



Clover Clips

A newsletter for Johnson County 4-H families

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Record Book Corner

How's your record booking looking? If it's looking bare for 2011 or you haven't started a book...now is a great time to get your record book up-to-date! For the months ahead this corner of Clover Clips will be used to help you with your record book. Any questions about record keeping or the Kansas Award Portfolio can be directed to Kaitlyn at kaitlyn.peine@jocogov.org.

The electronic version of the permanent record and the KAP can be found at www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hforms. If you haven't already... download it to your computer and save it. Check out the example permanent record before you get started entering your own information. Start with section one: this is where you get to keep track of all the meetings you have attended this past year. Did you give a demo at Club Day? Write that down in section two. What can you add in sections three and four? An introductory video on the permanent record can be found at <http://connect.ksre.ksu.edu/p80444201/>.

Now is a great time to get started on your Kansas Award Portfolios (KAP). KAP's are project based, compared to your record book that includes all your leadership and citizenship activities in all areas. Each age division has it's own KAP form, 7-9, 10-13 and 14-18. Start with section one: write down your goals. The remaining sections correspond with sections from your record book. It's a matter of copying and pasting! Stay tuned for more info next month.

2011 Johnson County Fair Book

The electronic version of the 2011 Johnson County Fair Book is available to view at <http://jocokansasfair.com/Fair%20Book.htm>. The Johnson County Fair Board has graciously decided to provide each 4-H family with a hard copy of the fair book free of charge. Fair books will be distributed through club leaders this summer.

Johnson County 4-H Spring Rabbit Show

The spring rabbit show will be held May 28 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds. The show will start at 8 a.m. All questions can directed to Clarence Linsey at (913) 764-1531.

Rocketry Project Meeting

A Rocketry project meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 18 at 7 p.m. in room 1010 at the Extension office. Please call Harrison or Greg May at 782-1243 or email mayfamily-five@aol.com with any questions.

Mr. and Miss 4-H

There will be an information meeting for all 4-H'ers interested in participating in the Mr. and Miss 4-H selection process on May 24 at 6:30 pm at the Extension office. During the informational meeting important changes to the Mr. and Miss 4-H application process will be presented. All 4-H'ers who are 13 and older and have been in 4-H for three years are eligible to apply to be Mr. or Miss 4-H. The Mr. and Miss 4-H Program is designed to recognize 4-H'ers for the leadership they have dedicated to the Johnson County 4-H Program and community. To RSVP for the informational meeting please email kaitlyn.peine@jocogov.org.

Cloverbud Day Camp

All enrolled Cloverbuds ages 5 and 6 are invited to participate in Cloverbud Day Camp scheduled for July 18 from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Extension office. Campers will sing songs, create their own crafts, explore 4-H project areas and make new friends. Registration is \$10. Online registration is available at <https://spreadsheets.google.com/viewform?formkey=dGdIWThxNV9JQ2VYWTZQa1pzOFRyMFE6MQ>

Online payment is available at https://events.jocogov.org/exc/dev_students.asp?action=browse&main=Extension+Classes&sub1=4-H+and+Youth+Development&misc=746 Families can also pay by check. Please make checks payable to Johnson County 4-H Council.

Online registration, payment and a completed Kansas 4-H Participation Form is due to the Extension office by July 10.

Photography Project Meetings

June 4, 6-8 p.m.: Loose Park Photo Shoot. We will meet at the Antioch Library parking lot at 6 p.m. and carpool to Loose Park in Kansas City, MO. This will be a good opportunity to take macro photos of roses or use the roses as a background to take photographs of people. If it is raining, this event will be postponed to June 11.

July 16, 2-4 p.m. at the Extension office: Pre-fair meeting. We will demonstrate how to mount photos for the fair and you will be able to purchase mounting boards if you haven't already done so. Bring your 8 x 10 printed photos that you want to enter. There will be tips on what makes a good fair entry for 4-H and open class. Be sure and check the fair book as soon as it is available, as the classes are slightly different this year. The fair book can be found at <https://jocokansasfair.com>. An opportunity to sign up for the state fair photography judging teams will be available as well.

Spring Livestock Dates to Remember

The Sheep and Goat weigh-in is scheduled for May 13 (6-8 p.m.) and May 14 (7-9 a.m.). Anyone not showing at the May 14 show (10 a.m.) is encouraged to weigh-in on May 13.

The Spring Swine and Bucket Calf weigh-in is scheduled for May 27 (6-8 p.m.) and May 28 (7-9 a.m.). Anyone not showing pigs at the May 28 (10 a.m.) show is encouraged to weigh-in on May 27.

Sunflower Growing Contest

Johnson County K-State Research and Extension and Sun Publications are sponsoring a sunflower growing contest to celebrate Kansas' 150th Birthday. Free sunflower seeds are available at the Extension office. Judging will be held September 24 at the Overland Park Fall Festival. Cash prizes are available for the tallest plant and the largest seed head. Check out www.johnson.ksu.edu/sunflower for additional details.



Check out www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hforms for the 2011 4-H calendar.

May

- 14 - Spring Sheep & Goat Show
- 16 - Fantastic Four Registration deadline
- 18 - Rocketry project meeting
- 23 - Geology Field Trip registration due
- 24 - Mr. & Miss 4-H informational meeting
- 27 - Insect Spectacular registration due
- 28 - Spring Swine Show
- 28 - 4-H Spring Rabbit Show

June

- 1 - Cowboy Boot Silhouette orders due
- 1 - Teen Chef registrations due
- 4 - Loose Park photo shoot



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Success at State 4-H Wildlife Habitat Evaluation Contest

Five youth from the Johnson County K-State Research and Extension 4-H/Youth Development program traveled to the Tallgrass Prairie National preserve near Strong City, KS. to participate in the state 4-H Wildlife Habitat Evaluation contest, held April 8.

This was the first year Johnson County 4-H youth participated in the contest. Ethan Eccles, Morning Glory 4-H Club Member, took first place in the junior division. The junior team took second place. Members of the junior team are: Ethan Eccles, Morning Glory, Brenna Zimmerman, Pioneer, Chase Zimmerman, Pioneer and Logan Allen, Prairie Moon. Bryce Zimmerman, Pioneer, participated in the senior division.