

Clover Clips

A newsletter for Johnson County 4-H families.

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Hello 4-H Families,

Happy summer 2021! Wow, what a difference a year can make. We are excited for the Johnson County Extension 4-H portion of the annual Johnson County Fair to happen in a few short weeks. We are looking forward to seeing all of the projects on display or being lead around the arena. Here is to a wonderful experience for the 4-H'ers and their families.

- Tara

Please Welcome Olivia!

The Extension Office and 4-H Youth Development Program is excited to share with you that Olivia Barber has joined the team as the 4-H Program Manager. Olivia grew up in Piper, KS where she was an active member in the Wyandotte County 4-H Program. During her time as a 4-H'er her projects were mostly livestock including sheep and beef cattle. During her youth Olivia's family moved to Johnson County where she graduated from Mill Valley High School in Shawnee, KS. Olivia is also a recent graduate of Fort Hays State University, where she studied biology and natural resource management. After graduation she continued her work with the Kansas State University Agricultural Research Center in Hays, KS. In this position she assisted with agricultural education primarily focused on crop science research and experimentation. Olivia is looking forward to meeting our 4-H families this summer. She can be reached at olivia.barber@jocogov.org or 913-715-7020.

Jo. Co. 4-H Scholarship Applications Due July 1!

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 2021 Johnson County 4-H Scholarships are posted on the Johnson County 4-H website at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/, under County/State Opportunities. Applications are due by 5 p.m. on Thursday, July 1, 2021. 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.

Food Stand Help Needed

A responsible and organized adult volunteer (18+) is needed to serve as a 4-H Food Stand Assistant for this year's Johnson County Fair. The 4-H Food Stand is the largest fundraiser for 4-H Council and helps to pay for County Club Day, Achievement Celebration, Style Revue, and more. 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 and contact the Johnson County 4-H office if interested.

Fair Edition

Pullorum Testing for Poultry Exhibitors

Kansas continues to be a Pullorum-Typhoid (P-T) Clean State, which means that all poultry (except waterfowl) involved in exhibitions, such as the county fair, are required to either originate from a hatchery or breeding flock that is classified as U.S. P-T Clean through the National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP) or test negative on a pullorum-typhoid test within 90 days prior to the opening date of exhibition. Testing is generally completed at least 2 weeks prior to exhibition start date. This ensures Avian Influenza testing is complete and mitigates the risk of comingling birds with unknown health status. More information about poultry testing can be found under the “Resources” heading at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/livestock.html.

The Johnson County 4-H Fair Book states: “All Poultry, except waterfowl, must show proof that they are pullorum-typhoid clean at the time of entry.”

If you were unable to make the testing site in Wyandotte County on June 23, please contact Jeff Bingman, 4-H Poultry Chair, at jbngman12@sbcglobal.net for other options.

2021 Johnson County 4-H Fair Book Updates

Following are updates to the 2021 Johnson County Fair 4-H Book:

Horses: “Exhibitors will be required to stall their horse or horses in the horse barn for the duration of the fair.”

Meat Goat-Wether: “Wethers are suggested to arrive without horns. If horned, the horns must be tipped and rounded. Tipping and removal of horns is NOT allowed on the fairgrounds and must be done prior to arrival.”

Poultry, Pigeons & Doves: “Poultry, Pigeon, and Dove entries will be checked in on Tuesday, 8am-11am.”

YQCA: 7-year-olds are exempt from becoming certified in order to exhibit beef, sheep, goats and/or swine at the Johnson County Fair. (**Note:** 7-year-olds must still be certified in order to exhibit at the Kansas Junior Livestock Show.)

Livestock Judging Contest: The Livestock Judging Contest has been changed to a Livestock Skillathon event.

Kansas State Fair and State Livestock Shows Updates

The Kansas State Fair 4-H Exhibitor Handbooks are now available at www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/. Here are some of the new updates for 2021:

- There are no fair premiums this year, except possibly for sponsored livestock shows. However, all exhibitors will be eligible to receive two entry tickets to the KSF.
- Two new departments were added: 4-H STEM-Ag Mechanics and 4-H STEM-Architectural Block Construction.
- Visual Arts entries will now be judged at the KSF and emphasis is placed on original designs. (Top exhibits at the Johnson County Fair will have priority for submission.)
- Updates have been made to the Poultry Judging Contest.
- A breeding doe show has been added to the KSF Grand Drive and the Kansas Junior Livestock Show.
- Kansas Junior Livestock Show will be adding a Berkshire division to swine.

Fair Edition

2021 Johnson County 4-H Fair Book

An electronic version of the 2021 Johnson County 4-H Fair Book is available to view at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/johnson-county-fair.html.

County Fair Entries

4-H entries for exhibits judged during the county fair will be due July 21. 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 21. 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 21 deadline. Livestock exhibitors: you must enter in showmanship if you plan on exhibiting in showmanship.

Only online entries are accepted. The entry system is now open and is accessible through the Johnson County Fair website at www.jocokansasfair.com/p/getinvolved/exhibitor-information.

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.

New 4-H Departments at the Johnson County Fair

Two new departments were added to the 4-H STEM division at the Kansas State Fair this year, therefore the Extension office has decided to allow entries corresponding to these two departments in the 4-H division of the Johnson County Fair. (**Note:** Public display of entries may be limited this year at the county fair.) The new departments are Ag Mechanics and Architectural Block Construction (ABC). A short description of each is below and more information, including how to enter exhibits for the county fair, is posted on the Johnson County 4-H website at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/johnson-county-fair.html.

STEM-Ag Mechanics—The project is starting with an emphasis on welding and smithing, it will expand as the project area grows. This project allows youth to explore areas of ag mechanics and metallurgy from repairing or repurposing items to the fabrication of new items. The intent is for this program to start with foundational areas, some of which youth may already have, and allow them to continue to build on this knowledge becoming more experienced. To participate, youth must be an enrolled Johnson County 4-H member.

STEM-Architectural Block Construction—The project is starting with an emphasis on using architectural blocks (“Legos”) to construct dioramas. This project allows youth to explore architectural design in a three dimensional space. The intent is for this program to start with foundational ideas of architecture, some of which youth may already have, and allow youth to continue to build on this knowledge becoming more experienced. To participate, youth must be an enrolled Johnson County 4-H member.

Fair Edition

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, 2021) 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. The application is also posted on this website and is due July 1. Interviews will be held on July 15. Coronation will take place during Public Fashion Revue on the evening of July 21.

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 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.

Departmental Forms

Some departments such as Energy Management, Fashion Revue, and STEM, require additional forms along with the entry. These forms are posted on the Johnson County 4-H website at 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.

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. ***New this year*** You will not receive the photo sleeve at the time of purchase. Photos will be placed in the photo sleeve by the superintendents during judging. Use a large zip top bag to transport your photo(s) 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 to print at home.

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.

Kansas 4-H Policy Highlight of the Month

Did you know... Fundraising programs using the 4-H Name and Emblem may be carried out for specific educational purposes. The fundraising program must have the approval of the Extension

Office and raffles require approval from the Extension Board. Also note, there is a disclaimer statement that must be used on products or services offered for the sale. For more information, see section 11.3: Fund Raising in the Kansas 4-H Policy Handbook (www.kansas4-h.org/resources/policy-guide/).

Fair Edition

Updates! 4-H Foods Judging

Foods Judging will take place at Gardner Elementary on Monday, July 26 from 9 a.m.-8 p.m. and will utilize a time slot sign-up system. If your family would prefer to drop off foods entries and not participate in in-person judging, a sign-up will also be available to choose a time slot that day to drop off the entries.

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.

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. Also, only entries that utilize credible sources (USDA, Ball recipes after 1999, Extension) will be accepted.

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

Project Check-in and Judging

Similar to last year, families will sign-up for static project check-in and conference judging slots online by departments. The schedule has not been finalized yet, however please allow time from Sunday, July 25 through Tuesday, July 27 for project check-in and conference judging. If your family will not be available on the date of judging or would prefer not to participate in in-person judging, there will be a curbside drop-off time on Sunday, July 25.

Entries for departments judged before fair will have a separate judging schedule. Families enrolled in the corresponding projects in 4-H Online will receive information detailing judging for these departments. Livestock exhibitors, please refer to the fair book for your check-in time.

Cloverbuds Show and Share

Enrolled Cloverbuds are invited to participate in Show and Share on Tuesday, July 27. This is a reminder that Cloverbuds are not eligible to compete in the 4-H division at the fair. Youth must turn 7 before January 1 of the current 4-H year to be a 4-H member. Cloverbuds are encouraged to show and share 1-2 projects. A sign-up for time slots will be available at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/johnson-county-fair.html on a later date. For more information about activities for Cloverbuds, visit www.kansas4-h.org/4-h-programs/cloverbuds/.

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. The 2021 Food Stand Schedule is posted at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/johnson-county-fair.html.

SAVE THE DATE!

Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes will be August 21-22 at the KSU Manhattan campus.

Fall Tractor Supply Paper Clover Fundraiser will be October 6-17.

48 Hours of 4-H Service Challenge will be October 9-10.

Fair Edition

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 will have a new shirt this year that is navy with red and white detail. This requires the purchase of new shirts for the 2021 fair. The cost is \$10 per shirt. The Fair Association ordered very few extra shirts, so if you did not get your order in by June 1 you will need to contact the Fair Office.

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 4 p.m. on Tuesday (with the exception of Grand and Reserve Grand Champion in each species).

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 and turn in to the Extension office within 5 days of the auction.

Barnyard Olympics Competition

Please join the Johnson County 4-H Ambassadors on Friday, July 30 at 9:30 p.m. after the Project Auction in the Livestock Pavilion for the Annual Barnyard Olympics competition. This event is a timed, barnyard themed obstacle course and is open to everyone! Registration and a \$5 team entry fee will be collected at the 4-H Ambassador Booth. The collected fee will be used for scholarships for Johnson County 4-H members to attend state events and for the promotion of 4-H throughout the county. Please join us for a barnyard load of fun on July 30th! For more information please check for updates on the Johnson County 4-H website www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/johnson-county-fair.html.

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, 2021. 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, July 29 and Friday, July 30. You may also call or email Christin with your entries. All entries must be into the Extension office by 5 p.m. Friday, August 6. **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.

Project Pick Up

All 4-H livestock and horses can be removed from the fairgrounds after 6 a.m. on Sunday, August 1. This year, all static exhibits will be released by club at a predetermined time. The schedule will be published as soon as it has been finalized. **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 4-H'ers do 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.

County Project Opportunities

Johnson County 4-H Dog Club Dog Show

The Johnson County 4-H Dog Club will be hosting an invitational Rally-Obedience and Agility only dog show on July 10 at 8:30 a.m. Pre-registration and 4-H dog show immunization records are due by June 30. An informational flyer for the show is posted on the Johnson County 4-H website at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/livestock.html. For additional information, please call or text Shelley Goebel at 913-634-8688.

Countywide Sewing Project Meetings

Meetings for the Johnson County 4-H sewing project are held at the Extension office on Thursdays and start at 6:30 p.m. COVID-19 mitigation strategies are in place. **There will be no sewing class on July 8.** Meetings are open to new sewers, youth that have sewn previously and even experienced sewers with great skills! Youth will learn all the basics, brush up current skills and get ready for the fair.

The last meeting will be held on July 15, and at that meeting Martha will go over what is needed for Clothing Construction and Fashion Revue Judging. Judging for these projects will be held at Aldersgate United Methodist Church starting at 8:30 a.m. on July 17. If you are curious about what is needed for judging, how to model for Fashion Revue, etc. this is the meeting for you! Contact Martha Powell, county sewing leader, at mmp4powell@yahoo.com or 913-302-5812 with any questions.

Meetings for the 2021-2022 4-H year will start on October 7, 2021.

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 to be added to the mailing list for meeting announcements.

Kit Check Out for Registered Volunteers

In an effort to make hands-on, quality, educational resources available to your program and club, we are introducing Johnson County 4-H Kits for Registered 4-H Volunteers to borrow. Thank you Johnson County Extension Education Foundation and Google's CS Pathway grant for making this possible! Find information at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/KitCheckOut.html and contact the Johnson County 4-H office with any questions.

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, 2021 in order to exhibit at the fair. Please remember to print your YQCA certificate and bring it to the 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.

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

Local Opportunities

Leadership Camp

The Johnson County 4-H Ambassadors are hosting a Leadership Day Camp for all youth ages 8-12 on Tuesday, July 6, 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. Space is limited so register now at www.johnson.k-state.edu/classes-events/! Registration will close after June 28.

Fun with Food Science: Baking

Do you like to bake (and eat)? This camp is for the curious junior scientist who wants to know the how and why of food science through the world of baking. The crazy science behind food and the way we taste it will be explored. Through zoom interactions with KSU food professionals, participants will learn the secrets of making the perfect pizza and the yummiest desserts. The question “What makes bread taste so good and why does it rise?” will also be answered.

This virtual four-day summer camp offered through K-State's Olathe campus is designed to support STEM-based knowledge in a fun and safe environment. Camps and content are designed for students entering sixth grade through students leaving eighth grade. Fun with Food Science will be held July 12-15, from 9 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$25 and includes a T-shirt. Register online at olathe.k-state.edu/academics/programs-k12/programs/summer-camps/.

Kansas 4-H Project Report Form Resources

Set goals, practice record keeping, reflect, and compete using Kansas 4-H Project Report Forms. All forms, along with video tutorials, can be found at www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/ProjectRecognition.html. Informational slides from our local training are posted at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/record-books.html.

State Opportunity

Vet Med ROCKS Summer Camps

Vet Med ROCKS is hosting in-person and virtual day camps for youth August 1-4. The camps will have many knowledgeable clinicians and students speaking on a variety of preventive medicine topics. As well as several hands-on experiences with live animals. All in an effort to provide a fun and educational experience for young people interested in the field of veterinary medicine.

August 1 will be a virtual day of presentations and at-home activities for high school and college students. These campers will then attend in-person August 2 for hands-on labs with faculty and vet med student camp counselors throughout the day. August 3 will be an in-person camp for middle school students entering sixth through eighth grades and August 4 is an in-person camp for grade school students entering the fourth and fifth grades. Those who cannot attend either of these camps in person can attend presentations virtually in the morning. Morning presentations and hands-on labs in the afternoon will be conducted for campers attending on campus.

Registration is now open at www.vet.k-state.edu/admissions/rocks/. Scholarships are available for each camp session.

State Opportunities

Kansas 4-H Wheat Expo

The 2021 Kansas 4-H Wheat Expo will be held on Wednesday, August 11, at the Butler County Community Building in El Dorado. The Wheat Expo is a fun, educational and hands-on program for all Kansas 4-H members, siblings, parents, grandparents, and KSRE Extension staff. You do not have to be enrolled in crops/plant science projects to participate.



The Kansas 4-H Wheat Expo is a wheat fun day showcasing all things wheat. Lunch and refreshments are sponsored, and tours will be available. Everyone will participate in the same tour with the group splitting into two equal groups, with each group then flipping to the other tour after about one hour.

Tour A: Mid-Kansas Cooperative elevator and facility tour in Benton. This facility offers services in feeds, grains, and chemicals.

Tour B: Varner Farms, Towanda, is a diverse farming operation with crops, hay, cattle, and a dairy goat herd. Family members produce and sell soaps and lotions.

There will be eight contests open to youth members with cash prizes and ribbons awarded. Classes include: (1) 1 lb. bin run for crops members; or (2) 1 lb. bin run for “adopt a producer”; (3) 1 quart jar sample of cleaned wheat; (4) three standard yeast rolls; (5) three standard sized cookies; (6) three standard muffins; (7) wheat photography contest; (8) wheat educational posters and (9) Cloverbuds, (5-6-year-olds) with participation ribbons. Youth may bring multiple exhibits in divisions 3-9. A maximum of two placings per individual in each division, 1-8, will be awarded.

Registration cost will be \$6 per person. Pre-registration will be required at www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/wheat/ by Sunday, August 1, to ensure an accurate meal count and for tour divisions.

Kansas Department of Agriculture Photo Contest

The beauty of Kansas agriculture has been celebrated throughout the state’s ag industry, and photographers are encouraged to capture that beauty and share it with others through the Kansas Department of Agriculture’s annual photo contest. KDA will accept entries through August 16.



This year’s KDA Photo Contest categories were selected to promote different aspects of Kansas agriculture. *Kansas Weather*, *Celebrating Local Foods*, *Water in Kansas* and *Rural Kansas* categories will showcase the many places and ways we experience agriculture across the state of Kansas. A *Video* category has been added to showcase drone footage, harvest videos, or other short clips of under 30 seconds. As always, there will be a separate *Youth* category, for young photographers under age 19. Prizes will be awarded to the top two winners in each of the six categories.

Photos which best capture the categories will be used throughout the year to tell the story of Kansas agriculture. After submission, KDA is granted permission to use any photograph for publications, social media, websites, displays, etc. without payment or other consideration from the photographer.

Guidelines for the KDA Photo Contest, including deadlines, categories and prizes, can be found at <https://agriculture.ks.gov/news-events/2021-kansas-agriculture-photo-contest>. Voting to select finalists will begin on KDA’s social media sites in late August.

Host Families Needed for 2021-2022

Two Kansas families have committed to hosting Japanese AYP students for next year. There are currently three Japanese and South Korean boys needing host families from 4-H. They are 17 and 18. Please contact Mary Kay Munson at 785-375-3189 or mkm2@ksu.edu if you are interested in hosting a boy next year.



REPORTER'S CORNER

Country Hearts and Happy Helpers Join Forces for Donation

By George P. Delancy, Happy Helpers 4-H Club Reporter

The Country Hearts 4H Club and the Happy Helpers 4H Club held a joint club meeting on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church in Olathe, Kansas. Members enjoyed participating together including songs, a game, and several judging opportunities and presentations between the two clubs. The clubs worked together to bring shelf stable food items to donate to a local food pantry. Together the two clubs brought enough food items to fill an entire shopping cart. The food was donated to the food pantry at New Hope Presbyterian Church in Olathe, Kansas.



Oxford Hustlers Visit Rock Springs

By Victoria Olberding, Oxford Hustlers 4-H Club Reporter

Last summer, Rock Springs Ranch was closed due to the pandemic, but now it is back open and full of fun. The Oxford Hustlers 4-H Club had five members, two counselors, and an adult volunteer attend 4-H Camp with the Johnson County group. Campers enjoy a variety of activities. One new activity was the Leadership Adventure Course, which the club helped sponsor. First-time camper, Emmet, said his favorite part was “making new friends and having fun with them and also canoeing.” Summer, also a first-time participant, said, “The free time was fun because I got to know the people I just met better, and the food was REALLY good!” 4-H Camp offers a great opportunity to learn new things and meet a lot of people. This group thought this was an excellent way to kick off the summer!



Participants from left to right: Adult Volunteer, Emalie; Adriana; Katherine; Summer; Counselor, Brie; Cora; Emmet; and Counselor, Brennen.

REPORTER'S CORNER

Local Author Visits Great Plains 4-H Club

By Leah Kwasiborski, Great Plains 4-H Club Reporter

On April 1st, the Great Plains 4-H Club met at Community Covenant Church and hosted guest speaker Lori Fairchild. Lori is a local author who writes young adult dystopian novels, including the Palumbra Chronicles. The club greatly enjoyed hearing about the books that Mrs. Fairchild has written and how she became an author. She shared her methods for writing and creating stories as well as how she publishes her books. Many of the club members were interested in how Lori comes up with ideas for a story, Mrs. Fairchild shared about her creative process and how she will use experiences or people in her life to help her create an interesting and realistic storyline. Because Lori Fairchild is also a mom, she told the club how she manages to make time for writing as well as being a parent. Anyone interested in supporting a local author can check out the books Lori has written on Amazon. The club also enjoyed playing minute to win it games as their recreation.



2021 Rodeo Royalty Contest

2021 Rodeo Royalty contestants were judged on horsemanship, presentation and interview June 12th and June 16th. 2021 Rodeo Royalty Coronation will be held on Monday, July 26th to KICK OFF THE 2021 JOHNSON COUNTY FAIR. Look for Ann'adele, Emma and Avery throughout the week of fair.



Avery and Emma, JO CO Rodeo Queen Contestants—Ann'adele, JO CO Rodeo Princess Contestant

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.

July

- 1 - Entries for Clothing Construction, Dog Show, Fashion Revue, Fiber Arts and Home Environment due
 - JoCo 4-H Scholarship applications due
 - Mr. and Ms. 4-H applications due
- 5 - Independence Day observed, office closed
- 6 - Ambassador Leadership Day Camp, JoCo Fairgrounds (pre-registration required)
 - County Council meeting
- 8 - NO Countywide Sewing Group meeting
- 10 - JoCo 4-H Dog Club Rally-O and Agility Show, JoCo Fairgrounds
- 15 - Mr. and Ms. 4-H Presentations and Interviews
 - Clothing Construction and Fashion Revue Judging Informational meeting
 - Kansas State Fair Grand Drive entries due
- 17 - Clothing Construction, Fashion Revue & Fiber Arts Judging, Aldersgate Church
- 21 - Entries due for exhibits judged during fair
 - Beef, Goat, Sheep and Swine Stall Requests and Tag Numbers due
 - Public Fashion Revue & Mr. and Ms. 4-H Coronation, Wheatridge Middle School
- 26 - 4-H Foods Judging, Gardner Elementary

August

- 1 - Release of livestock from fairgrounds (after 6 a.m.)
 - Clean up Fairgrounds & Pick up remaining fair exhibits
 - Kansas State Fair Horse Show entries due
- 6 - State Fair Entry requests due to office
- 15 - Kansas Junior Livestock Show entries due

Check out www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources for the 2021 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 or holiday please check the 2021 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.

Leader Update

4-H Online Enrollment for New Families

The 4-H Online system has been set up to not allow any changes to 4-H members' projects after May 1. New families can still enroll in 4-H Online. A step by step brochure to help new families enroll is posted on the Johnson County 4-H website at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/. As always, if you have any questions about the 4-H Online system do not hesitate to contact the Johnson County 4-H office.

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.

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 current volunteers have their renewal completed by November 1, 2020. If a volunteer has not completed the renewal process in 4-H Online for the 2020-2021 year, they should not be volunteering for your club. Once the renewal process has been completed in 4-H Online and their profile is approved they may resume their volunteer duties.

Youth under the age of 18 do not need to complete the volunteer screening process. (There are a few exceptions such as camp counselors.)

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

Resources for 4-H Club Leaders

Club Leader Resource Page

Please take some time to look over 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/. If you are looking for something and can't find it, do not hesitate to contact the Johnson County 4-H office.

4-H EZ: Recipe for Community Club Success

This training includes six videos, handouts, and resources that go with the videos. Volunteers watch the videos and review the handouts and resources designed to help create a better club experience.

The training is set up so that it can be completed all at once or over time. The videos are available on the North Central Region 4-H Volunteer Development's website at <http://bit.ly/4-HEZ>. Click on the heading of each section to go to the video. First sign in, then you can click on the video link. At the end of each video volunteers are asked to reflect on something learned and offer suggestions for future training opportunities.