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# Central Kansas District 4-H

**April 2023**

**May 2023**

## 4-H NEWSLETTER DEADLINES FOR 2023

If you have something you would like in the *4-H Newsletter*, be sure to email it to [klittich@ksu.edu](mailto:klittich@ksu.edu). Deadlines are:

June - May 11

July - June 11

August - July 11

September/October - August 11

## 4-H COUNCIL NEWS

### May Meeting

The May 4-H Council Meeting will be held on Monday, May 22, at 7:00 p.m., Minneapolis.

### July Meeting

The July 4-H Council Meeting will be held on Monday, July 24, at 7:00 p.m., Salina. We will meet in the College Center Conference Room.



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## NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

National Volunteer Week is April 16-22, 2022. The purpose of this week is to recognize and celebrate the efforts of volunteers on all levels. We would like to take this opportunity to recognize the many volunteers who make 4-H "work" for the Central Kansas District. There are more than 300 volunteers involved in the Central Kansas District 4-H Program. We wish we could name them all here. Without all of you, 4-H would not be as successful as it is today.

We would like to challenge each and every 4-H member to call and/or write a volunteer and thank them for all of their dedication and hard work they put into the 4-H program here in the Central Kansas District.



### HAVE YOU THANKED A 4-H VOLUNTEER TODAY?



## ATTENTION ALL 4-H MEMBERS & PARENTS – ADD/DROP INFORMATION

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 at the County Fair no later than May 1. Be sure to check and double check the projects your child(ren) are enrolled in.

**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 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.

## GRADUATING SENIORS

Blake Holmes, Cardinal  
Gabriel Hueser, Woodsdale  
Caden Isaacson, Gypsum Valley  
Bailey Mader, Pleasant Valley  
Liam Nichols, Solomon Valley  
Conner Peck, Solomon Valley  
Karson Pihl, Smoky View



Matthew Redden, Willing Workers  
Benjamin Schlatter, Boldly Go  
Stephanie Silverman, Willing Workers  
Georga Stelter, Cardinal  
Chase Toothman, Cardinal  
Adison Trautwein, Smoky View

Congratulations District 4-H High School Graduates, Class of 2023!

# 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  
Brik Johnson, Smoky View  
Matthias Schlatter, Boldly Go  
Lauren Taylor, Cardinal

## Junior Demo./Ill. Talk:

Kyson Griffin, Willing Workers  
Oscar Page, Cardinal  
Parker Page, Cardinal  
Bradley Pfannenstiel, Boldly Go

## Senior Demo./Ill. Talk:

Jaelyn Gates, Cardinal  
Hensli Lofdahl, Smoky View

## Public Speaking:

Carson Fouard, Cardinal  
Lane Fritz, Gypsum Valley  
Josi Schrader, Solomon Valley  
Reygan Schrock, Cardinal

## Vocal Music

### Junior Solo:

Eddie Littich, Smoky View  
Cadence Rich, Friendly Valley

### Dance:

Emrie McDuffee, Pleasant  
Valley

## Instrumental Music

### Junior Solo:

Matthias Schlatter, Boldly Go

### Senior Solo:

Caleb Schlatter, Boldly Go

## Drama

### Junior Reading:

Matthias Schlatter, Boldly Go

### Senior Reading:

Carson Fouard, Cardinal  
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 canned good donations. Over 300 items were collected and donated to the Ottawa County Love, Inc., Salina Shares and New Horizons. - 4-H Club Day Committee

# FCS JUDGING RESULTS

## Senior

1. Josi Schrader, Solomon Valley
2. Lillian Hulse, Pleasant Valley
3. Acacia Pracht, Smoky View
4. Odessa Miller, Willing Workers
5. Jake Tillberg, Cardinal
6. Liam Nichols, Solomon Valley
7. Jaelyn Gates, Cardinal
7. Hensli Lofdahl, Smoky View
9. Kaitlyn Watkins, Willing Workers
10. Kayla Norberg, Smoky View

## Intermediate

1. Landon Wisbey, Pleasant Valley
2. Troy Wisbey, Pleasant Valley
3. Parker Page, Cardinal
4. Cullen Manning, Friendly Valley
5. Brik Johnson, Smoky View
6. Thea Hoekstra, Willing Workers
7. Eian Pracht, Smoky View
8. Kyson Griffin, Willing Workers
9. Brogan Isaacson, Gypsum Valley
10. Matthias Schlatter, Boldly Go

## 4HONLINE & EMAILS

It is important that 4-H Families are receiving emails through 4HOnline. The Central Kansas District tries to eliminate the amount of emails that we send, however, sometimes it is the only means of communication based on the timetable we are given. Everyone is encouraged to make sure their settings are such in 4HOnline that allows for you to receive emails to the email in which is checked the most.

By default, all members are subscribed to 4HOnline email. If you have received an email that you think doesn't pertain to your family and click on unsubscribe, it will unsubscribe you from ALL emails. To check if you are signed up for emails through 4HOnline, pull up your family profile. Click on "Family" on the left side of the page. Next to "Subscribe To Emails?" under the green Family tab, you will see the Yes/No box. Be sure the Yes box is blue. Once you have clicked on the Yes box, you will see a prompt on the screen that says "Opted in to receiving emails." It may take up to 48 hours for the change to take effect.

## BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION PHOTOGRAPHY

At the Kansas 4-H Foundation, our donor audience absolutely loves to see the work 4-H youth are doing across the state! One way that our team shares this impact is through thank you notes, birthday cards, sympathy cards, etc., to share in milestones that our donors are experiencing. In the past, these photos have been selected at the Kansas State Fair. Birthday and celebration photos can be adapted to other celebrations. Photography can be emailed to [maria@ks4h.org](mailto:maria@ks4h.org) for printing on our birthday cards.



## INSECT SPECTACULAR



The Kansas 4-H Insect Spectacular, a two-day state-wide entomology workshop, will be held June 16-17, 2023, in Manhattan, Kansas. Classes will include basic pinning, basic and advanced identification, insect photography, and much more. A parent or legal guardian must attend with their 4-H member. Registration, proposed schedule, and full information will be available in the spring. Stay tuned for more details! The event is open to all youth and adult volunteers interested in 4-H entomology! **One parent/adult guardian from each family must register and attend with children.** Information will be posted online around May 1 at <https://www.kansas4-h.org/> > Events and Activities > Agriculture & Natural Resources Events > Insect Spectacular.

## Presentation Opportunities

Assaria Summer Youth Program is looking for district 4-H'ers willing to share / talk / give demonstrations or hands on presentations to K-6 youth. A Monday in June or July would be ideal, and we are looking for it to be all the same day. It would probably range in time of noon - 4:00. If a senior member looking for a leadership project would be willing to help organize, this could be a great project. If not, Youth Program can work with those interested to create time slots / stations / a plan. Activities can be similar to what 4-H Fun Day has had in the past, or it can be project talks / demonstrations.

Holiday Resort Nursing Home is also seeking interested families/clubs who would like to give presentations to their residents. The presentations can be scheduled at your convenience, and small animals are welcome. Please call Holiday Resort at (785) 376-0122 and ask for the Activities Director to schedule a time for your club or family.

## FOODS AND FOOD PRESERVATION JUDGES TRAINING

Fair season will be here soon! If you would like to be a foods judge and food preservation judge, a virtual training is scheduled for 7:00 p.m., April 11 – 4-H Project Exhibit Judging; April 18 – Foods & Nutrition; and April 25 – Foods Preservation. The trainings are free but registration is required to get the Zoom access link. Register by April 10 at this link [https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_9QDUWj8i7moMvnE](https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9QDUWj8i7moMvnE)

# 4-H CAMP UPDATE

A quick update regarding 4-H Camp...Scholarship deadline extended to April 21.

- 4-H Camp is for ALL AGES!
- 4-H Camp details on sessions and rates can be found at <https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/sessions-rates/>
- A Parent Packet, including registration and forms, packing list, etc., can be found at <https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Parent-Packet-2023.pdf>
- 4-H Camp 2023 will be using the "Open Enrollment" method. 4-H Open Enrollment means families can register for any 2023 4-H Camp Session that fits their schedules. For additional information not in the brochure link above, go 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 budgeted a \$110 scholarship for 4-H members to attend 4-H camp. In order to receive this scholarship, an approved scholarship application must be received at either Extension Office. The deadline has been extended until **Monday, April 21, by 5 p.m.**
- The Saline County 4-H Development Fund provides scholarships to Central Kansas District 4-H members for 4-H Camp as well. However, the amount of their scholarship has not yet been determined. If a 4-H member submits the 4-H Council Scholarship Application and it is approved, the member will also receive this scholarship automatically.
- 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 the 100th Anniversary of Discovery Days? Discovery days registration is now open for the event in Manhattan on the K-State Campus on June 7-9, 2023. Discovery Days is open to all youth who are 13 to 18 years old by January 1, 2023. You can find the online registration at <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/discovery-days/index.html> The deadline to register is May 15. Cost is \$210. Some class sessions may have additional fees. A scholarship is available through 4-H Council of \$125. In order to qualify for a scholarship through 4-H Council, individuals must complete the 4-H Council Scholarship Application and submit it at the same time as they pay their registration fees, no later than **Monday, May 15, by 5 p.m.**

Discovery Days participants will be included in a special recognition event honoring the State Project Award Winners. This event will be held in the K-State Student Union on the evening of Thursday, June 8 and will include an evening social and entertainment. More details to follow!





# MID-YEAR AWARD REVIEW PROCESS

Every year, 4-H members have the opportunity to complete a 4-H Member Achievement Plan otherwise known as the 4-H Pin Application. You should have received information about this award at the beginning of the 4-H year from your 4-H Club Leader. Be sure it is the Central Kansas District 4-H Pin Application found on our website (<http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>) For those of you who are new to 4-H, this process considers the entire 4-H year and everything that the 4-H member has done throughout the year. It is not something that is specifically based on one project like the Kansas Award Portfolios or Record Books are. This provides an opportunity for a 4-H member to set goals for their overall involvement in 4-H and earn a pin in the process. You can find the 4-H Member Achievement Plan at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h> → Awards & Recognition → Member Achievement Plan. Regardless of what pin the 4-H member is applying for, they will all fill out the same form, but the items required will vary (see the details on the first page of the application).



Now is the time to do a **status check** on where the 4-H member is with their pin application. The Trips & Awards Committee would like to offer the 4-H members the opportunity to do a mid-year appeal, if they can determine right now that they are not going to be able to get the pin in which they have set out to achieve. There are lots of 4-H events that will still occur this year, but there are several that have come and gone. A 4-H member may have missed an opportunity or two. What does this all mean and what should I do? Here are some steps for the process:

1. Fill out the 4-H Pin Application as completely as you can to make it current.
2. Determine if you are on the right track. Are there still things that you need to complete? Check the 4-H Newsletter and Master 4-H Calendar (both available at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>) to see what other things are still yet to come this 4-H year.
3. If you have missed an opportunity and do not see where it can be picked up later this 4-H year, please complete the CKD 4-H Deferral Appeal Process Form. This form can be found at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h> → Awards & Recognition → Appeal Process. **Follow the directions on this form and submit it with a copy of your 4-H Pin Application to either Extension Office no later than 5 p.m., May 1.**
4. The Trips & Awards Committee will review your forms and get back to you with a response. This will allow you to know if you continue working towards your goal of achieving the pin, if you will be able to receive it in November. Keep in mind, the Trips & Awards Committee may ask you to do certain things in place of what you may have missed. All of this will be outlined in their response back to you.
5. Additionally, there is a document with helpful hints for parents on the website located at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h> → Awards & Recognition → Helpful Hints for Parents.

If you have any questions regarding the 4-H Pin Application, the opportunity for the appeal, etc. please let Kate know.

## MINNEAPOLIS AREA RED WHEEL SCHOLARSHIPS

These individuals will receive a scholarship to a 4-H sponsored event/activity of their choosing (i.e., 4-H Camp, Discovery Days, KYLF, etc.) or college scholarship (if a high school senior). These scholarships will need to be used by September 30, 2023.

Charlotte Piersee, Pleasant Valley	\$100	Kaylee Picolet, Livewires	\$25
Lawrence Weis, Livewires	\$75	Bella Anderson, Livewires	\$25
Josi Schrader, Solomon Valley	\$50	Caroline Yates, Livewires	\$25
Aubree Weis, Livewires	\$25	Raylan Yates, Livewires	\$25
Colbie Koster, Pleasant Valley	\$25	Ryker Anderson, Livewires	\$25

# ***LIVESTOCK INFORMATION***

## **ATTENTION LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS – 2023 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 2023 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-olds and do not plan to show at KJLS, you are not required to have your YQCA certification, but 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.

**No more in-person CKD YQCA trainings will be offered this year. If you still need to get your certificate, you must take the web-based training or instructor-led training in another county. YQCA must be completed by May 1.**

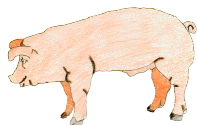
Follow the link <https://yqcaprogram.org/> and sign up for a class. A help video including information on registering, logging in, how to sign up for courses, and more can be located at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qC5n5YWx1rI>. For more details about the YQCA program, contact Justine Henderson (jwh04@ksu.edu or 785-392-2147).

## **CHECK-IN FOR: MARKET MEAT GOAT & MARKET LAMB**

The Districtwide tagging & check-in will be held April 26, in Salina (fairgrounds) and April 27, in Minneapolis (fairgrounds) from 4 to 6 p.m. for meat goats and lambs. Tags will cost \$3.00/tag.



## **ATTENTION: SWINE EXHIBITORS**



4-H members will check in their own swine projects through a required process via email. Information on this process will be sent out to **ONLY** the families who have children enrolled in the swine project. If you are not already enrolled in the swine project and plan to show swine, be sure to get enrolled in 4HOnline. Tags can be purchased at either office.

## **LIVESTOCK DECLARATION FORM**

District (for the county fairs) declaration forms can be found under 4-H Member Forms & Documents at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>. The form will be labeled as **DISTRICT** for the county fairs. The District Declaration Form for the county fair is due:

- By May 1 to either Extension Office

**ALL State nominations are done online.** The State Livestock Declaration Form is required for all animals except Registered Breeding heifers for the Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show. For the KSF and KJLS, due dates are as follows:

- Market Beef – May 1
- Commercial Heifer, Sheep, Swine and Meat Goats – June 15

This form should be uploaded during the nomination process.

# KANSAS STATE FAIR & JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW INFORMATION

- All Kansas State Fair and/or Kansas Junior Livestock Show exhibitors are required to complete the YQCA program to be eligible for either show. You will upload your certificate during the online nomination process.
- There is a one-time/year \$20.00 fee if any part of a nomination is incomplete or has to be returned to the family for any reason.
- Important Dates:
  - April 20 – Last day to order Market Beef DNA envelopes
  - May 1 – Market Beef Nominations Due
  - June 5 – Last day to order Small Animal DNA Envelopes
  - June 15 – Small Animal Nominations Due (Market Swine, Commercial Gilt, Market Lamb, Commercial Ewe, ALL Meat Goat (market & breeding), and Commercial Heifers)

If you are nominating to show at the Kansas State Fair and/or Kansas Junior Livestock Show, for **IMPORTANT INFORMATION** go to <https://www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/nominated-livestock/> or contact the Extension Office. For questions and nomination process information, please refer to the Rookie Guide located under 2023 Important Information & Materials.

***Nominations will be done online and it is important that families plan ahead and start this process early.*** A nomination will be required and makes the animal eligible for both the KSF and KJLS. The cost to nominate an animal will be \$12/animal. **Remember, a nomination is not an entry for the show.**

## 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 25 at the Great Plains Conference Center.**

Register at [https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_dbgroLW4gPx947c](https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_dbgroLW4gPx947c) and you will receive a confirmation email with more information.

Agent contacts: Justine Henderson [jwho4@ksu.edu](mailto:jwho4@ksu.edu) Minneapolis office phone at 785-392-2147; Cade Rensink [crensink@ksu.edu](mailto:crensink@ksu.edu), or Jay Wisbey [jwisbey@ksu.edu](mailto:jwisbey@ksu.edu) Salina office phone at 785-309-5850.



## 4-H BUILDING MONITORS

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! **Please make sure your club signs up for working the Pop Stand and also to serve as Building Monitors.** Clubs may sign up as many times as they want. Clubs with over 20 members are asked to work the Pop Stand at least two to three times! Any time slots not filled will result in the Pop Stand / Concession Stand being closed during that time at the fair. All clubs should also plan to sign up for at least one shift as Building Monitors, and clubs with over 20 members are encouraged to sign up for 2 shifts as Building Monitors.

When recruiting your club members, please keep the following in mind. The Pop Stand operates smoothly with at least one adult and two or three youth. However, 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.

For "guarding" the 4-H Building as Building Monitors, clubs are asked to sign up in addition to Pop Stand shifts. Wanted: at least 3 individuals for each shift.

Organizational Leaders will be sent the link on 4/1/2023 from Michele to sign up for your club's desired times. If Leaders have any questions or need the link resent, please call the Salina Extension Office at 785-309-5850 or you can email Michele at [mhennes@ksu.edu](mailto:mhennes@ksu.edu). Thank you!

# COUNTY FAIR INFORMATION



## **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.

## **FAIR SUPERINTENDENTS AND ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS**

We still need a lot of help as Superintendents and Assistant Superintendents for both county fairs. Please be sure and sign up by going to <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h> and the link is under Upcoming Events and Online Registration. ***Thank you to everyone who have already volunteered!***

## **PHOTOGRAPHY THEMED CLASS AT THE COUNTY FAIRS**

We are pleased to announce the theme for the 2023 4-H Photography Competition is "**It's a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World**". Things that are unusual, not normal or things out of place is what this themed class will be focusing on. 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.

## **Ottawa County Fair – July 18-21**

**(exhibits released on July 22)**

**THEME FOR OTTAWA COUNTY FAIR: *Life in the Fair Lane***

## **Dates to Remember:**

- ✿ **June TBD** ALL PRE-ENTRIES DUE ONLINE by the **4-H FAMILY**
- ✿ July 14 Fair Clean-up, 7 p.m.
- ✿ July 17 Pre-Fair Judging
- ✿ July 21 Public Fashion Show and 4-H Awards Ceremony 6 p.m.
- ✿ July 21 Silent Auction, 6 p.m.
- ✿ July 21 4-H/FFA Premium Auction, 7 p.m.
- ✿ July 22 Livestock Released at 7 a.m., Fair Clean-up and Other Exhibits Released, 8 a.m.
- ✿ **July TBD Kansas State Fair pre-entries due by 5 p.m. to Minneapolis Extension Office**
- ✿ **July TBD Payout of Fair Premiums to 4-H Clubs, 7 p.m.**
- ✿ August 5 4-H Dog Show Obedience, Showmanship, Rally Obedience, and Agility, Salina

## **OTTAWA COUNTY FARM BUREAU HOLDS 4-H PHOTO CONTEST**

The Ottawa County Farm Bureau Association is proud to announce the Annual 4-H Photography Contest. The purpose of this contest is to promote agriculture in Ottawa County. The contest is open to all current Ottawa County 4-H members. 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 8"x10" and be turned into the Farm Bureau Financial Services offices by 4 p.m., Monday, July 10, 2023. Prize money will be 1<sup>st</sup> place \$50, 2<sup>nd</sup> place \$30 and 3<sup>rd</sup> place \$20. Any picture submitted for this contest cannot be entered into the Ottawa County Fair. Winners will be announced at the County Fair. 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](mailto:ottawafb@kfb.org) or 785-392-7501.



# **Tri-Rivers Fair – August 9-13**

**THEME FOR TRI-RIVERS FAIR: *Sew It, Grow It, Show It***

## **TRI-RIVERS FAIR SILENT AUCTION**

The Silent Auction Committee with the Tri-Rivers Fair Board would like every club to consider providing an item for the auction held during the fair in the open class building (Kenwood Hall). All the money raised goes towards the Tri-Rivers Fair Scholarship that 4-H members are eligible for. For more information, please call or text Linda Lecklider at 785-452-5775.

## **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 April 3.

Candidates must be 14 years old before January 1, 2023. 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.centrankansas.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 June 1 (deadline for résumé, essay, and bio), June 8, tentative, 6:00 p.m. via Zoom (required informational meeting for candidates), and August 1 (Royalty Reception and interviews).

## **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

- ✿ June 1 King & Queen résumés due
- ✿ June 8 King & Queen Orientation Meeting, Zoom, tentative, 6:00 p.m.
- ✿ July 1 ALL PRE-ENTRIES DUE ONLINE by the **4-H FAMILY**
- ✿ August 1 Royalty Reception for King/Queen Candidates, 6:00 p.m.
- ✿ August 4 Fair Clean-up, 4-H Building and Livestock Areas
- ✿ August 5 4-H Dog Show, Great Plains Manufacturing, Tony's Event Center
- ✿ August 6 4-H Fashion Revue Judging and Public Fashion Revue
- ✿ August 7 All static exhibits in the 4-H Building are to be entered
- ✿ August 8 Pre-Fair Judging in 4-H Building
- ✿ August 8 Tri-Rivers Fair Parade, 7 p.m.
- ✿ August 9 Judging in the 4-H Building continues
- ✿ August 9 Crowning of King and Queen, Tony's Pizza Event Center, Great Plains Manufacturing, 7 p.m.
- ✿ August 10 4-H Cat and Hand Pet Show, 4-H Building, 1 p.m.
- ✿ August 11 Performing Arts, 9 a.m., 4-H Building
- ✿ August 12 CO<sub>2</sub> Car Races, Great Plains Manufacturing, Tony's Event Center, Noon
- ✿ August 12 4-H Awards Assembly, 8 p.m.
- ✿ August 12 4-H Entries released, 4-H Building, 8 p.m. or after Awards Program; Livestock TBD
- ✿ August 15 Kansas State Fair pre-entries due by noon

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

## **TENTATIVE DATES FOR FUTURE TRI-RIVERS FAIR:**

August 7-11, 2024

# ***LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES***

## **VOLUNTEER SCREENING ORIENTATION**

We will have one more volunteer screening orientation this 4-H year. It is scheduled for April 11. The link to RSVP for the orientation can be found at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>, under Upcoming Events and Online Registration. **Please register by Tuesday, April 4.** Location will be determined based on the pre-registrations. Youth are welcome to attend the orientation as a Leadership Workshop. If you do not have access to the web, please contact either Extension Office. If there are not enough individuals interested in the orientation, it will be cancelled and those who sign up by the deadline will be notified.

## **DISTRICTWIDE LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP**

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, April 20, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Minneapolis Courthouse Meeting Room. **Please register by Tuesday, April 18.** Register by going to <http://www.centrankansas.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 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.

## **K-STATE ANIMAL SCIENCE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY KASLA 2023**

Applications are now open for the 2023 K-State Animal Science Leadership Academy. The goal of this academy will be to further develop young leaders within the livestock industry and prepare them for a successful future in this field. In 2023 the program will be held June 21-24. The KASLA application can be found here <https://www.asi.k-state.edu/23%20KASLA%20Application.pdf> Applications must be postmarked by April 15.

The four-day session focuses on increasing knowledge of Kansas’ diverse livestock industry, as well as building participant’s leadership skills. Twenty high school students will be selected to participate in each group based upon educational, community, and agricultural involvement, as reflected through an application process.

The program’s itinerary will feature interactive workshops, tours and faculty mentor time with ASI professors. Industry leaders will also join the participants frequently to share their knowledge and expertise. Throughout the week, participants will work in teams to evaluate current events within the animal science industry and educate others. This experience will culminate with a closing reception on Saturday morning.

Participants will stay on campus in university housing with program staff. Transportation to and from the event is the responsibility of the participant, along with a \$50 fee to reserve his or her space. The fee is only due upon acceptance and not at the time of application. LMIC generously provides all other sponsorships.

Hosted by the K-State Department of Animal Sciences and Industry and sponsored by the Livestock and Meat Industry Council (LMIC) Inc, the academy’s goal is to develop young leaders within the livestock industry and prepare them for a successful future in this field.

For questions about the academy, please contact Sharon Breiner, Director, at [sbreiner@ksu.edu](mailto:sbreiner@ksu.edu) or 785-532-6533.

# DISTRICTWIDE PROJECT NEWS



## K-9 CAPERS NEWS

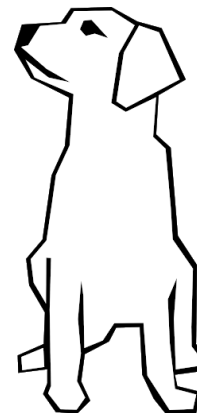
Anyone thinking of being in the Dog Project, we are meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and at Ag Hall for training. Basic and advanced obedience has started. Come soon to catch up!

We are focusing on Obedience training, then adding Showmanship, Rally-Obedience and Agility pieces. This will be at an indoor location during the winter! In the summer, you are ready to practice more on your own and move to open spaces.

Opportunities will abound to attend 4-H Dog shows across the State. Don't worry! If showing is 'just not for you', you will learn how to handle real life situations with your dog. This will include public settings, training using the AKC Canine Good Citizen testing, and other fun games to play with your K9 friend. Practice times are Tuesday evenings 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Ag Hall: April 11, 18; May 9; July 11

To do a District Dog Project Talk, let us know so we can get it set up with the schedule and keep topics together when possible. Contact [k9capersckd4h@gmail.com](mailto:k9capersckd4h@gmail.com) we are here to help.



## DISTRICT 4-H HORSE NEWS

### Horse IDs

A link to the Horse ID Form can be found at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.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.

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 June 1, 2023.

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

### Horse Clinics

Great new! We have four horse clinics this year!!! Registration is open and the cost is \$5/participant or \$15 per family. A link to the online registration is at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h> under Upcoming Events and Online Registration.

#### Minneapolis - Fairgrounds:

May 6 – Trainer Camisha Stevenson  
June 10 – Trainer Jennifer Cleveland  
July 8 – Trainer Camisha Stevenson

#### Salina - Ag Hall:

July 29 – Trainer Jennifer Cleveland

All clinics will be 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Each clinic will focus on different skills so stay posted to Hoofbeats on Facebook to learn more!

## DISTRICT CLOVERBUDS

Date: Third Thursday of the month (April 20, May 18, June 15, and July 20), 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 [allisonlecklider@yahoo.com](mailto:allisonlecklider@yahoo.com) \*Must be received at least two days before the meeting (Tuesday) so there are adequate supplies.

# **RABBIT PROJECT MEETING**

There will be a Rabbit Project Meeting on Tuesday, May 23, at 5:15 p.m. at First Baptist Church, 843 Lewis Ave., Salina. We will talk about fair preparation and showmanship. Come and share your rabbit and learn about rabbit care, breeds, breeding, and much more! Rabbits are welcome!

For more information, contact [lfahrenthold@yahoo.com](mailto:lfahrenthold@yahoo.com)

# **SHOOTING SPORTS PRACTICES**

Hunting skills will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month. Shotgun and Archery will begin in May.

If interested, please add these projects **before the May 1 add/drop deadline**.

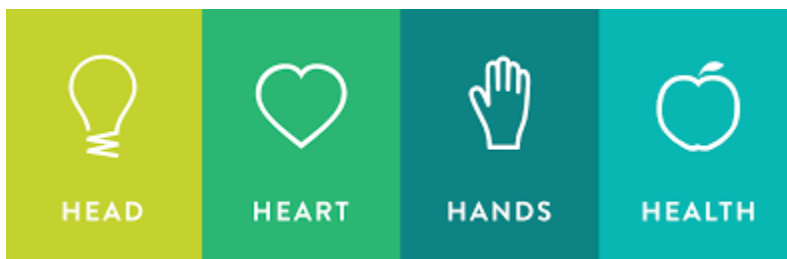
If you have questions, contact these instructors for each of the disciplines: Hunting Skills - Pat Riese (785) 650-5245, Archery - Cole Malmberg (785)-392-7712 or Cade Rensink (785) 392-0022, and Shotgun - Eric Klein (785) 392-0368 or Cole Malmberg (785) 392-7712.

# **KANSAS 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS AGE**

The Kansas 4-H Shooting Sports program adheres to the National Shooting Sports Policies. The national policy regarding youth participation is stated as follows:

"4-H Shooting Sports Programs are open to all youth 8 years of age or older (as of Jan. 1 of the current year) without regard to race, color, sex, handicap, religion, age or national origin. Each state Land Grant University determines 4-H maximum age eligibility. Note that age eligibility for National 4-H Shooting Sports Events is determined by the National 4-H Shooting Sports Committee and may be different than that of other states. 4-H Cloverbuds (age 5-6) and members age 7 are not eligible for any aspect of 4-H shooting sports programs, as these are not age-appropriate activities."

Inappropriate activities include attending shooting sports meetings and practices. 4HOnline does not allow youth under age 8 to enroll in 4-H Shooting Sports.







# EXTRA

## NEWS FOR CENTRAL KANSAS DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERS

### APRIL/MAY CHECK-UP

Are you counting down until school is out? Summer will soon arrive! Are you prepared for all the summer activities... baseball, vacation and fair? Let's look at our monthly check-up so we can keep on track before those summer activities start.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Ready for the unexpected. ☺
- \_\_\_\_\_ All 4-H project additions made ONLINE at <http://V2.4honline.com> by **May 1. Please double check! No late changes taken.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Changes to 4-H online enrollment completed by **May 1** to exhibit at the county fair.

#### Review

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

#### To-Do

- \_\_\_\_\_ All project leaders completed the volunteer screening process and enrolled in 4HOnline.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Project Leaders conducting project meetings.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Check project leaders progress.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fair preparations started...banner, float, etc.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Check club mailbox at the Extension Office.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Visitors reported to Kate ([klittich@ksu.edu](mailto:klittich@ksu.edu)).
- \_\_\_\_\_ Have a parent's meeting.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Continue working on club banner, float and tour plans.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Plan summer activities, tours, picnics, etc.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Update 4-H Project Award Application, Pin Application, and Club Summary.

#### Promote/Recruit

- \_\_\_\_\_ Current Parent's Committee recruiting new Organizational Leaders or Parent's Committee members for the next 4-H year.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Camp promoted. Scholarships are available (to 4-H members only) by completing the Central Kansas District 4-H Scholarship Application and submitting it to either Extension Office by April 21.

#### Remember


- \_\_\_\_\_ Tri-Rivers Fair Queen & King names due ONLINE, May 1.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tri-Rivers Queen and King Candidate résumés, etc., due on or before June 1, ONLINE.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Ottawa County Fair – Market Swine, Market Sheep, Market Goats and Bucket Calves are to be owned by the first Saturday in May. You must call in the tag number for Bucket Calves to the Minneapolis Office by the Friday following.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tri-Rivers Fair – Market Swine, Market Sheep and Market Goats are to be owned 90 days prior to fair.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Club representatives should attend 4-H council meeting.





### ORGANIZATIONAL LEADER UPDATE

The next Organizational Leader Update will be held at 7 p.m., Thursday, June 22, via zoom. A link will be sent to the organizational leaders closer to the date.

# April, 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>UPCOMING DATES:</b> <b>May</b> 1—Tri-Rivers Fair King/Queen Names, DUE online 1—4-H Project add/drop deadline DUE online 1—New 4-H Members: Online Enrollment due to participate in fair 1—Mid-Year Appeals DUE to either office by 5:00 p.m.						
	3	4 Volunteer Screening Orientation , RSVP Due	5	6	7	8 Central Kansas Beef Show, Salina
9 	10	11 Volunteer Screening Orientation, 7:00—9:00 p.m., TBD K-9 Capers, Ag Hall, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 Districtwide Leadership Workshop, Registration Due K-9 Capers, Ag Hall, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	19	20 Districtwide Leadership Workshop, Minneapolis, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	21 Camp Scholarship application DUE to either Extension Office by 5:00 p.m.	22
National Volunteer Week						
23	24	25	26 Sheep/Meat Goat Check-in, Salina, fairgrounds, 4:00-6:00 p.m.	27 Sheep/Meat Goat Check-in, Minneapolis, fairgrounds, 4:00-6:00 p.m.	28	29
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# May, 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> Tri-Rivers Fair King/Queen names DUE Online ALL 4-H members project Add/Drop DUE New 4-H members enrollment DUE to participate in county fair Mid-Year Appeals DUE to either extension office by 5:00 p.m.	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> District Horse Clinic, Minneapolis Fairgrounds, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
<b>7</b> 	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> K-9 Capers, Ag Hall, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> June Newsletter articles due to Kate	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 4-H Council meeting, Minneapolis Courthouse Meeting Room, 7:00 p.m.	<b>23</b> Districtwide Rabbit Project Meeting, First Baptist Church, 5:15 p.m.	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Salina & Minneapolis Offices, closed 	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>UPCOMING DATES:</b> <b>June</b> 1–Tri-Rivers Fair King/Queen Resume's DUE 1–Horse ID's DUE to exhibit at the County Fair, District Horse Show and State Fair 7–9 Discovery Days 10–District Horse Clinic, Minneapolis Fairgrounds, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. TBD–King/Queen orientations meeting, 7:00 p.m. 15–KSF and KJLS nominations and declaration forms DUE online 22–Organizational Leaders' Update 7:00 p.m., Zoom		



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## LOOKING FORWARD TO SPRING

Dear 4-H Families,

Spring has arrived! I know many of you are feeling energized by the warmer weather, and hope everyone is enjoying some time outside doing your favorite outdoor activities. I also want to extend best wishes to all our graduating seniors as you navigate these last few weeks of your high school careers and prepare for your next steps. Congratulations on your graduations from all of us at Central Kansas District!

As we look forward to the coming weeks and summer plans, please note there will be many activity and event opportunities becoming available, so watch your email and the newsletter closely for details. We are excited to be welcoming two Summer Engagement Interns who will be providing programming this summer to both 4-H and non-4-H audiences around CKD. We'll also be welcoming our new 4-H Agent soon! The spring and summer are full of possibilities and fun to come!

Happy Spring!

Kate

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