

# 4-H Newsletter



March 12, 2015

Dear 4-H Families:

Here is some information on 4-H events, activities and other items that we thought you might be interested in.

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## Regional 4-H Club Day

Congratulations to everyone who participated in Regional 4-H Club Day. The results for Stevens County are as follows:

Int Project Talk	Jacob Bell	Top Blue
Int Project Talk	Victoria Bryan	Blue
Int Project Talk	Zachary Willis	Blue
Sr Public Speaking	Megan Bryan	Red
Jr Demo/Illustrated Talk	Thomas Willis	Blue
Int Demo/Illustrated Talk	Jacob Bell	Top Blue
Int Demo/Illustrated Talk	Amya Johnson	Blue
Sr Demo/Illustrated Talk	Lacey Brecheisen	Top Blue
Sr Skit	Cloverleaf Cowboys	Top Blue
Jr Reading	Claudia Clark	Top Blue
Jr Instrumental Solo	Jayce Heger	Blue
Jr Instrumental Solo	Grant Niehues	Top Blue
Int Instrumental Solo	Jacob Bell	Top Blue
Int Instrumental Solo	Catie Gooch	Top Blue
Sr Instrumental Solo	Casle Heger	Top Blue
Int Vocal Solo	Catie Gooch	Blue

**Congratulations to everyone on your efforts.**

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## Thank You, Volunteers

Thanks to the following **volunteers** for their help sponsoring the Junior Leader Trip: Gayle Claggett, Keri Clark, Matt Clark, Darin Heger, Michelle Heger, Robb Heger, Matt Johnson, Jeff Newlon and Tina Schechter.

Project Leaders for sharing their expertise:

William Bryan	Amy Bryan	Judy Parsons
Derek Dillinger	Chris Hinds	Ron Honig
Cathy Wolters	Nancy Johnson	Frances Russell

**Thank You!**

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## Businessmen's Appreciation Dinner

The 4-H Businessmen's Appreciation Dinner will be held on Sunday, April 26, 2015 at Memorial Hall, beginning at 12:30 p.m.

The club assignments for Dinner are as follows:

Set up	– Buffalo Boosters / City Slickers
Decorations	– Wranglers
Entertainment	– County Club Day Top Blues
Drinks	– Cloverleaf Cowboys
Cleanup	– Heartland

The 4-H Council will continue to mail invitations to businesses and 4-H supporters, inviting them to attend.

Please note the following:

1. The meat will be catered this year, the rest will be potluck. 4-H Families are asked to bring a salad or vegetable dish, and dessert, enough to feed themselves and a guest family.
2. The dinner will begin at 12:30 p.m. and will be held at Memorial Hall. We must have an accurate head count for the chair rental, so **everyone** must reserve tickets for the dinner. **Reservations must be made by April 20th.**
3. Everyone who received a Top Blue at County Club Day for a reading, music or novelty, please plan to repeat your presentation for entertainment. This has become a great showcase for our talented kids.
4. We need your help to make this a success. This is an appreciation dinner to thank businesses and individuals for their support to our 4-H programs.
5. **Mark April 26th on your calendar and plan to attend. Be sure to make your reservations by April 20th.**

If you should have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

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### Regional FCS Judging

Congratulations for placing in FCS Judging on March 7th:  
Lainey Cox - Beginner First,  
Megan Newlon - Intermediate Third  
Claire Clark - Senior Third.

Others who judged were Ella Beesley, Claudia Clark, Casle Heger, Jayce Heger, Madison Crawford, Catie Gooch, Lacey Brecheisen, Laramie Brecheisen, and Adyson Gooch.

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### Tractor Safety Training



Anyone 14 or older who wants to work on a farm for someone other than a parent or legal guardian must take the Tractor Safety Course, according to U.S. Department of Labor requirements. Pre-registration is at the Extension Office. Students need their Social Security number, \$10 course fee,

and a lunch, or lunch money. Call us at 544-4359 for more information.

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### 4-H Education Scholarships

The Stevens County 4-H Council has set aside money to be used for County 4-H scholarships for 2015. Applications are due in the Extension Office by **April 1**.

Applicants must have been a Stevens County 4-H member for at least three years, and must be a Stevens County graduating high school senior. Application forms are available at the Extension Office or online at [www.stevens.ksu.edu](http://www.stevens.ksu.edu).

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### 4-H Council and Junior Leadership Club

4-H Council will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, April 20th at the Extension Office. Every club needs to be represented.

Junior Leadership Club will follow at 7:45 p.m.

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## STEVENS COUNTY FAIR is July 27 - August 1, 2015

**Fair Work Day is Monday, July 27**

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### Money Available for 4-H Events!

This is a reminder that the Stevens County 4-H Council provides half of the registration fee to one event per 4-H'er per 4-H year. This includes Horse Panorama; 4-H Camps; Clothing Camp; Discovery Days; Livestock Camp; Photography Camp; Geology Field Trip; Kansas Youth Leadership Forum; Campference; 4-H Ventures; Citizenship Washington Focus; etc.



Record Book vouchers may also be used toward remaining fees. Contact the office for more information.

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### Camp Counselors Needed

It is time to apply to be a camp counselor for this summer's camps. For the Heart of Kansas Camp at Rock Springs you must have finished the 9th grade. For Lakeside 4-H Camp you must have finished the 8th grade.

All 4-H'ers 14 and older must be VIP registered prior to camp. Please contact the office soon if you wish to be a camp counselor.

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### REMINDERS:

#### Discovery Days

Discovery Days will be held May 26-29 at Kansas State University in Manhattan. This university experience is open to youth 13-18 4-H age, and features workshops, service activities, dances, and free time on the beautiful K-State campus.

Online registration is open now and closes April 15. The fee is \$205, plus additional fees for some classes. For more information and to register go to <http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=418>.

If you cancel any 4-H online registration, you will owe \$25 before a deadline, and the full amount thereafter.

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### 4-H Campference

The Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council is excited to promote Campference! This event is focused on youth ages 12 - 14 (before January 1, 2015), and will be held May 31 to June 3, at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Registration is due online by May 15.

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### Camping Opportunities

Make your plans now, sign up in the Extension Office **by May 1**. A sign-up flyer is attached. Let us know if you have any questions.

**Heart of Kansas** – June 26-29. Cost is \$160.00.  
**Camp Lakeside** – June 11-12. The cost is \$75.00.

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### North High Adventure Trip

From June 26-29, 4-H Youth ages 13-18 will canoe down the Niobrara River in Nebraska, one of the best canoeing rivers in the US, and try out an adventure course that includes a water slide, low and high ropes courses, zip line, climbing wall and repelling tower.



Cost for the trip is \$130 and includes transportation, tent and equipment rental, and most meals. Reserve your spot now with Josh, with full payment; space is available for the **next six who register**. If you have questions or need more information contact Josh.

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### Photo Adventure Camp

May 31-June 3, 2015, is an exciting four day photographic experience for teens ages 13-16. The camp, held at Rock Springs 4-H Center, offers hands-on workshops covering a wide range of topics and skills. Campers supply their camera equipment. Parents, project leaders and other 4-H Volunteers who have completed the 4-H volunteer screening process are invited to attend camp and learn along with the youth.



Enrollment is limited so don't delay in registering for Photo Adventure Camp 2015. The registration fee is \$190 for youth or adults. Register on-line. Registration closes April 15, 2015. Registration is now open at: [www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=317](http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=317).

Campers will be assigned to workshops and activities based on prior attendance at Photo Camp, the camera they will be bringing and demonstrated skills. Camp will finish with a presentation for parents featuring images made by all campers.

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### Sewing Camp



Create a garment from pattern to wear during this year's 4th annual Kansas 4-H Sewing Camp! Participants will explore new sewing concepts and improve current sewing skills. Junior participants (age 9-12) and Senior participants (age 13 and older) will attend camp at K-State Salina, work on touch control sewing machines, and receive assistance from teen counselors and textile knowledgeable adults.

Junior camp will be June 25-27, and Senior camp will be June 27-30. All fabrics, supplies and equipment will be provided for youth to construct their garment. Junior participants will choose from an apron, pull-over shirt or pants. Senior participants will choose between a tailored vest or "silky" shirt. Junior registration cost is \$170 and Senior registration cost is \$215. Space is limited, so early registration is strongly encouraged. Registration closes May 8, 2015. Visit <http://www.cvent.com/d/2rqkr0> to register.

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### Additional Sewing Camp Opportunity

Area agents are hosting a one-night sewing camp in Scott City on June 17-18. It is closer, shorter, and cozier, let us know if you will consider it.

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### Sales, Shows, Etc.

Check the calendar of events for livestock projects opportunities. If you don't see a sale or show listed that you know about, call us for more information. We have received some information for area events, and we can check with other counties for their flyers.

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### State Geology Field Trip

Saturday and Sunday, June 13-14, will be the State Geology Field Trip. More information on the site and registration will be available soon. Watch the Geology web page for updated information at: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=558>.

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We have black gloves and a hood that need to go home. Stop by the office if you can't find yours, and have been in an office vehicle this year.

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## Project Meetings

**Foods and Nutrition** 4-H Brunch: create your own meal, and learn about table setting, etiquette, and healthful food choices. This multi-county meeting will be Friday, June 5th at 9:30 a.m. in Ulysses.

**Horse** Horse ID papers are due in the Office by May 1. Bring your current papers in for a new agent signature, and if you have a new project horse, complete a new form, available online or in the office, to submit with pictures for an agent signature.

Level Testing – Youth wanting to show at the District and State 4-H shows who would like to complete their level testing, or who want more information, may contact Judy Parsons at 453-1034. We will set up meetings in March and April to get ready for testing. The SW District 4-H Horse Show is Tuesday, June 30 in Dodge City. Call for more information.

Summer Work nights - We will be starting summer work nights on Wednesday, June 3, at 6:30 pm at the fairgrounds. We will have work nights each Wednesday until our County Fair Horse Show. Bring your horse and be prepared to learn and have fun!! Horseless Horse youth will be contacted to set up project meetings for the summer.

**Photography** Presented by the State Photo Action Team, 4-H'ers of all skill levels are invited to a workshop at the Meade County 4-H Building Saturday, March 28th from 9:15 to 2:00 p.m. Lunch is provided; bring any camera. Register to Walker Clawson, walker@clawsonranch.com by March 20.

**Rabbit** Meetings are April 14, May 12, June 9, and July 14 at 6:30 p.m. The deadline to identify 4-H project rabbits for this year is June 1. You may bring them to the May 12 project meeting to tattoo them. After that, contact William or Amy Bryan, at 428-6656, to identify your project rabbits by June 1. Don't wait until the last day! The Stevens County 4-H Rabbit Show will be April 4th.

**Shooting Sports** The Air Rifle/BB Gun Fun Shoot is Thursday, April 2, be there at 6 pm.

**Swine** Brady Heger will hold a project meeting on Tuesday, March 24 at 7:00 p.m. at the 4-H Building. He will present pointers on what to look for when purchasing project pigs.

**Pork Quality Assurance Certification** PQA Certification is required for all youth swine exhibitors at the Stevens County Fair, the Kansas Junior Livestock Show, and the Kansas State Fair.

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## Project Weigh-in and ID Dates

All animals, including breeding projects, must be tagged and recorded in our office with a 4-H livestock tag in order to show and sell at the Stevens County Fair.

Ear tags are \$2 for each animal to be shown at the county level. Electronic ID Ear tags are \$4 for each animal that will be shown at the Kansas State Fair or Junior Livestock Show. Please be prepared to pay for ear tags when animals are tagged.

All of the weighing will be done at the Stevens County Fairgrounds. If you have any conflict with dates, please arrange to meet with Josh.

<b>All Steers and Heifers</b>	<b>Swine, Sheep, Goats, Bucket Calves</b>
March 13, 4 pm - 7 pm	Sat., Apr 25, 8:30 am - 12pm
March 14, 8:30 am - 12 pm	Tues., Apr 28, 4 pm - 7 pm
March 18, 4 pm - 7 pm	Thurs., Apr 30, 4 pm - 7pm

**Rabbits** must be identified with an ear tattoo and recorded with William and Amy Bryan by June 1. Meat pens must be on record by July 1.

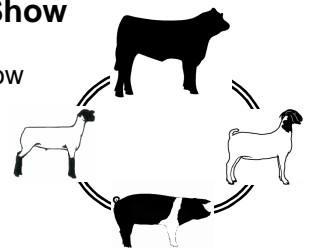
**Poultry** also must be banded and recorded with Landon Brecheisen. We'll send more information to members who are enrolled when it becomes finalized.

Livestock junior leaders can sign up with Josh to help with weigh-in, limited times are available. It's a good chance to add a service to your record book.

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## Gas Capital Livestock Show

The Gas Capital Livestock Show will be held **Saturday, May 2nd** at the Fairgrounds. This is a market beef, goat, sheep and swine livestock show and is open to all Kansas 4-H and FFA members. Mark this date on your calendar, a flyer will be available soon.



**We will need help** to set up on April 26 at 3:30 p.m. following the Businessmen's Dinner. Even if you do not plan to show, please let us know if you can help set up the show ring, stands, pens, etc. We also need workers the day of the show, to keep things running smoothly. This is an excellent project service opportunity.

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### State Show Nominations

To be eligible for entry at the Kansas State Fair and/or Kansas Junior Livestock Show all Market Animals must be nominated with the Family Declaration Form; Specie Nomination Form; DNA Hair Sample envelope; Electronic ID Ear Tag; and \$8.00 fee per nominated animal, as follows:

**By May 1** Market Beef

**By June 15** Commercial Heifers, Ewes, Does, and Breeding Gilts; and Market Lambs, Hogs, and Goats

Let Josh know **well ahead of the deadlines** if you will have animals to nominate.

Nominations are not required for Registered Breeding Heifers, Ewes, or Purebred/Pedigreed Breeding Gilts.

Contest Entry forms and fees for nominated animals are due July 15 for the Kansas State Fair and August 15 for the Kansas Junior Livestock Show.

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### Exhibit Pre-Entry July 1

The Stevens County Fair Board requires 4-H and FFA pre-entry forms to be in the Extension Office or Fair Office by 5:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, July 1st**.

Pre-entry forms and fair books will be available by the first of June, so 4-H'ers should plan now for the entries they will make in this year's fair. Plan to pre-enter every potential exhibit and event for each 4-H'er, even if an exhibit is not ready. Anything not pre-entered by the deadline can only be exhibited in open class.

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### Kansas Japanese Exchange

Kansas 4-H again will be hosting Japanese youth and adult chaperones in Kansas from mid-July to mid-August. We already have one family in Stevens County planning to host and we would like to have others. Additional host families are needed for the four-week period. If your family would like to get involved or you would like to know more about hosting a Japanese youth in your home, please contact Rose Scott, Summer Japanese Inbound Coordinator, 785-565-3197 or e-mail sixtykid2@gmail.com, or contact the Extension Office.



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### Pioneer Communications Directory Cover

Everyone is encouraged to submit artwork or photos of Southwest Kansas to the contest for the 2015-16 directory cover. The deadline is Thursday, May 1.



#### Information and links to flyers are available at:

<http://cimarronvalleylivestockseries.weebly.com/sanctioned-shows.html>

April 24 & 25 - SC Showdown - Scott City  
4/24 Swine Show  
4/25 Sheep, Goat, and Beef Show

April 25 & 26 - Clayton 'Bud' Calkins Memorial Show - Lakin  
4/25 Swine Show      4/26 Beef Show

May 2 - Gas Capital Livestock Show - Hugoton

May 3 - Haskell County Spring Livestock Show - Sublette

May 9 - Grant County Spring Livestock Show - Ulysses

May 23 - Crooked Creek Classic #1 - Meade  
May 24 - Crooked Creek Classic #2 - Meade

May 29, 30, & 31 - High Plains Livestock Classic - Dodge City  
5/29/15 Swine Show  
5/30/15 Sheep & Goat Show  
5/31/15 Beef Show

June 6 & 7 - Gavin B. Kleymann Memorial Livestock Show - Tribune  
6/6 Swine, Lamb & Goat Show  
6/7 Beef Show

June 13 - Morton County Spring Livestock Show - Elkhart

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We hope everything is going well for you. Let us know if you have a question, or if we can be of any help.

Sincerely,

Joshua C. Morris  
CEA, ANR/4H&Y

Nancy L. Honig  
CEA, FCS/4H&Y

**Heart of Kansas 4-H Camp**  
**Rock Springs Ranch**  
For 4-H'ers Who Have Finished 3rd-7th Grade  
Monday through Thursday, June 26-29, 2015

\$160 total fee, or \$80.00 if 4-H pays half, or \$70.00 including \$10 records voucher, per camper, and this registration form are due May 1st. Make check payable to Stevens County 4-H Council.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Next Year \_\_\_\_\_

Same Grade Friends to cabin with \_\_\_\_\_  
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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Next Year \_\_\_\_\_

Same Grade Friends to cabin with \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Family Address \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**4-H Camp Lakeside**  
**Scott City**  
For 4-H'ers age 7 to 10  
Thursday and Friday, June 11-12, 2015

\$75.00 or \$37.50 if 4-H pays half, or \$27.50 including \$10 records voucher, per camper, and this registration form, are due by May 1st. Make check payable to Stevens County 4-H Council.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Next Year \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_ Friends to cabin with \_\_\_\_\_  
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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Next Year \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_ Friends to cabin with \_\_\_\_\_  
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Family Address \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

# Stevens County Fair Association 2015 Presents: 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Greater Southwest Pig Sale

Friday • April 3 • 7:00 p.m.



Grand Champion  
2014 Haskell County Fair  
Bred by Western Plains Genetic



Grand Champion Barrow  
Kansas Junior Livestock Show  
Bred by Thompson & Son



Reserve Champion Spot  
2015 San Antonio Livestock Show  
Bred by Reiss Livestock

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(Greg Thompson)  
620-382-5464

Western Plains Genetics  
(Alan Imler)  
620-271-8822

Brady Bunch Show Pigs  
(Larry Brady)  
620-544-2083

**Tony Martin**  
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## 2015 4-H Events

March 18	Final Beef Weigh In, Fairgrounds	May 31- 3	Photo Adventure Camp, Rock Springs 4-H
March 27-28	Kiwanis Sale Concessions, Fairgrounds	June 1	Deadline to ID Rabbits for Stevens County Fair
March 28	Multi-County Photography Workshop, Meade	June 5	Multi-County Foods Project, Ulysses
April 1	Stevens County 4-H Scholarships Deadline	June 9	Creative Cooks Contest, Hugoton Middle School
April 2	BB Gun/ Air Rifle Fun Contest, 4-H Building	June 9	Rabbit Project Meeting, 4-H Building
April 3	Jr Leaders Cancer Bake Sale, White's Foodliner	June 11-12	Lakeside 4-H Camp, Scott State Lake
April 3	SV County Fair Assn. Pig Sale, Fairgrounds	June 13-14	Geology Field Trips
April 4	Stevens County Rabbit Show, Fairgrounds	June 15	State Livestock Show Nomination Deadline
April 14	Rabbit Project, 4-H Building	June 17-18	Scott City Sewing Camp, Scott City
April 18	Shutterbugs in Botanica, Wichita	June 25-30	Junior and Senior Sewing Camps, Salina
April 20	4-H Council /Jr Leaders Meetings, Extension Off.	June 26-29	Heart of KS Camp, Rock Springs
May 2	Shutterbugs in the Zoo, Garden City	June 26-29	North High Adventure Trip, Nebraska
April 25 28 30	Swine/Sheep/Goat/ Bucket Calf Weigh In	June 30	District 4-H Horse Show, Dodge City
April 26	4-H Businessmen's Dinner, Memorial Hall	July 1	4-H Pre-Entries due for Stevens County Fair
April 26	Set Up Gas Capital Livestock Show, Fairgrounds	July 6-7	Multi-County FCS Project Trip, Wichita
May 1	Horse ID's Due in Extension Office	July 14	Rabbit Project Meeting, 4-H Building
May 1	4-H Camp Registrations Due in Extension Office	July 24	Fashion Revue / FCS Judging, Hugoton Middle School
May 1	State Market Beef Nominations Deadline		
May 2	Gas Capital Livestock Show, Fairgrounds	July 25	County Fair Horse Show, Fairgrounds
May 12	Rabbit Project Meeting, 4-H Building	July 27	Fair Parade, Main Street
May 26-29	Discovery Days, K-State Campus, Manhattan	July 27-Aug 1	Stevens County Fair
May 31-3	Campference, Rock Springs 4-H Center	Sept 11-20	Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson



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