



# “Leaders of Tomorrow”

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- May 2..... Horse/Horseless Horse IDs DUE!
- May 2..... Fair Book covers DUE!
- June 1..... 4-H T-Shirt Design Entries DUE!
- June 4-7..... OzSome 4-H Camp
- June 9..... FCS Judging Contest, 9-4, Ext. Bldg.
- June 13..... 4-H Council, 7:15/7:30 P.M., Ext. Bldg.
- June 20..... Pre-Fair Entries DUE!**
- July 15-21..... Rice County 4-H Fair

### 4-H Council

Monday, June 13th  
 7:15 pm Executive  
 7:30 pm Council  
 Extension Building



### 2016 Graduating Seniors

Let's congratulate our Rice County 4-H Graduates! We wish you the best as you begin new adventures in your life. Good Luck and much success as you venture out into the world!

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| <b>Joshua Dold</b>     | <b>Sterling</b>         |
|                        | <b>Meadowlarks</b>      |
| <b>Tarra Eidson</b>    | <b>Valley Bluebirds</b> |
| <b>Brayden Hosman</b>  | <b>Sterling</b>         |
|                        | <b>Meadowlarks</b>      |
| <b>Jessica Winford</b> | <b>Country Pals</b>     |

### Swine-Sheep-Goat Tagging THANKS!!



A special thank you goes to all the adults and Junior Leaders who helped weigh and tag the market sheep and goats along with the swine projects. Members, be sure to say “thanks” to Cheryl & Lee Carey, Connor Furrey, Arlene Bliss, Justin & Kindra Rowley, Cory & Sally Dieball for their help as it sure made the job much easier!!

### 2016 Fair T-SHIRTS

Don't forget...4-H Fair T-Shirt Designs are **DUE** by **June 1st** to the Extension Office!!

First Bank is sponsoring a t-shirt design contest this year. The design can be in color but must include the following:



1. Rice County 4-H Fair
2. July 15-21, 2016

Due date for the design to the Extension Office is June 1st! Good Luck and have fun using your creativity. **PLEASE** Do not forget to thank Mr. Dudrey for his wonderful 4-H support and generosity to our 4-H program!!



### 4-H Fairbooks

The 2016 edition of the Rice County 4-H Fair will be available for the Community Leaders to pickup soon. There will be some changes throughout the book in various project areas to stay in compliance with the KSF. Please check with your community Leader to pick up your family's copy with entry forms.



## Copyright Rules

4-H exhibitors (individuals or groups) should avoid using copyrighted materials whenever possible by originating his/her own work. A 4-H member or group should use with caution a copyrighted and/or trademarked product or service (a brand name, label or product). The intent of using the copyright or trademark materials for **educational** purposes such as an exhibit, educational poster/display or public presentation is acceptable under the "Fair Use" (legal use) provision.

"Fair Use" is a provision of the current copyright law that allows reproduction without payment or permission of limited portions of a copyrighted work for **educational** and other public interest purposes.

Regardless of the "Fair Use" provision, the inference that a specific name brand product is good or bad inherently or through comparison must be done cautiously, using acceptable research/comparison methods and have a disclaimer that the conclusions are those of the 4-H participant and not those of K-State Research and Extension.

A copyright and trademark are legal methods used by writer, artist, corporation and others to protect their original work. Protected items may range from books to music, logos, cartoons, to computer graphics.

Copyrighted and/or trademarked materials utilized in banners, displays, demonstrations, posters or other activities for endorsement or promotion instead of educational purposes will be disqualified and will not be displayed or receive ribbons or premium.

The use and inclusion of specific brand names for educational purposes does not imply endorsement or refusal by the Department of Extension 4-H Youth Programs, Kansas State University Agriculture Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service, or the State of Kansas.

When working on the club's banners, booths or displays, call Lori to see if your theme or drawing includes a copyrighted figure. Many banners at last year's state fair were illegal, so that is why caution is high this year.

**DON'T FORGET....**

**JUNE 20TH PRE-FAIR  
ENTRIES DUE**

**TO EXTENSION OFFICE !!!**



## Colored Canning Jars at the Fair

The Ball Canning jars are now available in blue, purple and green colors. While these are fun for people to use, please do NOT use them for fair entries this year. The problem with using these for the fair is that the judge can't visually judge food preservation without opening the jars. This is for food safety reasons and in the event the jar is the only jar the person has, it cannot go past the county level if it is opened.

Please use CLEAR jars for the fair. Save those pretty jars for home use. There are blue, purple and green lids/rings available to match those blue, purple and green jars. It is okay to use those at the fair with the clear jars if you desire.

## **Final Summer Judging Contest**

**Thursday-June 9th**

**9:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

**Extension Building**



## **Deadlines!**

**Please pay particular attention  
to deadlines and meet them.**

**It is important to be responsible and meet  
these deadlines. Many cannot be  
extended!**

## Responsibilities of Parents in the 4-H Program

- ◆ Show interest in what your children are doing and give them encouragement.
- ◆ Provide any materials and equipment your child may need.
- ◆ Help out the club and leader when asked. Don't wait to be asked, VOLUNTEER!
- ◆ See that your child finishes as well as starts their project(s). Be a 'shadow helper' - guide, advise, help - but let the child do his or her own work.
- ◆ Encourage your child when he succeeds and even more when he fails. Encourage and reward effort and progress, as well as the end results. Help your 4-H'er be a good sport and appreciate the success of others. Support the-H leaders. Let the leaders know you appreciate them. Make 4-H a family affair, get the whole family involved in 4-H activities.
- ◆ Learn and support the goals and objectives of 4-H.
- ◆ Remember the development of youth is the mission of 4-H.
- ◆ Know that you are building for the future.
- ◆ Know that today's 4-H activities build citizens and leaders of tomorrow.
- ◆ Know and support the Kansas 4-H Life Skills.



### **Project leader Notebook & Learning lab Kit Checkout**

The following notebooks are available for leaders to check out to help project members learn more about their projects: Beef, Foods, Clothing, Dog, Rabbit, Poultry, Plant Science, Wildlife, Sheep, Family Studies, Dairy, Geology, and Leadership. These notebooks are "jam packed" with lots of neat information and activities for you to use at project meetings. We also have learning Lab Kits available to check out for beef, sheep, swine, goat, horse, rabbit, and poultry. They are "leader friendly"!

**NOW** is the Time to begin working on those Pin Applications!!

- Membership Pin...complete one year of 4-H and turn in Achievement Plan I
- Bronze Pin...complete requirements on Achievement Plan II
- Clover Pin...complete requirements on Achievement Plan III
- Emerald pin...complete requirements on Achievement Plan IV
- Silver Pin...complete requirements on Achievement Plan V
- Silver Guar pin...complete requirements on Achievement Plan VI
- Leadership Pin...complete requirements on Achievement Plan VII. **Must be enrolled in Leadership.**
- Gold Pin...complete requirements on Achievement Plan VIII
- Gold Guard Pin...complete requirements on Achievement Plan IX
- Key Award...state application form.
- Club Awards...clubs complete annual summary

### LIVESTOCK SALE

### NEWZZZZ....



Members who plan to sell an animal(s) at the Fair are "strongly" encouraged to get out and invite all potential buyers (businessmen, neighbors, friends, relatives etc.) to this year's sale. The success of the sale depends on YOU and the contacts that you make with your invitations. Let's strive to make this year's sale the best ever! ALSO...Please note that if you are selling an animal(s) at this year's sale, you must have a COOL (Country of Origin Label) document on file at the Extension Office no later than JULY 1st!!! This is NOT a Rice County requirement, BUT a **STATE LAW** that went into effect several years ago. So every animal (beef, swine, sheep and goats) must have a COOL document in our file. Please help us abide by this rule from the state and have them returned with your entry forms. Thanks. (PS...it can also be found on our website too)

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**CHARACTER COUNTS! KIDS LIKE TO WIN:  
ADULTS NEED TO WIN**

By Michael Josephson 9/16/11

(The following article makes very important points about competition using applications from youth sports. With summer and fall, 4-H will engage in many competitive settings. As you read, think about Mr. Joseph's comments in light of 4-H.)

Whether you're a sport fan or not, you have to acknowledge the powerful cultural influence that sports have on our culture. The values of millions of participant and spectators are shaped by the values conveyed in sports, including our views of what is permissible and proper in the competitive pursuit of personal goals.

Professional sports and even highly competitive intercollegiate sports seem irreversibly addicted to the idea that sports is basically a business and that the only thing that make sports profitable is winning. And if that means we have to tolerate egocentric self-indulgent showboating or whining, violence or even cheating, so be it. Clearly these attitudes have invaded youth sports as well. Everywhere we see that a lot of adults - both coaches and parents - need to grow up and realize the game is not about either their egos or ambitions.

The appropriate mission of youth sports is to provide kids a safe environment in which they have FUN, build character, learn to practice sportsmanship, and develop skills and traits that help them become responsible citizens and live happy, healthy lives. Striving to win is an important aspect of competition and teaching kids how to compete effectively and honorably is important, but youth sports is not primarily about winning; it's about trying to win and learning through effort and improvement.

Of course winning is fun and kids like to win, but it's the adults who distort the experience because of their need to win. No matter how much we try, only a few youngsters will move beyond high school sports, and an even tinier percentage will make a living from athletics. But when youth sports are done right, every participant can build positive life skills and gain lifelong memories from the pursuit of victory with honor. Character counts.

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**2016 Kansas 4-H  
Wheat Expo in Wichita**

August 3rd

9:00 am - 3:00 pm



The Kansas 4-H State Wheat Expo is a wheat fun day showcasing all things wheat. Join us for the annual event on Wednesday, August 3rd from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the Sedgwick County Extension Center, 7001 W. 21st St. North, Wichita, KS 67205. It is open to all 4-H family members and 4-H leaders. There will be eight contests open to youth members with cash prizes and ribbons awarded. There will be tours. There is a \$6.00 per person registration cost. Pre-registration will be required by Monday, July 25th to ensure accurate meal count and tour divisions. For more information about the wheat expo, visit <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/wheat/index.html>. For additional questions or to get involved with the wheat expo planning committee, contact Deryl Waldren at 785-462-6281 or e-mail him at: [dwaldren@ksu.edu](mailto:dwaldren@ksu.edu).

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**4-H Appreciation Picnic**

Wednesday - July 20th

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Tickets are \$5.00



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All 4-H'ers have been encouraged to each try and sell tickets and invite more potential buyers to the Livestock Sale. More tickets are available to sell from the Extension Office. Community leaders have the list and complimentary tickets to give to Livestock Buyers. Please get those COMP tickets out NOW so that the buyers can be making plans to attend our Livestock Sale and Fair!!

**AGAIN THIS YEAR...** Please have the recipients of the comp tickets sign the attached card along with the 4-H member and return the card to the Extension Office.

## Record Books: A work in Progress??

Have you been working on your 4-H Record Books? Its *never* too early to start your record keeping work. The project record pages can be found on our county website at [www.rice.ksu.edu](http://www.rice.ksu.edu). Click on the 4-H page, select 4-H Records on the left hand side and click. Project records are form fillable on the computer and are more 'user friendly'. Record books will also need a personal page, the permanent record along with your project records with photos and project stories. Juniors 7-10 years of age and Intermediates 11-13 years of age will use the same form. Seniors will use the 14 years and older form. Only 1 notebook or green 4-H record book will be used this year. Questions?? Just ask Lori or your Community leaders for guidance.



### Kansas 4-H SpaceTech and Cosmosphere Overnight Experiences

The Kansas 4-H SpaceTech Program and the Cosmosphere will again be teaming up to provide fun, hands-on and science-based programming for Kansas 4-H Youth Development. We are pleased to announce two Cosmosphere overnights in the coming year designed to be an adult-child experience, where 4-H members and adults can interact and learn from these fun and educational experiences. The program will include an overnight experience at the Cosmosphere (bring your own sleeping bag, pillow, towel and toiletry items). The experience is open to 4-H members, parents, grandparents, volunteer 4-H leaders.

#1 - Space Exploration and the Mars Habitat, Friday, September 30, 6 p.m. start. Cost (to be finalized) will include three meals, and two breaks, and an overnight stay. The program will end on Saturday, October 1, 4 p.m. Topics to be covered include: a tour of the facility, "Journey to Space" movie, creating a Martian habitat, geocaching items that you will need to live on Mars, robotics design challenge with building an item you will need to survive on Mars, a star observation experience outside (weather permitting), plus much more.

#2 – Unmanned Aerial Vehicles, Friday, March 31, 6 p.m. start, ending on Saturday, April 1, by 4 p.m. The

world of UAVs has opened up the past few months. "Drones" are everywhere now. They are cheap, fun, and can do so much. Find out what you need to know to be safe and compliant with new Federal Aviation Administration regulations, plus much more. Full details about this overnight in 2017 will be shared in the next few months.

For more information, contact Deryl Waldren, [dwaldren@ksu.edu](mailto:dwaldren@ksu.edu), or call 785-462-6281.

### **2017 Kansas 4-H and FFA Wheat Variety Plot Enrollment Open**

As wheat harvest approaches it is time to invite new members to enroll for the 2017 Kansas 4-H and FFA Wheat Variety Plot program. The program begins fall of 2016 and goes through September 2017. The enrollment form and program details are currently available. Visit: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/wheat/wheat-variety-plots/index.html>.

Members are asked to contact the Extension Office by July 10 for information with enrollments due to the Northwest Area Extension Office by July 25, 2016. Cost for 2016-17 will again be \$30.00 to receive the five varieties of wheat. This fee is now needed to contribute to the cost of the wheat varieties. It is very important that we know the number of participants early, so we can have enough seed and metal signs available for Lori to pick up at the Kansas State Fair. New participants will receive a free large plot sign, and five free individual variety signs. These will be distributed on Friday, September 9th at the 2016 Kansas State Fair.

Don't forget to pull your wheat samples for the Kansas State 4-H Wheat Show on Thursday, August 3rd at Wichita, and also for wheat samples at the 4-H fair, that may be eligible for the Kansas State Fair 4-H Crops Division.

Resource information for the wheat variety project includes: (1) Wheat Variety Plot Brochure, 4-H 565 Revised 2010, (2) Wheat Variety Plot--Youth Participant Handbook, 4-H 566, Revised 2010, and (3) 4-H Wheat Variety Plot Record, P1099, Revised 2010. To download these files, visit: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/wheat/wheat-variety-plots/index.html>. For more information, contact Deryl Waldren at 785-462-6281 or e-mail [dwaldren@ksu.edu](mailto:dwaldren@ksu.edu).

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Dear 4-H Families,

Soon school will be dismissing for the summer. Summer activities will be set in motion with everyone traveling at a hectic pace. Be sure to carefully read the newsletter and jot down the important dates that need your attendance. Also... don't forget that

Pre-Fair entries are DUE June 20th!

Please have a safe and fun summer!!

Sincerely,

Lori L. Shoemaker

Extension Agent

4-H & Youth/Family & Consumer Science