

MORRIS COUNTY 4-H NEWS

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Northeast Area KAP Judging

Judging was rescheduled for January 31st due to inclement weather. Results will be released following judging.

Record Keeping Workshop

The first Record Keeping Workshop was held on January 21st prior to the 4-H Council meeting. It went very well and was considered a success. Please plan on attending next year's workshop if you couldn't make it to this one. If you would like information on what was presented at the meeting if you couldn't attend, please let us know. We would be happy to send you the information. Also, let us know if you have any questions.

A few tips to remember about record keeping:

- Leadership vs. Citizenship
 - * Leadership— organizing or coordinating activities and/or teaching
 - * Citizenship— helping out in your community and serving others without compensation
- Start early— reflect on the past year, print the next level of pin application, set goals for each project
- Take pictures— at beginning, middle, and end to show action and growth
- Find an organization method that works for you to track activities, project expenses/ income, honors, and daily activities which relate to your projects
- Look ahead at the KAP to assemble early and proofread!

Project Day

The purpose of this day is for project leaders to schedule meetings on the same day and members can attend multiple project meetings on one day. It is planned for **Sunday, February 24** from 1 pm to 4 pm at the Fairgrounds. The day will consist of four (4) time slots of 45 minutes each.

This will be set up in 45 minute time slots.

Rotation 1	1:00-1:45
Rotation 2	1:45-2:30
Rotation 3	2:30-3:15
Rotation 4	3:15-4:00

If you are a project leader and interested in participating, please contact Shandi by February 15 at the Extension Office, 620-767-5136 or sdandres@ksu.edu. Projects signed up to participate so far are: Beef, Visual Arts, Home Environment, Foods, Meat Goats, Horticulture, and Dogs. A schedule will be e-mailed out after February 15.

2019 Morris County 4-H Fair

The 2019 Morris County 4-H Fair will be held **July 20 - 29**. Please mark this on your calendar. *A detailed schedule will be included in next month's newsletter.*

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Special points of interest attachments/enclosures:

- ◆ Club Day Entry form
- ◆ February Calendar

***If you have items you would like to see in the monthly newsletters, please notify the Extension Office by the 20th of the month.
Thank You!***

Fair Board Meeting

The next Fair Board meeting is scheduled for **Wed., February 13** at 7 pm in the Courthouse Meeting Room.

4-H Council Meeting

The next 4-H Council meeting will be held on **Monday, February 18** in the Morris County Courthouse Meeting Room at 7 pm.

The Ambassadors will not be meeting in February.

Beef Weigh-In's

Will be **Tuesday, March 12** at Derek Schrader's from 6-8 pm. If you're unable to attend, please contact Shandi about tagging your beef animal before the 12th. All market beef must be tagged by the 12th. Bucket calves can come to beef weigh-in or small animal weigh-in.

Small Animal Weigh-In's

Will be **Sunday, April 28** at the Morris County Fairgrounds from 4-6 pm. We will tag market sheep, goats, and bucket calves. Hogs will not be tagged at weigh-in. To make arrangements for swine, please contact Shandi.

Information continued...

4-H Club Day & Regional 4-H Club Day

The *Morris County 4-H Club Day* will be held on **Saturday, March 9** at the Council Grove Elementary School. Entry forms are attached and available on our website at: <http://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/morris-county/clubdays>. The entry deadline is **Wednesday, February 20 by 5 pm**.

Regional 4-H Club Day will be held **March 23** at the Madison High School. Please mark this on your calendar and plan ahead to attend in case your child advances to Regionals from our local Club Day. Please refer to the Guidelines, last column titled '# OF ENTRIES to Regionals' for each event when signing up for our local Club Day. The Guidelines can be found on our website along with the Club Entry form at <https://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/morris-county/clubdays/index.html>.

Club Day Cookie Plates

To show our appreciation to the teachers and staff for allowing us to use the Council Grove Elementary School for 4-H Club Day, each club is asked to bring a plate of cookies (2 dozen) and a signed 'thank you' note from club members. Cookie plates and 'thank you' notes can be dropped off in the teacher's lounge on the morning of Club Day.

Scholarships

2019 Kansas 4-H Scholarship

The Kansas 4-H Scholarship is available on our website at <http://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/morris-county/scholarships> in fillable form. Completed applications need to be submitted to Extension Office no later than **Wednesday, January 30**.

2019 Kansas 4-H Dog Scholarship

The 2019 Kansas 4-H Dog Scholarship applications **must be received** on or before 5 p.m., **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, 785-532-5800. The application is on the Kansas 4-H web site: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animals/dog.html>. For more information, contact Deryl Waldren, 785-462-6281 or e-mail dwaldren@ksu.edu.

Morris County 4-H Foundation 2019 Scholarship

Once again the Morris County 4-H Foundation is offering scholarships to **present** or **past** Morris County 4-H members. Also, please note that students can **apply and receive the scholarship twice**. We do not have the updated application currently. As soon as we have it, we will send it out to all the seniors.

Konley Harding Memorial Scholarship

Applications are now being accepted for a \$1,000 academic scholarship in memory of Konley Harding. Applicants must be a current or former 4-H member and a graduating high school senior planning to pursue higher education at a four year college, community college, or vocational technical school. Preference will be given to applicants seeking an agricultural related field of study. Applications are due **May 10** and are available in the Extension Office or on the website at <https://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/morris-county/scholarships/index.html>.

Upcoming County Project Meetings

Horse Judging Meeting

There will be a county-wide horse judging meeting held on **Thursday, February 7 and February 14** in the Courthouse Meeting Room from 6:30 - 8 pm. For questions, contact Lisa Wainwright at 785-466-3132 or by e-mail at spurofthemoment09@gmail.com.

Horse/Horseless Horse Project Meeting

The upcoming county-wide horse/horseless horse project meeting will be held on **Thursday, February 28** in the Courthouse Meeting Room from 6:30 - 8 pm. For questions, contact Lisa Wainwright at 785-466-3132 or by e-mail at spurofthemoment09@gmail.com.

County Project Meeting Info continued...

Shooting Sports

Don't forget that **practices are being held on Sundays** starting at 1 pm at the Recreation Center (Old Armory) located at 1020 East Main Street, Council Grove. For questions, please contact Tim King at 620-767-2133 or at tim_king@live.com.

County Dog Project Meeting

The schedule for the County Dog Project Meetings is listed below. Please contact Michelle Poole at 785-776-4699 (h) or 785-410-6971 (c). You can also e-mail her at michellerp1965@hotmail.com. Below is a list of all the meetings she has scheduled. Please put them on your calendar.



February 24 at 4 pm (no dogs)
March 24 at 4:30 pm
April 14 at 2 pm (2nd Sunday due to Easter)
May 20 at 6 pm (Monday evening due to high school graduation)
June 3, 10, 17, and 24 at 6:30 pm on Mondays
July 1, 8 and 15 at 6:30 pm on Mondays

Health and Wellness Field Trip



Friday, February 15 a group trip to Academy Sports in Manhattan is planned. There will be a store scavenger hunt and then discuss your finds. You may ride to Manhattan on your own or you may car pool with Denise. Plan on meeting at the store by Noon. Denise will be leaving Council Grove at 11 am for those who want to ride with her. (USD 417 has no school that day.) Please call Denise if you plan on riding with her or if you have any other questions. She can be reached at 785-466-1782 or by e-mail at dehrlich@cgrove417.org.

County Cat Meeting *Time & Location Change*



The next County Cat project meeting will be held on **Monday, February 18** at 6:30 pm at the Courthouse in the Extension Office Bonus Room. You will be discussing feline reproduction and different management strategies concerning caring for a group of cats. **Please bring a pencil.** If you have questions or want additional information, call Denise Ehrlich at 785-466-1782 or e-mail her at dehrlich@cgrove417.org.

Cloverbuds

A reminder that the Cloverbud (5-6 year olds) meetings are scheduled primarily for **Saturday's** at 9 am at the White City Community Building. The schedule is listed below. If you have questions, please contact Amber Davis at 785-349-2448 or by e-mail at amberfromoz@hotmail.com.



Saturday, February 2, 2019
Saturday, March 9 at Club Days
Saturday, April 6
Saturday, May 4
Saturday, June 1
County Fair activity (July 20-29)
Saturday, August 3
Saturday, September 7

County Food Project Meetings

There will be a county-wide Foods project meeting held on **Thursday, March 14** at 6 pm in the Courthouse Meeting Room to decorate cookies. Cost to attend is \$3 to cover the cost of supplies. Please RSVP to Rachael by **March 10** if you plan on attending.

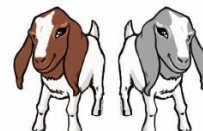
The April County-wide Foods meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, April 7** from 3:30 - 5 pm in the Courthouse Meeting Room. This meeting will be about Food Safety in Food Preparation.

For questions, please contact Rachael Barr at 785-497-2912 or by e-mail at bandrbarr@tctelco.net.

County Meat Goat Meeting

Heads up! There's going to be a County Meat Goat meeting on **Thursday, May 23** at the Morris County Fairgrounds at 6 pm. There may be an earlier one scheduled. If so, all goat project members will be contacted. Charles Downes is the County Meat Goat project leader. If you have any questions, you can contact him at 785-466-1112 or by e-mail at Charles@canningcreek.com.

Charles is also planning on taking members to the Jr. Meat Goat Producer Day in Manhattan on March 30, if anyone is interested.



Fun Tournaments, Contests, and Events

Citizenship In Action

Registration Deadline: February 1, 2019

When: February 17-18, 2019

Where: Topeka, KS

Who: Youth 13-18 years old by January 1 of the current year

Registration: Copy and paste this link into your web

browser: [http://www.cvent.com/events/2019-kansas-4-h-citizenship-in-action/event-summary-](http://www.cvent.com/events/2019-kansas-4-h-citizenship-in-action/event-summary-21acbe38b8c24f20a53c458a0ad6bc69.aspx)

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Registration Fee: \$175

NOTE: The Morris County 4-H Foundation will pay 40% of the registration fee.

State 4-H Horse and Open Equifest Judging Contest

Registration Deadline: February 1, 2019

When: Friday, February 22, 2019

Where: Domer Arena, Topeka

Who: 4-H members 9-18 years of age before January 1, 2019

Registration: [Registration Worksheet](#)

For contest rules, open judging rules and flyer, go to the

events page of our website at <http://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/morris-county/scholarships/index.html>.

NOTE: The Morris County 4-H Foundation will pay 40% of the registration fee.

2019 Kansas 4-H Ambassador Training

"4-H Ambassadors Go Wild with Leadership"

What: There will be six exciting workshops and a keynote speaker. We'll have three new workshops for all county/district advisors and Extension staff.

When: February 22-23, 2019

Where: Rock Springs 4-H Center near Junction City

Who: All county/district 4-H Ambassadors, Ambassador Advisors, Chaperones and KSRE Staff. Youth must be in the 8th - 12th grades to attend.

Registration Fee: Registration includes breakfast, lunch, one night's lodging, two breaks, workshops and speakers.

Registration: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/ambassador-training/index.html>

Registration Deadline: February 10, 2019 using the Cvent registration system. There will be a \$25 cancellation fee from the time of registration through February 11, 2019. No refunds will be given beginning February 11, 2019, and full payment will be due.

NOTE: The Morris County 4-H Foundation will pay 40% of the registration fee.

YQCA

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a new national, multi-species youth livestock quality assurance program. It is available as an online training to youth 8-21 years of age and focuses on food safety, animal well-being, and character development. Exhibitors who plan to participate in the 2019 Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and/or Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS) will be required to have YQCA certification. This includes youth who will be showing market animals, commercial breeding females, and/or registered purebred breeding females.

Shandi will be offering a YQCA training in the Courthouse Meeting Room on Sunday, March 3 at 3:30 pm. Follow the link below to register online for the training. Cost will be \$3 and you will pay online when you register. Training will be completed by 4:45 PM. <https://yqca.learnrow.io/Account/Login> Note: Use your 4-H Online login information to sign up for the training.

Kansas Junior Producer Days Are Scheduled

The 2019 Kansas Junior Producer Days have been scheduled! **Junior Swine Producer Day will be hosted on March 9, 2019, with Junior Meat Goat Producer Day being March 30, 2019.** Both junior day programs will be in the Department of Animal Sciences and Industry's Weber Hall on the K-State campus. These events are one-day educational opportunities for youth, parents, agents, and project leaders to learn about various aspects of livestock project selection and management.

An optional **Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)** session will be held at the conclusion of both Junior Days. **This will be an opportunity for youth to obtain their YQCA certification through an instructor-led session.** The Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and KJLS will require all exhibitors to be YQCA certified for the 2019 shows. We will let you know more details at a later date. Families have the option to mail in their junior day registration, or complete it online.

The cost for each junior day is \$15 per person for those who register by the early deadline, and \$20 per person for those who register after the deadline. Please note, any registrations received after the early deadline will not be guaranteed a t-shirt.

There are two methods available to register: 1) download the flyer at <http://bit.ly/ksujrproducerdays>, complete the bottom portion of the flyer and mail it with payment; or 2) complete the online registration at <http://bit.ly/ksuasiregister>. **Early registration for Junior Swine Producer Day is February 15, 2019.**

Early registration for Junior Meat Goat Producer Day is March 11, 2019.

Additional details will be e-mailed to those who indicate through their junior day registration that they plan to attend the YQCA session. More information is available at www.youthlivestock.ksu.edu. For questions, please contact Lexie Hayes, Youth Livestock Coordinator, at adhayes@ksu.edu or 785-532-1264.

Upcoming Events continued...

Tractor Safety Training

There will be a Tractor Safety Training on **Wednesday, March 13** from 9 am to 4 pm at Prairieland Partners John Deere in Emporia. This training is for 14 and 15 year old's who would like to get certified for farm employment. Youth ages 12 and 13 are welcome to attend, but cannot get certified until they reach the age of 14. Participants must be able to attend the entire day. The tractor safety manual and a paper pre-test is required prior to attending the training. **Pre-registration is required by March 6.**

You can pick up a tractor safety manual, the pre-test, and you can pre-register in our office. Feel free to contact us with questions at 620-767-5136.

Discovery Days

2019 Theme: "Discovery Your Spotlight"

What: Discovery Days offers classes and tours at K-State Campus about 4-H projects, careers, hobbies, community service and more! You can also share your talents in the Talent Show. Are you ready to dance? Are you ready for some Call Hall ice cream? Are you ready for some great speakers and Discovery Days Night Live and all the other possibilities in your future? This annual event has been reduced by one day this year. You will be attending for 3 days and 2 nights.

When: May 29 - May 31, 2019

Where: Kansas State University, Manhattan

Who: Youth who are 13-18 years old as of January 1 of 2019.

Registration: Registration opens on March 1

Registration Fee: COMING SOON (Many classes have additional fees)

Registration Deadline: April 15, 2019

Sunny Hills Camp Applications

Camping creates memories of fun-filled days. Attending summer camp can be a time for experiencing nature and the outdoors, making new friends, and learning life skills. Summer camp is more than just a vacation. Campers learn self-confidence, cooperation with others, and how to live in different communities. Camping teaches life lessons that contribute to a child's interactions into their adult years.

Rock Springs 4-H camp is a natural extension of the classroom. Research indicates that by participating in strategically planned, structured summer experiences, children reduce summer learning loss. Rock Springs challenges children, keeps them engaged, develops creativity, and expands their horizons.

Rock Springs is part of the fabric of Kansas 4-H. When children go to Rock Springs, they'll likely return home excited to tell you of the lifelong friends they've made, and the exciting adventures they experienced. What they probably won't tell you about are the many life lessons Rock Springs 4-H camp has given them; that will happen in later years as they reflect on fond memories.

Sunny Hills 4-H Camp will be held on June 5-8 this year. The applications are available in our office and on our website at: <https://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/morris-county/camp/index.html>

Camp Counselor Applications

Don't wait! Get a head start! Get your camp counselor application completed and turned in now!

Camp counselor training will be June 4-5. The Camp Counselor applications are available in our office and are also on our website: <https://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/morris-county/camp/index.html>

Deadline for Camp Counselor applications and Camp registrations is **May 1, 2019.**

Kansas 4-H Dog Care & Training News

--Kansas 4-H Dog Conference Theme Logo Design Contest

The Kansas 4-H Dog Conference logo design contest is open to all dog project members. Designs are needed for the 2019 theme "Rock Star 4-H Dogs." Designs must reflect this dog rock star theme and be submitted electronically in a JPG format. PDF submissions will not be accepted. The winning logo design, with professional modifications, will be used for promotional efforts including t-shirts. The winning entry will receive a complimentary registration to the 2019 Kansas 4-H Dog Conference, October 19-20, 2019, Rock Springs 4-H Center. There is no cash value. Entries must be received electronically by Friday, March 15. Questions may be directed to Deryl Waldren at dwaldren@ksu.edu, or 785-462-6281.



--2019 Kansas State Fair 4-H Dog Show Qualification

Just a reminder that 4-H members in order to participate in the 2019 Kansas State Fair 4-H Dog Show, in Hutchinson, on Saturday, September 14th, must have qualified in a specific discipline(s) at a state qualifier 4-H or open dog show during the 2018-19 4-H year. Dog members cannot just register for the KSF 4-H Dog Show without first qualifying every year. The disciplines are showmanship, obedience, agility and rally obedience. Most of these qualifier dog shows happen during county fairs or invitational dog shows during spring and summer. Later this winter and spring, visit here for a listing of dog shows open to 4-H members to qualify for the 2019 KSF 4-H Dog Show: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/dog/local-dog-shows.html>.

Important Dates

Extension Office Closed: Monday, February 18, 2019 (President's Day)

4-H EVENTS

January 30 - **Deadline** for Kansas 4-H Scholarship to be turned into the office

February 1 - **Deadline** to register for CIA

February 10 - **Deadline** to register for Ambassador Training

February 17-18 - **CIA (Citizenship In Action)**

February 18 - **4-H Council Meeting**

February 20 - **Deadline** to turn in Club Day Entry forms

February 22-23 - **4-H Ambassador Training**

March 9 - **Club Days**, Council Grove Elementary School

March 23 - **Regional Club Days**, Madison High School

March 29 - **Morris County 4-H Foundation Banquet**

May 1 - **Deadline** for Camp registration and Camp Counselor applications to be turned into the office

May 1 - **Deadline** for add/drop projects via 4-H Online

May 29-31 - **Discovery Days**

June 4-5 - **Camp Counselor Training**

June 5-8 - **Sunny Hills Camp**

June 23-26 - **Campference**

July 11-13 - **Tri-County Fair**

July 20-29 - **Morris County 4-H Fair**

September 6-15 - **Kansas State Fair**

LIVESTOCK EVENTS

February 1 - **Deadline** for State Horse Judging registration

February 15 - **Deadline** for Junior Swine Producer Day early bird registration

February 22 - **2019 State Horse Judging** at Equifest

March 3 - **YQCA Training**

March 6 - Tractor Safety Training pre-registration **Deadline**

March 9 - **Junior Swine Producer Day**

March 11 - **Deadline** for Junior Meat Goat Producer Day early registration

March 12 - **Beef Weigh-In**

March 13 - **Tractor Safety Training** - Emporia

March 30 - **Junior Meat Goat Producer Day**

April 28 - **Small Animal Weigh-In**

May 1 - **Deadline** for Horse ID's to be turned into the office

May 1 - Market Beef Nominations **Due**

June 15 - Commercial Heifer, Swine, Sheep & Market Goat Nominations **Due**

June 28-29 - **Bob Hines Classic Swine Show**

July 1 - **North Central District Horse Show**

August 24-25 - **Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes**

September 27-29 - **Kansas Junior Livestock Show**

Tip of the Month

Think about what you can be involved in for both leadership and citizenship in your project areas.

Shandi

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Deadline for CIA registration	2
3	4	5	6	7 Horse Judging Meeting 6:30-8 pm	8	9
10 Deadline for Ambassador Training registration	11	12	13 Fair Board Meeting 6:30 - 9 pm	14 Horse Judging Meeting 6:30-8 pm	15	16
17 CIA	18	19	20 Deadline to turn in Club Day Entry Forms	21	22 State Horse Judging & Equifest	23 Ambassador Training
24 County-Wide Project Day 1-4 pm Dog Project Meeting 4:30 pm	25 	26	27	28 Horse/Horseless Horse Project Meeting 6:30-8 pm		

February 2019 4-H NEWSLETTER

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