



Geary County

4-H NEWS



A Newsletter for 4-H Families and Volunteers

February 2017

STEM/Foods Project Opportunity

All Geary County 4-H members are invited to a STEM/Foods Project opportunity on Saturday, March 4th. The day in Manhattan will start at 10:00am at the Flint Hills Discovery Center, to be followed by lunch at Pizza Ranch, and around two hours at the HyVee kitchen starting at 1:00pm. All costs will be covered for Geary County 4-H members, including lunch. Please RSVP to the Extension Office by calling 785-238-4161 or emailing gkopfer@ksu.edu by March 1st (also let us know if you will need transportation to Manhattan).

Regional 4-H Day

Regional 4-H Day will be held on Saturday, March 25th in Clay Center at the High School. Those eligible to compete will need to let the Extension Office know by Monday, February 27th if you plan to do so. This will allow us to turn in your name to be put on the Regional 4-H Day schedule.

4-H Day Thanks!

Thanks to everyone who participated in 4-H Day this year. Special thanks to those that helped with set-up, clean-up, and who served as room monitors!

4-H Camp

June 4-7, 2017

Rock Springs 4-H Center

Fee: \$112.50 for Geary County 4-H members, \$225 for non-4-H'ers

Theme: Think Outside

For 4-H members and friends who have completed 2nd through 7th grades by the time of camp. Registration is due May 10th (see the enclosed flyer and registration form). All Geary County 4-H members who complete a scholarship request form that is available at the Extension Office or at <http://www.geary.k-state.edu/4-h/forms.html> will pay only \$112.50 for camp in 2017. The Geary County 4-H Foundation is paying the other half of the camp fee. The Extension Office is now able to accept credit and debit cards to pay registration fees. If a card is used, a fee of 2.7% will be charged to cover our fees for providing this service.

Camp Counselors Needed

Counselors are needed for 4-H camp again this year. Counselors must be at least 14 years old by the time of camp. Applications are available at the Extension Office and are due by May 10th. Counselors are required to attend training on June 3rd starting at 5:00pm and then are expected to be at camp June 4-7. Counselors will not have to pay a fee this year because the 4-H Foundation voted to pay the fee for all Geary County Counselors. This is a great experience for older 4-H members, so please consider applying!

Building Fundraiser Help Needed

The Building Committee is requesting assistance from 4-H members and families for their fundraiser on April 8th. Setup help is needed at 1:00pm and servers are needed for the evening and will report at 5:45pm. Call the Extension Office at 238-4161 or email gkopfer@ksu.edu if you can help.

4-H Building Fundraiser

It is almost time for the annual 4-H/Senior Citizens Center fundraiser scheduled for April 8th. The Building Committee is counting on your support as 4-H and Extension functions use the building rent free. The dinner will be catered by Snapper's Pub and Grub of Hanover. Doors open at 5pm with the meal served from 6pm to 7pm followed by the live auction. Entertainment will be provided by the Just Us Quartet. Ticket price is \$10 age 12 and under and \$13 age 13 and over. Tickets can be purchased at the door, from the Senior Center, Extension Office, or building committee members. Monetary donations from clubs, members, or families are welcome and appreciated!

Fair Rule Changes

The following fair rule changes were made at the February 4-H Council meeting.

- Addition of a prospect **market beef** class for 500 to 900 pound animals that will not compete for champion or be allowed to participate in the auction.
- Members may exhibit **2 horses** per conformation class, not to exceed 5 horses total in conformation classes.

Dog Classes

Dog classes will start up on Thursday, March 9th at 6:30pm at the 4-H/Senior Citizens Center. Future classes will be held on Thursday evenings with the time to be determined at the first class. All participants will need to fill out a 4-H Dog Show Immunization Record and turn it in to the Extension Office before the first class or bring it with them to the first class. If you don't have an Immunization Record, contact the Extension Office or visit <http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/bookstore/pubs/MG34.pdf> to get one. If you don't have a completed immunization record to turn in, you can still attend the first class for the planning part, but please do not bring your dog.

Beef/Bucket Calf Project Meeting

This meeting will be held on March 4th at the 4-H/Senior Citizen Center. From 2:00 to 3:00pm, Monika Schilling from Agri Trails Co-op will give a presentation on cattle nutrition (good information for both beef and bucket calf project members). From 3:00 to 4:00pm will be a meeting on bucket calf health.

Beef Weigh-in

Weigh-in will be held on Sunday, February 26th from 2:00 to 3:00pm at J.C. Livestock Sales in Junction City. We will be weighing and tagging beef cattle as well as measuring hip height. To calculate frame score, we will need to know the month and year of birth for each animal. Please bring this information along with \$3.00 for each tag that you will need.

Judging Contests and Spring Shows

Information about upcoming judging contests and spring shows can be found online at http://www.geary.k-state.edu/4-h/shows_judging%20contests.html.

PQA Certification

All youth who wish to exhibit swine at the Kansas State Fair or Kansas Junior Livestock Show must be PQA certified. Contact the Extension Office for further details on this process. The process must be completed before the end of May in order for eligibility for these shows.

Horse Level Testing

Now is a great time to get started on your horse Achievement Level testing if you haven't already done so. All District Horse Show participants will need to have completed the appropriate level testing by June 1st (9-13 year olds Level 1, 14 and up Level 1 and 2). In order to participate in the 4-H horse show at the Kansas State Fair, 4-H members must qualify at the District Horse Show scheduled for July 5th in Salina.

Upcoming Youth Livestock Events at K-State

The K-State Youth Livestock Program has some exciting events planned for the upcoming months. Mark them on your calendar now and plan to attend!

Junior Swine Producer Day – March 11 (early registration due February 22)

Junior Meat Goat Producer Day – March 25 (early registration due March 3)

Animal Science Leadership Academy – June 14-17 (applications due April 1)

More information on these events can be obtained at the Extension Office or online at <http://www.youthlivestock.ksu.edu>. The K-State Youth Livestock Program has also created Twitter and Facebook accounts to keep everyone updated on information and deadlines. Go to the webpage listed above to find links to these accounts.

Livestock Judging Camp

“Champions” Livestock Judging Camp is an intense 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. Chris Mullinix, coach of more than 30 national champion teams and KSU Livestock Judging Coach, will conduct the training to be held at Kansas State University. Three sessions are available during June with each session limited to 35 students. Cost for the camp is \$250 and registration is due by May 22nd. More information is available at the Extension Office or online at <http://www.asi.k-state.edu/students-and-programs/youth-programs/judging-camps.html>.

Multi-County Photo Workshop

This annual event will be held March 19th, starting at 11:30am at the Auburn Community Center in Auburn, KS. Registration and fee is due by March 11th. The day will begin with a photography judging contest and then will include workshop classes ranging from beginning level to advanced level. There is something for everyone! Contact the Extension Office for more information.

Northwest 4-H Judging Contests

Load up the car and head to Hays for a day filled with 4-H learning fun on March 11th. There will be the annual judging contests (Crops, Entomology, Horticulture, Life Skills, Livestock, and Photography), project workshops, and a volunteer gathering. A flyer with all of the details can be found at <http://www.ellis.k-state.edu/4-h/northwest-judging.html>.

**Kansas 4-H Unmanned
Aerial Systems
Experience**

Kansas 4-H and the Cosmosphere in Hutchinson are teaming up to provide a fun, hands-on and science-based program featuring Unmanned Aerial Systems. The experience will be held from March 31st at 4:00pm until April 1st at 4:00pm. Cost is \$110 each for youth participants and their adult chaperone(s). Find more information and register online at <http://www.Kansas4-H.org> (look for the green 4-H Event Registration button). Registration is open and will close March 16th or when the limit of 60 participants is reached.

**Kansas 4-H SpaceTech
Day in the Northwest**

Youth, parents, and 4-H project leaders who want to learn more about the Kansas 4-H SpaceTech project are invited to this event on Saturday, March 25th at the Ellis Public Library in Ellis, KS. Registration and get acquainted will start at 9:30am and the day will wrap up at 4:00pm. The experience will concentrate on the core areas of robotics, rocketry, and Unmanned Aerial Systems and will help young people and adults learn how to put skills to work in these areas and spark an interest in future career opportunities. Cost is \$20. For an informational flyer visit www.ellis.k-state.edu/docs/4h-documents/nw4h-opportunities/2017NWSpaceTechDay.pdf.

**Rock Springs is Hiring
for Summer 2017**

Rock Springs 4-H Center is recruiting Summer Staff for 2017! Know of past or present 4-H members or other outstanding young leaders graduating high school through college age that are looking for an exciting summer opportunity? Send them this great employment option! For a list of position openings visit www.rocksprings.net/employment/summer/positions.php.

February

- 19-20 Citizenship in Action Conference, Topeka
- 22 Junior Swine Producer Day registration deadline
- 26 Beef Weigh-in, 2 to 3pm @ JC Livestock

March

- 1 Discovery Days online registration opens
- 3 Junior Meat Goat Producer Day registration deadline
- 4 County-wide STEM/Foods Project Opportunity, starts 10am
- 4 County-wide Beef/ Bucket Calf project meeting, 2pm @ 4-H Building
- 6 4-H Project Meeting Evening, 7pm @ 4-H/Senior Citizens Center
- 9 Dog Classes start, 6:30pm @ 4-H/Senior Citizens Center
- 11 Junior Swine Producer Day, Manhattan
- 11 Northwest 4-H Judging Contests, Hays
- 11 Multi-County Photography Workshop registration deadline
- 19 Multi-County Photography Workshop, Auburn
- 25 Regional 4-H Day, Clay Center High School
- 25 Junior Goat Producer Day, Manhattan

Calendar of Events

Important Future Dates

- April 8 4-H/Senior Citizens Center Building Fundraiser
- April 15 Discovery Days online registration closes
- May 5 Ag Day
- May 10 Camp Registration & Counselor Applications due
- May 30 – June 2 Discovery Days @ K-State
- June 3 4-H Camp Counselor Training
- June 4-7 4-H Camp
- July 23-27 Geary County Free Fair

IFYE Hosts Needed

Kansas 4-H is searching for hosts for International 4-H Youth Exchange (IFYE) participants this summer. Participants stay up to 3 months in Kansas split between several families with each family hosting for 2 to 3 weeks. Anyone interested in hosting should contact Mary Kay Munson at 785-238-3631 or munson@ksbroadband.net.

Shooting Sports Instructor Training

The next opportunity to certify Shooting Sports discipline instructors will be April 7-9 at Rock Springs. The training begins Friday morning and will conclude Sunday afternoon. If you or someone you know might be interested in becoming a shooting sports instructor, contact the Extension Office. Registration deadline for the training is April 1st.

4-H Day Family & Consumer Science Judging Contest Results

Cloverbuds

Participation – Austin Sohnrey, Adrian Williams, Lilly Hadley

Junior Division

Purple – Blake Proietti, Grady Oentrich, Addison Gibson, Tava Gustafson, Kassidy Jahnke; **Blue** – Jessie Hadley, Hanna Miller, Holly Hadley; **Red** – Kaitlyn Sohnrey, Cori Leasure, Newt Miller, Kourtney Dibben, Ethan Goodyear, Amelia Strauss; **White** – Charlie Strauss, Brittney Dibben

Intermediate Division

Purple – Emmy Gfeller, Mikayla Dibben, Wyatt Miller, Jordan Jenkins; **Blue** – Jewels Williams, Chelsey Armbruster, Macie Muto, Karley Kramer, Travis Leasure; **Red** – Creytin Sanner, Elijah Schmidt, Josie Strauss, Charly Goodwin, Sebastian Schultz, Hannah Leasure, Ava Oentrich; **White** – Noah Hinkley, Zoe Riggs

Senior Division

Purple – Brianna Nelson, Morgan Goodwin, Calen Boller; **Blue** – Rebekah Thomas, Kaitlyn Butler, Corbin Sanner; **Red** – Lydia Sohnrey, Sam Shefelton; **White** – Aleeya Williams

Cloverbuds

Participation – Eliot Oentrich, Austin Sohnrey, Lilly Hadley

Junior Division

Purple – Elizabeth Murphy, Grady Oentrich, Kaitlyn Sohnrey, Tava Gustafson; **Blue** – Holly Hadley, Cori Leasure, Jessica Hadley, Morgan Nabus, Haylee Six, Blake Proietti, Brock Nabus, Hanna Miller, Newt Miller, Brittney Dibben; **Red** – Amelia Strauss, Kassidy Jahnke, Addison Gibson; **White** – Kourtney Dibben, Charlie Strauss

Intermediate Division

Purple – Jewels Williams, Jada Nabus, Creytin Sanner, Travis Leasure, Karley Kramer, Logan Nabus; **Blue** – Macie Muto, Mikayla Dibben, Chelsey Armbruster, Wyatt Miller, Elaina Schmidt, Cody Haycook, Kacey Butler, Zoe Riggs; **Red** – Charly Goodwin, Ava Oentrich; **White** – Sebastian Schultz, Hannah Leasure, Josie Strauss, David McIlwain

Senior Division

Purple – Corbin Sanner, Lydia Sohnrey; **Blue** – Calen Boller, Morgan Goodwin, Jaydon Zima; **Red** – Brianna Nelson, Lindsey Ascher, Aleeya Williams, Rylie Ellis, Mason Muto, Lauren Moon, Zachery Ferris; **White** – Colton Crable, Sam Shefelton

4-H Day Photography Judging Contest Results



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February 16, 2017

If you haven't already done so, now is a great time to make goals, including general goals for 4-H and goals for your 4-H projects. It is a proven fact that if you write down your goals, you are more likely to achieve them, so get out those KAP forms and complete Section 1 right away!

Ginger D. Kopfer
County Extension Agent

Topic: Foods & Nutrition

At this project meeting, you will learn about the importance of careful ingredient selection. You will also learn what a 4-H foods judge is looking for when they evaluate food entries. Finally, you will be asked to put on your judging hat to identify which of 3 cookies (each made from a different variation of the same recipe) you would identify as purple, blue, red, or white ribbon quality. Who knows, you may even decide a cookie should be disqualified!

Date: 03/06/17

Time: 7:00pm

Location: 4-H/Senior Citizens Center

4-H Project Meeting Evening

Please RSVP to the Extension Office by 5:00pm on Thursday, March 2nd by calling 785-238-4161 or emailing gkopfer@ksu.edu.

- Future 4-H Project Meeting Evenings will be held on the first Monday of April and May. The April topic will be Entomology.



WHEN

June 4 - 7, 2017

LOCATION

Rock Spring 4-H Center
13 miles SW of Junction City

AGES

For youth in 2nd grade
through 7th grade

FRIENDS

Campers live in Dickinson,
Geary, Pottawatomie,
Riley, & Wabaunsee
Counties

REGISTRATION

Due May 10
\$112.50 for 4-H members
\$225 for other youth

CONTACT

Geary County Extension
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785-238-4161

BE PART OF A TEAM
FREE T-SHIRT & CRAFTS
TRY NEW THINGS



**FEATURING: ARCHERY CRAFTS ROBOTICS MOUNTAIN BIKES
CLIMBING TOWER SWIMMING CAMPFIRE CANOES STREAM STUDY
FISHING POWER OF WIND LEADERSHIP ADVENTURE COURSE**

- Activity tracks offer tailor-made adventures for each age group.
- Campers are housed with 8 youth of similar age and 2 counselors in a cottage or tent.
- Meals are provided family style in the renovated Williams Dining Hall.
- Staff members and counselors are trained to provide youth a fun and safe experience at Rock Springs.
- 4-H members and their friends are encouraged to attend.
- Campers will eat, sleep, learn, and play indoors and outdoors at Rock Springs. A sense of adventure is recommended!
- Campers will remain at Rock Springs throughout camp. Other activities will have to wait!
- Rock Springs is not an allergen-free facility.

BRING YOUR FRIENDS! MAKE NEW FRIENDS!

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4-H Camp Registration Form

**REGISTRATION DUE
IN EXTENSION OFFICE
May 10, 2017**

TAKE NOTE

- Camp starts June 4th at 2:00 p.m. and ends June 7th at 1:15 p.m.
- All campers are also required to have a current 4-H year Participation Form on file. Contact the Extension Office with questions.
- Efforts will be made to fulfill your requests; however, housing requests *cannot* be guaranteed due to the large number of campers.
- You are responsible for ensuring registration is in the Extension Office on time (this includes verifying that mailed registrations have been received). No late registrations accepted.

PAYMENT

Check is payable to:

"4-H Clubs"

\$112.50 = Geary Co. 4-H Members

\$225 = Friends of 4-H members

DOUBLE CHECK

- ✓ Payment
- ✓ Registration Form
- ✓ Health Form

SUBMIT

Return completed registration, payment, and health form:

**Geary County Extension
PO Box 28
Junction City, KS 66441**

~Office Use Only~

_____ Paid

_____ Med. Card

_____ Participation Form

Camper: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Gender: _____ Grade Completed May 2017: _____

Email: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Please list up to 3 people you would like to room with. *Note: campers must be within 1 grade level of the camper completing this registration.*

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

Please do NOT house me with:

1 _____

2 _____

For the safety of your camper, please list all people who can pick him/her up from camp early afternoon on Wednesday, June 7. Campers will not be released to a person whose name is not on the list. Please remember to list all people who may be picking up the camper, including yourself.

4-H CAMP CODE OF CONDUCT

Attending camp at Rock Springs 4-H Center is a privilege, not a right. Camp is a wonderful opportunity to explore new interests, make new friends, and to live and make decisions as a member of a group. To maximize this experience, you are expected to abide by the camp rules and to conduct yourself in an acceptable manner.

Treat yourself, other people, animals and property with respect, using good manners, dressing appropriately and by not using profanity. You will be personally responsible for any damage caused as a result of your behavior.

Be a good citizen by participating fully, and helping those around you have positive experiences. Know that bullying of any type is illegal and prohibited.

Unacceptable behavior will result in disciplinary action. If you refuse to accept the rules of the camp or to abide by the decisions of the camp leaders, you will be dismissed from camp. Camp fees are not refunded for dismissal.

Campers are not allowed to bring cell phones to camp. If found with a cell phone at camp, it will be confiscated by the camp group and returned at the end of camp.

I have read the 4-H Camp Code of Conduct and agree to abide by these expectations. As a camper, I understand that misbehavior may result in dismissal from camp.

Camper Signature _____

I have read the 4-H Camp Code of Conduct. I understand that if my camper is dismissed from camp for disciplinary reasons, it is my responsibility to transport my camper from Rock Springs immediately.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

T-shirt Size
(circle 1):

YM YL

YXL AS

AM AL

AXL

Camper Health Form

Camper's Name _____

Due May 10, 2017 to Extension Office.

County Geary

Please place an X in the box below the time when the medication should be administered.

Name of Medication	Dosage (amount to be given)	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Bedtime	As Needed	Reason Taking Medication

Allergies: _____

Food Allergies/Dietary Restrictions: _____

Special Instructions/Concerns/Side Effects or Reactions: _____

For Staff Use Only: