



# Clover Clips

A newsletter for Johnson County 4-H families.

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## 4-H Families

Hello 4-H Families! I hope this June issue of Clover Clips finds you all in good health and spirits. We have some big news. Pat Gower (Geier), your 4-H Office Professional will be retiring on July 1. We would like to invite all of you to a reception to thank and wish Pat well on June 20, 2013 from 4 – 6 p.m. Please join us in celebrating her 35 years of dedication and passion for 4-H and youth development in Johnson County. Here's to a safe and active summer! - Tara

## Scholarships

The Johnson County 4-H Program is fortunate to offer two \$500 scholarships to two graduating seniors each year. 2013 High school graduates and recent alumni who have graduated from high school within the past four years are also eligible to apply. Applications are due to the Extension office by July 1. Recipients will be announced at the Livestock and Project Auction during the senior recognition on Saturday, August 10. For a complete list of the guidelines and the application visit [www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HForms](http://www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HForms).

## Science Camp

RSSC- Robotics, Science and Space Camp will be an exciting and interactive adventure for all youth ages 9-13. The Johnson County 4-H and Youth Development program is seeking science and technology enthusiasts to participate in a three day- day camp series July 16-18 at the Extension office. Each day will run from 1:30-5 p.m. All youth ages 9-13 are invited. Participants will explore robotics, technology and aerospace projects. Registration includes project materials and snacks. Registration is \$25 for the three day series and is due July 1. For registration details visit [www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HCamps](http://www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HCamps).

## Looking for Day Camp Volunteers

Are you looking for an opportunity to pay it forward? Each summer the Johnson County 4-H Youth Development program offers several day camp opportunities. We would not be able to facilitate these programs without the leadership of our teen and adult leaders. We are seeking outgoing teen and adult leaders ages 15 and older to volunteer for our day camps. To volunteer visit [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/viewform?usp=drive\\_web&formkey=dEs2VUJDSWF4dFUtNEdIVDQtd0J0d3c6MQ#gid=0](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/viewform?usp=drive_web&formkey=dEs2VUJDSWF4dFUtNEdIVDQtd0J0d3c6MQ#gid=0).

# Fair Edition

## 2013 Johnson County 4-H Fair Book

The electronic version of the 2013 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.

## County Fair Entries

4-H online entries for exhibits judged at the county fair will be due July 31. All paper entries will be due on July 15. All entries for home environment, fiber arts and clothing construction, fashion revue and dog show will also be due on July 15. Late entries will not be accepted. If a 4-H'er does not meet the July 31 deadline for online entries they will not be allowed to have their item or project judged in the 4-H division unless approved by the Fair Board.

All livestock exhibitors will be required to submit a stall request by July 15. All sheep, swine, beef and goat exhibitors will be required to submit tag numbers by the July 31 deadline. If your family has weighed and tagged their animals under a family nomination, you will be required to enter the tag number(s) with the 4-H'ers name who is exhibiting the animal by July 31. Livestock exhibitors: you must enter in showmanship if you plan on exhibiting in showmanship.

Online entries will be available on June 1 at <http://jocokansasfair.com/OnlineEntries.html>. It is highly recommended that you print off your entry confirmation. On step 5 you should find an option to print a detailed receipt. If on step 5 you have the box checked to send an email confirmation you will also receive a detailed receipt in an email.

After July 31, adding a class/entry is not an option. Please enter the classes you believe you will actually be bringing to exhibit at the fair. The Fair Association pays a fee for all entries including no shows. Most 4-H classes close a week before the fair so you should have a good idea of what you are going to bring before then. Open class entries close just before judging so there is no need to enter any exhibits you are not sure about, just enter them online before you bring them to the fair.

In order to save time with project check-in at the fair, 4-H'ers with non-animal projects are encouraged to print their entry tag(s) at home.

## Mr. and Miss 4-H

The Johnson County Mr. and Miss 4-H Program recognizes young people for the leadership and commitment they have contributed to the 4-H program and their communities. All 4-H'ers who have been a member for at least three years and are at least 13 (as of Jan. 1, 2013) are eligible to apply. Applications are due to the Extension office by July 8. Interviews and presentations will be scheduled for Saturday, July 20. All application documents and additional information about 4-H can be found at [www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HForms](http://www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HForms). Questions about Mr. and Miss 4-H can be directed toward Lynette Willis at [lcmmwillis@yahoo.com](mailto:lcmmwillis@yahoo.com) or 913-269-0677.

## Livestock T-Shirts

All 4-H'ers exhibiting beef, sheep, goats and swine are required to wear blue jeans and the official Johnson County Fair Livestock Show t-shirt. The color this year will be turquoise. Every 4-H'er participating in either beef, sheep, goats, or swine shows will need to purchase a shirt as the color has changed this year. Each livestock exhibitor will need to wear their turquoise shirt for their respective show(s). 4-H'ers should contact their club leader to order. The shirts are \$6 each. Submit your t-shirt size and money to your club leader. Club leaders will turn in all orders to Sue Pio by June 30. Club leaders refer to your Leader Update for more information about ordering shirts. Shirts will be sorted by club name and picked up by a representative of each club on Wednesday, August 7, at 7 a.m. at the livestock pavilion.

## Cloverbuds Show N Share



Enrolled Cloverbuds are invited to participate in Show and Share on Tuesday, August 6 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the 4-H building. This is a reminder that Cloverbuds are not eligible to compete in the 4-H division at the fair. Full membership starts at age 7. Cloverbuds can bring a maximum of two projects to show and share. Each Cloverbud will sign up for a 15 minute time slot. A signup sheet will be available Monday evening and Tuesday morning during the entry check in inside the 4-H building. For a list of approved pets for Cloverbuds, please visit <http://www.kansas4-h.org/doc5698.ashx> and check out the Cloverbuds Policy link. Projects that are reasonable in size and are not living/breathing will be displayed in the 4-H building and available for pick up Sunday, August 11.

## Clothing and Food Labels

Foods and Food Preservation Labels are available to pick up at the Extension office. Please refer to your department's rules in the fair book regarding labels. 4-H mall no longer makes clothing labels therefore we do not have clothing labels available in the office. To make your own clothing labels: type or print in ink on a 3" x 5" piece of white cloth the class number, name of exhibitor and address. Sew labels in back of neck or center back of waistband. Other items – secure in an obvious place.

## Photo Mats

The Johnson County Extension office has photo mats available for photography project members to purchase. Each mat is \$1.15 and checks are to be made payable to the Johnson County 4-H Council. Photos exhibited in the 4-H photography division at the county fair will require a photo mat. The Extension office also has photo mounting directions available.

## State Fair Entries

All 4-H exhibits that receive purple ribbons are eligible to enter their exhibits at the Kansas State Fair. 4-H'ers who qualify to exhibit at the state fair may sign up in the fair office from 3 - 5 p.m. Wednesday, August 7 through Friday, August 9. 4-H members must be 9 as of January 1, 2013 to enter. All entries for the Kansas State fair must be made by 5 p.m. Tuesday, August 13. Please note all livestock entries for the Kansas State Fair are due by July 15.

## Project Check In

Projects will be checked in on Monday, August 5, from 6:30 - 9 p.m. and again on Tuesday from 8 - 10 a.m. Projects not checked in by 10 a.m. on Tuesday will not be eligible to be exhibited. Please plan on arriving before 10 a.m. to have ample time to check in all of your projects. 4-H foods judging will take place at Gardner Elementary School from 2 - 8 p.m. on Monday, August 5. Livestock exhibitors, please refer to the fair book for your check in time.

## Project Pick Up

All 4-H livestock and horses can be removed from the fairgrounds after 6 a.m. Sunday, August 11. All remaining exhibits will be released at 9 a.m. **4-H'ers must pick up their entries or make arrangements with another 4-H'er to pick up your projects by Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m.** All 4-H entries and premium money will be available for pick up after the fairgrounds have been cleaned. It is expected that 4-H exhibitors help with fair clean up.

# 4-H Food Stand

Each year the Johnson County 4-H Council has a Food Stand at the county fair. This is our ONLY fundraiser for the County Council. County Council funds Achievement Celebration, transportation for 4-H Camp, Discovery Days, trip scholarships for 4-H'ers, Family Night and Officers Training, County and Regional Club Days and much more. A two hour shift at the food stand is a small price to pay for a year of all the great county-wide activities. The food stand schedule, along with the food stand info sheet is posted at [www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HForms](http://www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HForms). All 4-H families working the food stand should review the info sheet prior to the county fair to ensure a successful and fun food stand shift! The info sheet will be posted by June 1. On Monday evening (Aug. 5) each club will need to send two adult volunteers to your club's assigned time. Those volunteers will need to also work during your club's assigned shift later in the week. This will help with efficiency and organization of the food stand.

## Spring Livestock Shows and Weigh-In

Registration and additional information for all shows can be found at <http://johnson.ksu.edu/4Hlivestock>. 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.

### Spring Swine Show

The Spring Swine Show will be held Saturday, June 1, 2013 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds, beginning at 10 a.m. Pre-registration is due May 23. Entry fee is \$10 per head, \$20 after May 23. 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 p.m. on Friday, May 31 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds.

## Tagging and Weigh In

Tagging and weigh-in will be available for those not showing in the spring livestock shows the Friday evening prior to each show. Those not showing in the spring shows are encouraged to weigh and tag the Friday before their respective species show. 4-H'ers exhibiting in the spring shows will weigh and tag the morning of their respective show. There will be a \$3 fee for each tag. Cash and checks will be accepted. Checks should be made payable to the Johnson County Extension Council.

Bucket Calf tagging will be available from 6-8 p.m. on May 31 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds.

## Kansas Livestock Nominations Checklist

To see the guidelines for nominating your animal(s) to show at the Kansas Junior Livestock Show and Kansas State Fair click here: <http://asi.ksu.edu/doc6444.ashx>.

## Horse Achievement Levels for District Shows

All horse members must complete the required horse achievement levels by the entry deadline for their district shows. The achievement level requirements for Districts are provided in a chart on page 4 of the newly revised horse rule book. Requirements can also be found at <http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=534>.

## Johnson County 4-H Horse Club Shows

The Johnson County 4-H Horse Club is hosting several horse shows this spring and summer. For a list of the show dates, the show bill and additional details visit <http://johnson.ksu.edu/4Hlivestock>.

## State Horse Judging

The State Horse Judging contest will be held Wednesday, June 26, at the Ag Hall in Salina. Check in will start at 8 a.m. and the contest will begin at 9 a.m. Contest rules, information and registration will be up shortly on the State Horse website at <http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=534>. Registration will be due in the State Office on June 15.

## It's Rodeo Royalty Time!

The 4H Horse Club is excited to announce that they will be sponsoring the Rodeo Queen and Princess Competition for Fair 2013. This opportunity is open county wide. Interested 4H'ers should email their NAME, PHONE NUMBER and CLUB NAME to [jocorodeo2012@yahoo.com](mailto:jocorodeo2012@yahoo.com). They will receive the Program Information, Calendar of Events and application. Applications are due Friday May 31 via email, Presentations will be Thursday, June 20 beginning at 6 p.m. and the Pattern riding will be Sunday July 14. Queen and princess will be announced at Coronation. Any questions may be directed to Greta Wakefield or Sheri McCracken to the email noted above.

### Changes to State Fair Horse Entries

Please make note that all t-shirts orders will be added to the State Fair Horse Entry forms. The shirts must be pre-ordered this year and no extra shirts will be available at the State Fair Horse Show.

## Miami-Waggers 4-H Dog Show

Miami County 4-H Dog Clubs and Tail Waggers 4-H Dog Project are hosting their 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Dog Show at the Johnson County Fairgrounds on June 15, 2013. Pre-registration is due June 6, 2013. Registration is at 8 a.m. and the show will follow at 9 a.m. For more information please visit [www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HForms](http://www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HForms).

## Johnson County Dog Club Invitational Dog Show

Johnson County 4-H Dog Club will be hosting an invitational dog show on June 15, 2013 at the Mahaffie Farmstead Arena in Olathe KS. Entries and vaccination records are due by June 8, 2013. Check in will begin at 8:30 a.m. 4-H members should provide a crate for their dog(s) when they are not in the ring. Show time will begin approximately at 9 a.m. and continue until judging is complete. 4-H members will be responsible in cleaning up after their dog. For more details visit [www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HForms](http://www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HForms).

## Heritage Plaza Bricks

Heritage Plaza Bricks at the Johnson County Fair Grounds are still available. Cost is \$100.00 engraved. Our Goal would be to have all Johnson County 4-H Clubs represented and all those who have ever been involved with 4-H and/or the fair. It is a great way to say thank you to an individual or leader who has made an impact on you during your 4-H career and/or your life. Order forms are available at [www.jocoksfair.com](http://www.jocoksfair.com) or the fair office. Orders placed soon will be engraved and ready for this year's Fair. If you have any questions please contact Darci Hamilton (913) 238-8488, Rex Harrison (913) 592-5029, or Todd Knappenberger (913) 393-9948.



## LIVESTOCK GRANT AND MENTOR APPLICATIONS

For the past two years, the Johnson County Livestock Association has offered funding for a livestock grant and mentor program. Eight 4-Hers received funds each year to help support their livestock projects. Grant winners received from \$250 to \$1000 for their beef, sheep, swine or goat projects. If you would like an opportunity to apply for the grant or mentor program, please consider filling out an application by the July 15 due date. Applications are available on-line at <http://www.johnson.ksu.edu/DesktopDefault.aspx?>

## County-wide Photography Meeting

If you're new to photography and would like to learn how to mount your photos for the fair, and learn how to judge your photos to pick the best ones for the fair, come to our county-wide photography meeting to be held at the Extension office, Room 1060 on Saturday, July 13 from 1-2:30 p.m. Any questions, email Grace Ladd at [theladds5@gmail.com](mailto:theladds5@gmail.com).

Check out [www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hforms](http://www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hforms) for the 2013 4-H calendar.

#### June

- 1 - Spring Swine Show
- 15 - Jo Co 4-H Dog Club Invitational
- 15 - State Horse Judging registration due
- 15 - Miami Waggers 4-H Dog Show
- 22 - National Festival of Breads
- 30 - T-shirt orders due to Sue Pio

#### July

- 1 - Johnson County Scholarship applications due.
- 1 - Registration for Science Camp due
- 8 - Mr. & Miss 4-H applications due
- 15 - Paper entries and stall requests for County Fair due
- 15 - Livestock and Mentor applications due
- 16-18 - 4-H Science Camp
- 31 - County Fair online entries and livestock tag numbers due

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## 4-H Food & Nutrition Project Opportunity

Boost your 4-H Foods & Nutrition project this summer by attending the National Festival of Breads bi-annual event on Saturday, June 22, 2013 at the Hilton Garden Inn, Manhattan, KS. 4-H'ers are also invited to get involved by donating baked goods (such as cookies, cupcakes, breads or rolls) to the Share Your Strength Great Bake Sale held at the National Festival of Breads event. Baked item donations will be collected from 1-4 pm on Friday, June 21 at the Hilton Garden Inn. We also invite Senior

level 4-H'er volunteers to work a shift at the Great Bake Sale on Saturday, June 22. All money raised at the Share Your Strength Great Bake Sale stays local to help feed hungry children in Kansas. For more information about the event visit [www.americasbreadbasket.com/nfob](http://www.americasbreadbasket.com/nfob) or to donate/volunteer, please contact Kansas Wheat Spokesperson Julene DeRouchey, [julene@wamego.net](mailto:julene@wamego.net) or (785)437-6488.

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