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4-H NEWS

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RAMBLING TRAVELERS FUND RAISER

We will be providing the dinner for the Annual Doniphan County Conservation Banquet on **Monday, January 28th, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. (Dinner is at 6:00).**

All Rambling Travelers trip families will need to bring choice desserts and choice salads. (Please bring a large salad so that we have enough. We almost ran out a couple years ago!) Pies are preferred, but cakes work also. The meat, potatoes, vegetable, rolls and drinks will be paid for out of our profits. We will plan on feeding around 110 people.

Please arrive at the Troy Community Building between 5:00 and 5:15 p.m. to help get the meal organized.
*4-H members wanting to join Rambling Travelers must be 13, please talk to Kathy if interested.

COUNTY 4-H DAY

The Doniphan County 4-H Day will be Saturday, February 23rd, at the D-West High School, starting at 6:00 p.m. For those new members - Club Day is the opportunity to show off your special talents and skills, everything from music, talents, dance, project talks, demonstrations, skits, etc...a complete list of events will be made available to you later in January. **Registration deadline for County 4-H Day will be Friday, February 15th, 2019.** ***No late registrations will be accepted due to the scheduling of events!***
*Registration sign-up sheets will be sent in a family letter, mid-January.

Save the Date - Regional Club Day will be February 23 2019 in Atchison.

New in 2019
*We will be going back to the "past" record keeping books. No KAP's at the county level. More information coming soon.

*We will be having **Family Consumer Sciences Judging Schools** and contest this year. The first FCS Judging School will be:
April 15th, 6:00 pm (prior to 4-H Council)
June 17th, 6:00 pm (prior to 4-H Council)

* YQCA - Updates in this newsletter.

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North-East Area KAP Screening

Jan 17, 2019 9 a.m. – 3 p.m
Pottorf Hall (Cico Park) 1710 Avery Ave
Manhattan, KS 66502
The area KAP Screening is a day-long process. Any leader or parent who would like to be part of the process of judging Regional KAP's is welcome to participate. Please let the office know so we can reserve a spot for you. This is an excellent opportunity to see 4-H youth do amazing record keeping!

CIA - CITIZENSHIP IN ACTION!

Citizenship in Action will be February 17-18 2019. This event gives Kansas youth a chance to learn how the state legislative process works and how their voice and participation in decision-making can make a difference in their communities.

Sunday will feature time to work in committees to finesse legislation, time to debate the legislation as a larger body, and a dinner and dance at the Capitol Plaza Hotel. Monday is reserved for delegates to meet with their legislators. The event will not only familiarize youth with the capitol building, but will also show them how they can affect the legislative process.

This event is open to all youth 13-18 years old as of January 1, 2019.

Cost- $85 includes hotel, banquet, lunch (total is $170, 4-H council pays half).

*single beds are available for a additional $30, your expense.

Registration is due on-line by February 1st at http://www.Kansas4-H.org (Go to Events and activities, then Conferences and Events) or https://bit.ly/2TfINT5

2019 Kansas 4-H Scholarship

The form-fillable application can be found at http://www.kansas4-h.org under Resources - 4H Library -Awards -Scholarships, or https://bit.ly/1SByohu. 4-H members wanting to apply must have completed applications to the Kansas State University Department of 4–H Youth Development by Friday, February 1, 2019 before 5:00 p.m.

Only the newly revised "Kansas 4-H Scholarship Application - 2019, "MG-50 with a print date of November 2018 will be accepted. Please make sure each application includes all of the necessary documentation as required. For additional information about Kansas 4-H Scholarships, please visit:
http://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-library/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html

If you want Kathy to check your application and deliver it to Manhattan, you must have it to us by January 25th. All applications must be signed by a county agent.

Scholarship selection is based on 4-H merit: 40 percent on 4-H leadership; 30 percent on 4-H citizenship/community service in 4-H; 20 percent on 4-H participation and recognition; and 10 percent on non-4-H participation, leadership, community service, participation, and recognition in school and community. Graduating seniors and college students are encouraged to apply.

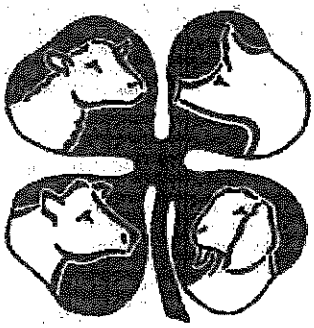
Kansas 4-H Communication Fact Sheets Helpful for 4-H Day Presentations

Speaking skillfully before an audience is one of the hallmarks that Kansas 4-H members have been successfully doing for over 100 years. Kansas youth through 4-H have learned the skills necessary to get up before an audience and eloquently speak. 4-H has helped youth learn the skills necessary to clearly organize and present thoughts and ideas through project talks, demonstrations, illustrated talks and public speaking presentations. The complete Kansas 4-H communication fact sheet series is listed below. These may be helpful to Kansas 4-H families as they begin to prepare for county 4-H day presentations. They can be downloaded free from the Kansas 4-H web site. Visit:
http://www.kansas4h.org/p.aspx?tabid=551.

Kansas 4-H Communication Fact Sheet Series Available:

Kansas 4-H Presentation Overview
4-H Project Talks
4-H Demonstrations
4-H Illustrated Talks
4-H Demonstration & Illustrated Talk Planning Form
4-H Public Speaking
4-H Public Speaking Record
4-H Presentation Brainstorming Activity
4-H Effective Presentation Tips
4-H Preparing and Using Visual Aids
Kansas 4-H Generic Record Form

Brown County is planning on hosting a workshop on different presentation types, sometime in February. Please contact Margaret for more info, or watch the website or facebook page for details!



New Requirements for Livestock Exhibitors at State Fair and KJLS

Anyone exhibiting livestock at the 2019 Kansas State Fair, Grand Drive, or KS Junior Livestock Show **must** complete Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) training beforehand. Past livestock exhibitors should have received an email from Alexa Hayes with the details.

YQCA is a multispecies program that focuses on food safety, animal well-being, and character development. Certification is required annually for youth ages 8-18 (4-H age). Those ages 8-11 are juniors, 12-14 are intermediates, and 15-18 are seniors. 7-year-olds are not required to become YQCA certified but are encouraged to attend an in-person training. Anyone still certified by Youth PQA+ through Sept 29 2019 can use that in lieu of YQCA.

Certification can be obtained either by attending an in-person training ($3/child) or completing online ($12/child). 12- and 15-year olds (first-year intermediates and first-year seniors) also have the option of taking an online test. If they pass, they get certification for the entirety of their time as a junior (age 12-13-14; cost $36) or senior (age 15-16-17-18; $48). This pass-through option is only available to 12- and 15-year olds and they only get one chance to pass the test.

Youth will be required to submit a copy of their certificate when nominating livestock for KSF or KJLS. For those showing registered purebred breeding females who do not go through nomination, the certification will be required by June 15.

Certification Opportunities

Regardless of certification type, you must pre-register on the YQCA website. Create a family account at www.yqca.org, using your 4-HOnline credentials. Register each child by selecting their name from the drop-down menu. For more information and a tutorial, see https://bit.ly/2rlkI1q or call us at the office. Prepayment is required with a credit card. If this presents a challenge, we can work something out through the office – but we must be given advance notice. Please plan ahead!

The most convenient option is online certification, though it is the most costly. Use of a computer is required; it will not work on a mobile device or tablet. Steps may be found on the YQCA or K-State sites listed above.

In-person trainings are at least 60 minutes in length. Several opportunities are available. Junior Swine Producer Day (March 9) and Junior Meat Goat Producer Day (March 30) at K-State both include optional YQCA training. Register for these events at https://commerce.cashnet.com/KSUASIND

Doniphan and Brown counties are looking into hosting YQCA training at Better Beef Days (April 6) and the 4-State Lookout Sheep and Goat Show (April 27). **Please let Margaret know if you would like to attend an in-person session on either of these days. We will not hold training without sufficient interest.**

The best source of information on YQCA training and how-to's is the Kansas Youth Livestock Program: https://www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/YQCA.html (easier version: https://bit.ly/2rlkI1q). The relevant links and details will also be posted to the Doniphan County website soon. If you have any other questions, please contact Margaret. This is a new requirement, so we anticipate a lot of questions – please ask early so we can make sure to get everything completed by the deadlines!

National Volunteer Week
April 15-21, 2018

Ideas to Celebrate National Volunteer Week:

*Encourage your club members to recognize their organizational leaders, project leaders and other important 4-H volunteers during the week.
*Use your news column or write a special news release to recognize volunteers in your program.
*Prepare a series of Tweets or Facebook posts to recognize volunteers during the week.
*Highlight National Volunteer Week in your April 4-H Newsletter.
*Handwrite several notes of appreciation throughout the week to special volunteers in your program.
*Check-in with a new 4-H volunteer to see how things are going and offer help as needed.

Mark your calendar for future National Volunteer Week celebrations - April 7-13, 2019, April 19-25, 2020, and April 18-24, 2021.

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Dear Friends,

Welcome to the New Year! We are very excited about all the upcoming Extension events and activities. We hope you enjoy all the K-State Research & Extension education we have to offer and plan to participate as much as possible.

Sincerely,

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