

# **4-H NEWSLETTER**

# Club Days

County Club Day was cancelled due to frigid wind chill temperatures. The following youth members have chosen to attend Regional County Club Day on March 1st at Dodge City Nazarene Church. The schedule and guidelines can be found on our website or by clicking **here**.

Meade Regional Club Days 2025				
Name	Event			
Naomi Fieser	Demonstration Jr.			
Cole Langhofer	Digital Presentation Sr.			
Josie Fieser	Digital Presentation Sr.			
Cole Langhofer	Extemp Sr			
Hannah Fieser	Extemp Sr			
Abby Fieser	Instrument Solo Jr			
Naomi Fieser	Instrument Solo Jr			
Josie Fieser	Instrument Solo Sr			
Abby Fieser	Project Talk Jr.			
Karay Henson	Public Speaking			
Amberlynn Peach	Reading Jr.			
Karay Henson	Reading Sr			
Plains Livewires	Rehearsed Skit			

#### What's In This Month's Issue?

- Deadlines
  - Baby-Sitting Clinic
- Upcoming Events
  - Regional Club Days
  - Beef Weigh-In
  - YQCA
  - Blue & Gold
  - Rock Springs Ranch
- Calendars

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#### **Blue and Gold**

Order forms and payments are due to the office March 12th by 4:00pm!!

Feel free to bring them in ahead of time if that day does not work for you.

- Order delivery will be on **March 27th** to the Extension Office. We will know the delivery time when the driver is on the way. Please make sure that you will have someone available to pick up all of your orders. We do not have enough freezer space at the office to store orders.
- Money (cash or check) for all of your orders must accompany the order forms. Checks should be made out to **Meade County 4-H Council**.

#### Meade County 4-H Cloverbuds

March Cloverbud meetings are as follows: **Plains:** Monday, **March 3rd**, Plains Library **Meade:** Tuesday, **March 11th**, Extension Office

# **4-H Council Meeting**

The next 4-H Council meeting will take place on **March 23rd** at 5:00pm, at the Extension Office. Mark your calendars!



#### **Camp at Rock Springs Ranch**

It's not too late to sign up for camp at Rock Springs Ranch! If you are interested in going to camp with other 4-Hers from Meade County, select Session 6, **June 29-July 2**.

Meade County 4-H Council covers \$100 of your registration fee. Check with your 4-H Club Leader to see if additional assistance is available. Camp scholarships (camperships) are also offered through RSR. If you're interested or have any questions, feel free to reach out or visit their website: Rock Springs Ranch 4-H Camp.



# **Shooting Sports Practice**

If you're a 4-H'er involved with shooting sports, or are interested in learning more about project opportunities, Karen Blehm will be holding Air Rifle, BB, and Air Pistol practice on **March 30th**, at 2:30pm in the 4-H building at Meade County Fairgrounds.



The 2025 Meade County Fair theme is "Let's Have a Funky Time at the Fair!" and will be Monday, July 21 - Friday, July 25. Please keep an eye out for upcoming deadlines and fair changes.

## **YQCA Training**



In person: March 18th at 1pm at B Building at the Fairgrounds

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals is a <u>required course</u> for 4-Hers exhibiting livestock in the county and state fairs. This year, 4-H Youth have the option to take YQCA training online for a small fee, or in-person for free. We highly recommend attending the training in person if possible, as this will be more engaging and hands on. Registration for either type of training will be at <a href="https://yqcaprogram.org/">https://yqcaprogram.org/</a>. Video instructions for how to log in and register can be found at: <a href="https://yqcaprogram.org/local/help-desk.php">https://yqcaprogram.org/local/help-desk.php</a>. Please sign up ahead of time if possible and remember to take the pre-test before attending the in-person course.

## **Livestock Weigh-Ins**

Beef - Wednesday, March 12th, 4:30 pm. All beef: both market and breeding, will need to come to weigh in and the 4-H youth in the project must be present as well. This will take place at the fairgrounds. If you cannot make this date, you will need to schedule an alternate date with Wadona *prior* to March 12th. Beef must be tagged, weighed and identified by the weigh-in date! (Cow/Calf pairs do not apply.) Also, remember to notify us if your animals are bred and owned in Meade County!



**Small Animal** - Sunday, **April 27th**, time to be determined, at the fairgrounds. This event is mandatory for ANY small animal! Small animals are: Bucket Calves, Meat Goats, Breeding Does, Market Lambs, Breeding Ewes Market Swine, and Breeding Gilts.

We will be using EID tags this year, which are the same tags that are required for state fair!



# **Auction Eligibility Form**

The auction eligibility form has not been updated yet on our website; please stay tuned for the this year's form. We just wanted to make 4-H'ers aware of the upcoming deadline.

Any 4-H'er wanting to sell food or livestock in the Meade County Fair Premium Auction will need to turn their signed form in to the office by July 15th, 2025.



#### **NEW Horse ID Form**

# Heads up horse project members!

There is a new Horse ID form for 4-H horse shows, including the county fair and state fair. Horse ID forms are due **June 1st**.

#### New form:

https://bookstore.ksre.ksu. edu/download/horseidentificationcertificate\_P1039

#### **Example:**

https://www.kansas4h.org/projects/animalscience/horse/docs/Sampl eHorseID.pdf

Registration details will be posted in next month's newsletter.

# CLUB CORNER ~~

Welcome to the Club Corner, where we will share what the 4-H Clubs are up to! Each month, we will ask the club leaders and club reporters to share any fun news or upcoming events that your clubs have. Have something you want featured next month? Email us!

### **Ambassador Valentines**







# T & C Cookie-Making







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This year, Meade County took nine 4-H youth members to **Citizenship in Action** in Topeka, KS. The purpose of the event is for KS 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. The legislative visit not only familiarizes youth with the capitol building, but also shows them how they can affect the legislative process.

THANK YOU to Wadona Henson and Mary Beth Woods for being this year's chaperones!



BABYSITTING CLINIC

# \$35 PER PERSON

### **Our Training Includes:**



Basic Child & Infant CPR



Basic First Aid and Safety



Food Prep and Safety



Play and Behavior Management

# SATURDAY, MARCH 8 9AM-2PM

#### Meade County EMS 725 W Carthage, Meade, KS

Call to Sign-Up: (620) 873-8790

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#### **UPCOMING**



# **Volunteer Training**

The Kansas Association of 4-H
Volunteers is hosting "Spring Into
Volunteering" on Saturday, **April 26**in Salina, Kansas on the K-State
Campus. Registration will begin at 9
a.m. and the day will conclude at 3
p.m. Fee includes materials, snacks
and lunch. You can find more
information on this event at

https://www.kansas4h.org/volunteers/volunteercontinuing-education/





# Meat Judging Contest

KSU will be holding the invitational meat judging contest on Saturday, **April 5th**. Registration is open now. For more information on this event, please see the infographic by clicking **HERE**.



2025

# March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						Regional Club Day
2	T&C Mtg 3 Cloverbuds - Plains Livewires Mtg	4	5	6	7	8
9 3 C's Meeting	4-Leaf Clover Meeting	Cloverbuds - Meade	B&G Order 12 Forms Due  Beef Weigh-In	13	14	15
16	17	YQCA @1PM Building B	19	20	21	22
4-H Council 5pm @ Office	24	25	26	B&G Delivery Day	28	29
30	31					

# MONTHLY CLUB MEETINGS

Club	Date	Time	Location
4-Leaf Clover	10th	6:30 pm	Extension Office
Town and Country	3rd	6:00 pm	Busy Brush Studio
3 C's	9th	3:00 pm	Fowler Grade School
Plains Livewires	3rd	6:30pm	Plains Methodist Church



















# YEAR IN A GLANCE:

#### **IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2024-2025!**

#### March

- 1: Regional Club Day
- 3: Plains Cloverbuds
- 11: Meade Cloverbuds
- 12: Beef Weigh-in
- 12: Blue and Gold orders to the office
- 18: YQCA Training
- 27: Blue and Gold Delivery

#### **April**

- 7: Plains Cloverbuds
- 15: Meade Cloverbuds
- 20: Last day to order DNA beef envelopes
- 27: Small Animal Weigh-in

#### May

1: State livestock nominations due: Beef

#### June

4-6: Discovery Days, Manhattan

5: Last day to order DNA envelopes: Small Animal 15: State livestock nominations due: Small Animal

16: Wildhorse Camp Counselor Training

17-19: Wildhorse Camp

#### July

21-25: Meade County Fair

























