



# Clover Clips

A newsletter for Johnson County 4-H families.

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## April 29 & May 1 Deadlines

### Adding/Dropping Projects and Enrollment Status

The project add/drop deadline for new and returning 4-H'ers is May 1. 4-H members must be enrolled in the project by May 1 and be approved in 4-H Online to be eligible to exhibit in the corresponding project area at the Johnson County Fair. Project enrollment is an important component of the project experience. 4-H families can update this information any time in 4-H Online by simply clicking the Edit button in the Projects tab within the 4-H member's profile. This option will be available through May 1 and after that the system will not allow any changes to be made to a 4-H member's projects. If you have questions about project enrollment or the May 1 deadline, please contact your club leader or the Johnson County 4-H office.

### Horse Identification and Horseless Horse Certificates

All Horse Identification Certificates and Horseless Horse Certificates are **due to the Extension office by 5 p.m. on Friday, April 29** because May 1 falls on a Sunday this year. Appropriate forms can be found at [www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/livestock.html](http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/livestock.html). \*\*Please note that the Horse ID Certificate dated January 2020 **must** be used. Also posted on the website above is an example of a correctly filled out Horse ID Certificate; it must only be one page (front and back).

**4-H Horse Snaffle Bit Project Nominations** - Horse snaffle bit project nominations are also **due to the Extension office by 5 p.m. on Friday, April 29** since May 1 falls on a Sunday this year. Along with the nomination, a Horse Identification Certificate and a \$10 fee must be submitted.

### Ks Jr Livestock Show & Ks State Fair Livestock Nominations

4-H'ers planning on showing animals at the Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS) and/or the Kansas State Fair must submit nominations to the KSU Youth Livestock office. Market Beef nominations are due by May 1. Commercial Heifer, Swine, Sheep, and Meat Goat nominations are due by June 15. **\*\*NEW THIS YEAR: The nomination process is transitioning to an online system for state livestock nominations. Instructions on how to complete the new nomination process are linked on the KSU Youth Livestock Program's website at [www.YouthLivestock.ksu.edu](http://www.YouthLivestock.ksu.edu) under "Nomination Information." Make sure to become familiar with the process right now, as every family will need to plan ahead to make sure all the steps are completed on time and in the correct order.\*\***

**YQCA Certification Requirement** - As a reminder, YQCA certification is required to participate at KJLS and at the Kansas State Fair. See page 8 for more information about YQCA Certification.

# Announcements

## Food Fare Winners

A BIG thank you to all the clubs and the Master Food Volunteers that hosted a booth, as well as to the attendants that participated in our annual Food Fare event on April 8. This year was one of our most attended Food Fare events and included amazing food and very fun decorations, props, costumes, and activities. The theme for this year was Months of the Year and participants voted on their top booth and recipe. Congratulations to our winners: the award for Favorite Booth goes to Sharon 4-H Club and their December/Christmas theme; and the honor of Favorite Recipe goes to Blue River Wranglers 4-H Club for their strawberry mango salsa! This year's Recipe Book is posted on the 4-H Food Fare page at [www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/food-fare.html](http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/food-fare.html).

## Johnson County Ambassador Advisor Position Opening

Johnson County 4-H is seeking an adult volunteer for the Ambassador Advisor position. The Ambassador Advisor facilitates the selection, training and leadership of 4-H Ambassadors and helps to promote 4-H and Extension youth programs in the county. This volunteer role should be a two-year term, might require 4-10 hours of work per month, and requires enthusiasm for 4-H youth, specifically teens. This person must also complete the Johnson County 4-H volunteer screening process. If you, or someone you know is interested (does not need to currently be involved in 4-H), please contact the Johnson County 4-H office at 913-715-7000 or [joco4-h@jocogov.org](mailto:joco4-h@jocogov.org).

## Livestock Ear Tag Information

The entire state of Kansas has been affected by a shortage of livestock eID tags. Johnson County has not been spared. If our tags do not arrive in time for goat, sheep, and swine tagging event dates, we have an alternative plan which has been accepted by the state office. The remaining eID tags we may have, or are receiving from neighboring counties will be given priority to 4-H'ers entering into the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and/or Kansas Junior Livestock Show. **REMINDER:** Animals must be tagged on or before the date of their corresponding spring show to be able to show in the county fair. Please see page 7 for this year's tagging procedures.

## Advice from Mr. 4-H

**Question:** *How has 4-H helped you build your leadership skills?*

**Mr. 4-H, Ben Burling:** When I was seven years old sitting at the 4-H table for the first time, being a part of discussion and voting on pizza for the next club meeting, I had no idea where this thing called 4-H would take me. My experiences in 4-H have helped me in more ways than I can list. The two that stand out the most are: learning and using parliamentary procedures in our meetings and public speaking skills - having the ability to speak to an audience has to be one of the largest assets I have. Every aspect of 4-H has helped me throughout my 4-H journey, the officer positions I have held in the Morning Glory 4-H Club and in the County Council have helped me grow as an individual and leader. Each 4-H moment helps you build on your leadership skills, even if you are not thinking of it as leadership, it really is and it's there in your 4-H experiences - from learning to keep order in a meeting, being a committee chairperson, running a station at a day camp, being room monitor at club days, volunteering on a county committee, even helping set up and clean up for your club meetings. My advice to each 4-H'er is keep being a part of your club, lend a hand, put yourself out there for office positions in your club, get involved in county committees, and don't be afraid to try a new project. "If you don't try, there's no opportunity to succeed."



# Fair Edition

## 2022 Johnson County 4-H Fair Book

An electronic version of the 2022 Johnson County Fair Book will soon be available to view at [www.jocokansasfair.com](http://www.jocokansasfair.com).

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### County Fair Entries

4-H entries for exhibits judged during the county fair will be due July 27. All entries for clothing construction, dog show, fashion revue, fiber arts, and home environment will be due on **July 1**. Late entries will not be accepted and if a 4-H'er does not meet the deadline they will not be allowed to have their item or project judged in the 4-H division.

All sheep, swine, beef and goat exhibitors will be required to submit stall requests and tag numbers by July 27. 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 member's name who is exhibiting the animal by the July 27 deadline. Livestock exhibitors: you must enter in showmanship if you plan on exhibiting in showmanship.

Only online entries are accepted. The entry system typically opens in early June and is accessible through the Johnson County Fair website at [www.jocokansasfair.com](http://www.jocokansasfair.com). **Note:** Once an entry is submitted it cannot be edited. If assistance is needed in making online entries please contact the Extension office or the Fair office. It is highly recommended that you print off your entry confirmation.

After the entry deadline adding an entry is not an option. If you are not sure about what you are taking to the fair, please wait until closer to the deadline to make your entries. This will help keep dropped entries to a minimum as the Fair Board has to pay for each dropped entry.

**All entries including livestock must be accompanied at check-in with a printed entry tag.**

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### 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 (before January 1, 2022) are eligible to apply. More information about the Mr. and Miss 4-H Program can be found at [www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/mr-and-miss-4-h.html](http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/mr-and-miss-4-h.html). The application will be posted on the website soon and is due July 1. Interviews will be held on a weekday evening in July.

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### Food and Clothing Labels

Food labels (including those for Food Preservation) are available on the Johnson County 4-H website at [www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/johnson-county-fair.html](http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/johnson-county-fair.html) to print off at home, or they can be picked up at the Extension office.

Clothing labels can be made by printing in ink on a 3" x 5" piece of cloth: Class Number, County, Name, Age and Level. Please refer to your department's rules in the fair book regarding labels.

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### Departmental Forms

Some departments such as Energy Management, Fashion Revue, and SpaceTech, require additional forms along with the entry. These forms will be posted when available on the Johnson County Fair page on our website at [www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/johnson-county-fair.html](http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/johnson-county-fair.html). Please refer to each department's rules in the fair book regarding what forms are required.

# Fair Edition

## Photo Mats and Photo Sleeves

The Extension office has photo mats and protective photo sleeves available for purchase. The cost for the pair is \$1.50. Like last year, you will not receive the photo sleeve at the time of purchase as photos will be placed in the photo sleeve by the superintendents during judging. Use a large zip top bag to transport your photos to the fairgrounds for judging. Photos exhibited in the 4-H Photography division at the county fair are required to be mounted on a photo mat. Photo mounting directions and labels can be picked up at the Extension office and they are also posted at [www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/johnson-county-fair.html](http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/johnson-county-fair.html) to print at home.

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## Entering Quilts in the Fair

If you are entering a quilt in the Johnson County Fair the ideal department to enter it in is the Fiber Arts department. The judge for Fiber Arts will be more experienced with quilts and therefore better able to give 4-H'ers helpful feedback.

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## 4-H Foods Judging

The judging for 4-H Foods and Nutrition will take place at Gardner Elementary School from 2-8 p.m. on Monday, August 1. (Participants in the Dog or Horse Shows may come for judging from 12:30-1:30 p.m.)

As you research and test recipes for your food entries, make sure to check out the "4-H Foods Entry Tips for Fair" document posted on Johnson County 4-H website at [www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/johnson-county-fair.html](http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/johnson-county-fair.html).

**Canning and Preservation fair classes:** 4-H'ers should only use CLEAR canning jars for the fair. Save the colored blue and green canning jars for home use. Colored jars may have to be opened to check canned ingredients and if it is opened it cannot go on for further judging. This is a food safety issue.

If you have any questions about your food entry, please contact the Extension office.

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## Project Check-in and Judging

Project check-in will go back to the pre-pandemic schedule of Monday evening (August 1) from 6:30-9 p.m. and Tuesday morning (August 2) from 8-10 a.m. Projects not checked in by 10 a.m. on Tuesday will not be eligible to be exhibited. Plan on arriving before 10 a.m. on Tuesday to have ample time to check in all of your projects. Livestock exhibitors, please refer to the fair book for your check-in time.

The Johnson County 4-H team is working with 4-H superintendents to organize online time slot sign-ups for conference judging, similar to the sign-ups that were used the last couple years. Please stay tuned for more details.

Projects for departments judged before fair have their own judging schedule. Families enrolled in the corresponding projects in 4-H Online will receive information detailing judging for these departments.

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## Cloverbuds Show and Share

Enrolled Cloverbuds are invited to participate in Show and Share on Tuesday, August 2. This is a reminder that Cloverbuds are not eligible to compete in the 4-H division at the fair. Full membership starts when youth turn 7 before January 1 of the current 4-H year. Cloverbuds are encouraged to show and share 1-2 projects. Sign-ups for time slots will be available at a later date. For more information about activities for Cloverbuds, visit [www.kansas4-h.org/4-h-programs/cloverbuds/](http://www.kansas4-h.org/4-h-programs/cloverbuds/).

# Fair Edition

## 4-H Food Stand

The 4-H Food Stand is a great way for youth to help raise funds for Johnson County 4-H Council while practicing safe food handling, interacting with the community and working collaboratively with their club members! Be prepared to work a short shift at the 4-H Food Stand during Fair on your club's assigned day. The funds raised help sponsor county events such as Club Day and Achievement Celebration and provide transportation and scholarships for state events such as Discovery Days and 4-H camp.

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## Livestock T-shirts

The Johnson County Fair Association requires all livestock exhibitors to wear Johnson County Fair t-shirts when exhibiting livestock at the fair. The fair association is using the same shirt as last year, therefore only 4-H'ers showing for the first time this year or requiring a new size will need to order. The cost is \$10 per shirt. Please send payment and size needed to Allyssa King at 32415 W 95th St, De Soto, KS 66018. Make checks out to Johnson County Fair Assn. Shirt sizes for youth are small, medium and large. Adult sizes are small, medium, large, XL and XXL.

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## Livestock and Project Auctions

See the 4-H/FFA Livestock Auction section or the 4-H/FFA Project Auction section in the 4-H Fair Book for more details about the Livestock Auction and Project Auction.

**Livestock Auction:** In order to sell their livestock, exhibitors must turn in auction forms and fill out and sign a W-9 IRS Form by 10 a.m. on Wednesday, August 3.

**Project Auction:** Project auction entry forms must be turned in by 12 p.m. on Thursday in the Green Building. No late entries will be accepted. An exhibitor selling a project for \$600 or more must complete a W-9 Tax ID (social security) form to the Extension office within 5 days of the auction.

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## State Fair Entries

4-H exhibits that receive a purple ribbon are eligible to enter at the Kansas State Fair as long as there is a comparable department at the State Fair. To enter in the Kansas State Fair, 4-H members must be 9 before January 1, 2022. 4-H'ers who qualify to exhibit at the State Fair may sign up in the Fair Office from 3-5 p.m. on Thursday, August 4 and Friday, August 5. You may also call or email Christin with your entries. All entries must be into the Extension office by 5 p.m. on Monday, August 8. **Please note:** beef, sheep, swine and meat goat entries for the Kansas State Fair are due by July 15 and Horse Show entries are due by August 1. These projects have a separate entry process.

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## Project Pick Up

All 4-H livestock and horses can be removed from the fairgrounds after 6 a.m. on Sunday, August 7. All remaining exhibits will be released after the church service which usually concludes around 8:45 a.m. **4-H'ers must pick up their entries or make prior arrangements with another 4-H family to pick up their entries on Sunday morning.** If a 4-H'er does not pick up their entries it is the responsibility of the Club Leader to collect the rest of the club's entries.

Premium money will be available for pick up after the fairgrounds have been cleaned. It is expected that all 4-H exhibitors and their families help with fair clean-up. Requested corrections to premium checks must be submitted to the Fair Office by 12 p.m. on Sunday.

# Local Opportunities

## **How Can 4-H Shape Career Pathways**

The Johnson County Livestock Program Careers Committee has been working closely with Agriculture Future of America (AFA) to provide 4-H'ers an opportunity for job shadowing in a multitude of careers in agriculture. At the County Council meeting on May 2, the presenter Collin Young from AFA will speak with 4-H'ers about the program and job shadowing opportunities in the KC metro for youth this summer. If you cannot make it to the meeting, the presentation will be recorded and emailed out to all 4-H families. For more information or if you are interested in participating in this program visit <https://tinyurl.com/AFAJohnsonSurvey>.

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## **Livestock Mentee and Mentor Grants**

Are you a current 4-H livestock project member who could use some additional funding to purchase your animal OR are you a 4-H'er with a desire to participate in a livestock project however unsure of how to afford to purchase an animal or where to start? The Johnson County Livestock Association is providing youth an opportunity to apply for funds to raise 4-H livestock through a Mentee and Mentor Program. Mentee winners will be teamed up with a Mentor winner who will assist in instructing about the project. The Mentee Grant funding can be used for purchases of 2023 livestock projects. The Mentor Grant funding will be paid to the recipient upon completion of the mentorship experience.

The Mentee Grant will be awarded to 4-H members planning to enroll (for the 2023 4-H year) in the following projects and values: \$1,100 to a 4-H'er enrolled in the beef project and \$300 to 4-H'ers enrolled in each of the sheep, swine, and goat projects. Experienced 4-H'ers who apply for the Mentor Grant could earn \$500 for the beef project and \$300 for each of the sheep, swine, and goat projects.

If you would like an opportunity to apply for the Livestock Mentee or Mentor Grant, please fill out an application by June 1, 2022. Apply online at [https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_cZ26Gx0KKqbKb1Y](https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cZ26Gx0KKqbKb1Y) or complete the application posted at [www.johnson.k-state.edu/crops-livestock/johnson-county-livestock-association.html](http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/crops-livestock/johnson-county-livestock-association.html).

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## **Johnson County 4-H Scholarship**

Every year Johnson County 4-H offers a scholarship to two individuals that are either 4-H seniors or former 4-H members. The scholarship application and guidelines for the 2022 Johnson County 4-H Scholarships are posted on the Johnson County 4-H website at [www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/](http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/), under County/State Opportunities. Applications are due by 5 p.m. on Friday, July 1, 2022. Please also make sure that any Johnson County 4-H alumni from the past four years who were in 4-H for at least five years are aware of this opportunity.

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## **Help Wanted: 4-H Food Stand**

A responsible and organized adult is needed to serve as the 4-H Food Stand Manager for this year's Johnson County Fair. The position does come with a stipend. Please see the Position Description posted at [www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/council.html](http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/council.html). If you have questions or are interested in the position, please contact the Johnson County 4-H office at [joco4-h@jocogov.org](mailto:joco4-h@jocogov.org).

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## **Leadership Day Camp**

The Ambassadors are hosting a Leadership Day Camp for all youth, ages 8-12 (including non-4-H'ers) on Tuesday, July 11, from 1-5 p.m. at the Johnson County Fairgrounds. During this camp, participants will engage in fun activities and games that will build leadership and teamwork skills. A \$12 registration fee will cover material costs and snacks. Registration is coming soon!

# County Project Opportunities

## Livestock Project Tagging & Spring Livestock Shows

All market sheep, steers, market heifers, hogs and goats must be tagged by Johnson County Extension staff on or before the respective Spring Show date in order to be eligible to show in the 4-H division at the Johnson County Fair. The cost for the ear tag is \$3 each. Johnson County Extension staff will be on the Johnson County Fairgrounds in conjunction with the Spring Livestock Shows to facilitate the purchasing and tagging process on the following dates:

June 3 (5-7:30 p.m.) — Goats, Sheep, Swine and Bucket Calves only

June 4 (7-9 a.m.) — Goat and Sheep Spring Show participants only

June 5 (7-9 a.m.) — Swine and Bucket Calf Spring Show participants only

*(\*\*The tagging deadline has passed for beef project members. If you have questions, please contact the Johnson County 4-H office.\*\*)*

For more information on the Spring Livestock Shows at the Johnson County Fairgrounds go to [www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/livestock.html](http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/livestock.html).

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## Countywide Livestock Program

The Countywide Livestock Program is centered around three pillars: education, judging, and careers dealing with livestock. Education could include, but is not limited to, hosting clinics, teaching youth what to expect when preparing for the livestock auction, etc. Judging includes working with youth wanting to learn more about each species and competition. Lastly, career information includes touring local agribusinesses, hosting presentations from professionals in the agriculture community, etc. **You do not have to be enrolled in a livestock project to participate!** The next meeting for the Johnson County Livestock Program is May 5 at 6:30 p.m. This will be a hybrid meeting with in-person attendance at the Extension office and online attendance through Zoom at <https://ksu.zoom.us/j/95080995678?pwd=V2xLTW1YMi8yTUM2RWIVeTlWSkFRdz09>.

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## Countywide Sewing Project

Attention Sewing Project members - If you have ever wanted to learn to sew or are currently sewing and want a place to sew, then come join the countywide sewing group. The group meets to sew 6:30-8:30 p.m. every Thursday through July. For more information please contact Martha Powell, countywide sewing group leader, at [mmp4powell@yahoo.com](mailto:mmp4powell@yahoo.com) or 913-302-5812.

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## Countywide Knitting Project

Learn the skills to begin knitting, or improve your knitting skills, by being part of the Countywide Knitting Project. Contact Sarah at [skallansrud@yahoo.com](mailto:skallansrud@yahoo.com) to be added to the mailing list for meeting announcements.

## SAVE THE DATE!

**Kansas 4-H Insect Spectacular** will be June 17-18 in Chanute.

**Johnson County Fair** will be July 31-August 6 in Gardner.

**State 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest** will be August 13 in Manhattan.

**Fall Tractor Supply Paper Clover Fundraiser** will be October 5-16.

# County Project Opportunities

## YQCA Requirements

**What is YQCA?** Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a national, multi-species youth livestock quality assurance program that focuses on food safety, animal wellbeing, and character development, through age-appropriate educational curriculum for ages 7-21. This program is an annual certification that grows with the youth, so the learning modules are different every year.

### **Who needs to be certified?**

Johnson County Fair Exhibitors: All youth age 8 and older exhibiting in the beef, goat, sheep and/or swine project must be YQCA certified by June 15, 2022 in order to exhibit at the fair. Please remember to print your YQCA certificate to bring to county fair.

Exhibitors at State Livestock Shows: All youth age 7 and older who will be exhibiting market or breeding animals in the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive or Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS) are required to obtain certification. A copy of the YQCA certificate must be included with your nominations.

**How do I get certified?** Certification can be done by taking a minimum one-hour in-person training or an online training. Both types of trainings are registered for and paid for by going to <https://yqcaprogram.org>. All registration and payment is handled through the YQCA website and must be done before attending either type of training. The online training is \$12/youth and the in-person training is \$3/youth. (If a family needs financial support, contact the Extension office.)

For more information visit [www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/livestock.html](http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/livestock.html). Contact the Johnson County 4-H office with questions.

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## Countywide Astronomy Project Activities

Anyone interested in astronomy is invited to participate in the following activities:

- Astronomy Day at Powell Observatory – To celebrate Spring Astronomy Day, the Astronomical Society of Kansas City is holding an open house at the observatory. They will be offering a tour of the observatory, a guided tour of the solar system, solar and lunar telescopes, and an opportunity to make your own planisphere. Bring a telescope if you have one to take a peak into the night sky (there will also be telescopes available to use). All activities are outside and proceed clear or cloudy. Rain will cancel the evening. Be sure to bring a lawn chair!

**Date:** May 7, 2022      **Time:** Astronomy Day Open House - 4-6:30 p.m.; "Moons of the Solar System" presentation - 7:30 p.m.      **Location:** 26500 Melrose Street, Louisburg, KS 66053  
Astronomy Day afternoon activities are free. Requested donation for evening presentation is \$8 for 13 & Over, \$5 for 6-12, free for 5 and under.

- Telescope-Building Workshop – Telescopes will be built from scratch.

**Date:** May 14, 2022      **Time:** 10:30-11:45 a.m.      **Location:** Room 1070/1075 at the Johnson County Extension Office      **Seats Available:** Attendance is limited to the first 10 4-H'ers who RSVP due to available supplies.

If you plan on coming to any of these events, please RSVP to Nathan Anderson, Countywide Astronomy Project leader at [handerson3@gmail.com](mailto:handerson3@gmail.com).

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## Tail Waggers Invitational 4-H Dog Show

An informational flyer and entry form for the Tail Waggers Invitational 4-H Dog Show is posted at [www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/countywide-projects.html](http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/countywide-projects.html). The event will be held on Saturday, June 11 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds in Gardner. Pre-registration is due by June 4. Also, walk in entries are welcomed.





# County Project Opportunities

## **Johnson County 4-H Dog Club Dog Shows**

The Johnson County 4-H Dog Club will be hosting two invitational dog shows in 2022. The first invitational show will be on June 25, starting at 8:30 a.m. Pre-registration and 4-H Dog Show Immunization Records are due by June 18. Walk-ins will be taken the day of the show at an increased entry fee. There will be an invitational Rally-Obedience and Agility only dog show on July 9 at 8:30 a.m. Pre-registration and 4-H Dog Show Immunization Records are due by July 2. An informational flyer for each show is posted on the Johnson County 4-H website at [www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/livestock.html](http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/livestock.html). For additional information, please call or text Shelley Goebel at 913-634-8688 or Holly Nitz at 913-568-6266.

## **Don't Miss Out on the 4-H Fashion Revue**

Do you have a great outfit you are proud of and would like to show off? You can strut your stuff at the 4-H Fashion Revue this summer! The categories are Buymanship and Everything Under \$15. To enter the Fashion Revue, enroll in the Clothing and Textiles project by May 1. You do not have to sew what you wear in Buymanship or Everything Under \$15! However, you must be enrolled in the Clothing and Textiles project by May 1 in 4-H Online, and enter in the appropriate class(es) in the 4-H Fashion Revue department by the 4-H fair entry deadline. You can find more information in the Johnson County 4-H Fair Book. Judging for the Fashion Revue is Saturday, July 23, 2022. The Public Fashion Revue is the evening of Wednesday, July 27. All 4-H'ers, gals and guys, are invited to come join the fun!

## **Calling all Project Talks, Demonstrations & Public Speaking!**

Did you know that in addition to County 4-H Club Day and Regional 4-H Club Day, there is another opportunity for 4-H public presentations? Yes, at the Johnson County Fair! Plan to add "Public Presentation" to your fair entries this year! Purple ribbons on Illustrated Talks and Demonstrations will be eligible to present at the Kansas State Fair.

# State Opportunities

## **Kansas 4-H Discovery Days**

Discovery Days is held in Manhattan and is a mini college experience designed for youth ages 13-18 (before January 1). Youth participate in tours, attend evening social events, and take classes to expand their 4-H experience. This year Discovery Days is June 1-3. The cost is \$195 with some classes having additional fees. Registration is available at [www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/discovery-days/](http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/discovery-days/) and closes May 1. Don't wait too long to sign up as classes fill up quickly! More information can be found at the website listed above.

## **Discovery Days Scholarships**

The 4-H Ambassadors are excited to offer scholarships for Johnson County 4-H'ers to attend Discovery Days. The application is posted at [www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/camps.html](http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/camps.html). Applications must be in the Extension office by 5 p.m. on Wednesday May 11, 2022.

# REPORTER'S CORNER

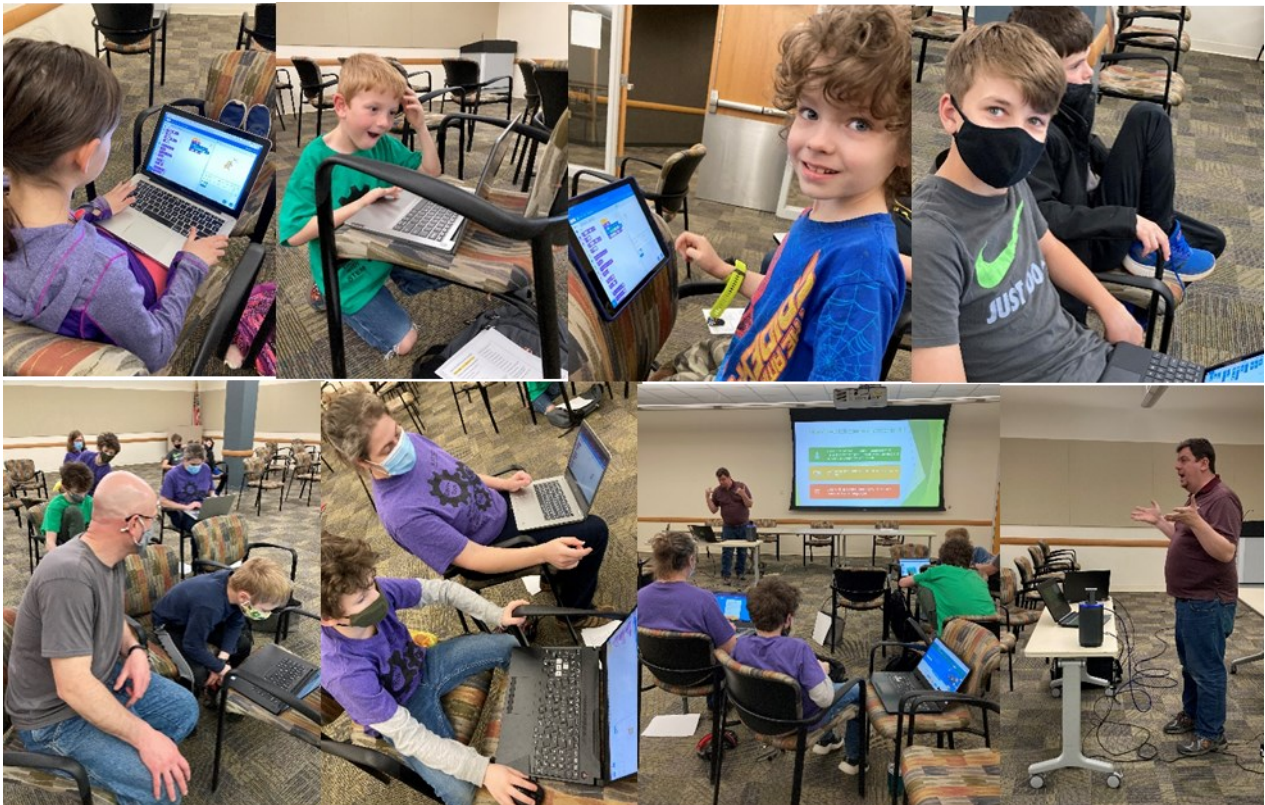
At our March meeting for Morning Glory Club, we filled 500 Easter eggs with candy to donate to Mission Southside, a charity in Olathe. We were excited to serve our community and have a few tasty snacks at the same time.

By Jackson Hogan, Morning Glory 4-H Club Reporter



For the activity for the Comet Tech 4-H Club for the month of March, Paul Voelker shared Scratch, a coding website. We learned how to write code and tested some code that club members had made themselves. We made our scratch [a cat] say meow on the screen and run around the screen. Paul talked about different versions of code like python and basic. We discussed what code can do and how code is used in computers. Like Paul said, "Computers don't just act on their own, we use code to tell them what to do."

By Kaden Schultz, Comet Tech 4-H Club Reporter



# REPORTER'S CORNER

## Happy Helpers Represent at Club Days

By Nate Delancy, Happy Helpers 4-H Club Reporter

Ten members of the Happy Helpers 4H Club participated in County Club Day on Saturday, February 12, 2022. The event was held at Village on Antioch Presbyterian Church in Overland Park, Kansas. It was an opportunity for 4H members to demonstrate their presentation skills in a wide array of events including project talks, demonstrations, illustrated talks, oral interpretation, musical talents, dance, and more as individuals or groups. The Happy Helpers 4H Club members gave 27 different presentations in 9 events. They received 19 purple ribbons, 4 blue ribbons, and 4 red ribbons. The club was honored to earn the opportunity to represent Johnson County in 10 entries at Regional Club Day on March 26, 2022 in Ottawa, Kansas. The club earned 7 purple ribbons and 2 blue ribbons at Regional Club Day. Many skills were gained and polished in this learning experience.



### **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.

# REPORTER'S CORNER

## Food Fare

By Ava Quinn, Sharon 4-H Club Reporter

Christmas in April?! That is one of the many stations you would have experienced at the Food Fare on Friday April 8<sup>th</sup>. The theme for the Food Fare this year was months of the year and the Sharon 4-H group picked December as their month. Members voted on the idea of creating Santa's Sweet shop with a variety of cookies, fudge and cold Shatto milk. Santa's sweet shop wouldn't have been complete without the carrots for the reindeer. The members also had a reindeer ornament craft available for guests to create and take home! It was such a fun evening trying all the yummy food and mingling with members of different 4-H groups. I would say it was a success as we all left with empty food containers! We cannot wait for next year!



The Johnson County 4-H Horse Club has been excited to work with the Heart to Heart International organization to help assemble hygiene kits for Ukraine. Thank you Jenny and Zoey for sharing the community service project ideas. We had a great time playing fun games and getting to know each other.

By Emma Grove, Johnson County 4-H Horse Club Reporter



## May

- 1 - Deadline to Add or Drop projects in 4-H Online
  - Market Beef Nominations due online
  - Discovery Days registration deadline
- 2 - County Council meeting
- 5 - Countywide Livestock Program Meeting
  - Countywide Sewing Group
- 6 - Meat School, office (pre-registration required)
- 7 - Astronomy Day at Powell Observatory
- 11 - Discovery Days Scholarship application due
- 12 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 14 - Telescope Building Workshop, office (pre-registration required)
- 16 - Clover Clips Submission deadline
- 19 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 26 - Countywide Sewing Group

## June

- 1 - Livestock Mentee/Mentor Grant application due
- 1-3 - Discovery Days (pre-registration required)
- 2 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 3 - Evening tagging for Goat, Sheep, Swine & Bucket Calf Project members **not** participating in Spring Show, JOCO Fairgrounds
- 4 - Morning tagging for Spring Goat & Sheep Show participants, JOCO Fairgrounds
  - Deadline for Goat & Sheep Project animals to be tagged in order to show in 4-H division at JoCo Fair
- 5 - Morning tagging for Spring Swine & Bucket Calf Show participants, JOCO Fairgrounds
  - Deadline for Swine & Bucket Calf Project animals to be tagged in order to show in 4-H division at JoCo Fair
  - County Council Officers meeting
- 9 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 11 - Tail Waggers Invitational 4-H Dog Show, JOCO Fairgrounds
- 15 - Commercial Heifer, Swine, Sheep, & Meat Goat Nominations due online
  - YQCA Certification deadline for JoCo Fair
  - Clover Clips Submission deadline
- 16 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 25 - JoCo 4-H Dog Club Invitational Dog Show, JOCO Fairgrounds
- 23 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 30 - Countywide Sewing Group

Check out [www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources](http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources) for the 2022 4-H calendar.

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## Clover Clips Submission Deadline

The deadline for submissions for Clover Clips will be on the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. If that date falls on a weekend or holiday please check the 2022 4-H Calendar at [www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources](http://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](mailto:christin.bartels@jocogov.org).

# Leader Update

## **Remind Families to Enroll/Re-enroll before the May 1 Deadline!**

Please double check with all of the club's families to make sure they are enrolled or re-enrolled by the May 1 deadline. 4-H'ers must be approved in 4-H Online if they plan to participate in the fair. Feel free to contact the Johnson County 4-H office for the most recent list of the club's members.

While the portion of 4-H Online for leaders to access is still being worked on, there is a limited amount of information that leaders are able to view at this time. This includes information relating to enrolled members in the club. If you would like to be granted access to the leader portion of 4-H Online and you are currently enrolled, contact Christin.

## **Project Leaders and Volunteers must be Registered Volunteers**

Adults providing supervision to youth at a 4-H program; making decisions on behalf of the 4-H program; having access to private data of 4-H members or volunteers; and/or handling funds as part of 4-H must complete the volunteer screening process, be accepted, and enrolled as a Kansas 4-H volunteer.

Volunteer applications and renewals are completed through 4-H Online. We asked that all returning volunteers complete their renewal by November 1, 2021. If a volunteer has not completed the renewal process in 4-H Online for the 2021-2022 year, they should not be volunteering for your club. Once the renewal process has been completed in 4-H Online and their profile has been approved they may resume their volunteer duties.

If you have any questions please contact the Johnson County 4-H office.

## **Resources for 4-H Club Leaders**

Please take time to review the forms, links and resources available on the Leader Resources page at [www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/project-club-resources/club-leader-resources/](http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/project-club-resources/club-leader-resources/). Resources include information about the Annual Financial Report, requirements for the Club Seal, and the link to complete the Club Organization Report.

There are also more resources available to support 4-H clubs on the Kansas 4-H website at [www.kansas4-h.org/resources/leader-resources/clubcorner/](http://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/leader-resources/clubcorner/).

## **Families with Financial Difficulties**

All youth in the community deserve to have the positive youth development experience offered in 4-H. If you have families facing financial challenges, preventing them from participating in a 4-H event, please contact the Extension office for support.

## **Kansas 4-H Policy Highlight of the Month**

**Did you know...** Kansas State University is a land-grant university committed to teaching, learning, research, and service in Kansas, the nation, and the world. Therefore, specific practices in terms of justice, respect, integrity, diversity, and honor must be followed with persons in the community. More information can be found in section 2.5: K-State Principles of Community in the Kansas 4-H Policy Handbook at [www.kansas4-h.org/resources/policy-guide/](http://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/policy-guide/).