



# Rice County 4-H Newsletter

## December 2019

### Seasons Greetings!

What a wonderful time of the year with everyone in such giving moods and with joyous attitudes! I love snow as long as it is not more than a few inches!

I plan to have a fun event here at the office December 20<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM with lunch. You are welcome to stay for the whole event or you can pop in as your schedule allows. We will do some paper circuit boards and hand knitting and a few other activities as well. If your child will need a ride to the office, let us know and we can make arrangements. Please RSVP by December 18<sup>th</sup>.

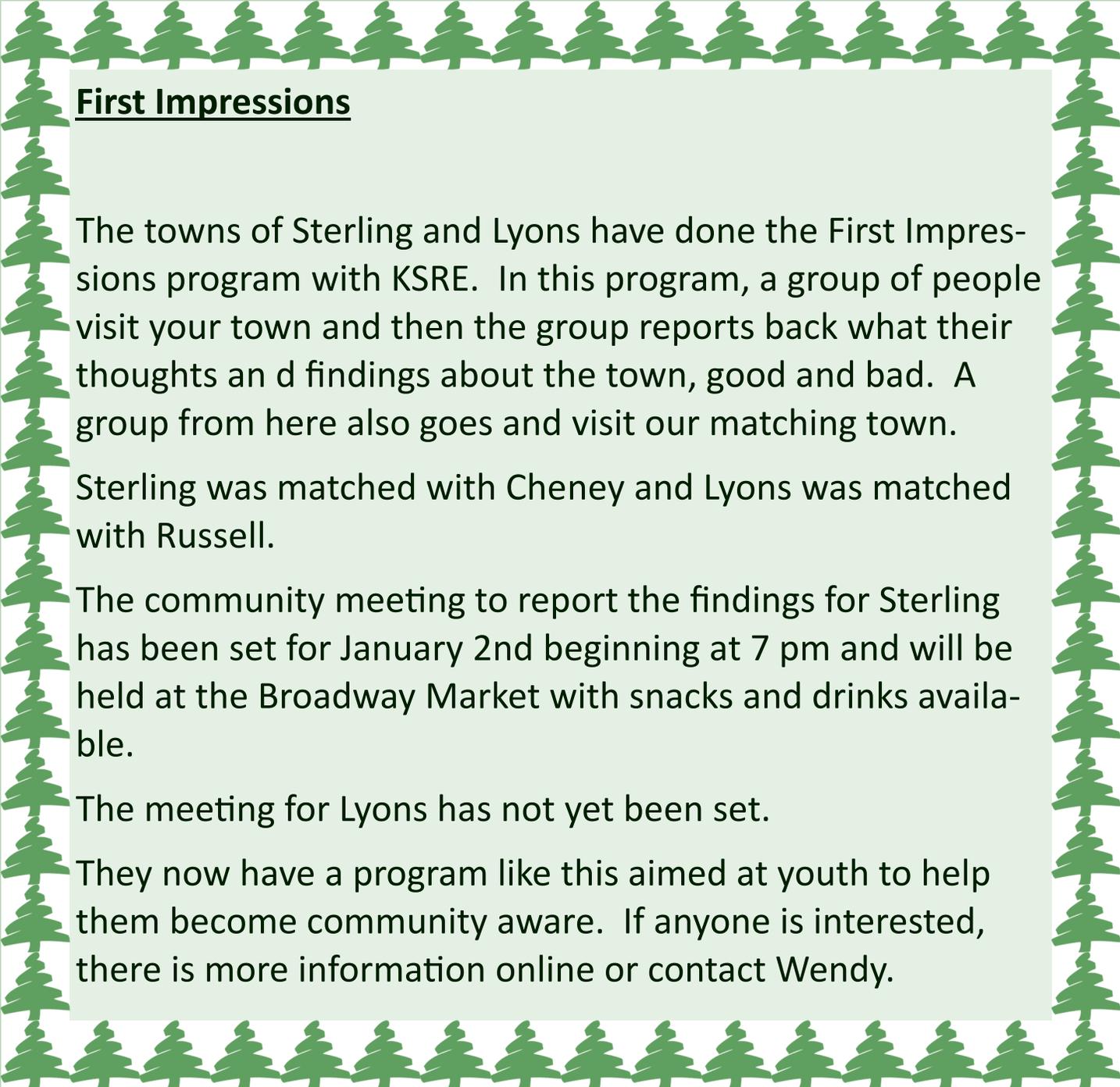
### Jr Leaders Meeting December 8

Jr Leaders will meet this coming Sunday at 1:00 PM at Pizza Hut in Lyons to have lunch and then head out to shop for a local family for Christmas. They will return to the office by 4:00 PM for a meeting.



### Next County 4-H Council Meeting

The next County 4-H Council Meeting is January 2nd at 7:30 PM here at the extension office.



## First Impressions

The towns of Sterling and Lyons have done the First Impressions program with KSRE. In this program, a group of people visit your town and then the group reports back what their thoughts and findings about the town, good and bad. A group from here also goes and visit our matching town.

Sterling was matched with Cheney and Lyons was matched with Russell.

The community meeting to report the findings for Sterling has been set for January 2nd beginning at 7 pm and will be held at the Broadway Market with snacks and drinks available.

The meeting for Lyons has not yet been set.

They now have a program like this aimed at youth to help them become community aware. If anyone is interested, there is more information online or contact Wendy.



## Northeast Leadership Event

Kansas 4-H is Jammin' Out with Leadership! 4-H members **ages 12 to 18** are invited to the NE Area 4-H Leadership Event **Saturday, January 18, 2020**. NELE is led by the NE Area youth council representatives. Delegates can sign up for multiple classes. Registration includes lunch, snack and a t-shirt. There are also sessions for adults. Don't miss this opportunity to meet new people, learn new leadership skills and enjoy new fun classes!

**Registration deadline is January 3.** Contact Diane Mack with questions at [dmack@ksu.edu](mailto:dmack@ksu.edu).



## 4-H Citizenship in Action (CIA)

Would you like to have more influence in laws and rules that affect your life? Then you'll want to go to Kansas 4-H Citizenship in Action, **February 16-17!**

This two day event is sponsored by the State 4-H Youth Leadership Council. The purpose of the event is for Kansas youth to learn how the state legislative process works and how their voice and participation in decision-making can make a difference in their local communities. The legislative visit will not only familiarize youth with the capitol building, but will also show them how they can affect the legislative process.

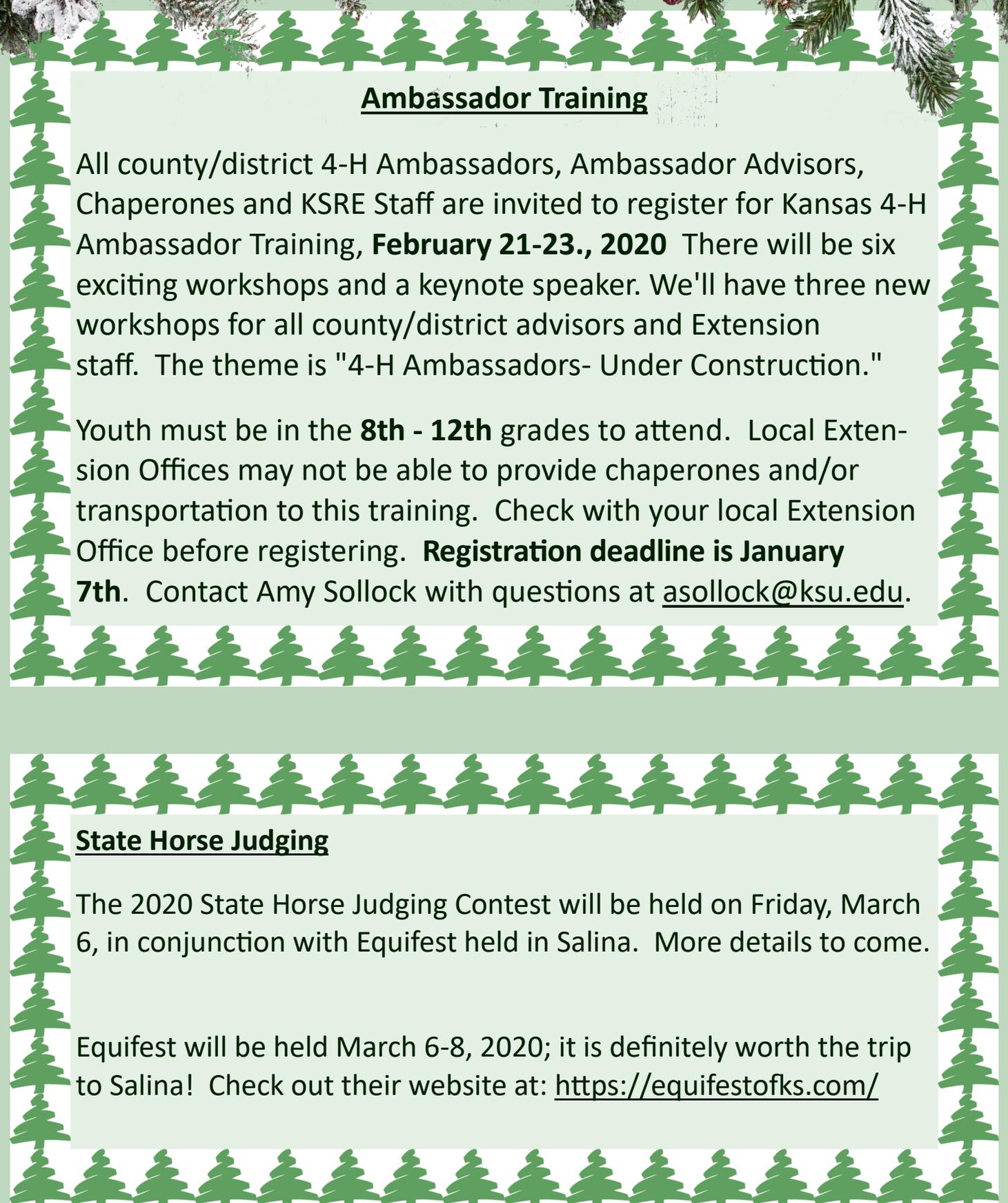




## Ambassador Training

All county/district 4-H Ambassadors, Ambassador Advisors, Chaperones and KSRE Staff are invited to register for Kansas 4-H Ambassador Training, **February 21-23., 2020**. There will be six exciting workshops and a keynote speaker. We'll have three new workshops for all county/district advisors and Extension staff. The theme is "4-H Ambassadors- Under Construction."

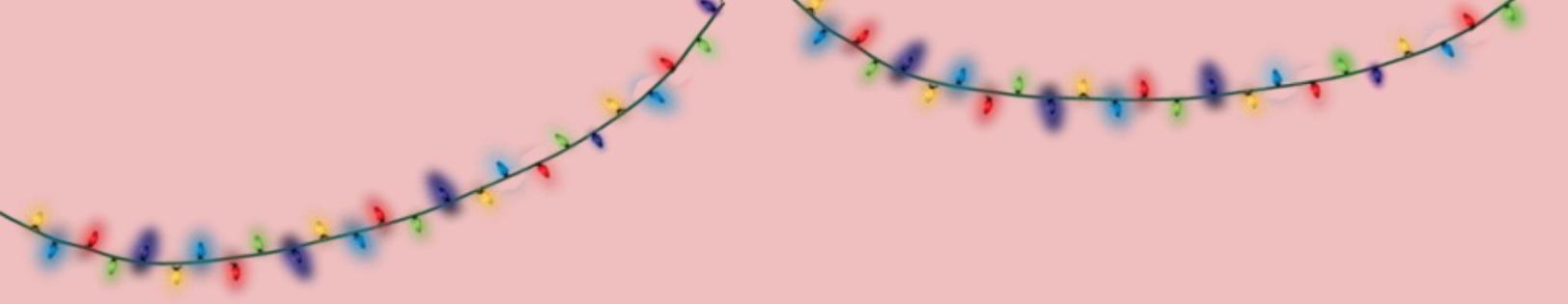
Youth must be in the **8th - 12th** grades to attend. Local Extension Offices may not be able to provide chaperones and/or transportation to this training. Check with your local Extension Office before registering. **Registration deadline is January 7th.** Contact Amy Sollock with questions at [asollock@ksu.edu](mailto:asollock@ksu.edu).



## State Horse Judging

The 2020 State Horse Judging Contest will be held on Friday, March 6, in conjunction with Equifest held in Salina. More details to come.

Equifest will be held March 6-8, 2020; it is definitely worth the trip to Salina! Check out their website at: <https://equifestofks.com/>



## 4-H Horse Project Update!

I would like to hold the first Horse Project meeting this month. I am thinking December 14, 15, 21, or 22 between 11:00 AM and 5:00 PM. If you have not already e-mailed me your preference, please do so as soon as you can. We will be covering introductions, some basics, and our goals for this year.

Please e-mail your preferred meeting date to [kebreitenbach@ksu.edu](mailto:kebreitenbach@ksu.edu)

Have a great weekend!

*Katie*



## **Upcoming Events of 2019:**

December 8—Jr. Leaders meeting

December 20—Fun event at Extension Office

December 24-25—Extension Office closed in observance of Christmas

## **Upcoming Events of 2020:**

January 1—Extension Office closed in observance of New Years Day

January 2—Rice County 4-H Council meeting @ 7:30 PM

January 4—Wear your 4-H shirts to support 4-H!

January 13—Cloverbuds Meeting w/ Jr. Leaders @ 6:15 PM

January 16—KAP Area Screening in Manhattan, KS

January 18—North East Area Leadership Event @ Rock Springs

January 19—Annual Soup Supper

January 20—Extension Office Closed in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr Day

January 24-26—Horse Panorama @ Rock Springs

January 24-26—Kansas 4-H Dog Judges' Certification, Re-certification and Project Leader Training

January 28—Kansas 4-H Program Rally @ Sedgwick County Extension Office

February 4—Wear your 4-H shirts to support 4-H!

February 9—YQCA Training, 5:30 PM

February 10—Cloverbuds Meeting w/ Jr. Leaders @ 6:15 PM

February 16-17—Citizenship in Action in Topeka, KS

February 17—County Club Day, 4:00 PM @ Little River High School

February 17—Extension Office closed in observance of Presidents' Day

February 21-23—Ambassador Training @ Rock Springs

February 29—Junior Beef Producer Day in Manhattan, KS

March 6—State 4-H Horse Judging Contest (held in conjunction with Equifest!)

March 8—Kansas 4-H Day with Wildcat Women's Basketball

March 9—Cloverbuds Meeting w/ Jr. Leaders @ 6:15 PM

March 14—Junior Sheep Producer Day in Manhattan, KS

March 28-April 2—National 4-H Conference in Washington D.C.

April 11—Cloverbuds Meeting w/ Jr. Leaders @ 6:15 PM

May 11—Cloverbuds Meeting w/ Jr. Leaders @ 6:15 PM

June 16-19—OzSome Camp @ Rock Springs

June 22-25—4-H Campference

August 22-23—4-H Livestock Sweepstakes in Manhattan, KS

