Geary County 4-H News

A Newsletter for 4-H Families and Volunteers

February 2022

Geary County 4-H Day

February 19, First Presbyterian Church (113 W. 5th St, Junction City)
Included with this newsletter is the schedule of events and a map of the church to help you locate the rooms you will need. Please use either the West or South doors to enter the church. Parking lots are located South and West of the church.

4-H Day Reminders

Don’t forget to attend the 4-H Day Awards Ceremony immediately following 4-H Day in the church Dining Room. Also, don’t forget to participate in Photography and Family & Consumer Science Judging between your other 4-H Day events.

In Case of Bad Weather

Please listen to the KJCK radio station at 1420AM or visit www.jcpost.com to learn about cancellation or postponement of 4-H events throughout the year.
You can also check the Geary County K-State Research and Extension Facebook page for news and information.

Regional 4-H Day

Regional 4-H Day will be held on Saturday, March 26th in Clay Center at the High School. Those eligible to compete will need to let the Extension Office know by Monday, February 28th 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 Camp Deadline for Financial Support

The deadline to sign up for 4-H camp and receive financial support from the Geary County 4-H Foundation is May 1st. Those 4-H members who meet this deadline will have the $225 scholarship applied directly to their Rock Springs account as long as they were enrolled in 4HOnline by January 1, 2022. For more information about camp and to register, visit https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/.

Post-Secondary Education Scholarships

Applications for both state 4-H and county 4-H scholarships are due by March 1st and will be submitted online via a separate application. The state 4-H website (https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html) has a link to the online application and more information. The link for the county scholarship application and information can be found online at http://www.geary.k-state.edu/4-h/forms.html.
Beef Weigh-in

Weigh-in will be held on Sunday, March 20th from 2:00 to 3:00pm at JC Livestock. We will be weighing and tagging market beef cattle. Please bring $3.00 for each tag that you will need.

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 Level 1 testing by the district show deadline. In order to participate in the 4-H horse show at the Kansas State Fair, 4-H members must qualify at a District Horse Show. Geary County’s district show is scheduled for June 22nd in Salina with a registration deadline of June 1st. Information for additional District Horse Shows should be available online soon at https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/horse/districthorseshows.html. 4-H members may participate in their county designated District Horse Show plus one additional District Horse Show of their choosing. Before entering the Kansas State Fair, 4-H members must indicate through which District Horse Show. Participants will not be allowed to pick classes from each district, only results from one of the districts attended will be used.

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 Beef Producer Day – March 5 (registration deadline February 11)
- Junior Sheep Producer Day – March 19 (registration deadline February 25)

More information on these events is available online at https://www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/ks-jr-producer/index.html or at the Extension Office. The K-State Youth Livestock Program has Twitter and Facebook accounts to keep everyone updated on information and deadlines. Go to the webpage listed above to find links to these accounts.

4-H Judging Contest Guide

A guide to 4-H judging contests can be found online at http://www.geary.k-state.edu/4-h/judging_contest_guide.html. The guide includes information about what to expect during judging contests. The guide and the website include links to resources to help 4-H members prepare for the contests. Now would be a great time to check out this website since judging contests are held during 4-H Day each year.

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.

Fair Auction Participation Requirement for 2022

4-H members will be required to attend at least 4 regular monthly meetings of the 4-H club in which they are enrolled between October 1 and June 30 to participate in the project/livestock auction held at the end of the fair in 2022. Official record of meetings attended will be the club secretary’s book. This requirement does not limit fair participation, only participation in the auction. Plan ahead now to make sure youth meet the requirement if they want to participate in the auction.
The Extension Office is using the Remind program to send 4-H-related reminders to 4-H families. To sign up to receive reminders, go to https://www.remind.com/join/geco4h.

Would you like to share your knowledge with 4-H members in Geary County? We are seeking teens and adults who would like to present one of the remaining 4-H Project Meeting Evenings this year. Available dates are April 4th and May 2nd. Meetings usually start at 6:30pm, last about an hour, and include sharing of information and hands-on activities. Contact Ginger at 785-238-4161 or gkopfer@ksu.edu if you are interested.

It’s time once again for K-State’s Integrated Pest Management Insect Art Contest! This year’s theme is “The Benefit of Insects”. The goal is to capture in an art piece that insects benefit us as a society and why they are important. Selected artwork will be used to promote the importance of insects and to create other educational items. Artists who have art selected will receive a certificate and a prize to recognize their achievement. Visit https://www.ksre.ks-state.edu/pesticides-ipm/ for more information. Postmark date to submit entries is April 15th.

The Building Committee is requesting assistance from 4-H members and families for their fundraiser on April 2nd. 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 785-238-4161 or email gkopfer@ksu.edu if you can help.

It is almost time for the annual 4-H/Senior Citizens Center fundraiser scheduled for April 2nd. The Building Committee is counting on your support as 4-H and Extension functions use the building rent free. Doors open at 5pm with the meal served from 6pm to 7pm followed by the live auction. 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!

A local fiber goat breeder has reached out to offer to donate a fiber goat to a 4-H member. Those interested will be placed in a drawing for selection. The breeder is willing to work with the youth to help them learn about the goats and how to care for them. Contact the Extension Office by March 1st if you are interested.

Geary County is looking for adults interested in attending Shooting Sports Instructor Training to become a certified instructor or coordinator. The training will be held March 25-27 at Rock Springs. Contact the Extension Office if you are interested.
Do you work with Cloverbuds? A great blog with new articles and activities can be found at https://u.osu.edu/cloverbudconnections. Articles are posted twice a month. The blog also has a feature to search for topics using keywords and you can subscribe to receive email notifications when new articles are posted.

Applications from teens for 2022-2023 Academic Year Exchanges with Japan and South Korea should be arriving in early February. Kansas families who would like to host should contact Mary Kay Munson at mkm2@ksu.edu or 785-375-3189 for an application and information about the programs. Students arrive around August 1 and are placed with one family for the school year, while attending a public high school. Families are expected to provide three meals a day, lodging with their own bed, and transportation.

If your family is interested in hosting an exchange participant this summer, visit http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/global-citizenship/index.html or contact Mary Kay Munson at 785-238-3631 or mkm2@ksu.edu. Exchange participants are expected from multiple countries. Interested families should apply now for the full array of options. The exchanges have summer hosting periods of 3 to 4 weeks between June and September.

Looking for some new fun and excitement this summer? Host a new friend from Japan in your home mid-July to mid-August. Kansas 4-H International Exchange Programs are offering hosting opportunities for 25-30 families this summer. The Japanese youth will be between the ages of 12 and 15. Any Kansas family with children aged 10 to 16, who is interested in the Japanese culture, may host. The focus is everyday family life. Contact Pam Van Horn at 785-826-8917 or pvanhorn@ksu.edu for more information.

**February**
- 4-5 4-H Ambassador Training @ Rock Springs
- 7 4-H Council Meeting @ 4-H/Senior Citizens Center – 7pm
- 11 Junior Beef Producer Day registration deadline
- 19 4-H Day @ JC 1st Presbyterian Church
- 20-21 Citizenship in Action Conference, Topeka
- 25 Junior Sheep Producer Day registration deadline
- 28 Regional 4-H Day entries due to Extension Office

**March**
- 1 4-H Scholarship Applications due to Extension Office by 5pm
- 1 RSVP due for March Project Meeting Evening
- 5 Junior Beef Producer Day, K-State
- 7 4-H Project Meeting Evening @ 4-H/Senior Citizens Center – 6:30pm
- 19 Junior Sheep Producer Day, K-State
- 20 Beef Weigh-in, 2 to 3pm @ JC Livestock
- 25-27 Shooting Sports Instructor Training @ Rock Springs
- 26 Regional 4-H Day, Clay Center High School

**April**
- 2 4-H/Senior Citizens Center Building Fundraiser
- 4 Project Meeting Evening
- 15 Insect Art Contest entry postmark deadline
- 17-23 National Volunteer Week
February 4, 2022

Included with this newsletter is the schedule for 4-H Day 2022. Best of luck to everyone in all of your presentations and in the judging contests. No matter what you are participating in, don’t forget to have fun and smile! 😊

Ginger D. Kopfer
County Extension Agent

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**Topic: Wildlife**

Program participants will learn about birds from expert Chuck Otte and will then create birdseed bells to feed your feathered friends!

**4-H Project Meeting Evening**

Date: 03/07/2022  
Time: 6:30pm  
Location: 4-H/Senior Citizens Center

**Future 4-H Project Meeting Evenings** will be held on the first Monday of April and May. Topics to be announced.

Please RSVP to the Extension Office by 5:00pm on Tuesday, March 1st by calling 785-238-4161 or emailing gkopfer@ksu.edu. No late registrations will be taken since we will need to buy supplies.

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## Gavel Games, Model Meetings, Dining Room

**Room Monitors**
- 8:00 - 8:30 Kaitlyn Sohnrey
- 8:30 - 9:00 Blake Proietti
- 9:00 - 9:25 Cody Haycook
- 9:25 - 10:00 Braden Blockcolsky
- 10:00 - 10:25 Abbigale Artigue
- 10:25 - 11:00 Wyatt Miller
- 11:00 - finish Addison Gibson

### Gavel Games – Jr.
- 8:00 Clarks Creek
  - Braden Blockcolsky, Colden Blockcolsky, Ray Boller, Kaycee Brown, Lorelei Olson

### Gavel Games – Sr.
- 10:30 Brookside
  - Abbigale Artigue, Alana Donoho, Allyson Donoho, Alyce Donoho, Meilia Taylor
- 11:00 Clarks Creek
  - Cody Brown, Kacey Butler, Tava Gustafson, Shevy Olson

### Model Meetings
- 8:30 Lyon Creek
- 9:30 Humboldt

### Solo Dance – Sr.
- 8:00 Kaci Heller

### Readings – Jr.
- 8:10 Newt Miller
- 8:20 Macy Goodyear
- 8:30 Archer Anderes
- 8:40 Austin Sohnrey
- 8:50 Addy Snider
- 9:00 Archer Anderes
- 9:15 April Strauss
- 9:25 Arthur Strauss

### Readings – Sr.
- 9:45 Hanna Miller
- 9:55 Wyatt Miller
- 10:05 Meilia Taylor
- 10:15 Josie Strauss
- 10:25 Charles Strauss
- 10:35 Jewels Williams
- 10:45 Ethan Goodyear
- 10:55 William Strauss
- 11:05 Cody Haycook

### Other Talent – Sr.
- 9:35 Meilia Taylor

## Dance, Readings, Other Talent, Acts I & II Room/Gym

**Room Monitors**
- 8:00 - 8:30 Dayton Dibben
- 8:30 - 9:00 Ava Oentrich
- 9:00 - 9:45 Kacey Butler
- 9:45 - 10:15 Elaina Schmidt
- 10:15 - 10:45 Clara Gfeller
- 10:45 - finish Kourtney Dibben

### Solo Dance – Sr.
- 8:00 Chelsey Armbruster
- 8:10 Ava Oentrich
- 8:20 Grady Oentrich
- 8:30 Kourtney Dibben
- 8:40 Brittney Dibben
- 8:50 Mikayla Dibben
- 9:00 Ethan Goodyear
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- 9:30 Alana Donoho
- 9:40 Allyson Donoho
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## Senior Demonstrations & Illustrated Talks, Voyage Theater Room

**Room Monitors**
- 8:00 - 8:30 Brittney Dibben
- 8:30 - 9:00 Eliot Oentrich
- 9:00 - 9:25 Zoey Peterson
- 9:25 - 10:00 Colden Blockcolsky
- 10:00 - 10:30 Kaci Heller
- 10:30 - finish Grady Oentrich

### Demonstration & Ill. Talk – Sr.
- 8:00 Chelsey Armbruster
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### Show & Tell
- 8:00 Kinley McCallum
- 8:10 Grason Fielder
- 8:20 Abbigale Artigue

### Project Talks
- 8:30 Cade McCallum
- 8:40 Caden Goodyear
- 8:50 Tyler Proietti
- 9:00 Rylan Hicks
- 9:10 Sophia Peterson
- 9:20 Cade Snider
- 9:30 Adrian Williams
- 9:40 Sammie Hall
- 9:50 Natalie Hall

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- 8:10 Gracen Gfeller
- 8:20 Addison Gibson
- 8:30 Macy Goodyear
- 8:40 Eliot Oentrich
- 8:50 Dayton Dibben
- 9:00 finish Colton Bauer

### Sharing
- 11:10 Odynn Beamer

## Music Parlor

**Room Monitors**
- 9:30 – finish Charles Strauss

### Instrumental Solo – Sr.
- 9:30 Clara Gfeller
- 9:40 Amelia Strauss
- 9:50 William Strauss

### Show & Tell, Project Talks, Junior Demonstrations & Illustrated Talks, Sharing, Art Ark Room

**Room Monitors**
- 8:00 - 8:30 Mikayla Dibben
- 8:30 - 9:00 Macie Muto
- 9:00 - 9:30 Meilia Taylor
- 9:30 - 10:00 Josie Strauss
- 10:00 - 10:30 Amelia Strauss
- 10:30 - 11:00 Adrian Williams
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### Sharing
- 11:10 Odynn Beamer
4-H Day Awards Ceremony
approximately 11:45am
Church Dining Room

Plan to join us in celebrating the accomplishments of all 4-H Day participants!

4-H Members:
Don’t forget to participate in Photography Judging and Family & Consumer Science (FCS) Judging while attending 4-H Day! Participating in the Photography contest is a requirement to be selected for the State Fair Photography Judging team and participating in judging contests is a great item to list in your record book!

Regional 4-H Day
March 26th
Clay Center High School

Purple ribbon winners qualify to attend in eligible categories

Entry due to Extension Office by February 28th
We will not be using this entrance for 4-H Day. Please use either the West or South entrance.

First Presbyterian Church
113 W. 5th Street
Junction City

Dining Room
Brookside Clarks Creek Lyon Creek Prep

J.C.S. Quest Room
 Acts I & II Room
(Readings, Other Talent)
 Room 106

Voyage
Theater Room
(Senior)

Men’s & Women’s Restrooms

ActArk Room
(Show & Tell, Project Talks,sharing)

Men’s & Women’s Restrooms

Gym
(Dance)

South Entrance

Dining Room
(Gavel Games & Model Meetings)
(Awards Ceremony)