

Clover Clips

A newsletter for Johnson County 4-H families

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Catch the Camping Bug!

The first part of this issue of Clover Clips is dedicated to all of the overnight and day camp opportunities for the summer of 2011. There is something for everyone! Day camps and our overnight 4-H camp are scheduled through the months of May, June and July. Make sure to take the time to review all the great camping opportunities with your 4-H family and mark your calendar. We hope to see you this summer!

Fantastic Four 4-H Camp *going green* A

This camp is a four day/three night camp experience for ALL youth ages 7-11. Camp will be held June 20-23 at the Rock Springs 4-H Center in Junction City, KS. 4-H membership is not required. Transportation, lodging, a camp t-shirt, three home cooked meals a day and access to camp activities are provided! Campers will ride horses, go canoeing, hike the trails, try their hand at archery and jump in the pool. Your camper will sing songs by the campfire, make crafts and meet new friends. All registration materials and information about camp scholarships will be available by 5 p.m. on Monday, March 7 at www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hcamps.

Online registration is available at https://spreadsheets.google.com/viewform? formkey=dFRxX0RHb1FrcHN4NkJaV0x6ZUZaV3c6MQ

Registration and payment is due by April 15.

Families can pay online at https://events.jocogov.org/exc/dev_students.asp? action=browse&main=Extension+Classes&sub1=4-

<u>H+and+Youth+Development&misc=792</u> Registration is \$175 for 4-H members and \$185 for non-4-H members. Families paying with a check need to make checks payable to the Johnson County 4-H Council and submit payment to the Johnson County Extension office.

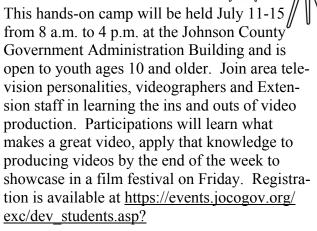
Seeking Camp Counselors

Each group of eight campers at 4-H camp is accompanied by two counselors: one adult and one teen. We are seeking responsible, positive, caring and patient volunteers to serve as camp counselors for the Fantastic Four 4-H Camp. Camp Counselors are required to have a current VIP on file with the Extension office, turn in a completed Kansas 4-H Participation form and attend Camp Counselor training at Rock Springs on June 19. To be selected as a teen counselors youth must have reached their 16th birthday prior to June 19. The camp counselor application process includes an application and a 10 minute phone interview. The application and complete job description will be available by 5 p.m. on Monday, March 7 at www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hcamps.

Camp 101

- Camp 101 is a one-of-a-kind leadership experience for Johnson County 4-H'ers ages 12 and 13 held in conjunction with the Fantastic Four 4-H Camp, June 20-23. Participants will gain leadership, presenta-
- tion and communication skills. Transportation, lodging, camp t-shirt, three home cooked meals a day
- and access to camp activities are provided! Campers will have the opportunity to lead group activities
 with the younger campers.
 4-H'ers attending Camp 101 will also have the chance to enjoy camp activities
- tivities like horseback riding, archery, canoeing and much more! All registration materials and information about camp scholarships will be available by 5 p.m. on Monday, March 7 at
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Video Guru Camp



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Water, Geocaching and Fun Day Camp

Johnson County Extension Youth Development is partnering with the Friends of the Kaw to offer outdoor day camps at local Johnson County Parks on July 19, 20 and 27 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Campers ages 7-18 will spend the day canoeing (this will include practicing canoeing and safety skills both on land and water) at the lake, geocaching (GPS/ GIS activity) while learning about water quality issues. Youth under the age of 14 need to be accompanied by an adult. Registration is available at https://events.jocogov.org/exc/dev students.asp? action=browse&main=Extension+Classes&sub1=4 -H+and+Youth+Development&misc=746 Registration is \$10 per day. Online registration, payment and a completed Kansas 4-H Participation Form is due to the Extension office by July 12. Please make checks payable to the Johnson County 4-H Council. Space is limited, sign up today!

Summer Cooking Camp



The Master Food Volunteers and the Johnson County 4-H Youth Development Program will be hosting a week-long summer cooking camp the week of June 27 through July 1 for youth ages 7-12. Each day will start at 9:30 a.m. and end at 3:30 p.m. Locations will vary. This one-of-a-kind cooking camp will start off at the Extension office with opportunities to learn basic meal planning and preparation. Participants will spend one day at the Olathe K-State Innovation Campus in their state of the art facility learning from experts in the food industry. Throughout the week campers will learn from Extension Master Food Volunteers and other community culinary experts through hands-on food preparation. Campers will wrap-up the week with a day spent on the road touring local food vendors and manufacturers. Registration fee is \$15 per day. ***Sign up by June 6 to get the Early Bird Special: \$50 for the entire week! After June 6 the registration fee is \$70 for the entire week. Online registration will be available in April's issue of Clover Clips. 2

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

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.

Campference

This event is focused on youth ages 12-14 as of January 1, 2011, and will be held June 14-17, 2011, at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Participants will experience the feel of a conference, while enjoying the "camp" activities Rock Springs 4-H Center has to offer. This is a great transitional opportunity, as these tweens go from being a camper to attending educational conferences. Campference will feature workshops about opportunities in the 4-H program, healthy living skills and how to better interact with others. Participants will meet other youth from around the state of Kansas. Registration materials will be available on the State 4-H web page in March, with registrations due in local offices in early May. Stay tuned!



Discovery Days will be Tuesday, May 31 through Friday, June 3 on K-State's campus. Youth ages 13-18 (as of January 1, 2011) are eligible to attend. This year's theme is "Just Be". Discovery Days gives participants a chance to be involved in college life by living on campus and taking classes and tours about careers and hobbies, community service and much more. Just like a college student, teens choose their own classes when they complete the online registration. Here's an inside tip: the good classes fill up FAST. Register today! For registration information visit: http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=40. Registration is \$160. Online registration, payment and a completed Kansas 4-H Participation Form is due to the Extension office by April 15. Please make checks payable to the Johnson County 4-H Council.

Discovery Days Scholarship

Eldon and Linda McDonald are sponsoring a scholarship to the 2011 Discovery Days in memory of their son, Phillip. Phil was a member of Johnson County 4-H. The McDonald's would like to encourage other youth to attend activities that helped their son become a beneficial contributor to the community. You must meet the following requirements: (1) first time to attend Discovery Days and (2) must register in an agriculture-related class. Please submit a one-page, neatly written or typed essay stating why you would like to attend. Return your essay to the Extension office by April 10.

Broiler Derby

Reminder: The registration deadline is March 15 for the April 16-June 8 Broiler Derby. 1st place award \$200; 2nd place \$100 and 3rd place \$50. Each participant gets to take processed birds home to the freezer. More information can be found at http://www.johnson.ksu.edu/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=1

April Poultry Clinic Date Change

To coincide with the Broiler Project start date of April 16, the next Poultry clinic has been moved from April 9 to April 16 and will meet at the Johnson County Extension office, Olathe from 3-5 p.m.

Spring 2011 Johnson County 4-H Livestock Events

All Spring Shows Start at 10 a.m. with weigh-in from 7-9 a.m.*

Broiler Derby - March 15 - Registration deadline - April 16 project start at Extension office Beef Spring Show - April 2 - KCCA Sanctioned Show - Pre-Registration deadline: March 19 Livestock Clinic - April 9 - Fitting Clinic a.m., Livestock Quality Assurance p.m. - deadline: April 1

 $\underline{Goat\ and\ Sheep\ Spring\ Show}\ \textbf{-}\ \textbf{May}\ \textbf{14} - Goats\ first,\ pre-registration\ deadline:}\ April\ 29$

Swine Spring Show - May 28 - pre-registration deadline: May 13

*If unable to participate in spring shows, the Friday of species show will be weigh-in/tagging of animals from 6-8 p.m.

Show information and registration details available at the Johnson County Extension 4-H office or online at: http://www.johnson.ksu.edu/DesktopDefault.aspx

Wildlife Habitat 101

Attention Shooting Sports members enrolled in the Hunting Skills project or any other youth that want to learn! We will hold a class on March 20 at Bass Pro Shops in Olathe from 2-4 p.m. in the meeting room. Learn to identify wildlife found in Kansas and their habitats. We will also explore what they eat, where they sleep and where you might find them. Discussions will include wildlife that can be hunted, in addition to some non-game species.

A portion of the discussion will be geared toward preparing youth that may wish to participate in the 4-H Wildlife Habitat Evaluation program/contest, which will be held at the Tall Grass Prairie Preserve near Strong City, KS on April 8, 2011. The contest is about teaching young people about wildlife, the needs of wildlife and their habitat. If we get enough interest from members in our county, we hope to take a team or two to the competition. Age groups are 9-13 and 14-18.

If you are interested in learning about wildlife, habitats and/or might be interested in competing in a wildlife habitat contest at a state level, join Arn Eccles, 4-H Hunting Skills Instructor at Bass Pro Shops on Sunday, March 20 from 2-4 p.m. The meeting room is located on the second floor, just east of the firearms counter.

Free Hunters Education Classes

Numerous activities require Hunter Education cards to participate, including future 4-H Hunting organized activities, Youth Hunter Education Challenge (YHEC) put on by NRA and more! The Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks has a site with classes being offered and more information at: http://kdwp.state.ks.us/news/Other-Services/Education/Hunter

Locally, Bass Pro Shops, Inc. in Olathe will be offering multiple Hunters Education classes this spring. Classes are limited to the first 30 participants that register by phone (only). Classes fill up quickly and they suggest you call as soon as possible (8 a.m.) to register.

Hunter's Education Classes for 2011 at Bass Pro Shops, Inc. Olathe Store All classes are Thursday evening, 6 p.m.- 9 p.m. and Saturday 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. You must attend both sessions to obtain the certificate

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All class times are the same

April 14 & 16

* Call in for April's class is Monday, March 28 beginning at 8 a.m.

June 23 & 25 July 21 &23

August 11 & 13 September 15 & 17

October 6 & 8

Registration is by telephone ONLY, dates to be announced usually two weeks before the class. Calls will be taken beginning at 8 a.m. until full (30 participant maximum). No early registrations or waiting list. For more information on the classes and sign-up dates, call Bass Pro, Olathe at (913) 254-5200.

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

March

15 - Broiler Derby registration deadline

20 - Wildlife Habitat 101

April

2 - Spring Beef Show9 - Livestock Clinic

10 - Discovery Days Scholarship application due

12 & 23 Farm Safety Course14-16 Hunters Education class

16 - Poultry Clinic

May

14 - Goat & Sheep Spring Show

14 - Barnyard Babies28 - Swine Spring Show31-June 3 Discovery Days



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BARNYARD BABIES AT THE NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL CENTER AND HALL OF FAME

We would like to invite you to participate in our Barnyard Babies event May 14, 11 a.m.- 3 p.m. With this event we are wanting to showcase young animals, educate our visitors about farm animals and local Ag related resources, and give all 4-H participants the opportunity to share their passion with our visitors. We would love to see participation from the many 4-H groups located throughout the Metro and surrounding rural areas.

At the event each group is welcome to bring educational materials, information about programming and anything else you would like to share. If your group has a specific demonstration, let us know and we will be happy to include you in the schedule. The event will be a free flowing format where visitors can roam the grounds and visit with the various participants.

If your club would be interested, contact Heather Kreijci at heather@aghalloffame.com

Farm Safety Course for Youth

Johnson, Douglas, and Leavenworth County Extension Services are cooperating to sponsor the Hazardous Occupation Training (HOT) farm safety course on April 12 and 23.

This training is required by law for those 14 and 15 years of age who will be working on a farm owned by anyone other than their parent or legal guardian. Others, including inexperienced youth and adults who plan to work for farmers are invited and encouraged to attend HOT. Farmers who intend to hire 14 and 15 year-old youth should make sure they have the youth take the course before they hire them.

The cost for the training is \$20, which pays for the text/workbook and refreshments. Training will include two meeting dates, Tuesday, April 12, 7 p.m.- 9:p.m., and Saturday, April 23, 8:30 a.m.- 4 p.m. The training classes will be held at the Johnson County Extension office at 11811 S. Sunset Drive, Suite 1500, Olathe, KS.

Students must register by April 7 with their local Extension office. A minimum of ten must register in order to hold the class. Registration may be made at the Johnson, Douglas or Leavenworth County Extension offices. Registration and questions about the class may be directed to Rick Miller, Johnson County Extension Agent, at 913-715-7000, Bill Wood, Douglas County Extension Agent, at 785-843-7058, or James Hartshorn, Leavenworth County Extension Agent at 913-364-5700.