanese boy or girl. The Japanese youth will be between the ages of 12 - 16. 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 10-17, who is interested in the Japanese culture, may host. A separate bed is required, but not necessarily a separate room from the host sibling. Delegates are 100 percent medically covered with 4-H insurance and bring their own spending money. They can go on host family vacations, camping trips, or join their host sibling for summer camps and the county fair. The focus is everyday family life.

Interested families can complete the application at https://www.states4hexchange.org/apply/host/ to start the process. The Japanese Delegates personal information forms arrive in February.

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.

Match Madness

On Thursday, March 21, from 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. we will have an opportunity to donate money to the Saline County 4-H Development Fund at the Salina Fieldhouse OR online at http://matchmadnessGSCF.org. At this event the Greater Salina Community Foundation will MATCH the money you donate. This means extra “free” money for Central Kansas District 4-H programs! We encourage your 4-H Club or individuals that wish to support 4-H members, to stop by the event with their donation, and take advantage of this opportunity to expand your contribution with these matching funds. Please put March 21 on your calendar!

Fourth in a Series of Questions
About the Saline County 4-H Development Fund

Who oversees the Saline County 4-H Development Fund? Who manages the money donated to this organization? These are questions you might have heard at a 4-H club meeting, and we would like you to know the answers.

The Saline County 4-H Development Fund is managed by a Board of Directors, nine elected members serving 3-year terms, plus the current 4-H Agent. These 10 people meet regularly throughout the year to oversee funds they have invested, distribute funds to applicants that have requested assistance and evaluate the scholarship application processes. They utilize outside professionals for investment support and advice. If you have an interest or know of someone who would like to help serve on this Board, contact Jacob Schmeidler, CKD 4-H Agent.
Districtwide Project News

Districtwide Cloverbuds at a Glance

Date: Third Thursday of the month
(March 21, April 18, May 16, June 20, July 18)
Time: 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Location: Salina Heights Christian Church (NE corner of Cloud and Roach - Use the east parking lot and door.)
RSVP: Email Allison at allisonleeklider@yahoo.com
*Must be received at least two days before the meeting (Tuesday) so there are adequate supplies.

Districtwide Project Leaders

Below are listed District Project Leaders which hold meetings throughout the year to help you with your projects. Check the newsletter for meeting dates and times or you may contact these leaders to find out the next meeting date, time and location. All phone numbers use the 785 area code unless otherwise indicated.

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MARCH CHECK-UP

Five months into the 2023-24 4-H year...where has the time gone? Are you ready for the monthly check-up? There are many spring activities in front of us that are about to spring into action. Where is the club heading? How are members doing on projects? What great and wonderful opportunities are the project leaders teaching? Let’s take a look....

____ A fun spring planned!

Review
____ 4-H Newsletter read and important dates marked on calendar.
____ Review highlights from the 4-H Newsletter at club meeting.

To-Do
____ Volunteer Service Application and Renewal Form completed on all project leaders in 4HOnline.
____ All screened volunteers enrolled in 4HOnline for the 2023-2024 4-H year.
____ Project Leaders conducting project meetings.
____ Check club mailbox at the Extension Office.
____ Encourage 4-H members to update their 4-H Records, Achievement Pins and Permanent Records.
____ Check club’s progress toward goals and club annual summary up-to-date.
____ Check project leaders on progress.
____ Work on Fair projects.
____ Visitors reported to Kate (klittich@ksu.edu)

Promote/Recruit
____ 4-H Camp promoted.
____ 4-H Discovery Days promoted, June 5-7.
____ The Volunteer Registration Process promoted to project leaders and parents.
____ Encourage Fair Superintendents and Assistants.
____ Promote Club Exchange.
____ Promote the Leadership Workshop.
____ County Fair Assistant Superintendents and Superintendents submitted online for the Ottawa County Fair and the Tri-Rivers Fair, due May 1.
____ New 4-H members enrolled by May 1, returning members enrolled by December 1 to participate in the 4-H Division at the County Fair.
____ All 4-H project changes, adds and drops, to 4HOnline by May 1. Please double check! No late changes accepted.
____ Club representatives should attend 4-H council meeting.
____ Horse IDs are due May 31.

ORGANIZATIONAL LEADER UPDATE

The next Organizational Leader Update will be held at 7 p.m., Thursday, March 28, via zoom. We will be discussing county fairs and more! You won’t want to miss this update!
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Hello Spring... Hopefully!

Dear 4-H Families,

I would like to start by giving a huge congratulations to all of our 4-H members and families who participated in any of the numerous 4-H competitions over this last month!!!

As we begin moving into warmer months, I would like to encourage everyone to take a look at the many opportunities we have coming this spring and summer for our 4-H families. Our upcoming CKD 4-H Newsletters and our website will be the best way to keep up with all things 4-H. However, if you have any questions at all, please feel free to reach out to our offices, as we love hearing from you all! I hope to see you all soon, and yes... The County Fairs will be here before we know it!

Jacob