

MORRIS COUNTY 4-H NEWS

Achievement Banquet

Thanks to everyone who assisted with decorating, setting up, and cleaning up for the 2018 4-H Achievement Banquet. A special thank you also goes to the 4-H Council Achievement Banquet Committee. Congratulations to all of the 4-Hers who received project awards, achievement pins, Kansas 4-H Key awards, as well as the Friend of 4-H and 4-H Alumni winners! We also want to thank and recognize our 4-H volunteers, club leaders, and project leaders for their hard work this year!



Key Award Winners

Key Award winners this year were Colton Bacon (Flint Hills), Jamie Beck (Willing Workers), Erin Jones (Burdick Hustlers), and Avery Lee (Dwight Sunflowers).

Carcass Contest Winners

Winners for the 2018 Carcass Contest were announced at the Achievement Banquet. Heather Patry was awarded the Grand Champion Beef Carcass, Jayden Patry received the Reserve Champion Beef Carcass award, Lakoddah Downes was the Grand Champion Swine recipient and Chase Bacon was the Reserve Champion Swine Carcass recipient. Pictured on the left is Lakoddah Downes and on the right is Chase Bacon.



4-H Alumni and Friend of 4-H

Congratulations to Lori Bammerlin who was the recipient of the 2018 4-H Alumni award and Mary Ellerman who was the recipient of the 2018 Friend of 4-H award. Pictured on the left is Lori Bammerlin and on the right is Makenzie Downes who introduced Lori.

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- ◆ 2019 Kansas 4-H Scholarship
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- ◆ Setting 4-H Project Goals
- ◆ December 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!

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4-H Council Meeting

The next 4-H Council meeting will be held on **Monday, January 21** in the Morris County Courthouse Meeting Room at 7 pm.

Ambassador Meeting

The next Ambassador meeting will be held on **Monday, December 3** in the Courthouse Meeting Room at 7 pm.

Fair Board Meeting

The next Fair Board meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, January 9** at 7 pm in the Courthouse Meeting Room.

Remember to Send 'Thank You's'

If you haven't sent your 'thank you' notes, please get them done ASAP. If you have any questions, please contact Laci Thibodeaux, Fair Secretary, at laci.lou.25@gmail.com.

4-H News cont...

KYLF Leadership Weekend

Six 4-Hers attended the Kansas Youth Leadership Forum at Rock Springs on November 17-18. We had 3 members from Morris County and 3 from Chase County attend. Shandi Andres, agent, was their chaperone.



4-H Officer Training

Club leaders and project leaders met for training on October 24. The goal is for each 4-Her to have a minimum of 2 learning opportunities at the club and county level in each project before Fair 2019. Please look ahead on your calendars and make plans for project meetings.

Northeast Area KAP Judging

4-Hers who were named a Senior County Project Award winner and who have passed their 14th birthday BEFORE January 1, 2018, but NOT their 19th birthday before January 1, 2019, are eligible to participate in the Northeast Area KAP Screening. 4-Hers may submit a KAP for each project area in which they were named a champion. KAPs need to be turned into the Extension Office by **January 10 at 5 pm**. Please make sure you have used the senior KAP forms that have a revised date of September 15, 2014. Before you turn in your KAP book, you are also **encouraged to make revisions/improvements** to your book, especially the suggested changes mentioned on your score card. 4-Hers who are eligible to participate in the Area KAP screening are listed below:

Zoey Barber - Horse

Samuel Barr - Beef, clothing & Textiles, Fiber Arts, Foods & Nutrition

Jamie Beck - Leadership, Photography

Makenzie Downes - Swine

Tre Fetters - Shooting Sports

Avery Lee - Plant Science

Morgan Poole - Dog Care & Training

Rylee Powell - Meat Goats

Jaycie Swisher - Visual Arts

Kallie Swisher - Woodworking

Record Keeping Workshop

We will be offering a Record Keeping workshop on **Monday, January 21** from 5:30 - 7 pm in the Courthouse Meeting Room. This session will focus on the importance of keeping records in 4-H, the different approaches to keep records for each project, pin applications, forms, County forms and State KAP forms. We hope that you can join us! This is scheduled prior to the start of the 4-H Council meeting.

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.

Scholarships

Morris County Conservation District Senior High School Scholarship

The Morris County Conservation District is offering a Senior High School Scholarship for \$500 again this year. Applicants must be pursuing a degree in a natural resource field. They need to include a 500 word essay, a copy of their school transcript and provide two letters of recommendation that are not relatives. The **deadline is December 21st**. The recipient will be presented the scholarship at the January 26th annual meeting. The application is on our website at <http://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/morris-county/scholarships/index.html>

2019 Kansas 4-H Scholarship

The Kansas 4-H Scholarship for is attached and available on our website at <http://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/morris-county/scholarships> in a fillable form. Forms are also available in the Extension Office. Youth who should be applying for this scholarship should be in their Senior year in High School OR OLDER. All instructions are on the first page of the application. Scholarship selection is 90% based on 4-H merit of leadership, citizenship/community service, participation, recognition, and 10% on non-4-H related experiences. Completed applications need to be submitted to Extension Office no later than **Wednesday, January 30**.

Scholarships continued...

County Project Meeting Info continued...

2019 Kansas 4-H Dog Scholarship



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. You need not be a current member, if you fit the other criteria.

This 4-H scholarship is a one-time payment of \$500.00 that will be awarded on Saturday, September 14, 2019, during the 2019 Kansas State Fair 4-H Dog Show. 2019 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.

Upcoming County Project Meetings

Horse/Horseless Horse

The upcoming county-wide horse/horseless horse project meetings will be held on the **last Thursday of every month**. The meetings will be held in the Courthouse Meeting Room from 6:30 - 8 pm. So, mark your calendars!

For questions, contact Lisa Wainwright at 785-466-3132 or by e-mail at spurofthemoment09@gmail.com.

Shooting Sports

Practices will begin on Sunday, December 2 starting at 1 pm. The practices will be held 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.

Cat and Hand Pet Meeting and Christmas Party

Cat and Hand pet project meeting will be held **Monday, December 3** at 6 pm in the bonus room of the Extension Office. This is the first meeting and Christmas party.



Please bring a snack to share with the group. Also a \$5 or less, pet food item that will be donated to the Main Street Pantry. Goals and plans for the year will be discussed and set. The group will play a pet themed game too.

If you have questions or want additional information, call Denise Ehrlich at 785-466-1782 or e-mail her at dehrlich@cgrove417.org.

Cloverbuds

We want to **WELCOME Amber Davis** of the Willing Workers 4-H Club who has volunteered to be the new County Cloverbud Leader this year. Since there are only two Cloverbuds signed up so far, and they are from White City, Amber is planning on having the Cloverbuds meet in conjunction with the Willing Workers monthly club meetings (second Sunday of each month at 7 pm at the White city Community Building). They will attend the beginning of the meeting and then break off into their own group. Any 5-6 year olds are welcome to attend.

Amber has also set aside other dates to do more meetings with Cloverbuds or other kids possibly interested in joining Cloverbuds. The first meeting will be held **Saturday, January 5** at 9 am at the White City Community Building. Amber is very flexible on moving the location or dates depending upon how many youngsters actually get involved.

Currently, there are two Cloverbuds enrolled, with another one eligible in the Spring. If any of you know of some 5 - 6 year old children who you think would be interested in joining Cloverbuds, please let them know that enrollment is still open and we'd love to have them join. Amber has some great ideas planned for the kids and it's a great way for them to get acquainted with 4-H.

If you would like to contact Amber, you can reach her at 785-349-2448 or by e-mail at amberfromoz@hotmail.com.

Health and Wellness

Just a reminder that **Denise Ehrlich** has volunteered to also be our County leader for Health and Wellness this year. She is planning some great things! Here are few things she is thinking the project will include, but not limited to:

- learning and participating in bike safety
- basic first aid for cuts, scrapes and sprains
- 'power' foods for snacks
- outdoor recreation like hiking, camping, and fishing



If you would like to talk to Denise further about this project, you can call her at 785-466-1782 or e-mail her at dehrlich@cgrove417.org.

Project Day

We will be having a project day in the Spring. This will be a day for project leaders to schedule meetings on the same day and members can attend multiple project meetings. The date will be announced in December. If you are a project leader and interested in participating, please contact Shandi at the Extension Office, 620-767-5136 or sdandres@ksu.edu.

Fun Tournaments, Contests, and Events

Northeast 4-H Leadership Event

Come see what leadership is like Sky High! 4-H members ages 12-18 are invited to the NE Area 4-H Leadership Event (NELE), **Saturday, January 19, 2019**, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Heritage Hall at Rock Spring 4-H Center! NELE is led by the Northeast Area youth council representatives. Delegates can sign up for multiple classes. Registration includes lunch, snack and a t-shirt. Don't miss this opportunity to meet new people, learn new leadership skills, and enjoy fun classes!

To register via Cvent go to: <http://www.cvent.com/events/2019-northeast-4-h-leadership-event/event-summary-e6478129004c4997bbb2b9c58d6a2d2d.aspx>

Registration Closes: January 3, 2019

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

2019 Horse Panorama

The 2019 Horse Panorama will be held January 25-27 at Rock Springs. Rules and registration will be available soon. The **deadline for registration is January 15**.

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2019 Kansas 4-H Dog Judges' Certification and Training Registration Opening Soon

The Kansas 4-H Dog Judges' Certification and Training will be **January 25-27**, 2019, in South Hutchinson, Kansas, at the Hutchinson Kennel Club. Beginning the training on Friday evening has allowed participants in one weekend to learn about the four dog phases of showmanship, obedience, agility and rally obedience of the Kansas 4-H Dog Care and Training Project.



Those attending (16 and older) to become judges or to re-certify as judges, experience judging classes to practice the skills necessary to effectively judge local 4-H dog shows. This is also a good opportunity for local project leaders and older 4-H members to observe

the training to learn new knowledge and to better understand how they will be judged at invitational and the Kansas State Fair 4-H Dog Show. Participants may attend the judges' certification and judges training without being certified to judge.

For more details, visit: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/volunteer-trainings/dog-leader/index.html>.

To register, visit: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe82L5AN2Z0as3Etk4K7yWifpOt11j-E7xTZjJKEivsZM9HNA/viewform>. For more information, contact Deryl Waldren, dwaldren@ksu.edu; or call him at 785-462-6281.

Citizenship In Action

Would you like to have more influence in laws and rules that affect your life? Then you'll want to go to Kansas 4-H Citizenship in Action! This two day event is sponsored by the State 4-H Youth Leadership Council. The purpose of the event is for Kansas youth to learn how the state legislative process works and how their voice and participation in decision-making can make a difference in their local communities. Delegates will tour the Capitol, get tips on how to meet and talk with their legislators, and discuss how youth can have a greater impact 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.

When: February 17-18, 2019

Where: Topeka, KS

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

Registration: Click [Here](#) to Register or copy and paste this link into your web browser: <http://www.cvent.com/events/2019-kansas-4-h-citizenship-in-action/event-summary-21acbe38b8c24f20a53c458a0ad6bc69.aspx>

Registration Fee: \$175

Registration Deadline: February 1, 2019

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

2019 State Horse Judging

The 2019 State Horse Judging Contest will be held on **Friday, February 22**, in conjunction with Equifest.

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

2019 Kansas 4-H Ambassador Training

The 2019 Kansas 4-H Ambassador Training will be **Feb. 22-23** at the Rock Springs 4-H Center near Junction City. It is open to all county/district 4-H ambassadors, interested teens, ambassador advisors and Extension staff. The theme is "4-H Ambassadors Go Wild with Leadership." There will be six youth workshops, three adult workshops, two speakers, with lots of fun and fellowship.

Full details will be posted on the Kansas 4-H web site, <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/ambassador-training/index.html>, by December 7th. Registration will be on the Cvent system, and **will close on Sunday, February 10**, 11:59 p.m. The Kansas 4-H Ambassador Action Team accepts members (teens, volunteers and Extension staff) year-round. For more information, please call Deryl Waldren at 785-462-6281, or e-mail him at dwaldren@ksu.edu.

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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 and when the registration is open. Families will have the option to mail in their junior day registration, or complete it online.

AYP Host Families Can Apply Now for 2019-20

The ideal time to apply to host a student for the next school year is December or January. The first students who will be hosted by families through States' 4-H International Exchange Programs become available in late January. Host families must be approved before placements can be made with students, so it is advantageous for families to be approved by the time student packets arrive at the States' 4-H Office in Seattle.

Students representing LEX and Labo in Japan, Bright Futures Education (BFE) in South Korea and FLEX coming from more than 20 countries of Eurasia, are hosted by States' 4-H families. Information and application to host an AYP student are available from Mary Kay Munson, Kansas 4-H International Exchange Coordinator, munson@ksbroadband.net or 785-238-3631.

2019 4-H Citizenship Washington Focus

If you are between the age of 15-18 and would like the opportunity to road trip across the USA stopping to see Philadelphia, Gettysburg, the Liberty Bell and more, then you should consider attending this event. It's **June 13-24** and you will meet, learn, share and tour with youth from other states and respected resource people. You will walk among places that have made history and places that are making news today. You will get the chance to visit Capitol Hill, government departments, historic sites, memorials and much more. This once in a life time experience allows you to interact with 4-H members from other states, learning and sharing about 4-H and other interests and issues.

Registration is currently open via Cvent. A \$250 non-refundable deposit will complete your application (due by January 15, 2019) and to guarantee your spot. Checks should be made payable to the "Kansas 4-H Foundation". Full

payment of the \$1850 will be accepted at any time before April 15. Any cancellation made before January 15 will result in a \$25 cancellation fee, otherwise cancellations made after January 15 will not receive their \$250 deposit back.

For more details and to register go to this link: <http://www.cvent.com/events/4-h-citizenship-washington-focus/event-summary-11108e4214a4493fa9dcea2fce9d2cbf.aspx>

Registration Closes: January 15, 2019

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

Kansas State Fair Premium Checks

The KSF premium checks have been mailed or handed out. If you have not received yours, please contact the Extension office. There are a number of you who still have not cashed your checks. Please note that if they are not cashed within 60 days they will become VOID. **You have until the end of December to get them cashed.**



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.

Remember, we are still asking people to come up with ideas for a theme for next year's fair. Please send us your ideas or let us know when you stop by the office some time. If **your theme idea** is chosen, you will receive a prize!

Shirts for Sale

2 - Youth Small - 2017 Fair Shirt- \$3 each

1 - Youth Medium - Orange - \$3

1 - Adult XS -

Ambassador's button up, long sleeved, collared - blue/white - \$3

1 - Adult large - 2018 Fair Shirt - \$6



'4-H Week' shirts (the one's given to those who turned in a record book) are also for sale at \$6 each. We have a variety of sizes left, but not a large inventory. So, don't wait too long if you'd like one!

Notecard Sets for Sale

As promised, the NEW notecard sets are ready for sale! They are \$5 per set of 12 blank cards and envelopes. Six pictures were chosen from the photography members who entered exhibits at the Morris County Fair this year. There are two cards of the selected photos in each set.

We still have a few of last year's card sets available. They are \$4 per set.

Important Dates

Extension Office Closed: Monday, December 24 (Christmas Eve), Tuesday, December 25 (Christmas Day),
Monday, December 31 (New Year's Eve), and Tuesday January 1, 2019 (New Year's Day)

4-H EVENTS

January 10 - **Deadline** to turn in KAP's for NE Area
January 17 - **NE Area KAP Screening**
January 19 - **NE Area Leadership Event**
Rock Springs 4-H Center
January 21 - **Record Keeping Workshop**
January 21 - **4-H Council Meeting**
February 17-18 - **CIA (Citizens In Action)**
February 18 - **4-H Council Meeting**
February 22-23 - **4-H Ambassador Training**
March 9 - **Club Days**, Council Grove Elementary School
March 23 - **Regional Club Days**, Madison High School
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

December 1 - **Livestock Judging Clinic and Contest**
December 7-9 - **Beef Expo**, Hutchinson
January 15 - **Deadline** to register for Horse Panorama
January 25-27 - **2019 Horse Panorama**, Rock Springs
January 26-27 - **4-H Dog Judges' Certification and Training**, Hutchinson Kennel Club, South Hutchinson
February 22 - **2019 State Horse Judging** at Equifest
March 9 - **Junior Swine Producer Day**
March 30 - **Junior Meat Goat Producer Day**
June 28-29 - **Bob Hines Classic Swine Show**
July 1 - **District Horse Show**
August 24-25 - **Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes**
September 27-29 - **Kansas Junior Livestock Show**

Miscellaneous

National Festival of Breads: America's Bread Baking Championship - This contest is for all home bakers, not just 4-H members enrolled in the Foods project. You can win cash, a year's supply of Red Star Yeast, and a trip to take a class at the King Arthur Flour Baking School, valued at \$2,000. **The Festival will be held on June 8, 2019** in Manhattan, KS. You **must enter before January 1, 2019**. For recipe contest and festival information, visit: nationalfestivalofbreads.com or Face Book at nationalfestivalofbreads.


International Exchange Opportunities - 4-Her's interested in traveling to Japan, Costa Rica, South Korea or Norway via the States' 4-H International Exchange programs or wanting to go from Kansas under IFYE (International Foreign Youth Exchange) program in 2019, should complete their application packets this month. Flyers about each program may be found on the Kansas 4-H web site: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/global-citizenship/kansas-4-h-international-exchanges/>.

Another Reminder of Thinking Ahead... After enrolling in 4-H Online and selecting your projects for the year, take the time to sit down with a piece of paper and write out 3-4 goals for each of your projects this year. What do you want to accomplish? What do you want to learn? What do you want to make or do? Also think about your year of 4-H... is there anything new you want to try this year? Any event you would like to try? Is there a leadership opportunity to help grow your skills? Plan ahead so that you can make the most out of your year in 4-H. Don't forget to record your activities so they can be documented in record books, on scholarships, and your resume as your experience grows. You might also print your next pin application and record check sheet to help track activities. Included in this newsletter is an attached worksheet to help set project goals.

Winter Survival Kit Phone App - With Winter closing in, take a few minutes to download the 'Winter survival Kit' [phone app](https://www.ag.ndsu.edu/extension/apps/winter-survival-kit), which helps you find your current location, call 911, contact friends/family and more. Plus, tips on how to assemble an emergency kit for your vehicle. (<https://www.ag.ndsu.edu/extension/apps/winter-survival-kit>)

December 2018



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2	3 Cat & Hand Pet County Proj Meeting & Christmas Party - 6 pm Ambassador Meeting - 7 pm	4	5	6	7 Beef Expo - Hutchinson Starts	8
9 Beef Expo - Hutchinson Ends	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24 OFFICE CLOSED 	OFFICE CLOSED 	26	27 Horse/Horseless Horse County Project Meeting - 6:30 pm	28	29
30	31 OFFICE CLOSED NEW YEAR'S EVE					

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