



Clover Clips

A newsletter for Johnson County 4-H families.

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4-H Families,

Autumn in Kansas is beautiful and it's a great time to celebrate all the 4-H accomplishments. I had the honor of reading through the Record Books documenting the great work of the 4-H'ers, families, and clubs this past year and I hope to see you all at the Achievement Celebration on November 3. Speaking of celebrations, congratulations to all the new officers for the 2018-19 year. I admire the 4-H'ers' ambition to take on new challenges and learn new skills as they grow and develop. Finally, thank you to all the wonderful volunteers that provide a safe and welcoming learning environment for our 4-H'ers. **-Ami**

2019 Enrollment

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4-H Ambassador Applications Due Soon

Do you love 4-H? Do you love to meet new people? Then apply to be a 2019 Johnson County 4-H Ambassador! Ambassadors share with the community and other 4-H members about the many opportunities 4-H has to offer. The application and more information can be found on the Johnson County 4-H website at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/ambassadors.html. Applications are due to the Extension office by 5 p.m. Thursday, November 1.

Already a Johnson County Ambassador? Don't forget to turn in the Ambassador Application-Renewal Form!

Achievement Celebration Reminder

Johnson County 4-H will be celebrating the 2018 4-H year's achievements of 4-H'ers and volunteers on Saturday, November 3 at the Center of Grace in Olathe. The program will start at 2 p.m., please check in at 1:30 p.m. Refreshments will be available following the program. The address for the Center of Grace is 520 S. Harrison, Olathe, KS 66061.

Local Opportunities

48 Hours of 4-H Service Project Wrap-up



If your club participated in a service project during 48 Hours of 4-H please have one person from the group report the activity by filling out the online report at www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/48-hours-of-4-h/. Even if your project was not pre-registered, please still take a few minutes to report what your group did so that the Kansas 4-H office has a record of all the projects completed. Also, if your group has any thoughts about the event there is a place to add those in the online report.

4-H Financial Audit

4-H Treasurers, Club Leaders, and Financial Audit Committee members: start planning now for the annual 4-H Club Financial Audit! The audit is required for all non-appropriated funds generated for Extension programs. This includes funds raised/collected by 4-H clubs, project clubs, affiliated groups, etc. The Annual Financial Report document can be found at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/project-club-resources/leader-resources.html. Every club/group who has an EIN number issued by the IRS is asked to have a Financial Review Committee review the club financial records annually. Members of this committee should NOT be family members of the treasurer or signatories on the account. The committee should be composed of TWO 4-H MEMBERS and TWO ADULT VOLUNTEERS. This information is due to the Extension office November 1. If you have questions please contact Ami.

County Council Elections and Information

Each club needs to have two youth and two adults serve as the club's representatives at 4-H County Council. The meetings occur on the first Monday of odd months at 7 p.m. starting on November 5. The November meeting is especially crucial for your club to have representation, as the new County Council officers will be elected. It is encouraged that all youth interested in a County Council officer position be present for the meeting. The newly elected officers will have meetings which occur on the first Monday of the even months at 7 p.m. starting on December 3. If you have any questions please contact Ami.

Attend the General Fair Board Meeting

Are you interested in learning more about the Johnson County Fair and/or helping out? Then plan to attend the Johnson County General Fair Board Meeting at 7:30 p.m. on November 7, in the Open Building on the Johnson County Fairgrounds in Gardner.

New Family Orientation

First and second year families of 4-H, welcome! We will be offering a New Family Orientation from 6:30-8 p.m. on Tuesday, November 27, at the Extension office for parents. This is a great opportunity to ask all your questions about navigating through the 4-H year and meet the Johnson County 4-H team. We will cover topics such as enrollment, project selection, record books, 4-H events, county activities, and allow time to answer questions.

To register please complete the information at <https://goo.gl/forms/9rjs2beLBzUVWBV93>. Registration is required by Tuesday, November 20, and we must have a minimum number of families registered to hold the orientation.

Local Opportunities

Grants Available for Johnson County 4-H Projects

We are excited to announce that we will be offering Project Leader Grants for project leaders or volunteers interested in leading a countywide project! The purpose of this grant is to offer project meetings to 4-H'ers who would otherwise not have an opportunity to learn about the project, to increase participation in projects 4-H'ers are already enrolled in and increase overall enrollment in projects. If awarded, the project leader would receive an amount of up to \$100. Grant money will be used to cover the cost of materials so that 4-H'ers can participate in the project with little to no cost. It could also cover admission to educational exhibits. If you are currently leading project meetings with your club and only have a couple members we encourage you to apply so you can open up your meetings to others outside your club.

A link to the application and more information is posted on the Johnson County 4-H Forms and Resources webpage at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/. Up to 4 grants will be given out every year and the first application deadline is December 1, so act now! If you have any questions please contact Amanda.

JOHNSON COUNTY EXTENSION EDUCATION FOUNDATION BENEFIT DINNER & AUCTION FEBRUARY 9, 2019



Table Designers Needed for 12 Tables

Volunteer designers will have the opportunity to display their creativity with color and design by providing décor for their individual tables. You may make this a team project or do this on your own. So use your imagination and get those creative juices going – this will be a great time for all! Table centerpieces will be auctioned off during the live auction. And, to add to the excitement – prizes for the top three decorated tables!

The benefit dinner and auction will be held at the Johnson County Arts & Heritage Center. The proceeds from this auction will benefit the various Johnson County Extension Office programs.

If you are interested in volunteering as a table designer, for further information, please contact –

Carolyn Mounce
(913)-302-3854
caryolyn.mounce@yahoo.com

or

Kathy Waterkotte
(360)-531-1807
dkghmw@msn.com

County Project Opportunities

Countywide Crochet and Knitting Projects



Aren't these pot holders gorgeous? Johnson County 4-H'er, Theresa, created these beautiful pieces. Create your own piece of art by participating in the Countywide Crochet Project or the Countywide Knitting Project. For information about joining the Crochet project, contact Traci at tracihaskins@gmail.com. For information about joining the Knitting Project, contact Sarah at skallansrud@yahoo.com.

Countywide Sewing Project

Are you interested in learning how to create something from a piece of material? Attend classes 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. Classes start at 6:30 p.m. every Thursday at the Extension office until November 15, and then will start up again in January. If you have any questions about the class please contact Martha Powell at mmp4powell@yahoo.com or at 913-302-5812.

Johnson County 4-H Dog Club Training Registration Open

Registration for training with the Johnson County 4-H Dog Club is now open for the 2019 year. All registration materials must be submitted no later than December 15, 2018. Training will start January 14, 2019 and will be held every Monday at 7 p.m. with set-up starting at 6:30 p.m. The first meeting on January 14 is a mandatory orientation meeting for everyone. The January 14 meeting will be at Gardner First Presbyterian Church by the Johnson County Fairgrounds. A schedule and the registration form are posted on the Johnson County 4-H Livestock webpage at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/livestock.html.

Tail Waggers Dog Project Training Information

Johnson County 4-H Tail Waggers Dog Project is now accepting registrations for the 2019 training season. All registration materials must be submitted no later than January 4, 2019. A mandatory orientation meeting for new Tail Waggers participants will be held on Wednesday, January 9. Obedience and Showmanship training sessions will be held on Wednesday nights (6:30-8:30 p.m.) at the Johnson County Fairgrounds, starting January 16. Further details are available in the Information/Registration packet posted on the Johnson County 4-H Countywide Projects webpage at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/countywide-projects.html. If you have questions, you may contact Donna Holloway at 913-433-6752 or Pat Rawitch at 913-681-0406.

SAVE THE DATE!

Food Fare Planning Meeting will be November 5 at 6:30 p.m. at the Extension office, Room 1010.

4-H Horse Panorama will be January 25-27, 2019 at Rock Springs 4-H Center.

Kansas 4-H Dog Judges' Certification and Training will be January 26-27, 2019 in Hutchinson.

Johnson County Club Day will be February 9, 2019 at Wheatridge Middle School.

Kansas 4-H Ambassador Training will be February 22-23, 2019 at Rock Springs 4-H Center.

Kansas Junior Swine Producer Day will be March 9, 2019 in Manhattan.

Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes will be August 24-25, 2019 in Manhattan.

County Project Opportunities

Countywide Astronomy Project Activities

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

- *StarLab Planetarium Program: Winter's Stories in the Skies* - In the StarLab, an inflatable planetarium, we'll learn about stars, including the Winter Hexagon and the Zodiac constellations and the mythology behind them.

Date: Sunday, January 27 **Time:** 2-3:30 p.m. **Location:** Mr. & Mrs. F.L. Schlagle Library at Wyandotte County Lake, 4051 West Dr., Kansas City, KS 66109

Space is limited to 30 people, so please RSVP to Heather Anderson, Countywide Astronomy Project Leader, at handerson3@gmail.com if you are planning on coming to the program.

- **Spring 2019**

The date isn't set yet, however we plan on holding a workshop where interested members will learn about the physics of telescopes and make one to enter at the Fair.

If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions for the Johnson County 4-H Astronomy Project feel free to contact Heather at handerson3@gmail.com.

4-H Western Heritage - Have Fun Today & Step into the Past!

The 4-H Western Heritage Project combines a study of the Old West with a different type of 4-H shooting – western action shooting! This project allows members to experience the lifestyles and cultures of the American frontier during the period of 1860-1900 through a living history approach to learning while instilling the concepts of gun safety and personal responsibility. It will encourage interest in American History that will lead to personal research and increased knowledge of the Old West.

The first meeting will be 2-3:30 p.m. on November 4 at Powder Creek Shooting Park's Cowboy Town at 8601 Monticello Road, Lenexa, KS 66227. Drive past the clubhouse and follow the road as it curves left until you arrive in the old west. This is an outdoor event, but we intend on holding the event rain or shine. If weather is too bad, contact an instructor in case the event has to move indoors.

This will mostly be an informational meeting, open to 4-H youth ages 9-18. If youth want to join for additional meetings, they must be a member of Johnson County 4-H and enrolled in the Western Heritage Project. There will be a small fee to pay at the second meeting for equipment. After becoming active, youth may have an opportunity to participate in the National 4-H Western Heritage event, which involves Cowboy Action Shooting, Period Clothing/Character Development and Western Knowledge.

Class is taught by Kansas certified 4-H Shooting Sports Western Heritage instructors. Please contact David Birk at dvdbirk@yahoo.com for more information about the project. For additional information visit the 4-H Western Heritage Project website at www.4-hwesternheritageproject.org. Watch this video to see more from a Kansas 4-H youth in the Western Heritage Project: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a0p_vAVz9FQ&feature=youtu.be.

State Opportunities

Registration Closing Soon for Kansas 4-H Leadership Weekend

The Kansas Youth Leadership Forum (KYLF) and the Kansas Volunteer Forum (KVF) will again be held simultaneously at Rock Springs 4-H Center from November 17-18, 2018. In addition to each group having a great program planned, there will also be a joint opportunity for both groups to learn together.

KYLF is for youth ages 14-18, before January 1, 2019. Delegates will experience workshops, a guest speaker, fun and educational activities, election of the new Youth Leadership Council, and more. More information is available at www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/kansas-youth-leadership-forum/.

NEW THIS YEAR - The conferences are being held only on Saturday and Sunday. For those coming from a distance or for scheduling purposes, Friday night lodging and breakfast Saturday will be available at an additional charge. Chaperones will be necessary for youth coming in early.

Registration is open until November 1. Cancellations on or before November 1, will be charged a \$25 processing fee. After November 1, cancellations will be assessed the full amount.

International 4-H Exchange Opportunities

Opportunities for 4-H members begin at age 12 (for Japan and Korea exchanges) and age 15 for exchanges to Costa Rica and Finland in 2019 through States' 4-H International Exchange Programs. 4-H alumni 19-25 are eligible for exchanges to a number of countries through the IFYE program. Volunteers, staff and alumni over 25 may apply to chaperone all of the States' 4-H Exchanges. There are career enhancement opportunities for IFYE's in addition to the leadership and life skills development that all exchanges offer. New scholarship opportunities are offered this year as well. Applications and details are posted on the Kansas 4-H website at www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/global-citizenship/kansas-4-h-international-exchanges/. 2019 applications must be postmarked by November 1, 2018.

4-H Project Leader Training Opportunity

Join volunteers from across Northeast Kansas to learn about what it means to be a 4-H Project Leader, planning project meetings, resources available, do hands on practice and network with other volunteers for idea sharing. Diane Mack and Shane Potter will be the featured speakers. The training will begin at 7 p.m. on November 14 at the Northeast Kansas Heritage Complex in Holton. There is no cost to attend, but do RSVP by November 5, to 785-336-2184 or rmostell@ksu.edu.

2019 Kansas 4-H Dog Scholarship Details

The 2019 Keith Neuway and Jim Adams Kansas 4-H Dog Care and Training Project Scholarship is for dog members who have been in the Kansas 4-H Dog Project for three or more years and who are a high school senior or current college freshman. Applicants do not need to be current 4-H members if the other criteria is met. This 4-H scholarship is a one-time payment of \$500 that will be awarded on Saturday, September 14, 2019, during the 2019 Kansas State Fair 4-H Dog Show.

A link to the 2019 application is posted on the Kansas 4-H website at www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animals/dog.html. 2019 applications must be received on or before 5 p.m. on Friday, February 1, 2019. Late applications will not be accepted. Send the completed application to the Kansas State 4-H Office, ATTN: Neuway and Adams Dog Care and Training Scholarship Committee, 201 Umberger Hall, 1612 Claflin Road, Manhattan, KS 66506-3404.

REPORTER'S CORNER

The third "H" in 4-H stands for Hands. In our pledge, we speak of offering our "hands to larger service." Citizenship is important to the Happy Helpers 4-H Club. This year members worked together on various projects throughout the year to collect donations for Cornerstones of Care. The Club was able to donate several boxes of books, art supplies and blankets. It was especially meaningful to be serving the community in a way which directly impacts other children. Members of the club used their day off of school to take the items to the facility on September 28.



The Happy Helpers 4-H Club met on Thursday, August 2 for a Club Tour. The club did well at the 2018 Johnson County Fair. Members of the club participated in a variety of projects and earned 38 purple ribbons, 36 blue ribbons, 13 red ribbons, and a Cloverbud participation

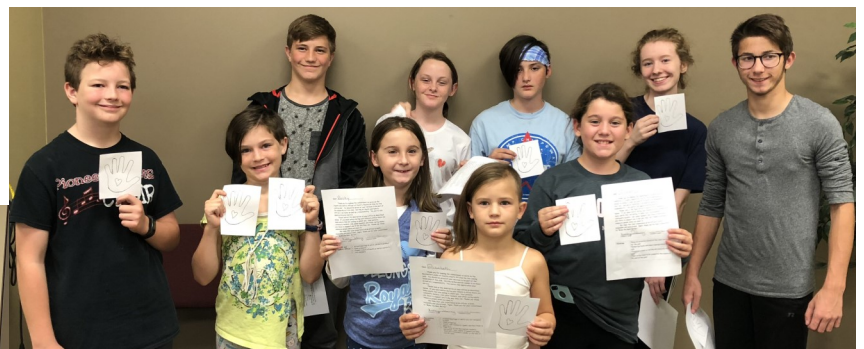


ribbon. Of those projects, the club earned 2 Grand Champions, 2 Reserve Grand Champions, 5 Champions, and 5 Reserve Champions. In addition, members of the club were proud to earn Reserve Champion on the club banner.

The Happy Helpers also had a good representation at the 2018 Kansas State Fair. Members brought home one red ribbon, three blue ribbons, and a purple ribbon.

By Cora Delancy, Happy Helpers 4-H Club Reporter

On Oct. 11 we installed our new officers, and we also made pictures and posters to promote 4-H. Here are some pictures from that fun night!



By Ann'adele Kozlowski, Country Hearts 4-H Club Reporter

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The Oxford Hustlers 4-H year is off to a great start!

First, the club participated in a proclamation dedicating 4-H week in the Shawnee City Council meeting on Monday, September 26th:



Next, the club took part in the 48 Hours of service by volunteering at the Lenexa United Methodist Church Service on Sunday, October 7th. The club handed out bulletins, shared scripture, led a song, talked briefly about the benefits of 4-H and enjoyed a reception after the service with church members:



To close out participation in the 48 Hours of service the club volunteered at the New Hope Food Pantry on Saturday, October 13th. Over 110 cars were served fresh food to enjoy. Many of these cars represented up to five families!:

By Miriam Haney, Oxford Hustlers 4-H Club Reporter



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Blue River Wranglers Make Meals for Ronald McDonald House

A Ronald McDonald House is a house where families can stay so they are close to their hospitalized children at little to no cost. Most families call it home for several weeks then move to a different one.

The Blue River Wranglers went to the Ronald McDonald House as one of their cooking meetings to volunteer. They cooked meals for the families in the houses. While they were there they had a lot of fun! Jonathan said one of his favorite things he did was, "making the food." The Blue River Wranglers made six pans of Italian stuffed pasta shells. There were 5 adults and 10 kids that volunteered.

You can get involved by dropping off all your spare change into the Ronald McDonald boxes at places like an event or gas station. You can also volunteer at a house. Visit <https://www.rmhc.org/other-ways-to-help>.

By Ainsley Pecenka, Blue River Wranglers 4-H Club Reporter



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.

November

- 1 - Ambassador Applications due
 - Club Financial Audits due
 - Current 4-H members re-enroll by today
 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 2 - Countywide Knitting Group
- 3 - Achievement Celebration
- 4 - Western Heritage Project meeting
- 5 - Food Fare Planning meeting
 - County Council meeting and elections
- 7 - General Fair Board meeting at Fairgrounds
- 8 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 12 - Veterans' Day (observed), office closed
 - Countywide Crochet Group
- 14 - Jo. Co. Extension Council Annual Meeting
- 15 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 20 - Registration due for New Family Orientation
- 22-23 - Thanksgiving Holiday, office closed
- 26 - Countywide Crochet Group
- 27 - New Family Orientation

December

- 3 - Countywide Crochet Group
- 5 - County Council Officers meeting
- 15 - Dog Club Training Registration due
- 24-25 - Christmas Holiday, office closed

Check out www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources for the 2019 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 2019 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

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Club Leader Resources Page

Please take some time to visit the Club Leader Resources page at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/project-club-resources/leader-resources.html. There are links to all the documents that need to be completed for the end of the 2018 4-H year and beginning of the 2019 4-H year, including a Club Leader Checklist.

Project Leaders and Volunteers must be Registered Volunteers

This is a reminder that project leaders and volunteers must be Registered Volunteers in order to volunteer for your club. Please help us to make sure everyone volunteering in your club has completed the necessary steps. For those leaders or volunteers that are already Registered Volunteers, the annual renewal was due October 1. If a volunteer has not yet completed their renewal, please have them do so as soon as possible. More information on the Volunteer Screening process is online at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/volunteers/.