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A Note from the Agents

Greetings 4-H Families!

As the school year comes to an end and summer approaches, there are many 4-H events coming down the pipe. There is something for everyone to get involved with this summer. Discovery Days, Campference and our overnight Fantastic Four camp are just around the corner. We will wrap up June with a week of day camps during 4-H Summer Extravaganza. The Cloverbuds day camp will be in July and fair preparation will be in full swing. This issue of Clover Clips is packed full of important details for upcoming events. Please take the time to read through and make note of activities your 4-H family will be participating in. As always, if you have any questions don't hesitate to stop by the Extension office or call (913) 715-7000.

Jr. Leaders June Meeting

Attention all County Junior Leaders! On Monday, June 7 we will enjoy a fun evening at Smiley's Golf Complex (10195 Monticello Terrace, Lenexa, KS, 66227) for some miniature golf. Please arrive around 6:30 p.m. Junior Leaders will cover the cost but if you would like to grab something to eat afterward, please bring some money. Please RSVP by Saturday, June 5, to Julia Shields at (816) 785-4031 or sportalicious29@yahoo.com.

Bucket Calf Tagging

All bucket calves will be tagged on Friday evening, May 28, at the Johnson County Fairgrounds from 6-8 p.m. This is the only tagging opportunity for bucket calves to be tagged for 2010.

MR. AND MISS 4-H

Mr. and Miss 4-H applications are now available at www.johnson.ksu.edu/4hforms. Any 4-H member 13 years of age and older are eligible to apply. Applications are due July 1 to the Extension office. Judging will be on July 13 at the Extension office. ***Please note this date has changed from the original July 17 date. Crowning will be the evening of the Style Review on July 29. If you have any questions about the Mr. and Miss 4-H application process please contact Denise King at kingflock@aol.com.

Make It With Wool



During this lovely spring weather, it seems early to think about a contest that will occur in the fall. Especially a contest that involves sewing wool garments! But now, as you select your fabrics for County Fair sewing, is the time to consider making a wool garment that could also be entered in the Make it with Wool contest.

Johnson County is in District III for the Make it with Wool contest. The District contest is the first level of competition in the MIWW contest. Winners advance to the State and National levels.

Participants of any age, children through adults may enter. Use 100% wool or wool blend (minimum 60% wool) fabrics to complete one or two-piece garments or an ensemble of three or more garments worn together. Your exemplary clothing construction skills, as well as modeling and presentation, could make you this year's winner. Contact Valeria Edwards at the Extension office for more information about entering the Make it with Wool contest this year!

Get Fit with Wii

Get off the couch and get fit while playing video games! Spend Monday through Thursday afternoons practicing the game of the week. On Friday, play on the big screen and record your score. Player with the best score wins. Prizes will vary each week. Players are divided into two age groups - 18 & under and 19 & older. Sign up for time slots at the Extension office. Grab a friend or co-worker and register soon as competition is limited to 40 people. Half of proceeds go to benefit Gatoraide. Wii practices will be held at the Extension office in room 1506. Friday competitions will be in room 1060 from noon to 5 p.m. **Fees:** 3 weeks for \$12, 6 weeks for \$20, 10 weeks for \$30. Facilitators: Nichole Burnett & Kaitlyn Peine

Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show Livestock Exhibitors

All 4-Hers interested in showing livestock at the Kansas State Fair and/or Kansas Junior Livestock Show must nominate their livestock. The nomination date for all market beef has already passed. Nominations for commercial (crossbred) heifers, market lambs, market hogs, breeding gilts and meat goats are due to the state nomination office by June 15. A complete nomination includes: 1) A nomination form or card depending on the species 2) Nomination Declaration Form 3) \$6 nomination fee. For more information about nominating livestock for the KSF and/or KJLS visit <http://www.asi.ksu.edu/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=1145>

Please note your nomination does not constitute registration for the KSF and/or KJLS. The show entry deadlines are July 15 for KSF and August 15 for KJLS.

Rocketry Project Meeting

A rocketry project meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 26, at 7 p.m. in room 1015 at the Extension office. Any Johnson County 4-Her enrolled in the Rocketry project is welcome to attend. Please call Harrison or Greg May, 782-1243 or e-mail to mayfamilyfive@aol.com with any questions.



Competition Schedule

June 7-11	Bowling
June 14-18	Tennis
June 21-25	Baseball
June 28-July 2	Golf
July 6-9	Swordplay
July 12-16	Mogul-skiing
July 19-23	Archery
July 26-30	Boxing
Aug 2-6	Dodgeball

Aug 9-13

Sweepstakes



4-H Day with the T-Bones

4-H Day with the T-Bones is scheduled for Saturday, June 19 at 7:05 p.m. Gates open at 5:30 p.m. and the parade around the field will start at 6:15 p.m. We will need to arrive by 6 p.m. to line up for the parade. All of the attending 4-H groups will go down on the field and walk around the warning track as they are recognized on the PA system. We will have the 4-Hers in a group seating block in the bleacher select seats, (bleachers with backs to them). If families or groups wish to sit together within that block of seats, they must submit their order on one form or together at the same time. They can mail, fax or phone in their orders. The information is on the flyer. Registration is due to the T-Bones by June 4. The flyer can be found at www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hforms.

Goat Project Clinic

A FREE, one-day Goat Project Clinic will be held Saturday, June 19, from 9:45 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Johnson County Fairgrounds. It is open to 50 beginner and intermediate Goat Project 4-Hers. One parent must accompany each 4-Her during the clinic. Each 4-Her may bring one goat. Julia Wade is organizing and hosting this clinic with a Johnson County Extension Education Foundation grant she received. Meat and dairy goat speakers will cover goat selection, conformation, care, show training and preparation. 4-Hers will get hands-on practice and participate in a mock showmanship show. Lunch will be provided at no charge. Registration is due by Friday, June 11. To register, get more information or request a flyer, contact Julia at (913) 829-7497 or junebug1994@gmail.com. Flyers will also be available at the Extension office.

4-H Award Guidelines

The Johnson County 4-H Council has recently made revisions and updated the 4-H Award Guidelines. This document contains the guidelines for all awards that are presented at the Achievement Celebration in November. This is a great time of year to start reviewing the award guidelines and requirements. The newly updated 4-H Award Guidelines can be found at www.johnson.ksu.edu/4hforms under resources. If you have any questions about the new guidelines contact, Kaitlyn Peine at kaitlyn.peine@jocogov.org or (913) 715-7000.

4-H Summer Extravaganza— Day Camp Series

Mark your calendars! Summer Extravaganza is scheduled for June 28 - July 2. Summer Extravaganza is a week of fun, interactive and educational day camps. Each day will start at 10 a.m. and conclude at 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday we will be at the Extension office. We will be at the Johnson County fairgrounds on Friday for Rocketry. All youth ages 7-13 are welcome to attend. Registration is due by June 10. More information is available at www.johnson.ksu.edu/4hcamps Space is limited; register soon! If you are between the ages of 14 and 18 and are interested in helping with the 4-H Summer Extravaganza, please call Kaitlyn at (913) 715-7000.

4-H Green Heart Success

Members of local 4-H clubs spent a Saturday morning helping others. On Saturday April 17, about 40 4-Hers, friends and families went out and helped local senior citizens fix up their yards for Green Heart. Some of the jobs they did were raking yards, cleaning up flower beds, tying sticks together and a couple other odd jobs here and there. They helped about 15 senior citizens and had a great time. The people they helped were very happy they came, and all had different stories to share. The 4-Hers enjoyed getting to know people in our community! --Submitted by Amanda Harra, Jr. Leaders Reporter.

FACS Judging

Are you interested in participating on a judging team? Family and consumer science judging is the perfect opportunity for you! Would you like to learn the best way to get a stain out of your favorite shirt, which hanger to use, or the best way to cook vegetables? Come join in on the fun! On June 10 at the Extension office in room 1015, will be the first FACS judging contest. 4-Hers are welcome to come and go through the contest any time from 10 a.m. to 6 pm. Please RSVP to Pat Geier by June 3 if you are planning on participating in the June 10 contest. The second FACS judging opportunity will be on July 24 during the clothing and fiber arts judging from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. RSVP by June 17 if you are planning on participating in the June 24 contest.

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FAIR NEWS FLASH

A newsletter for 4-Hers participating in the Johnson County Fair 4-H Division.

County Fair Entry Deadline

The Johnson County Fair Board has decided all 4-H online entries for exhibits judged at the county fair will be due July 28. All paper entries will be due on July 15. All entries for home environment, fiber arts and clothing construction will also be due on July 15. Late entries will not be accepted. If a 4-Her does not meet the July 28 deadline for online entries they will not be allowed to have their item or project judged in the 4-H division. The only exceptions must be made in writing to the fair board.

All livestock exhibitors will be required to submit a stall request by July 15. All sheep, swine, beef and goat exhibitors will be required to submit tag numbers by the July 28 deadline. If your family has weighed and tagged their animals under a family nomination, you will be required to enter the tag number (s) with the 4-Hers name who is exhibiting the animal by July 28.

2010 FAIR THEME

The theme of the 2010 Johnson County Fair is "Wild 'N Wooly." This year 4' x 4' sheep silhouettes will be for sale to decorate for \$10 each for 4-H groups. Businesses may purchase one for \$50. Pick up dates for sheep are Sunday, June 13, from 1-3 p.m. or Wednesday, June 16, from 5-7 p.m. All sheep must be picked up on these dates. Please place all orders by June 1. Call Patty Gay at (913) 856-6487. T-Shirts will also be available to purchase. For more information go to www.jocokansasfair.com

County Fair Books

Several families have inquired about fair books. The fair books are currently at the printers and will hopefully be available by the beginning of June. The number of printed copies will be limited. It is recommended that 4-H families check out the online version of the 4-H fair book at www.jocokansasfair.com. Please make sure you click on the 4-H fair book link if you are intending to exhibit in the 4-H division at the county fair.

Clothing and Food Preservation Labels

Clothing and Food Preservation Labels are available to pick up at the Extension office. Please refer to your department's rules in the fair book regarding labels.

New Buymanship Class at County Fair

All 4-Hers enrolled in the Buymanship Project are encouraged to attend the upcoming Buymanship project classes. They will be held at the Extension office from 6:30 - 8 p.m. on June 2, 16, 30 and July 21. We will also discuss the new exhibition class for buymanship "Everything for Under \$15 Challenge." Class rules and explanation can be found at www.johnson.ksu.edu/4hforms For more information contact Martha Powell at (913) 302-5812 or mmp4powell@yahoo.com.

Attention 4-H Sewers:

Fair is fast approaching. There are only 11 more formal sewing classes left for this year. We will be meeting on May 12, 20 and 26, June 3, 9, 17 and 23 and July 1, 7, 15 and 21. This is a great opportunity to have questions answered, new techniques learned and general help given. There are three instructors available to help. On July 21 we will not be sewing but will be learning how to model, what to bring to judging, form explanation, etc. Also remember to pre-register all sewing, fashion review and Fiber Arts projects by July 15. No late projects will be accepted this year. If you think you might get something finished, please enter in the appropriate class.

Photo Mats Available

The Johnson County Extension office now has photo mats available for photography project members to purchase. Each mat is \$1.15 and checks are to be made payable to the Johnson County 4-H Activity Fund. Photos exhibited in the 4-H photography division at the county fair will require a photo mat. The Extension office also has photo mounting directions available.

Project Check In

All 4-H entries (except livestock) will be checked in on August 3. Foods will be checked in on Monday, August 2, from 6:30 - 9 p.m. and again on Tuesday from 8 - 10 a.m. Projects not checked in by 10 a.m. on Tuesday will not be eligible to be entered. Please plan on arriving before 10 a.m. to have ample time to check in all of your projects.

4-H foods judging will take place at Gardner Elementary School from 1 - 9 p.m. on Monday, August 2. Livestock exhibitors, please refer to the fair book for your check in time.

Project Pick Up

All 4-H livestock and horses can be removed from the fairgrounds after 6 a.m. Sunday, August 8. All 4-H entries and premium money will be available for pick up after the fairgrounds have been cleaned. It is expected that 4-H exhibitors help with fair clean up.

Cloverbuds Show and Share

Enrolled Cloverbuds are invited to participate in Show and Share on Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the 4-H building. This is a reminder that Cloverbuds are not eligible to compete in the 4-H division at the fair. Full membership starts at age 7. Cloverbuds can bring a maximum of two projects to show and share. Each Cloverbud will sign up for a 15 minute time slot. A signup sheet will be available Monday evening and Tuesday morning during the entry check in inside the 4-H building. For a list of approved pets for Cloverbuds, please visit <http://www.kansas4h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=264> and check out the Cloverbuds Policy link. Projects that are reasonable in size and are not living/breathing will be displayed in the 4-H building and available for pick up Sunday, August 8.

Livestock T-Shirts

All 4-Hers exhibiting beef, sheep, goats and swine are required to wear blue jeans and the official Johnson County Fair Livestock Show T-shirt. It's time for a new color! Each livestock exhibitor will need to purchase a new T-shirt. 4-Hers should contact their club leader to order. They will be purple and are \$6 each. Submit your T-shirt size and money to your club leader. Club leaders will turn in all orders to Sue Pio by July 15. Club leaders refer to your Leader Update for more information about ordering shirts. Shirts will be sorted by club name and picked up by a representative of each club on Wednesday, August 4, at 7 a.m. at the livestock pavilion.

State Fair Entries

All 4-H exhibits that receive purple ribbons are eligible to enter their exhibits at the Kansas State Fair. 4-Hers who qualify to exhibit at the state fair may sign up in the fair office from 3 - 5 p.m. Tuesday, August 3 through Saturday, August 7. 4-H members must be 9 as of January 1, 2010 to enter. All entries for the Kansas State fair must be made by 5 p.m. Tuesday, August 10. Please note all livestock entries for the Kansas State Fair are due by July 15.