



Clover Clips

A newsletter for Johnson County 4-H families

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Greetings 4-H Families!

Thank you to everyone who volunteered at our County 4-H Club Day. Club Day was a huge success thanks to all of our volunteers and 4-H families. Thanks!

I am excited to share with you we have welcomed Katina Holle to our 4-H staff as a part time program assistant. Katina is a great asset to our team and will be assisting with preparing for upcoming programs. Make sure to welcome Katina to our 4-H family!

Details regarding summer camp programs will be available in the Camp Edition of the March issue of Clover Clips. Stay tuned for more details!
--Kaitlyn

Adding/Dropping Projects

The project add/drop deadline for new and returning 4-H'ers will be May 1. 4-H'ers who have not established project enrollment by May 1 will not be eligible to exhibit in the corresponding project area at the Johnson County Fair. Project enrollment is an important component of the project experience. A report of project enrollment will be published on March 1 for families to confirm project enrollment. 4-H'ers will have until May 1 to finalize their project enrollment. Any 4-H'er wishing to add or drop a project will be asked to submit a project add/drop form. The form can be found at www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hforms.

Horse ID and Horseless Horse Certificate Deadline

All Horse ID and Horseless Horse certificates are due to the Extension office by **May 1**. Appropriate forms can be found at www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hforms.

District Horse Show

Save the date for the 2012 District Horse Show. The show will be held July 10 at the Douglas County Fairgrounds. Entries are due June 25. Stay tuned for details about entries.

KJLS and KSF Nomination Deadline

4-H members planning on showing their animals at the Kansas Junior Livestock Show and/or the Kansas State Fair need to complete a nomination process. Beef nominations should be postmarked to the KSU Animal Science Department by May 1. Sheep, swine and goats should be nominated by June 15. Information pertaining to the Kansas Livestock Nominations will be sent out after the February Kansas Junior Livestock Show meeting. The new guidelines as well as where to obtain necessary materials will be available at www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu under Livestock Nominations.

Attention Archery and Air Pistol Participants

Due to the short supply of instructors the winter archery schedule has been revised as follows:

Archery and Air Pistol will occur on February 15, 29, March 14, 28 and then every week on Wednesday during April. There will not be archery/air pistol in May due to the hectic end of school schedules.

Archery will pick back up again starting on June 6. A schedule of times and dates for the summer season will be handed out at that time. If you have completed your safety class you are welcome to join us on February 15. If you are a new member and were unable to complete the safety class because you had not yet joined 4-H please contact Martha Powell at mmp4powell@yahoo.com to discuss this. Last opportunity to complete the safety class is February 15 for new 4-H members.

Horse Judging Camps

Two horse judging camps have been scheduled for 2012 on the K-State campus. The Beginner Horse Judging Camp will be held on June 11 and the Advanced Horse Judging Camp will be held June 7-8. Registration forms and brochures can be found at www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu.

Japanese Exchange Host Opportunities

The Japanese Exchange will bring about 30 youth and chaperones to Kansas July 18-August 19. Those coming range in age from 12-16 with the majority 13 or 14. These youth belong to the Labo and LEX organizations in Japan, each focusing on learning language. Host family assignments are made in Kansas beginning in March. For application information, contact Rose Scott, State Coordinator for the Japan Inbound Exchange. Reach her at rose@threeriversinc.org or (785) 388-2009.

Spring Break Cooking Classes

Advanced Cooking Class

On March 13 from 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. teens ages 12-18 will cook in K-State Olathe's state of the art commercial kitchen. 4-H membership is not required, invite your friends. Teen chefs will learn advanced cooking techniques in a hands-on and exciting environment. Topics will include meal preparation, baking and food preservation. Registration is only \$15. Online registration, a completed Kansas 4-H Participation form and payment are due to the Extension office by March 1. Space is limited. Online registration can be completed at <http://www.johnson.ksu.edu/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=56>.

Beginning Cooking Class

On March 14 from 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. youth ages 7-11 will cook in the demonstration kitchen at the Extension office. 4-H membership is not required, invite your friends. Chefs will explore food preservation, preparation and safety. Registration is only \$15. Online registration, a completed Kansas 4-H Participation form and payment are due to the Extension office by March 1. Space is limited. Online registration can be completed at <http://www.johnson.ksu.edu/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=56>.

IFYE Host Family Opportunities

Kansas 4-H expects young adult IFYE's, representing 4-H or rural youth organizations in their home countries, beginning June 18. They will each need multiple hosts as they stay longer and each host has them just 2-3 weeks between June and August 1 or State Fair in September. Most will be in their early 20's and speak English well.

Countries we are expecting participants from include Australia, Austria, Germany, Switzerland and Taiwan. It is possible additional countries could be added. Applications will be accepted now until all are placed. Download the necessary form from the Kansas 4-H web site: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=234>. Contact Mary Kay Munson for more information at: munson@ksbroadband.net, or call (785) 375-3189.

Spring Livestock Shows and Weigh-In

Registration and additional information for all shows can be found at <http://johnson.ksu.edu/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=883> . Mail check and entry for all shows to Denise King, 32415 W. 95th St. , De Soto Kansas 66018. All checks can be made out to Johnson County Livestock Club. Details regarding weigh-in and tagging requirements will be posted in the March issue of Clover Clips.

Spring Beef Show

The Spring Beef Show will be held Saturday, April 28, 2012 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds, beginning at 10 a.m. Pre-registration is due April 13. Entry fee is \$15 per head, \$25 after April 13. All market steers and heifers will be weighed from 7-9 a.m. 4-H Beef project members not showing at the Spring Beef Show will be allowed to weigh-in their animals from 6–8 p.m. on Friday, April 27 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds.

Spring Goat Show

The Spring Goat Show will be held Saturday, May 12, 2012 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds, beginning at 9 a.m. Pre-registration is due April 27. Entry fee is \$10 per head, \$15 after April 27. Weigh-in will be 7–8:30 a.m. 4-H Goat project members not showing in the Spring Goat Show will be allowed to weigh their animals from 6–8 p.m. on Friday, May 11 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds.

Spring Sheep Show

The Spring Sheep Show will be held Saturday, May 12, 2012 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds, beginning at 10 a.m. (or 30 minutes after conclusion of the goat show). Pre-registration is due April 27. Entry fee is \$10 per head, \$15 after April 27. Weigh-in will be 7–9 a.m. 4-H Sheep project members not showing in the Spring Sheep Show will be allowed to weigh their animals from 6–8 p.m. on Friday, May 11 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds.

Spring Swine Show

The Spring Swine Show will be held Saturday, June 2, 2012 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds, beginning at 10 a.m. Pre-registration is due May 18. Entry fee is \$10 per head, \$15 after May 18. Weigh-in will be 7–9 a.m.. 4-H Swine project members not showing in the Spring Swine Show will be allowed to weigh their animals from 6–8:00 p.m. on Friday, June 1 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds.

Out of County Spring Livestock Shows

There are many opportunities for participation in spring livestock shows hosted outside of Johnson County. A link to information about upcoming shows can be found at <http://johnson.ksu.edu/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=883>

Kansas Junior Sheep Producer Day

Kansas Junior Sheep Producer Day will be held on March 31 at Weber Arena on the K-State campus. Possible topics to be covered by featured speaker J.B. Massey and K-State faculty include: selection of your youth sheep project, nutrition, general care and management, shearing/fitting demonstration, DNA, showmanship and health/vaccinations. Registration fee is \$15 per person if postmarked by March 9 and \$20 per person after that date. Full registration brochure is available at www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu . Please contact Chelsea Tomascik (tomascik@ksu.edu, 785-532-1264) or Brian Faris (bfaris@ksu.edu, 785-532-1255) if you would like more information.

Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes

The 2012 Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes is set for August 25-26 at Kansas State University's Weber Hall and Arena. More information will be posted at www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu closer to the event date.

PHOTO ADVENTURE CAMP 2012

Explore the Possibilities - Photo Adventure Camp 2012 will be held June 3-6 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Youth ages 13-16 and VIP registered adults may attend. Photo Adventure Camp is designed to inspire creativity and teach skills that can be used in everyday activities. Campers will Explore the Possibilities in photography while developing photography and life skills.

Registration DEADLINES are APRIL 15 for TRAC16 participants (see below for more information regarding TRAC 16) and MAY 1 for PHOTO ADVENTURE CAMP participants. To register go to: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dE1qNG5YVY1DeUk4cE16UHBHOFRqQnc6MQ>

After you complete all the fields press Submit. You will immediately receive a confirmation page with the camp director's email address and phone number on it. If you do not receive this confirmation page, please resubmit the form.

Camp fees are: \$195 for Photo Adventure Camp, \$210 for Trac16 and \$225 for adults. Make checks payable to: Kansas 4-H Foundation. Mail full camp fee and Kansas 4-H Participation Form to: Photo Adventure Camp, c/o Rachel Harmon, PO Box 211, Otis, Kansas 67565. Fees and participation forms are Due May 15.

The Photo Camp Web Page has been updated and may be viewed at: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=191>.

Photo Adventure Camp – TRAC 16

New this year is Trac16 for youth who are 16 years old and have attended photo camp previously. Trac16 enrollment is limited to ten youth. Trac16 participants will apply their photography knowledge and skills to real-world applications and explore photography related careers. Registration DEADLINE is APRIL 15 for Trac 16 participants. Camp fee is \$210. To register go to: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dE1qNG5YVY1DeUk4cE16UHBHOFRqQnc6MQ>

2012 FilmFest 4-H Open To Kansans

The second annual FilmFest 4-H, a national film festival open to all 4-H members ages 11 and older is coming! FilmFest will be held in Branson, MO, from August 5-8, with most of the events happening on August 6-7. The event will end by noon on August 8. This event is sponsored by the National 4-H Communications and Expressive Arts Task force, Missouri's 4-H Center for Youth Development, and the City of Branson.

Like any other national film festival, this event connects participants to professionals in the film industry and celebrates the work of the filmmakers. The difference is that our filmmakers are youth. The event includes film screenings, industry-related tours, and workshops lead by professionals in the film industry who have been attached to projects the youth recognize.

Last year's workshops included "Lighting on the Set" with David Houle, owner and operator of Sight & Sound Productions, who has worked on such films as Up in the Air ; "Documentaries and Television Programming" with Russ Weston of Weston Productions, whose work ranges from National Geographic and Dateline to Ice Road Truckers and Deadliest Catch ; "Acting for the Camera" with Scott-Arthur Allen, Director of the Creative Actors Workshop, who has coached actors such as Heather Locklear, Tea Leoni, Sela Ward, and Lisa Hartman Black; and several from the Academy Award nominated Winter's Bone.

You do not have to be a filmmaker tied to a 4-H program to attend. However, most participants will be 4-H families, volunteers and youth who have an interest in filmmaking or the film industry. The competition categories planned for 2012 include Narrative, Animation, Documentary and 4-H Promotional.

Youth interested in attending FilmFest 4-H should visit the event web site at <http://4h.missouri.edu/filmfest> or contact: Bradd Anderson, Missouri 4-H Center for Youth Development, andersonb@missouri.edu, 573-884-0576

Educational Information

Beef Educational Materials

Beef educational materials have been made available for 4-H'ers. The packet includes helpful information such as selecting beef projects, facilities and general care, nutrition, selecting replacement heifers, nose printing and DNA sample collection. This resource is available for everyone's use and can be found at www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu. If you have any questions about the materials, please contact Chelsea Tomascik (tomascik@ksu.edu, 785-532-1264).

K-State Show Pig Guide

Dr. Joel DeRouchey has made a K-State Show Pig Guide available for 4-H'ers. The packet features helpful information for beginning 4-H'ers to advanced 4-H'ers. This valuable resource is available for everyone's use and can be found at www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu. If you have questions about this guide, please contact Dr. DeRouchey (jderouch@ksu.edu, 785-532-2280). This guide is currently online but is in the process of being updated and will be reposted soon.

Meat Goat Project Guide

A Meat Goat Project Guide has been made available to 4-H'ers by Dr. Brian Faris. The project guide features helpful information for 4-H'ers at all stages of meat goat production. This new resource is available for everyone's use and can be found at www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu. If you have questions about this guide, please contact Dr. Faris (bfaris@ksu.edu, 785-532-1255).

Campference 2012

This event is focused on youth ages 12-14 (before January 1, 2012), and will be held June 15-18, 2012, at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Participants will experience the feel of a conference, while enjoying the "camp" activities Rock Springs 4-H Center has to offer. This is a great transitional opportunity, as tweens go from being a camper to attending educational conferences. Campference will feature workshops about opportunities in the 4-H program, healthy living skills and how to better interact with others. Participants will meet other youth from around the state of Kansas. Registration materials will be available on the State 4-H web page at www.kansas4H.org in March, with registrations due in local offices in early May.

K-State Animal Sciences Leadership Academy

The K-State Animal Sciences Leadership Academy will take place June 6-9 at Kansas State University. This hands-on event is designed for current high school students (junior-senior age) to gain animal science industry knowledge and develop their leadership skills. Twenty students will be selected to participate in this year's event. Find applications and more information at www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu. Cost to participate is \$50. A special thank you to the Livestock and Meat Industry Council (LMIC) for continuing to support this program.

Check out www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hforms for the 2012 4-H calendar.

March

- 13 - Spring Break Cooking Class (Advanced level)
- 14 - Spring Break Cooking Class (Beginner level)
- 31 - Kansas Sheep Producer Day

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