Congratulations!

Thank you to <u>all</u> who sent KAPs to Area Judging and for representing Frontier District in such a positive manner! The Frontier District had <u>four</u> KAPs selected for State Screening. Congratulations to Hunter McCurdy, Lily Shultz and Morgan Woodbury. Hunter will send his Wildlife and Self-Determined KAPs, Lily will send her Citizenship KAP and Morgan will send her Beef KAP. Great job! All KAPs sent to Area Judging may be picked up in the Extension Office. All State-bound KAPs and other information/paperwork are due in the Extension Office by **February 22, 2017.**

Welcome, Chelsea!

Chelsea Richmond is the new Family and Consumer Sciences Agent. She will specialize in Nutrition, Food Safety and Health. She will be housed in the Garnett Office and will begin her new position on January 30th. Feel free to stop by and welcome her!

District Club Day Registration and Guidelines

District Club Day will be held at West Franklin High School in Pomona on **March 4, 2017**, from **9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., tentatively**. In order to participate, a member <u>must be properly enrolled in</u> Frontier District 4-H for the current year. A link for individual and group registrations will be available on the District's 4-H website under "District Events" from **January 30th-February 13th**. Absolutely no late entries will be accepted. There will be no scheduled times for presentations. It will be the responsibility of the participant to decide what time he/she will perform. After registration closes, a time frame for events will be posted to the above website. If there is a section with only a few entries, the judge will not stay the entire time and the schedule will reflect accordingly. Upon arrival at Club Day, participant's family may plan accordingly. If a registrant does not check-in or show up to perform during the allotted time and the scheduled judging time has lapsed, the participant will not be judged. Therefore, it is important members remember to check the time frame for the events and check-in at the appropriate room. Anyone with questions should contact the Extension Office.

Club Leaders will need to set up room assignments. Clubs will be responsible for monitoring a room regardless of how many members do/do not participate that day. Each room should have monitors available from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (or until the judge is finished). Contact information for the other club(s) is available in the Extension Office. Leaders will also be notified at a later date of exact room assignments. Leaders should turn in room monitor schedule assignments by **February 24th** to the Ottawa Extension Office. Room monitor pairings for clubs are as follows:

Room #1 - CM, DYN & SS
Room #2 - L13 & SNS
Room #3 - NO & MJH
Room #4 - LL & WŴ

Room #5 - BG, CW & VBR Room #6 - AR, JJ & PGB Room #7 - BGG & RW Impromptu rooms (2) - ATB, GA, RR, SH & TC

Club Day Guidelines are also available at the above website. For some helpful prep tips, check out the "Helpful Resources for Club Day Prep" article on page four. No Awards Ceremony will be held. Results will be posted on the School Office window that day and on the District's 4-H website under "District Events" as soon as possible. Regional Club Day will be held on **March 25, 2017,** in Gardner. Participants receiving a "Top Purple" at District Club Day will be eligible to participate, but anyone may attend and observe. After results are posted, "Top Purple" recipients must confirm/refute ability to attend Regionals with the Extension Office by **Noon on March 6th**. The "Alternate Purple" recipient will then be contacted. Regional Club Day registration information will be available in next month's newsletter. See page four for Regional Club Day room monitor info.

K-State Research and Extension is committed to making its services, activities and programs accessible to all participants. If you have special requirements due to a physical, vision or hearing disability or a dietary restriction, please contact Fran Richmond at 785-828-4438 or at frichmon@ksu.edu.

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District's 4-H website: http://www.frontier district.k-state.edu/4-h/

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FRONTIER DISTRICT NEWS This calendar includes dates for all three counties. Check it and ask questions if there is a concern. Dates may or may not appear elsewhere in the newsletter. Please, read it carefully!



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JAN	30-Feb. 13	District Club Day Registration Available	Online	
FEB	I	OS CO & FR CO: Last Day to Pick Up KSF Money in Extension Office	Lyndon/Ottawa	
		State 4-H Scholarships Due to State 4-H Office	Manhattan	
	11	4-H Day with the Lady Wildcats	Manhattan	
	17	AN CO: Blue & Gold Money and Orders Due to Office, 3:00 p.m.	Garnett	
	19	FR CO: Beef Project Meeting, Cottonwood Animal Hosp., 5:30 p.m.	Ottawa	
		District-Wide Horse Meeting, 2:00 p.m. @ Burns' Skyview Ranch	Osage City	
	19-20	Citizenship in Action	Topeka	
	20	All Frontier Extension District Offices Closed	Garnett/Lyndon/Ottawa	
		Registrations Due for Willie and the Beanstalk	Online	
	21	District-Wide Horse Meeting, 7:00 p.m. @ Celebration Hall	Ottawa	
	22	KAPs for State Screening Due to Extension Office	Garnett/Lyndon/Ottawa	
	24	Room Monitor Assignments Due to Extension Office	Ottawa	
	26	FR CO: Market Beef Weigh-in and Tagging, 2-4 p.m. @ Cottonwood	Ottawa	
	27	OS CO: 4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m. @ Extension Office	Lyndon	
MAR	I	OS CO: Schoepflin and Casten Scholarship Applications Due to Office	Lyndon	
	4	District Club Day, 9:00 a.m. @ West Franklin High School	Pomona	
	6	RSVP Due from Top Purple Recipients for Regional Club Day, Noon	Garnett/Lyndon/Ottawa	
	10	Regional Club Day Room Monitor List Due to Extension Office	Garnett/Lyndon/Ottawa	
	11	Kansas Junior Swine Producer Day	Manhattan	
	13	AN CO: 4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m. @ Annex Building	Garnett	
		AN CO: Fair T-Shirt Designs Due to Extension Office	Garnett	
	14	District Wide Rabbit Meeting, 7:00 p.m. @ Celebration Hall	Ottawa	
	15	OS CO: Scholarship Notifications Sent to Winners	Lyndon	
	16	Registrations Due for UAS at the Cosmosphere	Online	
	18	OS CO: Weigh-in and Tagging for All Cattle, 2-4 p.m. @ Vet Clinic	Lyndon	
	19	AN CO: Weigh-in and Tagging for Market Beef, 2-4 p.m. @ Fairgrounds	Garnett	
	21	Project Fair and Petting Zoo @ Celebration Hall, 10:00 a.mNoon	Ottawa	
		District-Wide Horse Meeting, 7:00 p.m. @ Celebration Hall	Ottawa	
	25	Kansas Junior Meat Goat Producer Day	Manhattan	
		Regional Club Day @ Wheatridge Middle School	Gardner	
	27	FR CO: 4-H Council Meeting, 7:30 p.m. @ Celebration Hall	Ottawa	
	31-April I	UAS at the Cosmosphere	Hutchinson	
APR	I	AN CO: 4-H Scholarship Due to Extension Office Garnett		
		OS CO: Deadline for Ownership/Tagging of All Market Beef, Steers & He		
		OS CO: Fredrickson 4-H Scholarship Applications Due to Office	Lyndon	
		Willie and the Beanstalk Contest	Manhattan	
		Registrations Due for KSU Animal Sciences Leadership Academy	Online	
	11	District-Wide Horse Meeting, 7:00 p.m. @ Celebration Hall	Ottawa	
	15	Registrations Due for Discovery Days	Online	
	29	Shutterbugs at Botanica	Wichita	
MAY	I	Payment & Registration Due for County Camp	Garnett/Lyndon/Ottawa	
		OS CO: Ownership Deadline for All Bucket Calf, Rabbits and Fowl		
		FR CO: Ownership Deadline for All Bucket Calf, Breeding Livestock, Rab		
		Horse ID Forms Due to Extension Office	Garnett/Lyndon/Ottawa	
		Shutterbugs at the Zoo	Garden City	
		App. & Deposit Due to Office for Nat'l. 4-H Congress At-Large Position	-	
	6	OS CO: Weigh-in/Tagging-All Goats, Sheep & Swine, 9:00 a.mNoon	Osage City	
	9	District-Wide Rabbit Meeting, 7:00 p.m. @ Celebration Hall	Ottawa	
	15	OS CO: Ownership/Tagging Deadline for All Breeding and Market Livest		
	17	Registration Due for Campference	Online	
	16	District-Wide Horse Meeting, 7:00 p.m. @ Celebration Hall	Ottawa Marika titar	
	30-June 2	Discovery Days	Manhattan	



Come and Enjoy 4-H Camp!



Frontier Extension District "Fantastic" 4-H Camp Group Rock Springs 4-H Center June 14-17, 2017

For Youth, 7-12 years of age (as of Jan. 1st of the current 4-H year) Registration and full payment of \$250.00 are due by 5/1/2017. Registration will be available April 1st-15th on the District's 4-H Website under "District Events" or in the Extension Office.



Full payment due by 5/1/2017 at any Frontier Extension District Office.

Make checks payable to Franklin County 4-H Activity Fund,

1418 S. Main, Suite 2

Ottawa, KS 66067

(Franklin County 4-H Activity Fund will in no way profit from these funds.)

County 4-H Camp Information

County 4-H Camp is for youth, ages 7-12 by January I, 2017, and will be held **June 14-17, 2017**, at Rock Springs 4-H Center. The Frontier Camp group's name is "Fantastic". Registration for campers will be available on the District's 4-H website under "District Events". <u>All</u> registrations and payments will be due by **May 1st.** IF there are not enough counselors to cover the number of campers, campers will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Therefore, campers are encouraged to sign up early! Scholarship information is available on the member's county page.

District's 4-H website: www.frontierdistrict.ksu.edu/4-h/

Camp Counselors Needed!

Camp at Rock Springs 4-H Center for the Frontier District group will be **June 14-17, 2017!** Counselors will be needed and should be 16 years of age or older. There is no cost for counselors. They will also be required to attend a camp counselor training on **June 8th** in Johnson County and <u>must be an approved volunteer</u>. For information on what paperwork is needed, see the article on page seven under "Volunteer News" or contact Sharon at 785-229-3520. Additional counselor info will be available in the next newsletter.

GENERAL NEWS



District's 4-H website:



www.frontierdistrict.ksu.edu/4-h/

NEW DATE! Spring Fling Petting Zoo & Project Fair: Animals and projects are needed for the Petting Zoo and 4-H Project Fair during Spring Break at Celebration Hall in Ottawa on **Tuesday, March 21**, **2017**, 10:00 a.m.-Noon. Anyone interested in helping or providing animals for the Petting Zoo should contact the Ottawa Extension Office. Anyone wanting to help or provide items for the Project Fair should email Audra at *raahcurdys4@aol.com*.

Willie and the Beanstalk

Grow the biggest soybean plant and win the KSU Agronomy Beanstalk Award! Registration is available until **February 20**, **2017**. Two age groups are available and all participants will be given a Willie and the Beanstalk t-shirt. All entries will be judged on **April 1**, **2017**, in Manhattan. Visit www.agronomy.kstate.edu/k-12-youth-and-educators/willie-and-the-beanstalkcontest/ for more information.

Helpful Resources for Club Day Prep

Resources are available for 4-H members to help with the event preparation of District Club Day. The complete Kansas 4-H communication fact sheet series with score sheets can be found on the District's 4-H website under Club Resources or in the Extension Office.

Regional Club Day Room Monitors Needed

Frontier District is responsible for providing room monitors for three rooms this year at Regional Club Day on **March 25, 2017**, in Gardner. Anyone interested should contact the Extension Office by **March 10th** to sign up for a time that fits in the schedule. REMEMBER: This is a point on the Record Book Check Sheet (purple sheet) and would look great in a KAP! Those participating that day will be expected to be a monitor for a specified time. A monitor schedule will be emailed to those who confirm interest in helping.

Save the Date for South East Area Judging

Hort. & Crops, Photo, FCS, Favorite Food - 6/20/17; Emporia Livestock, Meats & Skill-a-thon - 6/29/17; Yates Center

Spring Fling Activities Available

Spring Fling activities provide youth of all ages an opportunity to have fun during Spring Break. Activities are being planned in all three counties. Families may visit www.frontierdistrict. ksu.edu for more information and a list of available activities.

Grants Available for Foster Children

Kansas 4-H Youth Development, the Kansas 4-H Foundation and Saint Francis Community Services are working together to provide funding opportunities for children and families involved with foster care. The purpose of the Kansas 4-H Resource Family Project and Camp Grant Programs is to provide financial assistance for foster youth and the resource family to participate in 4-H learning opportunities. For more information, requirements and a grant application, visit http:// www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/camping/county-camps/docs/ Foster_Children_ Grant_Application.pdf.

Host Families Needed

Exchangees from several different areas are available. For more information, contact Mary Kay Munson at 785-238-3631 or email her at <u>munson@ksbroadband.net</u>.

Extension Offices Closed

All Frontier Extension District Offices will be closed on **February 20th.**

Club Boxes

Each 4-H club is asked to designate one or two people to come in and pick up the information from the club box in the Extension Office. Plan to check the box on a regular basis as items are distributed often.

Fundraising Opportunity

The Power of the Past Tractor Show is needing help for next year's event. There are several areas in which clubs or groups may assist. Anyone interested in helping and making some money should contact the Ottawa Office to sign up.

Save the Date!

48 Hours of 4-H will be held October 7-8, 2017.

District-Wide Projects and Leaders Available

District-wide projects are available to all Frontier District 4-H members. District-wide leaders welcome the opportunity to help anyone, regardless of county origin. Continue to check the list as new leaders may be added each month. Contact information is available in the Extension Office for all leaders. Meetings and project information will be posted in the newsletter on the "Project News" page, on county-specific pages and/or emailed to those enrolled in the project.

Citizenship-Genealogy: Jo Ellen Arnold Cloverbuds: Jenna Rubick Dairy: Dee Ann Shuck (questions & info only) Dog: OS CO-Devin Ramsey; FR CO–Sandy Woodruff Entomology: Eric & Quenton Trammell (questions & info) Foods: Erin Laurie Geology: Gayla Corley Horse: AN CO-Curtis & Jenny Hughes; FR CO-Joy Miller OS CO-Dorothy Christiason Livestock Judging: Hyatt Frobose Poultry: Melissa Seacat (questions & info only) Quilting: Michele Altendorf (questions & info only)

Rabbit: Jillian Oberly & Kim Powell
Self Determined-Tractor Restoration: Bruce Schoepflin
Sheep: Jessica Stalford (questions & info only)
Shooting Sports: AN CO-Kevin Maloan; FR CO-Tim Kunard, Sabrina Meador & Amy Livingston
Shooting Sports-Western Heritage: John Torrence, Ken Wilk, Sabrina Meador & Amy Livingston
SpaceTech: Tara Calley
Sportfishing: Jessica Stalford (questions & info only)
Visual Arts: Audra & Alexa McCurdy (questions & info only)
Wildlife: Ryan & Hunter McCurdy (questions & info only)

Standards for 4-H and FFA Projects

The purpose of the standards outlined below are to assist in determining eligible participation in FFA and/or 4-H Youth Development learning experiences. Both 4-H and Agriculture Education/FFA promote teaching youth life skills. Each program exists to maximize the participant's knowledge of agriculture and its value to communities while educating the youth to become a productive citizen. **Eligible youth in Osage and Anderson County** may participate and show at the County Fair(s) in 4-H and FFA but should avoid duplication. The following standards of participation are used in delivering the 4-H and FFA programs in Kansas:

I. Ag Education Teachers, FFA Advisors, Extension Staff and local volunteers are encouraged to cooperate in sharing information and resources to provide educational opportunities for youth.

2. Youth who are members of both 4-H and FFA must plan and manage separate projects and/or supervised agriculture experience (SAE) programs.

3. Youth enrolled in both programs may participate in the same area of experience in 4-H and FFA; however, he/ she **cannot** identify, nominate, manage, keep records on or exhibit the same plants, animals, etc. in both organizations. A member must designate exhibits as either FFA or 4-H at weigh-in, registration or other similar deadline(s).

4. Members may participate in judging contests and other related events in FFA and 4-H but cannot represent both organizations at a contest, show or other event(s) at the same time.

5. When 4-H and FFA are conducting collaborating activities, both organizations must be represented through emblems and information on all signs, printed materials and awards.

6. Collaborating FFA and 4-H activities or events are obligated to have supervision representation from both organizations.

These standards are in agreement with Kansas 4-H and FFA and are hereby affirmed by members and professionals in order to participate in either program.

Direct any and all questions to Janae at 785-229-3520 or email her at *jmcnally@ksu.edu*.

Cloverbud Participant Clarifications

The Cloverbud program is designed for youth, five to six years of age, and is an activity-focused group rather than a project–focused. A Cloverbud member may showcase his or her exhibits at fairs and public events. Cloverbuds may not participate in any competitive 4-H events and may not have 4-H livestock projects which require long-term, on-going care or weigh-ins. A Cloverbud member may not participate as a competitive 4-H exhibitor within any livestock divisions. If questions still remain, contact the Extension Office.

Electronic Treasurer's Book for New 4-H Year

An electronic version of the Treasurer's Book is available on the District's 4-H website under "Club Resources". Any club or group may use it. One is formatted in the 1997-2003 version of Excel while the other is a 2010 version. Be sure all dates are current. Direct all questions to the Extension Office.

Care to Share Form Available

We love to hear about all the positive things occurring in the Frontier Extension District's 4-H program! The Care to Share form has been designed to help create an atmosphere of positive recognition. Completed forms should be sent to Janae in the Ottawa Extension Office. The Office will then send a congratulatory card to the appropriate committee, individual(s), etc. The Care to Share form can be found on the District's 4-H website under "Forms" or in the Extension Office. Forms are accepted year round.

4-H PDC Members

Frontier Extension District has a PDC (Program Development Committee) with representatives from each county for each of the four program areas in which the agents specialize. Under the direction of the Frontier District Governing Board, the PDC and the Extension Agent(s) identify needs and implement programs. The Extension Office can provide contact information if a concern needs to be addressed by the current 4-H PDC members.

Anderson County Members - Tanya Ewert, Sandie Fritz, Jody Newton, Reva Pracht and Joel Sprague (Extension Board Rep);

Franklin County Members - Penny Craft, Diana Kay, Audra McCurdy, Lisa Rossman, Dawn Rumford and Linda Thurston (Extension Board Rep);

Osage County Members - George Alexander, Lori Kuykendall, Jennifer Roy, DeWayne Schoepflin, Sally Wilk and Howard Woodbury (Extension Board Rep)

4-H Family Handbook Available

The New 4-H Family Handbook is available to any family. It is filled with important information explaining what to expect from the 4-H experience, terminology, events, what to do as a parent, etc. All families are encouraged to review the information. The Handbook is available on the District's 4-H website under "Join". As always, contact the Extension Office if there are any questions.

Raffle Policy and Guidelines

It is the time of year when clubs will be discussing fundraising options. Due to the changes in a 2015 Kansas law, it is now possible for nonprofit and education entities to conduct raffles. However, a raffle policy and guidelines must be followed. As of June 1, 2016, any Extension unit-affiliated group (e.g. 4-H club, 4-H project group, etc.) wanting to conduct a raffle must first fill out and submit an application. All applications must be approved prior to conducting the raffle by the Extension District Board (which meets monthly). A raffle application, raffle final report and other additional requirements may be found on the District website under "Policies" or in the Extension Office. Completed raffle applications for Board approval may be sent to any Frontier District Office.

Using the 4-H Name and Emblems Properly

Clubs and groups should make sure the 4-H name and emblems are being used correctly. Visit www.kansas4-h.org/ about/docs/4H_Name_and_Emblem_Policy_Guide_2014. pdf.

PROJECT NEWS



District's 4-H website:

www.frontierdistrict.ksu.edu/4-h/



Leasing Dairy Cattle an Option for Youth

Kansas 4-H Dairy Cattle project <u>members may lease a maximum of two animals per year</u>. Each leased animal must have a completed MG-54 form on file in the Extension Office. The original form should be brought to the Office for an agent's signature by **June 15th.** <u>All members should note ownership</u> and tagging deadlines are prior to this date. Members should keep the original form to present to show officials. Forms are available at www.bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/ pubs/MG54.pdf or in the Extension Office. The Breed Assoc. Policy may be different if showing outside of county fair(s).

Foods: National Festival of Breads

The National Festival of Breads will be **July 17, 2017**, in Manhattan. This would be a great project field trip! Visit *www.nationalfestivalofbreads.com* for event details.

District-Wide Horse Meetings

The Franklin County Horse Club meetings are open to any Frontier District 4-H member enrolled or interested in the Horse project. Meeting will be on the following dates at 7:00 p.m. at Celebration Hall, 220 W. 17th, in Ottawa: **Feb. 21st**, Mar. 21st, Apr. 11th and May 16th. In June, the group will meet at 6:00 p.m. in the arena at the Fairgrounds. Meetings will be held June 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th, July 5th and 12th. For more information, contact Joy at *joy@newhorizonranch.org*.

Osage County's Horse and Youth (HAY) meetings are also open to any Frontier District 4-H member. They are held on the third Sunday of each month at 2:00 p.m. at Burns' Skyview Ranch, 28312 S. Wanamaker Road, Osage City. The next meeting will be **February 19th.** For more information, contact Dorothy at 785-528-4601.

District Horse Show Date

The East Central District Horse Show will be held on **July 11, 2017**, in Lawrence. This the show in which all Frontier Extension District 4-H members will participate, regardless of county origin. Registration is due by **June 15, 2017**. More information is available in the Extension Office.

Horse ID Forms Due

Any horse used at any 4-H event must have a current Horse ID form on file in the Extension Office by **May I, 2017**. Forms require an agent's signature. New forms may be found on the District's 4-H website under "Project Resources" or in the Extension Office.

Kansas Junior Meat Goat Producer Day

The 2017 Kansas Junior Meat Goat Producer Day will be held on **March 25th** in Manhattan. Project leaders, parents and youth of any skill level or knowledge base are invited to participate. More information is available at https://www.asi. k-state.edu/students-and-programs/youth-programs/ks-jrproducer/index.html.

Photography Opportunities

~"Ingredients for Photo Success", March 19, 2017, Auburn; Registration due by March 11th; Information is available at http://www.shawnee.k-state.edu/4-h/current-events-pdf/2017_ photo_workshop_flyer_OFFICIAL.pdf or in the Extension Office ~Shutterbugs at Botanica: April 29, 2017, Wichita ~Shutterbugs at the Zoo: May 1, 2017, Garden City

Different workshops offered at each site. Visit www.kansas4-h. org/events-activities/conferences-events/photography/index.html.

District-Wide Rabbit Meetings Scheduled

Jillian Oberly, District-wide Rabbit Leader, will hold Rabbit meetings on the following dates at 7:00 p.m. at Celebration Hall, 220 W. 17th, in Ottawa: **March 14th, May 9th and June 13th**. Meetings are open to any Frontier District 4-H member enrolled or interested in the Rabbit project. For more information, contact Jillian at *jnoberly@yahoo.com*.

Shooting Sports: Western Heritage Meeting Info

Join a hands-on history group and learn about the Old West and enjoy shooting classic firearms. Any Frontier District 4-H member who is eight years of age by January I, 2017, may participate. Meetings are usually held on the third Sunday of every month at 2:00 p.m. Contact one of the leaders to get meeting details. "Like us" on Facebook at "4-H Western Heritage Project-East Central Kansas". For more information, contact John at *trap4570@hotmail.com*, Sabrina at *sabrina meador@yahoo.com* or Amy at *livingstonamyr@gmail.com*.

State Shooting Sports Newsletter Available

On Target, the Kansas 4-H Shooting Sports newsletter, is available to interested parties at www.kansas4-h.org/eventsactivities/conferences-events/shooting-sports/on-target/index.html.

Unmanned Aerial Systems at the Cosmosphere

This fun, hands-on, science-based event is designed to be an adult-child experience, where 4-H members and adults can interact and learn. Participants will enjoy overnight, indoor camping at the Cosmosphere in Hutchinson on March 31-April 1, 2017. Registration is available at www.kansas4-h.org/ events/index.html and is due by March 16, 2017. FYI: All UASs must be registered at www.faa.gov/uas/registration.

Kansas Junior Swine Producer Day

The 2017 Kansas Junior Swine Producer Day will be held on **March 11th** in Manhattan. Project leaders, parents and youth of any skill level or knowledge base are invited to participate. Participants will learn about various topics related to swine production and youth swine projects. More information is available at https://www.asi.k-state.edu/students-and-programs/youth-programs/ks-jr-producer/index.html.

Swine: Youth (PQA) Training

Youth Pork Quality Assurance (PQA) Training is available online. Instructions are available at www.asi.k-state.edu/ students-and-programs/youth-programs/YPQAOnlineCertification Instructions.pdf with links to age appropriate trainings. Youth exhibiting at any major show (i.e. KSF and KJLS) must complete the training. Anyone without internet access may contact the Extension Office to schedule a time to come in and use Office computers to complete the training.

VOLUNTEERS

4-H Volunteer Screening Process

Wondering who must complete the 4-H Volunteer Screening process? The following is a quick reminder:

1). Any individual who works in close, ongoing interaction with youth or

2). Any adult or youth with authority to independently plan and conduct 4-H educational experiences for youth with other adults present or in a public setting.

"Any individual" can refer to either an adult or a youth. Parents, grandparents and specialized volunteers serving in roles of club and project leaders, judging team coaches, chauffeurs, etc. and 4-H members who are 18 years of age should complete the process. Many younger 4-H members, such as teens, serving in independent, leadership roles are encouraged to complete the screening process to fulfill the requirements of serving as a project leader, camp counselor, etc. The step-by-step process is available on the District's 4-H website under "Volunteers". Anyone with questions should contact Sharon at 785-229-3520.



District's 4-H website:

www.frontierdistrict.ksu.edu/4-h/

WE LEVE OUR VOLUNTEERS

All Volunteer Renewal Forms Due Now

Club leaders and club/county/district project leaders (youth or adult) who were previously approved need to fill out a renewal form each year. They are available on the District's 4-H website under "Volunteers". It would be helpful to the Office if forms were turned in at the beginning of the new 4-H year, regardless of the date on the previous form.

Save the Dates for 4-H Volunteer E-Forums

Save the dates for three virtual 4-H volunteer E-forums -October 5th. November 2nd and December 7th. In date order, topics will be "Cultivating an Environment for Growing True Leaders", "Stem'ing into Livestock–Growing True 4-H Leaders" and "Helping 4-H'ers Grow in Life and Work". Trainings may be viewed in the privacy of your own home and are scheduled for 90 minutes. They will incorporate hands-on learning, listening and group discussions. More information will be available at a later date.

OLDER MEMBER NEWS

Camp Counselors Needed!

Camp at Rock Springs 4-H Center for the Frontier District group will be June 14-17, 2017! Counselors will be needed and should be 16 years of age or older. There is no cost for Counselors. They will also be required to attend a camp counselor training on June 8th in Johnson County and must be an approved volunteer. For information on what paperwork is needed, see the above article or contact Sharon at 785-229-3520. Additional counselor information will be available in next month's newsletter.

"Make a Splash" at Discovery Days

"Make a Splash" at Discovery Days on May 30th-June 2nd. This event is for youth, 13-18 years of age. Information will be available at www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferencesevents/. Registration and payment are due by April 15, 2017.

Save the Date for 4-H Campference

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. Youth will learn how to better interact with others and will make new friends from around the state. This event is for youth, ages 12-14, and will be held June 26-30, 2017. Payment and registration is due by May 15th. Be sure to REGISTER EARLY as this event fills up quickly!

Spend the Summer at Rock Springs

Rock Springs 4-H Center is hiring for 2017 Summer positions. Visit www.rocksprings.net/employment/Summer/positions.php.

Kansas Cattle Assoc. and Other Scholarships

Visit www.kansascattlemen.com; Deadline is March 31, 2017.

Scholarship Opportunity

WinField is keeping the tradition of the Careers in Agriculture Scholarship Program and will award a \$1,000 scholarship to ten high school seniors and ten college students in his/her first or second year who demonstrate scholastic achievement, leadership in agriculture and a perceived ability to contribute to agriculture in the future. More information and an application are available at www.winfield.com in the "News" section at the bottom of the page on the left side. All applications must be postmarked by February 10, 2017.

KSU Animal Sciences Leadership Academy

Kansas High School youth, ninth-12th grade, are encouraged to apply for the KSU Animal Sciences Leadership Academy held on June 14-17, 2017, in Manhattan. This program will further develop young leaders within the livestock industry and provide preparation for a successful future in the field. This intense, four-day event will focus on increasing knowledge of the livestock industry, as well as building leadership skills. Only twenty students will be selected. The Livestock and Meat Industry Council will provide a large scholarship for those chosen. The deadline is April 1, 2017. Information is available at http://www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/ youth-programs/k-state-animal-science-leadership-academy/.

National 4-H Congress

Frontier District 4-H is permitted to send three at-large Centennial Delegates to National 4-H Congress in November. Youth must be willing to meet the program criteria and provide a \$100 <u>non-refundable</u> deposit. Anyone interested in attending must notify Janae by May Ist. Contact the Extension Office for criteria, additional requirements and paperwork.

NEW MEMBER NEWS

As a new 4-H member and family, the newsletter can be overwhelming! There are three counties, 22 4-H Clubs and over 700 4-H members and volunteers to whom information must reach. This is a quick review of information already in the newsletter. Do not rely completely on this section. As always, if there are any questions, feel free to contact the Extension Office.

Have you...

...decided to participate in Club Day and noticed who your club is paired with for room monitoring? See page 1.

...highlighted the events from the calendar that pertain to you and your family? See page 2.

...read the information about attending camp and being a camp counselor? See page 3. See scholarship information on the member's county page.

...noticed the new date for the petting zoo and project fair and made note of the website for the Spring Fling fliers? ...noticed the list of District-wide project leaders (a few were recently added)? ...checked out the website for the helpful resources for Club Day or decided to help at Regional Club Day by being a room monitor? ...decided to participate in Willie and the Beanstalk contest? ...made note of the website for grants for foster children or decided to host a foreign exchange student? ...noted the day the Office is closed, chosen someone to check the club box and checked out the club fundraising opportunity? ...saved the date for SEA judging contests? See page 4.

...read the 4-H and FFA Standards and the rules for Cloverbuds, conducting a raffle and using the 4-H emblem and name?...made note of the Care to Share Form, New Family Handbook and the Treasurer's Book? See page 5.

...realized you still need to turn in the volunteer renewal form? ...noticed the scholarship and leadership opportunities for older youth (Discovery Days, Campference, Camp Counselor, KSU Animal Sciences Leadership Academy, National 4-H Congress)? See page 7.

...noticed the date for the next 4-H Council meeting? ...picked up KSF premium money? ...made note of tagging dates and next year's fair dates and fair information? Anderson Co.-page 9; Osage Co.-page 10; Franklin Co.-page 11.

...decided to record a radio spot and bookmarked the helpful 4-H websites? See page 12.

What are you enrolled or interested in?

Note the list of District-wide projects and leaders available to all District 4-H youth on page four.

Foods: Page 6 - National Festival of Breads

Dairy: Page 6 - Leasing Cattle and Form MG-54

Horse: Page 6 - District-wide project meeting dates; District Horse Show information; Horse ID forms due May 1st

Meat Goat: Page 6 - Kansas Jr. Meat Goat Producer Day

Photography: Page 6 - Local and Shutterbug events

Rabbits: Page 6 - District-wide project meeting dates

Shooting Sports: Page 6 - State 4-H newsletter; Western Heritage meeting/project information; County page - Practice schedules (FR & OS)

SpaceTech: Page 6 - UAS experience at Cosmosphere

Swine: Page 6 - Kansas Junior Swine Producer Day; PQA Information



Learn By Doing





The 4-H Slogan



ANDERSON COUNTY NEWS



District's 4-H website: www.frontierdistrict.ksu.edu/4-h/

Anderson Co. 4-H Council Meeting

The next Anderson County 4-H Council meeting will be held on **March 13, 2017,** at 7:00 p.m. at the Annex Building. Plan to attend and represent your club as there must be a representative from each club at every meeting in order for the club to be eligible to receive a club seal at the end of the 4-H year. While only club elected Council members are allowed to vote, all 4-H members, parents or volunteers are welcomed to attend any and all 4-H Council meetings.

Fair T-Shirt Design Contest

All designs are due at the next 4-H Council meeting on **March 13th**. See the handout for contest details. Direct any questions to Katie in the Extension Office.

Blue & Gold Meat Orders Due and Delivery

<u>ALL</u> money and orders for Blue & Gold meat are due by 3:00 p.m. on February 17, 2017, in the Extension Office. Delivery will be the week of February 27th. Plan to pick up orders promptly. Direct any questions to Katie in the Extension Office.

Anderson County Fair Dates

The 2017 Anderson County Fair will be held **July 24th-29th.** Pre-fair judging is usually held a few days before the first day. The theme will be "Got a Good Thing Growing".

Anderson Co. Weigh-in, Tagging & Ownership Dates

Weigh-in and tagging for Market Beef will be held **March 19, 2017,** at the Anderson County Fairgrounds from 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Market Beef members must come to weighin or make arrangements to have someone else bring the animal. Anyone unable to attend MUST make prior arrangements with Katie or Shannon.

The ownership deadline for all rabbits, fowl and breeding livestock is **June 1, 2017 - Date is <u>FIRM</u>!**

Out-of-County Event Scholarship Available

Anderson County 4-H Council will offer a \$50 scholarship to those 4-H members filling out an application to attend any out-of-county event. Applications are available in the Extension Office or on the District's 4-H website under "Anderson Events & Information". Youth are eligible to receive the scholarship only once per 4-H year (the new 4-H year began October 1st). This scholarship could be used to help defray the cost of Camp, Campference, Discovery Days, etc. If possible, applications should be submitted prior to attending the event.

Anderson Co. 4-H Scholarship Available

Anderson County 4-H members, who are seniors this year and plan to attend any type of training or college, are encouraged to fill out and turn in the Anderson County 4-H Scholarship Application. It is available on the District 4-H website under "Anderson Events & Information" or in the Extension Office. Applications are due to the Garnett Extension Office by **April 1, 2017**.





OSAGE COUNTY NEWS



District's 4-H website: www.frontierdistrict.ksu.edu/4-h/

Livestock Tagging, Weigh-in and Ownership Dates All breeding and market livestock must be tagged.

Weigh-in and tagging for <u>all</u> cattle (market and breeding, beef and dairy) will be held on **March 18, 2017,** at the Lyndon Vet Clinic, 1427 Topeka Avenue, in Lyndon from 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. (Bucket calf is not included.)

Weigh-in and tagging for all Goats (Meat & Dairy), Sheep and Swine will be **May 6, 2017**, at the Osage City Fairgrounds from 9:00 a.m.-Noon.

The ownership deadline for all bucket calf, fowl and rabbits is **May I**, 2017. Direct questions to the Ext. Office.

All Market Beef, steers and heifers, must be owned/tagged by **April I**, **2017**. <u>ALL</u> other breeding and market livestock must be owned/tagged by **May 15**, **2017**. To show in a BREED class, the female does not have to be registered. All of the above livestock must have proper ID and tags. Livestock used for showmanship must be owned and tagged in the 4-H/FFA exhibitor's name by the stated tagging deadline. As always, any lost ear tags must be reported to the Extension Agent for a tag replacement.

Horse Show and Practices Scheduled

Osage City Fair Horse Show: June 24th at Lyndon Saddle Club; Check-in from 8:00-8:30 a.m.; Show at 9:00 a.m. Practices: 3rd Sunday of each month (Feb. 19th) at 2:00 p.m. at Burns' Skyview Ranch, 28312 S. Wanamaker Road, Osage City. Direct questions to Dorothy at 785-528-4601.

Osage County King and Queen

Osage County 4-H members will self-nominate by filling out an application found on the District's 4-H website under "Osage Events & Information" or in the Extension Office. Applications are due in the Lyndon Extension Office by **June Ist**. Applicants will be required to participate in an interview and crowning will take place at the Overbrook Fair. The Contest objectives are as follows:

I. To provide more leadership opportunities for older 4-H members. Duties of the King and Queen will be to promote 4-H by helping at selected county-wide 4-H events, such as fairs, Achievement Night, the crowning of next year's royalty, etc.

2. To recognize demonstrated leadership abilities

3. To promote and help grow the 4-H program Direct any questions to the Lyndon Extension Office.

Mark the Calendar and Save the Dates!

The Osage City Fair will be **June 28-July 1, 2017.** The Overbrook Fair will be **August 9-12, 2017.** Dates for the Melvern Fair TBA.

Photo Display Opportunity

The Osage County Commissioners are looking for photos to display in the Osage County Courthouse. Contact Jess at 785-828-4438 for more information.

Osage County Shooting Sports Schedule

Youth must be eight (8) years of age before January 1, 2017, to participate in any Shooting Sports discipline. The Osage County Air Rifle and Air Pistol practices will be held at 9:00 a.m. at the Locust Point Gun Club, 19939 S. Berryton Road, Lyndon on the following dates:

February 4, 11, 18, 25,

March 4 (cancelled due to District Club Day) Archery will meet at 9:00 a.m. at the Gun Club on the following dates:

March 25 (mandatory safety meeting),

April 1, 8, 15, 22

The Fun Shoot will be held on **April 29, 2017**. The Benefit Shoot will be held on **April 30, 2017**.

Direct all questions to Marcie at 785-640-2270 or Jan at 785-828-3406.

Fredrickson 4-H Scholarship

Ron and Pat Fredrickson have generously donated an annual \$500 scholarship for a high school senior enrolled in Osage County 4-H in memory of their son, Doren. The scholarship will be awarded to one deserving member planning to attend an accredited college or technical school. Those interested should complete the application and return it to the Lyndon Office by **April 1st**. Applications can be found on the District's 4-H website under "Osage Events and Information". Forms are also available in the Office.

Schoepflin and Casten Scholarships

In honor of Deloris Schoepflin and Joyce Casten and to continue their commitment to 4-H, the Schoepflin and Casten families will offer scholarships for Osage County 4-H members to go to 4-H Camp or Discovery Days. Members are eligible to receive each family scholarship only once. Completed applications should be submitted to the Lyndon Extension Office by **March 1st**. Winners will be notified by **March 15th**. Applications are available on the District's 4-H website under "Osage Events and Information" or in the Extension Office.

~Deloris Schoepflin Memorial Scholarship - one (1) full scholarship will be awarded to cover the registration fee of 4-H Camp or Discovery Days

~Joyce Casten Memorial Scholarships - five (5) \$100.00 scholarships will be awarded to help with the registration fee of 4-H Camp or Discovery Days; Preference will be given to Melvern Jr. Highline 4-H Club members.

Osage County 4-H Council Meeting

The next Osage County 4-H Council meeting will be held on **February 27, 2017**, at the Extension Office. Plan to attend and represent your club as there must be a representative from each club at every meeting in order for the club to be eligible to receive a club seal at the end of the 4-H year. While only club elected Council members are allowed to vote, all 4-H members, parents or volunteers are welcomed to attend any and all meetings.



FRANKLIN COUNTY NEWS



District's 4-H website: www.frontierdistrict.ksu.edu/4-h/ %

Franklin County 4-H Council

The next Franklin County 4-H Council meeting will be held on **March 27, 2017, at 7:30 p.m.,** at Celebration Hall. Plan to attend and represent your club as there must be a representative from each club at every meeting in order for the club to be eligible to receive a club seal at the end of the 4-H year. While only club elected Council members are allowed to vote, all 4-H members, parents or volunteers are welcomed to attend any and all 4-H Council meetings.

Franklin Co. Weigh-in, Tagging & Ownership Dates

Weigh-in and tagging for Market Beef will be held **February 26**, **2017**, at Cottonwood Animal Clinic, 3161 Hwy. K-68, in Ottawa from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. <u>There will be **NO** "on farm" tagging and there will be a \$2.00 charge for all EID tags used during tagging. Families will be invoiced at a later date.</u>

The ownership deadline date for all Rabbits and Fowl, Bucket Calf and Breeding Livestock is **May I, 2017-Date is <u>FIRM</u>!**

Franklin County Fair!

The <u>2017</u> Franklin County Fair will be held **July 20th-23rd.** Remember, entries in Celebration Hall and Livestock entries will be the Wednesday before. Also, pre-fair judging usually starts about two weeks before the Fair.

Ottawa Optimist Oratorical Contest

All youth under the age of 18 by October 1, 2016, are encouraged to participate in the annual Optimist Oratorical Contest on **March 7, 2017**, at 7:00 p.m. at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, in Ottawa. The topic this year is "What the World Gains from Optimism". New this year on the local level are the cash prizes! First place will be awarded \$125, second place will be given \$75 and third place will receive \$50! The final contest winner will receive approximately \$20,000 in scholarships! All applications are due to the Optimist Club by **January 28th**. This is a wonderful opportunity! All information is available in the Ottawa Extension Office.

Franklin County Beef Project Group

Due to a growing interest, a county-wide Beef project group is being formed. Anyone enrolled or interested in any phase of the Beef project who would like to learn more about the project, make some new friends and have a little fun is invited to attend the meeting at the Cottonwood Animal Hospital, 3161 Hwy. K-68, in Ottawa on **February 19th** at 5:30 p.m. This will include those in the Bucket Calf project, too! Direct any and all questions to Darcy at 816-392-8500, Laura at 785-248-1357 or Melissa at 785-248-3563.

Franklin Co. Shooting Sports Practice Schedule

As set forth by National Shooting Sports Policies, a 4-H member must be **eight (8) years of age** before January I, 2017, to participate in Kansas 4-H Shooting Sports. Youth must be **12 years of age** by January I, 2017, to participate in Air Pistol, Small Bore Rifle and Shotgun.

This year, Franklin County Shooting Sports will be offering BB Gun, Air Rifle, Air Pistol, Shotgun, Small Bore Rifle and Archery. When properly enrolled, the member will receive project information. There will also be a \$25 fee per 4-H member (no more than \$75 per family) to cover supplies and equipment. This will help keep fundraising to a minimum.

Practices for BB Gun, Air Rifle and Air Pistol will be held at 3451 Riley Terrace, Wellsville, from 6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. on the dates listed below. <u>A safety lesson will be completed the first night for new shooters</u>. Everyone should bring a chair.

February 7, 21, March 7, 21, 28, April 4, 11, 18

Practices for Shotgun, Small Bore Rifle and Archery will be held on the following dates:

April 1, 15, 29, May 13, 27, June 10, 24, July 8, 22, August 5, 19, 26, September 2, 9, 16, 23

Practices will be held at the following locations and times: Shotgun: Hillsdale or Baldwin City Shooting Range, 10:30 a.m. Small Bore Rifle: Hillsdale Shooting Range, 1:00 p.m. Archery: Franklin County Fairgrounds, 3:30 p.m.

For questions, contact Sabrina at sabrinameador@yahoo.com or Amy at livingstonamyr@gmail.com.

Franklin County Scholarships Available Now!

Scholarships for Franklin County youth are available at *franklincountygiving.org.* Applications must be postmarked by **April 1st.**



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Join Us on the Radio

The Frontier Extension District 4-H program has a ten minute radio spot on KOFO 1220 AM/103.7 FM that airs every Wednesday at 6:40 a.m. All 4-H members are invited to share 4-H experiences, talk about upcoming community service projects, club happenings, etc. Several 4-H members have done a radio spot and found it to be quite fun. This would look great on a KAP! For more information or to schedule a recording session, contact Janae in the Ottawa Office or email her at *jmcnally@ksu.edu*.

Helpful Websites - Bookmark Them!

I. www.frontierdistrict.ksu.edu - This is the Frontier District's website. Information about upcoming events, the District newsletters, contact information for all agents, etc. is available. The 4-H Youth Development webpage is used to communicate important information and dates from the Extension Office to 4-H families.

2. Frontier Extension District - This is the District's Facebook name. Important information and dates are posted, as well as any last minute event changes.

3. www.kansas4-h.org - This is the Kansas 4-H website and is an excellent resource. There is information about state events, project materials and the state newsletter (a.k.a. the "Tip Sheet").

4. *www.joinkansas4-h.org* - This website does a great job of explaining the concept of 4-H.

5. http://pinterest.com/kansas4h/ - This is the Pinterest page for Kansas 4-H. The site showcases 4-H media tips, events, programs, volunteers, community service and club management ideas, as well as helpful hints for projects.

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