



Clover Clips

A newsletter for Johnson County 4-H families.

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4-H Families,

Happy holidays! I hope you're staying warm now that winter is officially here. I'm excited to have completed two months in the Director position and am becoming acquainted with our county, people and processes. It's been my pleasure to meet the club leaders and 4-H Ambassadors, and I look forward to getting to know more of you. My background with Extension includes experience as the 4-H/Youth Development agent in neighboring Douglas Co., and as a 4-H volunteer in multiple capacities in Kansas and Virginia. I'm a proud 4-H alumna and remain passionate about the program and its opportunities here in Johnson Co. I look forward to working with you, our 4-H staff, and a new agent to make 2017 a fabulous year for Johnson Co. 4-H. – **Kelli**

Food Fare 2017 Information by Seth Gunkel, County Council Reporter

The 2017 Food Fare Committee met to determine the theme of the next Food Fare along with the following details. The theme is "Holiday" and each participating club will choose a holiday and build food related samples around it. Each table can also include project related activities, games, decorations, or crafts to enhance your holiday theme. The date of Food Fare is January 28, 2017. Clubs are encouraged to participate and come try the samples. It's from 10-11:15 a.m. followed by Master Food Volunteer presentations. This year's presentations will include demonstrations in table setting, food preservation and baking. This event is free, however, we request you bring food items to donate to City Union Mission. Clubs interested must sign up for their theme at <http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/food-fare.html>, (it can be any holiday, from Christmas, to President's Day) by January 13. The Food Fare committee will also have a dollar prize for the best table for the club that sponsors it. Please come and see how creative (and delicious) the Johnson County 4-H clubs get!



New 4-H Family Orientation

We will be offering a New Family Orientation on Wednesday, January 11, 2017, from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Extension office for parents of all first and second year 4-H members. To register please complete the information at <https://goo.gl/forms/EMN6vxCMuAbtc8S42>. Registration is required by Sunday, January 8. We must have a minimum number of families registered to hold the orientation. If you have any questions please contact Christin.

Local Opportunities

Johnson County Club Day

Johnson County's 4-H Club Day is scheduled for Saturday, February 18, at Wheatridge Middle School in Gardner. Club Day is an opportunity for 4-H'ers to showcase their acting, dancing, public speaking, demonstration, parliamentary procedure and musical skills. Registration and payment links and the guidelines are posted at <http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/club-days.html>. Please note that there are two different registration links. One is for individual, duo, etc. events and the other is for club events. Only one person in your club needs to sign the entire club up for club events.

All events are required to be pre-registered online by January 25 in order to participate in Club Day. Once registration has closed, additional information will be sent out in regards to signing up for specific time slots.

County Council Information

Each club needs to have two youth and two adults serve as the club's representative to 4-H County Council. The meetings occur on the 1st Monday of odd months at 7 p.m. County Council officers have meetings which occur on the 1st Monday of the even months at 7 p.m. If you have any questions please contact Amanda.

Has Your Family Completed Enrollment for 2017?

4HOnline opened October 1 for families to re-enroll current 4-H members for the 2017 4-H year and for new families to enroll. We asked that all current 4-H members be re-enroll by November 1, 2016. **If you have not reenrolled yet please do so immediately. Your family will miss out on important correspondences from the Extension office** as only the contact information from 2017 enrollments in 4HOnline is being used.

The Kansas 4-H office has made a step by step brochure for reenrolling which we have posted on our website at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/. We have also posted the Kansas 4-H brochure for enrolling for new families. Please read the brochure to assist your family in reenrolling, and here are a few tips to point out:

- **Log in to your family's existing profile. DO NOT create a new family account!
- **Most data will pre-populate from the 2016 year's data, but make sure you double check and edit items that may have changed from last year. Items like: Volunteer Status (Yes or No), Volunteer Type (i.e. Project Leader, Secretary, etc.), Club Name, Project changes, etc.
- **The Participation Form is filled out as part of the enrollment process, therefore no hard copy form needs to be turned in to the office.
- **If you are a Club Leader or Project Leader you will not be able to log in to your club/project until you have reenrolled and your enrollment has been accepted by our office and the Organizational Report for your club has been turned in to the Extension office.

As always, if you have any questions about the 4HOnline system do not hesitate to contact your 4-H staff.

Registered Volunteer Renewals and Online Volunteer Orientation

Renewals for current Registered Volunteers for the 2016-2017 4-H year were due October 1. If you still need to complete yours please do so at your earliest convenience. The Volunteer Renewal can be completed online at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/volunteers/renewal.html. On this webpage there is also a link to the hard copy form.

Visit the Johnson County 4-H Volunteer webpage at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/volunteers/ and click on "Application", "Orientation", or "Renewal" for more details about each step in the process. Please contact your Johnson County 4-H staff if you have any questions.

County Project Opportunities

Countywide Horse Project 2017 Meetings

The Foundation Horse Project Team serves all 4-H clubs and members in Johnson County. This is a countywide opportunity for those interested in learning more about the horse project. Any 4-H member interested in the horse project or becoming educated about horses is welcome to participate. This team does not take the place of your 4-H club and members still need to be active in a local 4-H club of their choice. The purpose of this team is to establish a solid foundation for horse education. The focus will be on educational activities including horse husbandry, safety, feeding, industry topics, and veterinary medicine.

Meetings for 2017 will be held on February 8, June 14, August 9, and October 11. All meetings are held at the Johnson County Extension office and start at 6:30 p.m. Please feel free to contact Valentine Williams at horsedoc96@gmail.com with any questions or if you are interested in joining or attending.

Countywide Sewing Project

Attention Future Sewers: Sewing is considered part of the STEM programs in 4-H and a lifelong skill. Are you interested in learning how to take a piece of material and creating something that can be worn? Sewing classes for all sewers in Johnson County will resume on January 5. Classes will be held every Thursday until July 20. Join to learn how to sew many fun projects as a beginner or as an experienced sewer who wants to have a set time to sew and to have questions answered. All levels of experience are welcomed. For more information contact Martha Powell at mmp4powell@yahoo.com or at 913-302-5812.

Johnson County 4-H Dog Club Training Information

Dog training with the Johnson County 4-H Dog Club will begin February 4, with Agility starting at noon and set up at 11 a.m. Beginning February 16 training for Obedience, Rally-O, Showmanship and Agility will be every Thursday until April 27. February 16 will be a mandatory orientation meeting. Additional information, enrollment form, and a schedule are posted at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/livestock.html. Fill out and return the form by January 20. Contact Tammy Locke at locketammy@yahoo.com or 913-206-7079 for questions or concerns.

Project Resource Pages

Do you have trouble knowing where to start with a project or want to know more about what a project entails? We have created, with the help of some Johnson County 4-H'ers, new Project Guides. Each guide has advice from a 4-H'er stating what they enjoy about the project as well as some things they have accomplished. It also includes a list of possible activities to do in the project, events, curriculum available, project opportunities and online resources. We currently have ten Project Guides on the website at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/project-club-resources/projects.html with plans to have one for each project. Please look them over for ideas or to learn more about a project.

If you are an older 4-H'er (12+) we would love for you to share your advice for the guides we don't have completed yet. You would not be responsible for the other content on the guide just a couple paragraphs under "Advice from a 4-H'er". If you are interested please email Amanda and she can send you the guidelines.

Kansas 4-H Project Updates

FAA Requires Drone Registry

On December 21, 2015, the Federal Aviation Administration began requiring everyone to register an Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS). Sometimes they are referred as drones. The owner – whether it's a new purchase or an UAS that's been flying for years – must register a name, a physical address and an email address with the FAA. The decision was backed by a task force of manufacturers, retailers, pilots and hobbyists. Buyers must register unmanned aircraft systems before their first flight.

The registry for unmanned aircraft systems weighing at least 9 ounces marks the latest balancing act for federal regulators who are trying to keep the skies safe as unmanned aircraft systems increasingly share airspace with passenger planes. FAA guidelines say hobbyists should fly unmanned aircraft systems no higher than 400 feet, within sight of the operator during daylight and at least five miles from the nearest airport, unless they have special permission from the air-traffic control tower. The registration site is available at www.faa.gov/uas/registration. The registration costs \$5 for an unlimited number of aircraft and will be valid for three years.

Kansas 4-H Horseless Horse

The Kansas 4-H office has gotten questions concerning the Horesless Horse project; below are clarifications based on learning and risk management:

- *4-H member does not own or lease a horse.*
- *Project intended to offer a 4-H member opportunity to learn about horses.*
- *4-H member may participate in judging contests, quiz bowl, hippology and give presentations.*
- *4-H member may volunteer to assist another 4-H member at horse shows and trail rides.*
- *Project member may exhibit at local fair with a borrowed 4-H identified horse in the showmanship class only.*
- *No riding.*

Exchange Hosting Opportunities

♦ Families interested in hosting a 4-H exchangee for the school year beginning in August 2017 should contact Mary Kay Munson, State AYP Coordinator, to learn more about State's 4-H AYP exchanges and get applications and procedures for applying. She is at 785-238-3631 or munson@ksbroadband.net.

♦ Families interested in summer 2017 one-month hosting opportunities through States' 4-H should go to <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/global-citizenship/host-family-information/index.html> for a link to the States' 4-H Host Family online application.

♦ Families interested in hosting an IFYE this summer should complete applications now as well. IFYE's are a little older and are available for 2-3 week hosting periods staying with two or more families throughout the summer. Go to the same web page included above for States' 4-H exchanges, but go to the bottom of the page where IFYE Exchanges are included for application and information. Email the completed form to Mary Kay Munson.

SAVE THE DATE!

Kansas 4-H SpaceTech & Cosmosphere Overnight Experience #2 will be Mar. 31-Apr. 1 in Hutchinson.

Discovery Days will be May 30-June 2 in Manhattan.

Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes will be August 19-20 in Manhattan.

State Opportunities

2017 Horse Panorama Registration Information

Horse Panorama is a compilation of various contests related to the Horse Project. Contests include: quiz bowl, hippology, public speaking presentations, photography and educational posters. There will also be educational activities for 4-H'ers of all ages. 2017's Horse Panorama is January 27-29 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. 4-H members ages 7-18 and adult volunteers should fill out the Registration Form at <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/horse/index.html> and **return it to the Extension office no later than January 12, 2017** with payment. A schedule and rules for Horse Panorama can also be found at the webpage using the above link.

Citizenship in Action Registration Information

Citizenship in Action (CIA) will be February 19-20 in Topeka. Citizenship in Action is an opportunity for youth to learn about the legislative process, and for legislators to see the positive impacts of 4-H. By encouraging involvement of 4-H members and government officials, the Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council hopes to develop a platform for communication between 4-H members and lawmakers. Delegates should also be prepared to discuss issues and topics when they meet with their senators and representatives. Any youth 13-18 years old before January 1, 2017 is able to attend. Prior 4-H membership is *not* required to attend. Housing costs are included in the \$170 registration fee and rooms will be assigned. Once again the banquet will be on Sunday evening, this is a great opportunity for delegates to visit with their legislators. Delegations are urged to invite their legislators to this dinner. An RSVP is required by February 11 for the meal count if legislators are invited. Delegations are responsible for setting up their own meetings with legislators. This is a learning experience. Registration closes January 15, 2017. Register at <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html>.

National Festival of Breads 2017



The National Festival of Breads will take place June 17, 2017 in Manhattan, Ks. Do you enjoy baking bread or do you know someone who does? Develop an original recipe and enter now! This is for amateur bakers and the eight finalists come to Manhattan to bake their breads and learn about the wheat industry from farm to table. The contest is open to youth and adults. This is a great opportunity for 4-H youth to show off their baking skills and creativity! For more information and how to enter the contest, go to <http://nationalfestivalofbreads.com/>. Click on "Enter Now" to see the rules, entry form, prizes and more! Entries are due January 16, 2017.

Kansas 4-H Day with the Wildcat Women's Basketball Team

The 9th Annual 4-H Day with the Wildcat Women's Basketball team has been scheduled for Saturday, February 11, 2017, when the Wildcats take on the Iowa State Cyclones. Tip-off will be at 1 p.m. For \$20, each individual will receive a ticket into the game, a game day t-shirt, and a \$7 meal voucher to use at the main concession stands. Registration will be online with a January 17, 2017, deadline. A flyer with details on how to register can be found at <http://www.kansas4-h.org> under "What's Hot."

State Opportunities

2017 Kansas 4-H Scholarships

The 2017 Kansas 4-H Scholarship Form can be found by visiting <http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=479>, this is the only form that will be used for the 2017 4-H Scholarships. A list of scholarships available to apply for is scheduled to come out December 2016. **Completed 2017 Kansas 4-H Scholarship forms will be due to the Extension office by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, January 25.** If you have any questions please contact Christin.

K-State Research and Extension Internships

The K-State Research and Extension internship gives college students the opportunity to link classroom learning and campus leadership with a pre-professional work experience. Approximately five interns will work in selected county or district offices to help implement educational programming for Kansas residents. Applicants need to be at least a junior in the 2017 fall semester and can be attending any college or university. The position description with information on how to apply is posted at http://www.ksre.k-state.edu/jobs/current_openings/Summer%20Intern%20PA_2017.pdf. Deadline to apply is January 30, 2017.

Kansas 4-H Ambassador Training Registration Open

The 2017 Kansas 4-H Ambassador Training will be February 24-25 at the Rock Springs 4-H Center near Junction City. It is open to all county/district 4-H ambassadors, ambassador advisors and Extension staff. The theme is “Ambassadors – Growing 4-H.” There will be six youth workshops, three adult workshops, a keynote speaker, with lots of fun and fellowship.

Full details about the training are posted at <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/ambassador-training/index.html>. Registration will close on February 9.

Junior Swine and Meat Goat Producer Days Information

The 2017 Kansas Junior Producer Days will be held in March at Kansas State University in Weber Arena. This year there will be a Junior Swine Producer Day and a Junior Meat Goat Producer Day. Each event will be a one-day educational opportunity for youth, parents, project leaders, agents, and other adults to increase their knowledge about youth livestock production and management, specific to these two species. All ages are welcome, but all attendees must register. The cost for each junior day will be \$15/person for those who register by the early deadline and \$20 for those who register after the deadline. Please note any registrations received after the early deadline cannot be guaranteed a t-shirt. There are two methods available for families to register: 1) complete the bottom portion of the flyer and mail it, along with payment, or 2) complete the online registration using the link at the bottom of the flyer (pay via credit card).

If registering using the online option, you may register up to five (5) individuals at a time. In order to add additional people, you will need to select “continue shopping” after completing the information for the first attendee. When everyone has been registered, select “check out” and submit payment. There are no refunds. The flyer for both events is posted on the KSU Youth Livestock website at <http://www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/ks-jr-producer/index.html>.

Kansas Junior Swine Producer Day – Saturday, March 11, 2017

Early Registration Due – February 22, 2017

Kansas Junior Meat Goat Producer Day – Saturday, March 25, 2017

Early Registration Due – March 3, 2017

January

- 1 - Council Committee Sign-ups due online
- 2 - New Year's Day Observed, office closed
 - Tail Waggers registration due
- 3 - County Council meeting
- 5 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 8 - Registration DUE for New Family Orientation
- 11 - New Family Orientation
- 12 - Horse Panorama registration DUE to office
 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 13 - Club themes for Food Fare DUE online
- 16 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, office closed
- 19 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 20 - Jo. Co. Dog Club training enrollment DUE
- 21 - Northeast Area Leadership Event
- 25 - State 4-H Scholarships due to office
 - Club Day Registration & Payment due
- 26 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 27 - Baskets DUE for JCEEF Auction
- 28 - Food Fare

February

- 2 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 4 - Jo. Co. Extension Education Found. dinner
- 6 - County Council Officers meeting
- 8 - Countywide Horse Project meeting
- 9 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 16 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 18 - Club Day
- 23 - Countywide Sewing Group

Check out www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources for the 2017 4-H calendar.

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Clover Clips Submission Deadline

The deadline for submissions for Clover Clips will be on the 15th of each month. If that date falls on a weekend please check the 2016 4-H Calendar at 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.

Johnson County 4-H is now on Twitter!

Follow [@jocoks4h](https://twitter.com/@jocoks4h).



Johnson County 4-H on Facebook

'Like' our Facebook page to get the most up-to-date information and news about the happenings of Johnson County 4-H! Visit www.facebook.com/JohnsonCountyKS4H to like our page.

Leader Update

Community Club Leader Meetings

These meetings are where important information is shared and feedback can be heard. Please have at least one leader present at these meetings. All meetings are at the Extension office from 6:30-8:30 p.m. If you have a conflict on these dates please contact Amanda.

Upcoming meetings: April 25

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As always, if you have any questions about the 4HOnline system do not hesitate to contact your 4-H staff.

Project Leaders and Volunteers must be Registered Volunteers

Remember that project leaders and volunteers must be Registered Volunteers in order to volunteer for your club.

There are three types of volunteers:

Direct Volunteer: A volunteer with authority to independently plan and conduct educational experiences for youth with adults present or in a public setting OR whose position puts them in close, ongoing, interaction with youth. (Examples: community or organizational leader, project leader, activity leader, judging team coach, camp counselor, event chaperone, exchange trip chaperone, countywide project leader, chauffeur for any 4-H activities, etc.)

Direct Volunteers are required to complete the Kansas 4-H Volunteer Screening Process.

Episodic Volunteer: A volunteer helping with a single "episode" or activity (usually with a Registered 4-H Volunteer present). Volunteers who are considered episodic volunteers serve as workshop presenters, judges, guest speakers, etc. **Episodic Volunteers are not required to complete the Volunteer Screening process.**

Indirect Volunteer: A volunteer supporting 4-H events or activities but not working directly with youth. Volunteers who are considered indirect volunteers serve on committees or boards. Examples may include local 4-H Foundation Board members or PDC members who don't interact with youth. **This person is not required to complete the Volunteer Screening process.**

For more information on the Volunteer Screening process visit www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/volunteers/.

To: 4-H Community Club Leaders

From: Gayla Speer, President
Johnson County Extension Education Foundation

Re: Extension Foundation Dinner and Auction

The Johnson County Extension Education Foundation will hold their annual dinner and silent auction on Saturday, February 4, 2017. The Foundation Board is asking all 4-H clubs to participate in the creation of theme baskets to be used as auction items. All proceeds from the event will help support the Foundation's grant funding program which benefits special projects in the Extension program areas of 4-H, FACS, Horticulture, Agriculture and Community Development.

Baskets can be developed around a 4-H project theme like gardening, clothing, foods, art and crafts, etc. As an incentive, baskets will be judged and the top three clubs awarded prize money of \$75 for first, \$50 for second, and \$25 for third. If your club is interested in creating and donating a basket, please contact the Extension office. Baskets are due to the Extension office by January 27.

I also want to ask you to consider soliciting donations to the silent auction. As an incentive, all items solicited by 4-H will receive half the proceeds for program support. Items such as restaurant gift certificates, sports memorabilia, clothing, tickets to the many Kansas City venues, and personal and business services are popular auction items. Please use the enclosed auction donation form to help with your efforts. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at the Extension office at 913-715-7022.

Sincerely,

Gayla Speer
President, Johnson County Extension Education Foundation

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