

# Clover Clips

A newsletter for Johnson County 4-H amilies.

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#### 4-H Families

It is hard to believe with our current weather patterns that summer is only a few weeks away! I know our family is a buzz with the countdown to summer activities. This past week was National Volunteer Week it was a chance to spotlight the yearlong efforts of our passionate 4-H volunteers. Volunteers dedicate many hours to create and provide our youth with quality programs here in Johnson County. I am excited to be a part of such a great group of individuals, families, and advocates for youth voice in action. —Tara

# **Project Enrollment**

Project enrollment as of May 1, 2013 will be posted on May 2 at <a href="https://www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hforms">www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hforms</a>. There will be multiple versions of the report sorted by either Club Name, Last Name of 4-H'er or Project Name. The deadline for adding projects was May 1. New and returning 4-H members are required to be enrolled in the appropriate projects in order to be eligible to exhibit at the Johnson County Fair. Please double check the list for accuracy. 4-H'ers who notice an error and have proper documentation (either by the add/drop form or the back of the enrollment form) should contact Pat Geier at <a href="mailto:pat.geier@jocogov.org">pat.geier@jocogov.org</a> or 913-715-7000.

# **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 <a href="https://www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HCamps">www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HCamps</a>.

# **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 I5and older to volunteer for our day camps. To volunteer visit <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?</a> 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 <a href="http://jocokansasfair.com/Fair%20Book.htm">http://jocokansasfair.com/Fair%20Book.htm</a>. 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 <a href="http://jocokansasfair.com/OnlineEntries.html">http://jocokansasfair.com/OnlineEntries.html</a>. 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. In the past we recommended entering as many classes as you wanted because you could easily drop them at the fair. However, we have since found out that the fair board has to pay for each of those dropped entries. If you are not sure about what you are taking to the fair please wait until closer to fair time to enter in classes. Please try to keep your dropped entries to a minimum.

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 <a href="https://www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HForms">www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HForms</a>. Questions about Mr. and Miss 4-H can be directed toward Lynette Willis at <a href="mailto:lcmmwillis@yahoo.com">lcmmwillis@yahoo.com</a> 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 participation 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 will be turquoise and 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.

# Clothing and Food Preservation Labels

Clothing 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.

#### **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.

#### **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 <a href="http://www.kansas4-h.org/doc5698.ashx">h.org/doc5698.ashx</a>

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.

#### **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 <a href="https://www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HForms">www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HForms</a>. 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 <a href="http://johnson.ksu.edu/4Hlivestock">http://johnson.ksu.edu/4Hlivestock</a> 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 Goat Show

The Spring Goat Show will be held Saturday, May 11, 2013 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds, beginning at 9 a.m. Pre-registration is due May 4. Entry fee is \$10 per head, \$20 after May 4. Weigh-in will be 7-8:30 a.m. 4-H Goat project members not showing in the Spring Goat Show will be allowed to weigh their animals from 6-8 p.m. on Friday, May 10 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds.

#### Spring Sheep Show

The Spring Sheep Show will be held Saturday, May 11, 2013 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds, beginning at 10 a.m. (or 30 minutes after conclusion of the goat show). Pre-registration is due May 4. Entry fee is \$10 per head, \$20 after May 4. Weigh-in will be 7-9 a.m. 4-H Sheep project members not showing in the Spring Sheep Show will be allowed to weigh their animals from 6-8 p.m. on Friday, May 10 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds.

#### 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 show 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.

# PQA Class Will be Held May 21

One of the requirements for showing pigs at the Kansas State Fair or the Kansas Junior Livestock show is to have a Pork Quality Assurance number. And you get that number by attending a training class or taking a test. Johnson County will be hosting our annual PQA class on May 21st, 6:30 pm at the Johnson County Extension Office. The short one hour class will allow you to update your annual certification and is required for 4-Hers 8-11 years of age. 4-Hers 12- 19 may can also take the class but have the option to test out if you want to certify for more than one year at a time. Please call the office and ask for Rick to take the class or to ask questions.

# 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: <a href="http://asi.ksu.edu/doc6444.ashx">http://asi.ksu.edu/doc6444.ashx</a>.

# 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 <a href="http://johnson.ksu.edu/4Hlivestock">http://johnson.ksu.edu/4Hlivestock</a>.

# K-State "Champions" Livestock Judging Camp

This is a three day, intense judging camp designed for 4-H and FFA members (ages 14-18) who are seriously interested in enhancing their livestock judging and oral communication skills. Prior livestock judging experience is necessary for this camp. Workouts will be conducted similar to those at a collegiate levels. Dr. Scott Schaake, coach of five consecutive National Collegiate Championships, and Chris Mullinix, coach of more than 30 national champion teams and new KSU Livestock Team Judging Coach, will conduct the training for each camp. The camp will focus primarily on the proper format, terminology and presentation of oral reasons. Camp participants will also be exposed to livestock evaluation skills and incorporating records in the decision making process. For more information and registration, visit the website www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu.

#### **Interactive Club Locator**

Have you ever had someone interested in 4-H ask you what clubs are in or around their area but you weren't sure? Well you won't have to wonder anymore with the new interactive club locator. It has a list of all the club locations in Johnson County as well as the location fair grounds and the extension office. The locator also includes the meeting times of all the clubs. It is a good resource for all 4-Hers to use and for any non 4-H family to find a club near them. You can check it out for yourself at <a href="https://www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HClubs">www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HClubs</a>.

# Kansas 4-H T- Shirt Design Contest

The Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council is holding the 3rd annual, Design Contest for their next T-Shirt that will be sold starting in late summer, 2013. Any current 4-H member is encouraged to submit a design. Submissions are due by Monday, June 10, 2013. Visit <a href="http://www.kansas4-h.org/doc15294.ashx">http://www.kansas4-h.org/doc15294.ashx</a> for information and the official submission form.

### 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 <a href="mailto:jocorodeo2012@yahoo.com">jocorodeo2012@yahoo.com</a>. 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.

# 4-H Night Out With the Wingnuts

Wichita's professional baseball team, the Wichita Wingnuts, has scheduled "4-H Night Out With The Wingnuts" for Saturday, July 6, 2013 at Lawrence-Dumont Stadium. Along with discounted tickets, 4-H'ers have the opportunity to join other youth in a 4-H member parade 20 minutes prior to game time, meet players for post-game autographs, AND camp out on the field that night! To reserve your tickets, call Brian at (316) 264-6887 or e-mail <a href="mailto:brian@wichitawingnuts.com">brian@wichitawingnuts.com</a>. You may also download an order form at <a href="mailto:http://www.kingman.ksu.edu/doc45505.ashx">http://www.kingman.ksu.edu/doc45505.ashx</a>. This link also has details on ticket prices. The deadline to order is July 5 at 5 p.m.

# 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 <a href="https://www.jocoksfair.com">www.jocoksfair.com</a> 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.

Check out <u>www.johnson.ksu.edu/4Hforms</u> for the ! 2013 4-H calendar.

#### May

- 4 Registration due for Spring Goat Show Registration due for Spring Sheep Show
- 23 Registration due for Spring Swine Show
- 31 Rodeo & Princess Competition applications due

#### June

- 1 Bucket Calf Tagging
- 7 Building Blocks of Baking
- 10 Kansas 4-H T-Shirt Design Contest entries due
- 15 Jo Co 4-H Dog Club Invitational
- 15 Miami Waggers 4-H Dog Show
- 30 T-shirt orders due to Sue Pio

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# **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 <a href="https://www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HForms.">www.johnson.ksu.edu/4HForms.</a>

# **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.

# **Survey: Johnson County Fair**

The Johnson County Fair board has formed a committee to look into the possibility of moving the Johnson County Fair to an earlier start in coming years due to most area schools starting the week after the county fair. This would help eliminate some of the conflicts our 4-Her's and parents experience during fair week due to school activities already starting before school actually begins and conflicts current seniors have with leaving for college. You will be receiving an email with survey questions on this topic from survey monkey. Please take the time to answer a few short questions and give us your input. Your input is very important to us!

If you would like to be able to vote on this topic in November you must attend a general fair board meeting first (section 4 in the Johnson County Fair by-laws). The next general fair board meeting will be Thursday July 25, 7:30 p.m. at the fairgrounds. Please plan on attending this meeting and signing in.

# Geocaching/GPS Class

Are you interested in learning more about technology and navigation? The Frontier Family and 4-H Council has teamed up with Garmin to offer a class about Global Positioning Systems (GPS) and Geocaching. The class will be held at Garmin's headquarters in Olathe on Saturday, May 25th at 10:00 A.M. Students will learn about the technology behind hand-held GPS units and be able to use a GPS to locate items that have been placed around the Garmin campus. Enrollment is limited to 30 students. To register for the class or for more information, please contact Jeff Geer <a href="mailto:jeerwm@outlook.com">jeerwm@outlook.com</a>.