



## Labette County 4-H News

April 2019

4-H families,

Please check out the camp options for this summer! We have added camps and made necessary age changes to others. If you have questions, please don't hesitate to give me a call. We want to provide our youth with as many learning opportunities as possible!

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### IMPORTANT DATES

April 3	Youth for the Quality Care of Animals Training (YQCA) Independence Extension office 6:30 p.m.
April 13	4-H & FFA Volunteer Work Day 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. must log 2 hours of time for premium sale
May 1	Horse Identification Papers Due in Extension Office (see forms on website)
May 1	Steer nomination deadline for KJLS or Kansas State Fair
May 1	All camp registrations due
May 1	Camp Counselors fill out form/Contact Katie for Sunny Hills
May 3	Market Animals & Bucket Calf Nomination – Horse Barn, Oswego 6-8 p.m.
May 4	Nomination Bucket Calf/Feed Steer at Quonset- Swine, Sheep, Goats South of Harrison Gym 7 - 9 a.m. – <i>FEEDER Calf only on Saturday</i>
May 11	4-H & FFA Volunteer Work Day 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. – must log 2 hours of time for premium sale
May 29-31	Discovery Days 4-H Camp – Manhattan, KS
June 3	Favorite Foods Contest Fredonia
June 4	Sunny Hills Camp Counselors leave for Rock Springs
June 5-8	Sunny Hills 4-H Camp – Rock Springs 4-H Center (Transportation provided)
June 9	4-H Council 7 p.m. Wyckoff Building, Altamont
June 11	Area horticulture, photography, and favorite foods judging at Emporia
June 14	Free Pullorum testing will be done 4 -6 p.m. at the Labette County fairgrounds in Oswego
June 18-19	Greenbush 4-H Camp 7-8 year olds
June 20	Area livestock, skill-a-thon, and meats judging at Yates Center, Kansas
June 22	Mg. Co. Horse Show Pippin Arena check-in starts at 8 a.m., show at 9 a.m.
June 25-26	Floating on Leadership Camp ages 14-18, Noel, MO
June 27	District Horse Show (Registration papers due earlier TBA)
July 10-13	Cherryvale Youth Fair
July 15	Foods judging for fair, Altamont, First Baptist Church
July 17	Clothing judging for fair, Altamont, First Baptist Church
July 20-27	Labette County Fair, Oswego
Aug. 13-18	Inter-State Fair and Rodeo (date change will not affect 4-H schedule)

## **Youth for the Quality Care of Animals**

YQCA training is required for all youth who will be showing livestock at the Kansas State Fair or the Kansas Junior Livestock Show (one exception is horses. Horse members are required to do the coggins test and horsemanship tests). Cheri Nelson, Wilson Co. 4-H Agent, will be hosting a YQCA training April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at the Independence Extension office. Cost is \$3.00 to take her class or youth can complete the certification online for \$12.00. Sign-up for the April 3<sup>rd</sup> class beforehand on the YQCA website. Youth will learn about reading feed tags, giving shots, and more!

## **Horse Identification Papers**

If you plan to go on to the district or state show, please get the 2017 version of horse identification papers off our website or call the office. Please print front and back (not 2 pages!) or have the extension office print them for you. Pictures of horses should be in color and attached to the paper. Pictures should not be more than five years old. Please paper any horse you think you MIGHT use. Get a coggins for these horses as well. Coggins and agent signed identification papers will be checked at 4-H shows. Those wishing to compete in the district horse show must be 9 years old and have completed the level one written and riding test. Youth qualifying at districts will be given the opportunity to go to state. For more information about taking the level 1 horse test please call the Extension office!

## **State Fair/KJLS Livestock Nominations**

May 1 – deadline for market steers/heifers.  
June 15 – deadline for commercial heifer, market hog, commercial breeding gilt, meat goats, market lambs, commercial ewes, & registered breeding stock.

EID Tags are here!

Beef tags \$4.00 - All other tags \$3.00

Tags, nomination papers, DNA envelopes available at the Extension office. Agent will not sign paperwork unless she has seen the livestock personally or has head and body shots of each animal.

Kansas State Fair minimum age 9. Kansas Junior Livestock Show minimum age 7.

## **Inter-State Fair and Rodeo Livestock**

### **Nominations**

May 15- Nomination Deadline

July 15 – Entry Deadline

All paperwork must be submitted to the Chamber in Coffeyville. Agent will only sign nomination papers after seeing picture of animal with tag in ear. ISF tags are not in the office yet.

### **Spring Show information**

We constantly receive information about spring shows for every species (horses, rabbits, cattle, sheep, swine, poultry). This show information can be found on our website.

### **FREE & MANDATORY Poultry Testing**

If you plan to bring poultry to the fair, please attend our free poultry testing June 14<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 p.m. at Labette County Fair Grounds. Water fowl and young birds with papers are exempt. Call the office to check if your birds are exempt. Youth are also welcome to attend neighboring counties' testing dates and bring back paperwork to Extension office or poultry superintendent.

Crawford – Girard Fairgrounds – July 2<sup>nd</sup> 4-6 p.m.

Wilson – Fredonia Fairgrounds – July 12<sup>h</sup> 3-6 p.m.

Montgomery – Riverside Park– June 19<sup>th</sup> 4-6 p.m.

Labette County Fair Grounds – June 14<sup>th</sup> 4-6 p.m.

### **King, Queen, Prince, Princess**

#### **Nominations**

★ Clubs should vote on their nominations in the upcoming months and appoint a person to email Sherry Foister with your nominations by **JUNE 1**.

### **Grants Available for Foster Children**

There is grant money available for foster children in the 4-H system to complete projects. Applications are due May 1<sup>st</sup> to Pam Van Horn at the Kansas 4-H Office. For more information, contact Katie!

### **Favorite Foods Contest**

Katie would love to help your family get started in the Favorite Foods Contest! This contest allows youth to cook, decorate, and set their own table. Youth are judged on whether food fits their table theme, nutrition information on the food cooked, etc. Learn more about this contest by watching the video on our website! Contest is June 3<sup>rd</sup> in

Fredonia. Transportation provided, if needed, call the office to sign up.

### **Discovery Days 4-H Camp**

May 29-31<sup>st</sup> youth ages 13 to 18 are invited to stay in K-State dorms and attend camp classes. There is a wide variety of class options a few are dating safety, touring the mill, touring athletic center, action photography, cooking classes, etc. Base cost is \$200. This is a great experience for youth to learn to get themselves to class on time on a college campus! Agents from the district will be present. So far eight district youth have signed up! Join us and find more information on the website!

### **Sunny Hills 4-H Camp**

June 5-8 youth who have completed third grade – but not eighth grade are invited to stay at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Campers are put in cabins of 6-8 youth. Campers help with meals, do archery, crafts, swimming, robotics, stream studies, etc. Cost \$200. **COUNSELORS go to camp for FREE!**

And it looks great on college applications, essays, and resumes! Counselors will manage 6-8 youth during their stay at camp. This is a great leadership opportunity for our older youth! Counselors go June 4<sup>th</sup> for training. Call Katie for more information! See the Facebook event on Wildcat District 4-H page to see who else is going! Registration is due May 1<sup>st</sup> see more on website. Camp packets will be mailed after registration.

### **Floating on Leadership 4-H Camp**

Youth in the Wildcat and Southwind Districts ages 14-18 are invited to float the river June 25-26 in Noel, Mo. Transportation will be provided to Shady Beach where we will participate in leadership and team building activities before rafting 4 miles down the river. Youth will be participating in outdoor cooking, sand volleyball, and other fun activities. We will be staying in cabins and agents will chaperone the trip. Cost is \$70. Youth must wear lifejackets at all times in the water and be able to swim in order to attend this trip! Sign-up on our website by May 1<sup>st</sup> to reserve your spot! More information will be mailed out after the registration deadline.

### **Judging Teams**

Anyone interested in joining the livestock, meats, horticulture or skill-a-thon judging teams should contact the Extension office to learn more! No experience is necessary! These teams would not be possible without our great volunteer coaches. Please tell the coaches THANK YOU next time you see them!

### **Greenbush Camp – for 7 & 8 year olds**

June 18-19 2019

<https://www.wildcatdistrict.k-state.edu/4-h/labette/index.html>

### **Meats Judging Practice**

Wildcat District Meat Judging Coach Mr.

VanWinkle will be holding meats judging practice on Sunday, March 31, 2019, at 1:00 p.m. Practice will be at Dick and Elaine Van Winkle's house, 101 Tyler Blvd. Coffeyville.

This practice is open to all 4-H members. If you need directions please call the coach at (620) 251-0812 or (620) 870-4774. This practice will be the sign-up for the Stillwater trip in April!

### **Scholarship Opportunity**

The Vanier Family Scholarship Program was established in 2016 to enhance the strong leadership skills already exhibited by 4-H members. This program invests in the educational endeavors of young people who have overcome challenges in their lives to pursue their educational goals. Scholarship recipients will be recognized leaders and role models within their home communities who have balanced “**greater than usual**” demands and contributed in positive ways as a 4-H member and citizen.

Students will receive scholarships in the amount of \$7,000/year for use at community or technical institutions and \$12,000/year for use at baccalaureate institutions. Recipients will receive half of the scholarship for the fall semester and the remaining half in the spring.

Find more information on the KS 4-H Website under Awards and Recognition. **Due April 15<sup>th</sup> to the state 4-H office.**