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A newsletter for Johnson County 4-H families.

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Hello 4-H Families,

Happy Fall! We hope to see you all at the annual Achievement Celebration! Please help me welcome Kelli Ludlum as our new County Director. She is a K-State Alumni and will be bringing a great professional background to help strengthen our presence in the county. Her first week in the office will be the first week of November. **-Tara**

"The bigger your challenges the bigger your opportunity for growth."

-Karen Salmonsohn

RSVPs Due Soon for Annual Achievement Celebration

Hats Off to 4-H Achievement! Please join us as we celebrate the 2015-2016 achievement of Johnson County 4-H'ers. The dessert reception will begin at 2 p.m. on Saturday, November 5 in the Green Building on the fairgrounds in Gardner. Check-in time for 4-H'ers begins at 1:15 p.m. Dress should be business casual/Sunday clothes. **Please RSVP to Christin Bartels by October 28 with family name and number attending.**



New 4-H Family Orientation

We will be offering a New Family Orientation on Saturday, October 29, 2016, from 9:30-11 a.m. at the Extension office for parents of all first and second year 4-H members. To register please complete the information at <https://goo.gl/forms/hmtX9X2vcWXZZpqm1> by Wednesday, October 26. As new families join our 4-H program, welcome them with open arms AND information. If they, or anyone else you know of, are not receiving the monthly newsletter, please direct them to the Johnson County website or our office. Thank you for your help in this area as we begin our new 4-H year.

Retirement Party for Valeria Edwards

Please join us to celebrate the retirement of Valeria Edwards, Johnson County Family and Consumer Sciences Agent, on Friday, November 4, 2016 from 3-5 p.m. in room 1060 at the Extension office. Please RSVP to 913-715-7000.

County Project Opportunities

Countywide Horse Project Meetings

The Foundation Horse Project Team serves all 4-H clubs and members in Johnson County. This is a countywide opportunity for those interested in learning more about the horse project. Any 4-H member interested in the horse project or becoming educated about horses is welcome to participate. This team does not take the place of your 4-H club and members still need to be active in a local 4-H club of their choice. The purpose of this team is to establish a solid foundation for horse education. The focus will be on educational activities including horse husbandry, safety, feeding, industry topics, and veterinary medicine. Meetings are held on the first Monday of each month. All meetings are held at the Johnson County Extension office starting at 6:30 p.m. Please feel free to contact Valentine Williams at horsedoc96@gmail.com with any questions or if you are interested in joining or attending.

Horse Panorama Training Sessions - There will also be educational training sessions in preparation for Horse Panorama held at the Extension office on October 30, December 18 and January 8 from 1-3 p.m. Horse Panorama is a compilation of various contests related to the horse project. Contests include: quiz bowl, hippology, public speaking presentations, photography and educational posters.

Countywide Sewing Project

Attention Future Sewers: Sewing is considered part of the STEM programs in 4-H and a life-long skill. Are you interested in learning how to take a piece of material and creating something that can be worn? Now is the time to sign up to learn how to do this and more. Beginning sewing lessons start November 3 at 6:30 p.m. at the Extension office. There will be three beginning classes held on November 3, 10 and 17 and then there will be a break for the holidays. Sewing classes for all sewers in Johnson County will resume on January 5. Classes will be held every Thursday until July 20. Join to learn how to sew many fun projects as a beginner or as an experienced sewer who wants to have a set time to sew and to have questions answered. All levels of experience are welcomed. For more information contact Martha Powell at mmp4powell@yahoo.com or at 913-302-5812.

Tail Waggers Registration Opens Soon

Johnson County 4-H Tail Waggers Dog Project will be opening registration for the 2017 training season on December 1, 2016. All registration materials must be submitted no later than January 2, 2017. A mandatory orientation meeting for new Tail Waggers will be held on Wednesday, January 11. Obedience and Showmanship training sessions will be held on Wednesday nights (6:30-8:30 p.m.) at the Johnson County Fairgrounds, starting January 18; and Agility training sessions will be held on Sundays (2-4 p.m.) at the Johnson County Fairgrounds, starting January 29. Further details are available in the Information/Registration packet posted at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/countywide-projects.html; or you may contact Denise McKenny at 913-515-8574.

Project Resource Pages

Do you have trouble knowing where to start with a project or want to know more about what a project entails? We have created, with the help of some Johnson County 4-H'ers, new Project Guides. Each guide has advice from a 4-H'er stating what they enjoy about the project as well as some things they have accomplished. It also includes a list of possible activities to do in the project, events, curriculum available, project opportunities and online resources. We currently have ten Project Guides on the website at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/project-club-resources/projects.html with plans to have one for each project. Please look them over for ideas or to learn more about a project. (continued on page 3)

Project Resource Pages (continued from page 2)

If you are an older 4-H'er (12+) we would love for you to share your advice for the guides we don't have completed yet. You would not be responsible for the other content on the guide just a couple paragraphs under "Advice from a 4-H'er". If you are interested please email Amanda and she can send you the guidelines.

State 4-H Project Update

Kansas 4-H SpaceTech Changes for 2016-17

Kansas 4-H SpaceTech currently has five project areas: rockets, robotics, astronomy, computers and GPS/GIS. Through the years, as new sub-areas have developed, they have been added to SpaceTech. The Kansas 4-H SpaceTech Action Team and Kansas 4-H Youth Development have added a new area for 2016-17, Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS). The following is a description and breakout for the new project area. While commonly referred to as "drones", Kansas 4-H will refer to them as Unmanned Aerial Systems.

Unmanned Aerial Systems

Take flight with Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS). Explore the world from above the trees and discover new frontiers with unmanned aerial systems. This project provides the opportunity to expand ones understanding of UAS and the world around them safely. In this project you can explore the uses and applications of unmanned aerial systems including how UAS links to other projects such as geology, robotics, electronics, crop science, and many more.

- Junior, age 7 to 9, Pre-flight – Youth explore the foundation of UAS and how it can be applied to the world around them.
- Intermediate, age 10 to 13, Cleared for Takeoff – Youth discover UAS applications and operations, becoming more adept in their knowledge of UAS.
- Senior, age 14 and up, Flight Master – Youth advance their knowledge of UAS and gain experience in applying UAS applications to the world around them.

Suspension of GPS/GIS for 2016-17

The Kansas 4-H SpaceTech Action Team routinely looks at participation levels of all the project areas. The participation in the GPS/GIS project has been declining the past three years at the Kansas State Fair. For the 2016-17 4-H program year, Kansas 4-H will be suspending the GPS/GIS project area. The decision will be reviewed closely in a year, as to its final status to sunset the project area or to continue it.

Local Opportunities

County Council Elections and Information

Each club needs to have 2 youth and 2 adults serve as the club's representative to 4-H County Council. The meetings occur on the 1st Monday of odd months at 7 p.m. starting on November 7. The November meeting is especially crucial for your club to have representation, as the new County Officers will be elected. It is encouraged that all youth interested in a County Council officer position be present for the meeting. The newly elected officers will have meetings which occur on the 1st Monday of the even months at 7 p.m. starting on December 5. If you have any questions please contact Tara.

Upcoming Local Deadlines

2017 Enrollment

4HOnline opened October 1 for families to reenroll current 4-H members for the 2017 4-H year and for new families to enroll. **We ask that all current 4-H members be reenrolled by November 1, 2016.** If you are not enrolled by November 1 your family could miss out on important correspondences from the Extension office as only the contact information from 2017 enrollments in 4HOnline will be used.

The state 4-H office has made a step by step brochure for reenrolling which we have posted on our website at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/. We have also posted the state's brochure for enrolling for new families. Please read the brochure to assist your family in reenrolling, and here are a few tips to point out:

- Log in to your family's existing profile. **DO NOT** create a new family account!
- Most data will pre-populate from the 2016 year's data, but make sure you double check and edit items that may have changed from last year. Items like: Volunteer Status (Yes or No), Volunteer Type (i.e. Project Leader, Secretary, etc.), Club Name, Project changes, etc.
- The Participation Form is filled out as part of the enrollment process, therefore no hard copy form needs to be turned in to the office.
- If you are a Club Leader or Project Leader you will not be able to log in to your club/project until you have reenrolled and your enrollment has been accepted by our office and the Organizational Report for your club has been turned into the Extension office.

As always, if you have any questions about the 4HOnline system do not hesitate to contact your 4-H staff.

4-H Financial Audit

4-H Treasurers, Club Leaders, and Financial Audit Committee members: the annual 4-H Club Financial Audit is due to the local Extension office November 1. The audit is required for all non-appropriated funds generated for Extension programs. This includes funds raised/collected by 4-H clubs, project clubs, affiliated groups, etc. The Annual Financial Report document can be found at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/project-club-resources/leader-resources.html. Every Club/Group who has an EIN number issued by the IRS is asked to have a Financial Review Committee review the club financial records annually. Members of this committee should NOT be family members of the treasurer or signatories on the account. The committee should be composed of TWO 4-H MEMBERS and TWO ADULT VOLUNTEERS. If you have questions please contact Tara.

Registered Volunteer Renewals and Online Volunteer Orientation

Renewals for current Registered Volunteers for the 2016-2017 4-H year were due October 1. If you still need to complete yours please do so at your earliest convenience. The Volunteer Renewal can be completed online at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/volunteers/renewal.html. On this webpage there is also a link to the hard copy form.

Visit the Johnson County 4-H Volunteer webpage at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/volunteers/ and click on "Application", "Orientation", or "Renewal" for more details about each step in the process. Please contact your Johnson County 4-H staff if you have any questions.

State Opportunities

Kansas 4-H Leadership Weekend

The Kansas Youth Leadership Forum (KYLF) and the Kansas Volunteer Forum (KVF) will be held November 18-20, 2016 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. KYLF is for youth ages 14-18 before January 1, 2017 and KVF is for all Kansas 4-H Volunteers. KYLF will feature leadership workshops, Youth Council Elections, and opportunities to learn and have fun. The Kansas Volunteer Forum will feature training from the Kansas Leadership Center, workshops and information to help volunteers be more effective. This year participants in both forums will register through the same system. Registration deadline is November 1. Visit <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html> to register.

Kansas 4-H Citizenship Washington Focus

Road trip across the USA June 16-26, 2017, stopping to see Philadelphia, Gettysburg, the Liberty Bell and more! Youth ages 15-18 (by January 1 of the current year) meet, learn, share and tour with youth from other states and respected resource people. Walk among places that have made history and places that are making news today. Visit Capitol Hill, government departments, historic sites, and memorials. Get a close-up view of political process through visits to Capitol Hill. Meet with the Kansas Congressional and Senate delegations to discuss legislative issues. Participate in workshops and assembly groups to learn life skills and discuss possible solutions to domestic and international problems. Interact with 4-H members from other states, learning and sharing about 4-H and other interests and issues. This trip has filled up quickly in the last few years, and there are already a handful of youth registered, so make sure that you do not delay in signing up to attend! The cost to attend is \$1,850 and registration closes January 15 or until 50 spaces are filled. Register at www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html.

2017 Kansas 4-H Scholarships

The 2017 Kansas 4-H Scholarship Form can be found by visiting <http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=479>, this is the only form that will be used for the 2017 4-H Scholarships. A list of scholarships available to apply for is scheduled to come out December 2016.

SAVE THE DATE!

Superintendents' Fair Book changes due December 1 to Amanda.

2017 Kansas 4-H Dog Judges' Certification and Training will be January 20-22 in Salina.

2017 Horse Panorama will be January 27-29 at Rock Springs 4-H Center.

2017 Kansas 4-H Ambassador Training will be February 24-25 at Rock Springs 4-H Center.

2017 Kansas Junior Swine Producer Day will be March 11 in Manhattan.

Kansas 4-H SpaceTech & Cosmosphere Overnight Experience #2 will be Mar. 31-Apr. 1 in Hutchinson.

2017 Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes will be August 19-20 in Manhattan.

REPORTER'S CORNER

48 Hours of 4-H Food Drive

By Maddie Anderson, Lucky Clover 4-H Club Reporter

On Saturday, October 8, 2016, as a part of 48 Hours of 4-H, the Lucky Clover 4-H Club held a canned food drive at Walmart for the Shawnee Community Services Food Bank. Throughout the day, 32 4-H'ers and adults handed out flyers to people who were walking into Walmart. Others held up signs to advertise for our drive. The flyers included information on the purpose of the food drive as well as what items were needed. The shopping list was very helpful as people shopped in Walmart. We were also accepting money donations, and we collected a total of \$620.92 and 1,217 items from shoppers. We were very successful, and were glad to help out Shawnee Community Services!

48 Hours of 4-H

By Gabrielle Shepherd, Oxford Hustlers 4-H Club Reporter

For 48 Hours of 4-H service project, the Oxford Hustlers 4-H Club sorted and handed out perishable food, including fruits, vegetables, dairy, and bread, at the New Hope Mobile Food Pantry in Olathe. They handed out food to over 100 cars on October 8, 2016. The food was provided by Harvesters, a nonprofit organization.



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 an opportunity for you. The *Reporter's Corner* is a 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.

November

- 1 - Current 4-H members reenroll by today
 - 4-H Club Financial Audit due
- 3 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 4 - Retirement Reception for Valeria Edwards
- 5 - Achievement Celebration
- 7 - County Council meeting
 - Countywide Horse Project meeting
- 10 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 11 - Veterans' Day, office closed
- 17 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 24-25 - Thanksgiving Holiday, office closed
- 29 - Community Club Leader meeting

December

- 1 - Superintendents' Fair Book changes due
 - Tail Waggers registration opens
- 5 - County Council Officers meeting
 - Countywide Horse Project meeting
- 18 - Horse Panorama training session
- 26 - Christmas Day Observed, office closed

Check out www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources for the 2016 4-H calendar.

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Clover Clips Submission Deadline

The deadline for submissions for Clover Clips will be on the 15th of each month. If that date falls on a weekend please check the 2016 4-H Calendar at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources 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 christin.bartels@jocogov.org.

Johnson County 4-H is now on Twitter!

Follow [@jocoks4h](https://twitter.com/jocoks4h).



Johnson County 4-H on Facebook

'Like' our Facebook page to get the most up-to-date information and news about the happenings of Johnson County 4-H! Visit www.facebook.com/JohnsonCountyKS4H to like our page.

Leader Update

Community Club Leader Meetings

These meetings are where important information is shared and feedback can be heard. Please have at least one leader present at these meetings.

Next meeting: November 29 **All meetings are at the Extension office from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

If you have a conflict on this date please contact Tara.

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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:

Direct Volunteer: 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.

Episodic Volunteer: 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 not required to complete the Volunteer Screening process.**

Indirect Volunteer: 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 not required to complete the Volunteer Screening process.**

For more information on the Volunteer Screening process visit www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/volunteers/.