A newsletter for Johnson County 4-H families.

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4-H Families,

Welcome SUMMER Time!!! School is out and fair time is just around the corner. Can you guess the largest project in the county? Sheep? Pho-tography? Space Tech? The top three projects are **Foods & Nutrition**, **Visual Arts**, and **Photography**.

No project is better than the other and the ultimate goal is each teaches youth leadership and life long skills. Whether it is a live animal or a ceramics project each one holds value to the youth who have put their time and energy into their 4-H work, and to this effort I say THANK YOU to you! Your dedication and willingness to try new projects is fantastic. I look forward to seeing the green building full of the hundreds of projects and the barns being full of animals! - Tara

A Call for Volunteers!

Enthusiastic and energetic teen volunteers ages 15 and older are wanted for Johnson County 4-H's summer day camps and SPIN clubs! Teen volunteers should complete the form at <u>http://goo.gl/forms/</u><u>14aUBRWXS1</u>.

Nominating Livestock for State Shows

4-H'ers going to the Kansas State Fair or Kansas Junior Livestock Show must nominate their animals. The guidelines for nominating your animal(s), as well as the nomination forms, can be found at <u>www.Youth</u> <u>Livestock.KSU.edu</u>. The State deadline is June 15 for Commercial Heifer, Swine, Sheep and Meat Goat. (May 1 was the deadline for Market Beef.)

Swine PQA

One of the requirements for showing swine at the Kansas State Fair or Kansas Junior Livestock Show is having certification for Pork Quality Assurance (PQA). In past years, youth have been required to take an annual face to face training or if old enough, test out through a face to face testing. PQA is now available as an online training or testing. As a result, we will not be offering a face to face training in the county. To receive the online training, or to take the online exam, log onto the PQA website at <u>www.pork.org/login</u>. 4-H'ers 8-12 years old will need a parent and their email to register and take the training. Parents can also register for older 4-H'ers, but 13 to 19-year-olds with their own email can register and take the training or exam themselves. If you have questions or need help, contact Rick at the Extension office. Remember that PQA certification must be completed by the time state swine nominations are due on June 15.

Fair Edition

2015 Johnson County 4-H Fair Book

The electronic version of the 2015 Johnson County Fair Book will be available to view at <u>http://www.jocokansasfair.com/Fair%20Book.htm</u>.

County Fair Entries

4-H entries for exhibits judged during the county fair will be due July 22. All entries for home environment, fiber arts, clothing construction, fashion revue, and dog show will be due on July 1. Late entries will not be accepted and if a 4-H'er does not meet the deadline they will not be allowed to have their item or project judged in the 4-H division.

All livestock exhibitors will be required to submit a stall request by July 1. All sheep, swine, beef and goat exhibitors will be required to submit tag numbers by the July 22 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-H member's name who is exhibiting the animal by July 22. Livestock exhibitors: you must enter in showmanship if you plan on exhibiting in showmanship.

<u>Only online entries are accepted.</u> The entry system will open June 1 and can be accessed through the Johnson County Fair website at <u>www.jocokansasfair.com</u>. If assistance is needed in making online entries please contact the Extension office or the Fair office. It is highly recommended that you print off your entry confirmation.

After the entry deadline adding a class/entry is not an option. If you are not sure about what you are taking to the fair, please wait until closer to the deadline to make your entries. This will help keep dropped entries to a minimum as the Fair Board has to pay for each dropped entry. In order to save time with project check-in at the fair, 4-H'ers with non-animal projects are encouraged to print their entry tags at home.

Mr. and Miss 4-H

The Johnson County Mr. and Miss 4-H Program recognizes young people for the leadership and commitment they have contributed to the 4-H program and their communities. All 4-H'ers who have been a member for at least three years and are at least 13 (as of January 1, 2015) are eligible to apply. Applications are due to the Extension office by June 26. Interviews and presentations will be on Saturday, July 11. Coronation will take place during the Fashion Revue on July 23. All application documents and additional information about Mr. and Miss 4-H are posted at www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hmrandmiss4h. Questions about Mr. and Miss 4-H can be directed to Susan Rogers at srgateway2000@gmail.com or 913-226-6167.

Food and Clothing Labels

Food labels (including those for Food Preservation) are available to pick up at the Extension office. The labels are also posted on the Johnson County 4-H website at <u>www.johnson.ksu</u>. <u>edu/4Hfair</u> so they can be printed off at home. Clothing labels can be made by typing, or printing in ink, on a 3" x 5" piece of white cloth: Class Number, Name, and Address. Please refer to your department's rules in the fair book regarding labels.

Photo Mats

The Extension office has photo mats available for Photography project members to purchase. Each mat is \$1.15. Photos exhibited in the 4-H Photography division at the county fair will require a photo mat. You may pick up photo mounting directions and labels at the Extension office. They are also posted at <u>www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hfair</u>.

Fair Edition

Cloverbuds Show and Share

Enrolled Cloverbuds are invited to participate in Show and Share on Tuesday, July 28 from 10 a.m.-l 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 by January 1st of current year. 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 project check-in inside the 4-H building. For a list of approved pets for Cloverbuds, please visit http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=399 and choose the Cloverbuds Policies 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 2.

Project Check-in

Projects will be checked in on Monday, July 27, 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 exhibited. Please plan on arriving before 10 a.m. to have ample time to check in all of your projects. 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 2. All remaining exhibits will be released at 9 a.m. <u>4-H'ers must pick up their entries or make arrangements with another 4-H'er to pick up their entries by Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m.</u> If a 4-H'er does not pick up their entries it is the responsibility of the Club Leader to collect the rest of the club's entries. 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.

4-H Food Stand

Each year the Johnson County 4-H Council has a food stand at the county fair. This is our largest fundraiser for the County Council. County Council funds Achievement Celebration, transportation for 4-H Camp, Discovery Days, trip scholarships for 4-H'ers, Family Night and Officers Training, County and Regional Club Days and much more. A two hour shift at the food stand is a small price to pay for a year of all the great county-wide activities!

4-H Foods Judging

The 4-H foods judging will take place at Wheatridge Middle School from 2-8 p.m. on Monday, July 27.

Canning and Preservation fair classes: 4-H'ers should only use CLEAR canning jars for the fair. Save the colored blue and green canning jars for home use. Colored jars may have to be opened to check canned ingredients and if it is opened it cannot go on for further judging. This a food safety issue.

Entering Quilts in the Fair

If you are entering a quilt in the Johnson County Fair the ideal department to enter it in is the Fiber Arts department. The judge for Fiber Arts will be more experienced with quilts and therefore better able to give 4-H'ers helpful feedback.

Fair Edition

Livestock T-shirts

All 4-H'ers exhibiting beef, goats, sheep and swine are required to wear blue jeans and the official Johnson County Fair Livestock Show t-shirt. There is a new color this year. Each livestock exhibitor will need to wear this shirt for their respective show(s). Please watch your email for information on how to place an order.

Livestock and Project Auction

Attention 4-H'ers: Please remember if you plan to sell a project in the project auction your form is due on Thursday, July 30, 2015 at 12 p.m. and if you plan to sell livestock in the livestock auction your form is due Friday, July 31, 2015 at 12 p.m. Your form is not completed until you have filled out the front and the back W-9 completely with your note card attached. -Thank you, Fair Board Auction Committee

It is against policy of the Johnson County Fair for any livestock or projects sold at the 4-H/FFA auction to be shown at any other county, state or national competition. See the 4-H/FFA Livestock Auction section in the Johnson County Fair Book for more details about the Livestock and Project Auction.

Johnson County Fair Favorite "Fair E Tails" Decoration Contest

You are invited to enter the theme contest for the Johnson County Fair. Contest entries of a silhouette of an open book will be displayed throughout the fairgrounds for all to enjoy. Silhouette entry and judging criteria information:

- 1. Silhouettes will be judged based on creativity, originality and overall eye appeal. (Paint, fabric and other materials can be used.)
- 2. Silhouettes will remain on the fairgrounds and will be used for decoration during the fair. Holes may be drilled to display.
- 3. Contact the Theme Committee at <u>theme@jocokansasfair.com</u> or Denise King at <u>kingflock@aol.com</u> by June 1 to order a silhouette.
- 4. For youth and non-profit youth groups the fee is \$10.
- 5. The fee is \$50 for businesses.
- 6. Wooden silhouettes will be provided and available for pick up on Sunday, June 7, from 1-3 p.m. and Wednesday, June 10, from 6-8 p.m. at the Fair office.
- 7. Decorated silhouettes may be turned in to the Fair office anytime from July 20-25, 2015 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.
- 8. All entries must be able to withstand weather elements as they will be displayed outside.
- 9. An entry tag (available at the Fair office during check-in) must be filled out and attached to the silhouette.
- 10. Entries must be picked up on Sunday, August 2 by 1 p.m. Items left will become the property of the Johnson County Fair.
- 11. Decorated silhouettes will be divided into the following categories: a)Youth Groupsb)Adult over age 18 c)Individual youth age 7-12 d)Individual youth age 13-17 e)Business

State Fair Entries

All 4-H exhibits that receive a purple ribbon are eligible to enter at the Kansas State Fair providing there is a comparable department at the State Fair. 4-H'ers who qualify to exhibit at the State Fair may sign up in the Fair office from 3-5 p.m. Thursday, July 30 and Friday, July 31. 4-H members must be 9 before January 1, 2015 to enter. All entries for the Kansas State Fair must be made with the Extension office by 5 p.m. Tuesday, August 11. Please note all livestock entries for the Kansas State Fair are due by July 15.

State 4-H Project Winners

Johnson County is honored to have one State 4-H Project winner this year. Winners were publicly honored at the Emerald Circle Banquet in Manhattan on May 28. Winners will now have the opportunity to represent the state of Kansas at the National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Georgia this November. Congratulations 4-H'ers on your hard work, accomplishments and for taking the time to complete the Kansas Award Portfolio for these project areas!

Project area winner: Zoe Nason, Great Plains - Family Studies.

Congratulations on your hard work Zoe!

Kansas 4-H'ers Recognized with Scholarships

The Kansas 4-H Foundation has made scholarships available to 4-H members for postsecondary education for the upcoming academic year. Scholarship winners were publicly recognized and had the opportunity to meet the scholarship donors, at the annual Emerald Circle Banquet in Manhattan on May 28. Scholarships vary in value, from a few hundred dollars to over one thousand dollars. Many of the scholarship donors are former members who give back because they value the lessons learned during their 4-H experiences. Others have connections through business or community organizations and observe 4-H members' leadership, citizenship, and commitment to community service, and give because they want to help youth continue to grow. Johnson County 4-H members selected to receive scholarships include:

*Brenna Ewing, Spring Hill Rustlers: Orschlen Farm and Home *Josh Gregory, Great Plains: Kansas 4-H Youth Development *Sara Guetterman, Blue River Wranglers: Roy B. and Elizabeth Curry Oyer *Megan McLaughlin: June Beaver *Michaela Mense, Lucky Clover: A. Lois Redman *Julia Shields, Pioneer: Warren L. and Mabel Johnson & Ann Johnson Sparke

Congratulations 4-H'ers!

Five Myths about Competing at Fair

As we begin the final countdown before the county fair, let's focus on what 4-H is truly about. Listed below are some common myths heard before, during and after the fair.

- 1. <u>The fair is the most important part of 4-H.</u> The fair is one highlight of the total 4-H experience, but it is not necessarily the most important. The goal of 4-H is to learn new skills and share what you've learned with others. The fair is an opportunity for 4-H'ers to measure their progress and skills against accepted standards.
- 2. Judging starts with the purple ribbon. Not true. Judging begins at the red ribbon level. In the Danish Ribbon System:

a. A red ribbons means the project has met all minimum standards. It shows an honest effort has been made. There are visible signs of needed improvement. A red is average.b. A blue ribbon means the project exceeded minimum standards. It has smaller flaws but improvements can be made.

c. A purple ribbon means the exhibit is outstanding on all standards. There are usually no flaws or only a few minor ones, only the trained eye would see.

d. A white ribbon is probably the most misunderstood of all. It means that for one reason or another, the exhibit did not meet all the minimum standards. It does not mean that the exhibit is not worthwhile, simply that there is lots of room for improvement.

3. <u>I have to wait until the night before the fair to finish my exhibit</u>. It will reduce stress in your life if you plan ahead and finish things that can be done ahead of time. Make a list of entries, equipment, supplies, and clothing you will need to take with you to the fair and then check it off the list as you load it into the car. /See Fair Myths on page 7

Local Opportunities

Countywide Junior Leaders

Next meeting: Thursday, June 18, at 6:30 p.m. at the Extension office

Who is eligible? Any 4-H'er between the ages of 12-18 who is interested in expanding their leadership opportunities and further developing their leadership skills in a fun environment with other 4-H'ers from across the county!

New meeting date and time: 3rd Thursday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at the Extension office.

4-H Day Camp

Brought to you by the Johnson County Junior Leaders! Come join us for a few hours of 4-H fun. We will be creating crafts, playing games, learning about 4-H and enjoying snacks.

Who: Youth ages 7 to 9

<u>Where</u>: Johnson County Extension office, 11811 S. Sunset Dr., Olathe, KS 66061 <u>When</u>: June 19, 2015 Session 1: 8-11 a.m.

Session 2: 12-3 p.m.

Cost: \$10 per youth

Checks should be made payable to: Johnson County Extension - Junior Leaders. To register complete the form at <u>http://goo.gl/forms/zLAuuC6m1t</u>.

Livestock Grant and Mentor Applications

The Johnson County Livestock Association will again this year provide funding for their 4-H Livestock Grant and Mentor Program. The Grant Program will award \$1,100 to a 4-H'er enrolled in the beef project and \$300 to a 4-H'er in each of the sheep, swine, and goat projects. Experienced 4-H'ers who apply to the Mentor Program could earn \$500 for the beef project and \$300 in each of the sheep, swine, and goat projects. If you would like an opportunity to apply for the Grant Program or Mentor Program, please fill out an application by the July 15 due date. Applications will be available at the Extension office or online at http://www.johnson.ksu.edu/p.aspx?tabid=1136.

Barnyard Olympics by Jesse Gunkel, Johnson County 4-H Ambassador

The 4-H Ambassadors are having their annual Barnyard Olympics at the county fair again this year. At the Barnyard Olympics there are different stations that you and your team of four have to complete while trying to beat other teams' times. The stations range from lassoing a fake bull's head, to eating watermelon, to tossing hay bales! The Ambassadors put these Olympics on and use the funds raised to provide scholarships for Johnson County 4-H members to attend state events. The Barnyard Olympics will take place the Friday during fair, so come on down to support the Ambassadors!

SAVE THE DATE!

48 Hours of 4-H Service Challenge will be October 10-11.

County Project Opportunities

Open Practice for Horse Project Members

The Johnson County Fairgrounds arena will be open to all 4-H'ers and their horses for practice from 6-7:30 p.m. on the following days:

Mondays - June 15 & 22, July 13 & 20 Tuesday, June 16

Wednesdays - June 24, July 15 & 22

Friday, July 3

**We reserve the right to cancel at any time due to heat, rain or any conditions we feel are unsafe. If there are any questions, contact Kim Milford at <u>kmilford10@gmail.com</u> or 913-207-2227.

County Photography Project Meeting

Come learn how to choose and mount photos for the fair! Bring your 8x10 printed photos to share and learn what the judges are looking for.

Place: Oak Park Library meeting room; 9500 Bluejacket St., Overland Park, KS 66214 Time: 2-3:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 20

4th Annual Miami-Waggers 4-H Invitational Dog Show

An informational flyer and entry form for the Miami-Waggers 4-H Invitational Dog Show is posted at <u>www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hcountywideprojects</u>. The event will be held on Saturday,

June 20 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds in Gardner.

Johnson County 4-H Dog Club Dog Show

The informational/entry form for the Johnson County 4-H Dog Club Agility and Rally-O Dog Show is posted at <u>www.johnson.ksu.edu/</u> <u>4Hlivestock</u>. The show will be Saturday, July 11 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds in Gardner.



Johnson County Horse Club 2015 Shows and 2015 District Horse Show

The show bill and entry form for the 2015 Horse Shows put on by the Johnson County Horse Club is posted at <u>www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hlivestock</u>.

The 2015 East Central District Horse Show is scheduled for July 7, at the Douglas County Fairgrounds in Lawrence. Deadline for entries is June 15. For more information visit the District Horse Show links at <u>http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=425</u>.

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- 4. <u>There is only one way to do things the "4-H way"</u>. The fair is a learning event. There is often more than one way to do something. As long as your way is appropriate and you know why you did it that way it's okay.
- 5. <u>The judge is out to get you.</u> A judge is a human being, hired to give their evaluation of exhibits on a given day. You may not agree with the judge, but by choosing to participate as an exhibitor, you are agreeing to have another person evaluate your exhibit. Learning to accept criticism graciously is part of good sportsmanship.

Adapted from Meadowlark District

State Opportunities

2015 Dr. Bob Hines Kansas Swine Classic

The 2015 Dr. Bob Hines Swine Classic is scheduled for July 10-11, at CiCo Park in Manhattan. This two-day event includes educational workshops, showmanship contest, and a prospect and market hog show. It is open to all Kansas youth ages 7 through 18 as of January 1, 2015. This year's Classic will feature an Extemporaneous Speaking Contest and Swine Photo Contest along with an educational program which includes information on "Keeping your Show Gilt for Breeding." More information and registration is at <u>www.KSUswine.org</u>.

Horse Judging Contest

The State 4-H Horse Judging Contest will be at the Salina fairgrounds on Thursday, June 25, 2015. Check in will start at 8:30 a.m. with the contest starting promptly at 9:30 a.m. Contest rules and registration forms are available online at <u>http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?</u> tabid=441. Registration is due on June 15, 2015.

4-H Dog Care and Training Scholarship

The Keith Neuway and Jim Adams Kansas 4-H Dog Care and Training Project Scholarship is a one-time payment of \$500. Applicants must be a current 4-H member, a high school graduate and have been enrolled in the 4-H Dog Care and Training Project for a minimum of three years. All applicants will be judged by a panel with criteria including Dog Care and Training Project participation, a story and any additional 4-H project participation. Applications must be received by July 1. The application can be found on the Kansas 4-H website at http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/doc15480.ashx.

State Horticulture Judging Contest

The State 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest will be held Saturday, August 22, 2015 on the KSU campus in Manhattan. The study material for the years 2015 & 2016 is taken from <u>The Kansas</u> <u>Garden Guide</u>, KSRE publication S-51 (Rev.) March 2010. This publication is available for purchase at the Extension office or can be downloaded at <u>http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/bookstore/pubs/s51.pdf</u>. The written exam selections from <u>The Kansas Garden Guide</u> include pages 5-23 (Introduction, Planning a Garden, Composting, Soil Improvement, Seeding and Planting) <u>and</u> pages 71-74 (Herbs). Be sure to use the 2010 version of the garden guide. This information will be available on the Kansas 4-H website on the Horticulture Judging Contest page. Effective January 1, 2015, contestants who have judged as an official team member at the National Junior Horticulture Association Judging Contest are <u>not eligible to compete as a team or as an individual</u> at the State Kansas 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest. Registration materials will be available later this summer.

2015 Kansas Junior Livestock Show

The 2015 Kansas Junior Livestock Show will be October 2-4, 2015, at the Kansas State Fairgrounds in Hutchinson. This new date, along with the new enhanced location, will allow the show to continue to grow. A block of hotel rooms has been reserved at two hotels in Hutchinson during the show weekend. The Hampton Inn Hutchinson, 1401 1/2 East 11th St., 620-665-9800 for \$89.95 plus tax per night. And the Ramada Inn Hutchinson, 1400 N. Lorraine St., 620-669-9311 for \$79 plus tax per night. Camper spots may be reserved by contacting Anthea Bryant at the State Fairgrounds office and rooms can be reserved at the Encampment Building for \$11.25 per person per night by calling Anthea Bryant at 620-669-3608.

Exhibitors or parents that have questions may contact show coordinators Rhonda McCurry and Betsy Anderson at <u>rbkjls@gmail.com</u>, or visit the KJLS website at <u>www.kjls.org</u>.

REPORTER'S CORNER



The Lucky Clover 4-H Club visited Great Plains SPCA on May 3, 2015 for our club community service project. We collected a variety of donations for the staff and pets including dish soap, towels, cat and dog food, spray bottles, toys, etc. Thank you so much to the club for all of the donations! After we dropped off the donations at the Donation Center, we got to play with the cats and dogs! The club had a great time donating and having fun with the adorable animals!!

Submitted by Maddie Anderson, Lucky Clover 4-H Club Reporter

Saving Water Can be a Barrel of Fun by Emily Kresin, Pioneer 4-H Club Reporter

For a spring project, the Pioneer 4-H Club plant science members in De Soto learned how to make rain barrels. This is a project that 4-H'ers can do with a little bit of help. If you buy a rain barrel from a store, it could cost from \$50-\$150, but if you make one it can be done for about \$30.

The main object you need for this project is a 55-gallon, plastic food-grade barrel. You can buy them online (like eBay). It's important to buy food-grade barrels.

"When using a 55-gallon industrial-type barrel, food-grade barrels are chosen as they do not contain any dyes or harmful chemicals that might leach into the contents of the barrel," says Tonya, plant science project leader for the Pioneer 4-H Club. Tonya gathered ideas from different how-to videos online and bought items from hardware and farm stores. "One resource we particularly liked was a YouTube video from Fort Hays State University (<u>https://</u>

<u>www.youtube.com/watch?v=U3NNaTdyW84</u>)," she says. For a list of other materials needed and instructions on how to make the barrel, click <u>www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hforms</u>.

While the materials are basic, some of the steps can be difficult. "Using the hole saw was kind of challenging," says Rachel, a 3-year Pioneer plant science member. "Also, placing the internal fitting for the spigot through the top of the barrel using a yardstick and duct tape was pretty tricky." For another member, the most difficult part was when she got home and tried to paint the barrel. "The plastic primer was clear so we couldn't see where we had painted," says Emily, a first-year plant science member. She used one can of plastic primer on the barrel, and then she used spray paint to match the color of her house.

But, making a rain barrel is a worthy project.

"My favorite part about making the rain barrels was learning about how these simple contraptions can help conserve the water that we use every day," says Rachel.

By constructing a rain barrel, people aren't using the clean drinking water to water the plants. Pioneer members learned that the Earth is 70% water – 97% of that is ocean or salt water, another 2% is lake, river, or stream water, and the last 1% is drinkable water. If more people would use rain barrels, it could make a big difference.

"Constructing rain barrels gives kids a hands-on opportunity to get involved in the efforts to conserve precious natural resources such as clean water," says Tonya.

REPORTER'S CORNER



Johnson County Livestock Club (JCLC) President, Daniel, was named BB gun Top Shot in the state of Kansas for 2015 by winning the Senior division total overall aggregate, with a score of 382 out of 400, at this year's Kansas State 4-H BB Gun Championship, April 11, in Alma, Ks. Daniel also won the Top Shot award for the Kansas State Rifle Association state championship February 28 in Wichita, by placing first in overall aggregate score with a personal record score of 383 out of 400.

In April and May, JCLC member, Kaylee, competed in several county and state livestock shows winning various titles including: Grand Champion Junior Sheep and Goat Showman. Her goat, Daisy Dot, was also named Grand Champion Market Goat at the Wabaunsee County Spring Show. Way to go Kaylee!

Livestock Club Secretary, Natalie, won Barrels, Flags, and English Pleasure at the first Johnson County Horse Club (JCHC) series show in Douglas County with her horses, Magic and Gus. JCLC member, Brynn, won the Senior Division Overall High-Point at the JCHC show, bringing home eight Grand Champion titles on her horse, Nina.







In April, JCLC hosted 51 exhibitors showing 71 breeding/market animals at the Spring Beef Show in Gardner, Ks. At the conclusion of showmanship, Judge Clint Woodrow conducted a showmanship demonstration with the Senior Division Grand Champion Showman. In May, JCLC hosted sheep, goat, swine, and bucket calf shows at the Johnson County Fairgrounds. Good luck to all of the livestock exhibitors!

Submitted by Jack McCracken, Johnson County 4-H Livestock Club Reporter

Club Reporters, Your Article Can Be Featured Here!

Attention all club Reporters! Does your club have some exciting news or photos to share? Is there something you think the rest of the county should know that's happening in your club? Then we have a new opportunity for you. The *Reporter's Corner* is a new section within Clover Clips that features 4-H club Reporters' articles/pictures. We would like to ask you to limit the article to 200 words and it must be submitted to Christin by the Clover Clips submission deadline. Check the 4-H Calendar on the Johnson County 4-H website for each month's submission deadline.

June

- 1 Online Fair Entry System opens
- 6-9 Fantastic 4-H Camp at Rock Springs
- 7 Official Horse Show (Douglas Co. Fairgrounds)
- 13 Official Horse Show (Douglas Co. Fairgrounds)
- 16-18 Johnson Co. Cooking Day Camp
- 18 Junior Leaders meeting
- 19 4-H Day Camp
- 20 Miami-Waggers Invitational Dog Show
 - Countywide Photo. Project Photo Shoot
- 26 Mr. and Miss 4-H applications due to office

July

- 1 Entry deadline for projects judged before fair and stall requests due
- 3 Independence Day observed, office closed
- 6 County Council meeting
- 11 Practice Horse Show (Johnson Co. Fairgrounds)
 Mr. and Miss 4-H Interviews/Presentations
 - Johnson Co. 4-H Dog Club Dog Show
- 16 Junior Leaders meeting
- 14-16 Johnson Co. Cooking Day Camp
- 15 Livestock Grant/Mentor applications due
- 22 Entry deadline for projects judged during fair
- 27 Evening project Check-in (6:30-9 p.m.)
- 28 Morning project Check-in (8-10 a.m.)
- 30-31 State Fair Entry sign-up in the Fair Office (3-5 p.m.)

Check out www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hforms

for the 2015 4-H calendar.



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Clover Clips Submission Deadline

The deadline for submissions for Clover Clips will be on the 20th of each month. If that date falls on a weekend please check the 2015 4-H Calendar at <u>www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hforms</u> for the deadline for that month. If you have a submission that you would like to have considered for an edition of Clover Clips please send it to Christin at <u>christin.bartels@jocogov.org</u>.



Johnson County 4-H on Facebook

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Leader Update

Club Reminders

Enrollment - Please help us with the process of getting all Johnson County 4-H members to an Active enrollment status in 4HOnline. You can do this by logging in to your club's account, clicking on "Search" at the top left of the page, and checking the "Status" of your club members and volunteers. If the member has completed and submitted an enrollment with Johnson County 4-H it will say either "Active," "Pending," or "Incomplete." If it says Active then their enrollment is complete for the 2014-2015 4-H year. If it says Pending then their enrollment is waiting for review by us at the county level. They will either be accepted (which changes their status to Active) or their enrollment will be sent back to them requesting additions or edits (this action changes their status to Incomplete). If their status is Incomplete then they need to make the additions/edits that were listed in the email they received from 4HOnline and resubmit their enrollment.

Please contact Christin with any questions. Thank you for your help with our new enrollment process!

Participation Forms - If you have not already turned in your club members' participation forms please do so as soon as possible. The participation form can be found at <u>www.johnson.</u> <u>ksu.edu/4Hforms</u>.

Project Leaders and Volunteers must be Registered Volunteers

Remember that project leaders and volunteers must be Registered Volunteers in order to volunteer for your club.

There are three types of volunteers:

<u>Direct Volunteer:</u> A volunteer with authority to independently plan and conduct educational experiences for youth with adults present or in a public setting OR whose position puts them in close, ongoing, interaction with youth. (Examples: community or organizational leader, project leader, activity leader, judging team coach, camp counselor, event chaperone, exchange trip chaperone, countywide project leader, chauffeur for any 4-H activities, etc.) **Direct Volunteers are required to complete the Kansas 4-H Volunteer Screening Process.**

<u>Episodic Volunteer</u>: A volunteer helping with a single "episode" or activity (usually with a Registered 4-H Volunteer present). Volunteers who are considered episodic volunteers serve as workshop presenters, judges, guest speakers, etc. **Episodic Volunteers are <u>not</u>** required to complete the Volunteer Screening process.

<u>Indirect Volunteer:</u> A volunteer supporting 4-H events or activities but not working directly with youth. Volunteers who are considered indirect volunteers serve on committees or boards. Examples may include local 4-H Foundation Board members or PDC members who don't interact with youth. **This person is <u>not</u> required to complete the Volunteer Screening process.**

For more information on the Volunteer Screening process visit <u>www.johnson.ksu.edu/4H</u> <u>volunteer</u>.