JUST LIKE THAT! THE FAIR IS OVER! What a great time! Don’t forget to write and send THANK YOU notes!! Make them a priority! If you sold a foods item, an animal, or received a special award from a sponsor then it is YOUR responsibility to personally thank the individuals, businesses, or organizations that bought your item(s)! Please take the time to thank them properly. If we want our awards & auctions to grow in dollars and attendance, we need to make sure our buyers know they are appreciated!

LET’S TALK RECORD BOOKS!!! Meade County 4-H has two divisions in record books – noncompetitive record books and competitive Kansas Award Portfolios (KAP). Let’s take a moment to focus on the KAP. We would like to encourage each family to at least look over the appropriate KAP (Sr., Int., or Jr.) and consider filling out this form, at a minimum for your favorite project. If you are looking to sell an item again at the 2020 Meade County Fair, filling out one KAP can help complete some of the additional requirements! NOT ONLY THAT but your 4-H’er is rewarded with a scholarship of $25.00 for one and $50.00 for more than one!!! THAT IS HUGE! Please do not wait till the last minute to fill these out. Many veteran 4-H families know these can take time and effort. Did you see Elly’s FB Live last year on Record Books/KAP’s? It’s a bit lengthy but she walks you literally step by step on how these are to be filled out! She totally took the guess work out of it!

RIGHT START!

Record Books/KAP: WORK SHOP AUGUST 11TH @ 2:00 PM

Do you need help learning how to complete a 4-H Permanent Record or KAP? The Clawson Family would be happy to go through this process with you and help you understand how to complete your 4-H record book. They will have samples of their books through all levels of 4-H and will give you tips for each section. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend with their 4-Hers. This record book workshop will be Tuesday evening at 7:00pm at the Extension Office Conference Room.

Bucket Calf Project Record for Fair – counted as a KAP!!

Bucket Calf Project Records that were turned in for the consultation judging during the county fair are in the office. We will take these in place of a KAP! Youth must also turn in a non-competitive record book for this record to count as a KAP. So please start working on your personal page, 4-H story, and permanent record. Youth can also come pick up their Bucket Calf Project Record to edit or make any story/ribbon additions from the county fair.

Record Books/KAP are due SEPTEMBER 30TH 2019
Kansas State Fair – Discounted Tickets

The Extension Office provides pre-order gate admission and hang tags for Horse Exhibitors. Cost of tickets are $3 for youth, $7 for adults and $4 for senior citizens. Hang tags for 4-H are ONLY offered to Dog and Horse Exhibitors. The Horse Hangtags, tickets, and all stalling is done online. However, Dog Hangtags can be purchased at this time through this office at $10.00 per day to Exhibitor. This order is due no later than August 6th so I can get the orders to the State Office in time and get tickets mailed back to me before ya’ll need them!

Exhibits Qualifying for State Fair-READ ALL ABOUT IT-DATES AND TIMES BELOW

Just a reminder that any 4-H member (Age 9 by Jan 1, 2019), that received a purple ribbon in Building B at the County Fair is eligible to send their exhibit on to the Kansas State Fair. Please email Christine at cmcphete@ksu.edu and turn in your ARTS AND CRAFTS exhibits to the Extension Office by 2 pm September 5th. Please turn in your PERISHABLES such as FOODS, FLOWERS, AND GARDEN no later than 5 a.m. September 6th, 2019!

Kansas State Fair Shows (Dog, Horse, Livestock)

Dog – Youth must qualify in a specific discipline(s) at a state qualifier or open dog show during the current 2019-2020 4-H year. Qualification is a blue or purple ribbon. Most of shows happen during the county fair or at invitational shows in the spring and summer. Dogs will need a current Kansas 4-H Vaccination card at any show! Dog Exhibitors will need to pay the $5 entry fee no later than August 15th.

Horse – Youth must participate in their local district qualifier and receive a purple or blue ribbon to participate in that class at the Kansas State Fair. Remember that all horses going to the Kansas State Fair will need a negative Coggins test and 30-day Health Papers. Horse entries must be submitted on www.4honline.org by August 1st. Stall reservations and tan hang tags MUST BE SUBMITTED ONLINE through the Kansas State Fair Website. 4-H Horses can enter the Kansas State Fairgrounds at 8 a.m. on September 12. No stalls are available until 8 a.m., Thursday, September 12. Check-in begins at 10 a.m. For more information visit https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/index.html

Livestock – This includes all beef, sheep, swine and goats. Youth must have nominated their animals by the state deadlines in the spring (Cattle- May 1st, Small Animals – June 15th). Then, after nominations are complete, you must then enter into the show no later than July 15th. There is no prior qualification or ribbon color needed on a local level.

Kansas Junior Livestock Show: Entry Deadline, August 15th

Don’t forget that animals nominated with the Youth Livestock Department are also eligible to compete at the KJLS in Hutchinson, September 27-29th. Families may enter their animals online, no later than August 15th at www.kjls.org.
5 State Fair

It's TIME for the 106th Annual Seward County 5-State Fair. Everyone is invited to come out to Liberal, Kansas and experience the 5-State Fair this August 22-25 2019.

Once again, the fair offers a mixture of old and new, from the livestock show to handcrafted quilts. I know there will be something for everyone to see and do! The 2019 fair board has worked long and hard the past year to make the fair enjoyable for everyone from children to adults. A great time will be had by all I’m sure! Did you know that you can enter exhibits in the Seward County Fair, under the 5 State Fair Divisions? IT’S ABSOLUTELY TRUE! Many of our veteran 4-H members take exhibits to the 5 State Fair to serve as a 2nd opinion so they only take the best on to the STATE FAIR coming in September! There are several ways for you to stay “in the know” and get all the details about The 5 State Fair in Liberal Kansas. You may go to their Facebook page and read all about it https://www.facebook.com/FiveStateFreeFair. You may also visit their website at https://www.fivestatefair.com/ and find the complete listing of events, locations, dates for certain activities, and deadlines.

LOOKING AHEAD

SAVE THE DATE! SAVE THE DATE

Registration for KANSAS YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM (KYLF) will open late summer and for $200ish dollars prepare for an EPIC EXPERIENCE!!! November 23 &24th at Rock Springs come and build your leadership skills and potential through workshops, consulting groups, inspirational speakers and more. In addition, the 2019 State 4-H Youth Leadership Council will be elected at KYLF. If you are 14-18 years of age this is for you! https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/kansas-youth-leadership-forum/index.html To qualify for the Early Bird rate, you must register by Oct 1st. Registration for event ends November 1st.

48 Hours of 4-H-OCTOBER 12-13

Meade County 4-Hers will once again be hosting a county-wide Packing Party for Operation Christmas Child as a 48 Hours of 4-H service project. This is great opportunity for the whole county to get involved with as it also helps with Auction Eligibility Requirements! There will be a workday on Saturday, October 12th, beginning at 1:00 pm and going throughout the afternoon until we are finished. 48 Hours of 4-H Workday will be at the fairgrounds (B building). Then the next day, 48 Hours of 4-H Packing Party will be same location on Sunday, October 13th at 2:00pm. Then, in November, we will have a 48 Hours of 4-H Fun Run (which all proceeds go to pay shipping on our 1,000 boxes from the packing party) This event is scheduled for Sunday, November 3 at 3:00pm at Meade Park. More information on the FUN RUN closer to the date.
UPCOMING EVENTS

Register for Vet Med ROCKS Summer Camp!

Vet Med ROCKS Summer Camp, set for Aug. 2-6, is a series of day camps providing youth, ages fourth grade to pre-vet students, a hands-on and behind the scenes look at the K-State College of Veterinary Medicine. (Register by July 12, 2019 to be guaranteed a T-shirt)

August 2-4, 2019 High school and College Camp (entering 9th -12th and students currently enrolled in undergraduate studies)
August 5, 2019 Grade School Camp (entering 4th -6th)
August 6, 2019 Middle School Camp (entering 7th-8th)
For more information and to register online: https://www.vet.k-state.edu/asp/rocks/

State 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest-August 17, 2019

The State 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest will be held Saturday, August 17, 2019 on the campus of Kansas State University, Manhattan. Registration information will be on the web by June 15! Agents you must login to find registration information. Registration is due Friday, August 9. https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/contests/horticulture-judging/index.html

2019 National Youth Science Day Announced

This October, 4-H will launch the 2019 National Youth Science Day (NYSD) challenge, Game Changers. Designed by Google and West Virginia Extension service, Game Changers teaches kids ages 8-14 how to use computer science (CS) to create games, solve problems and engage with topics they’re passionate about. Game Changers uses physical activity and puzzles to teach kids important CS concepts and problem-solving skills, creating real-world connections between computer science and civic engagement, healthy living and agriculture. Although the challenge includes one computer-based and two unplugged activities to help kids learn CS, all can be completed without internet access. New to NYSD? Game Changers is easier than ever to facilitate and teachers and facilitators don’t need any prior experience with computer science or coding to bring the activity to their students. NYSD kits will go on sale in July - watch for emails from National 4-H and Kansas 4-H regarding sale of kits, as well as events in NYSD events during the month of October. https://4-h.org/parents/national-youth-science-day/
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**FIVE STATE FAIR LIBERAL KANSAS 22-25**

**KANSAS STATE FAIR BEGINS NEXT WEEK. NON-PERISHABLE EXHIBITS ARE TO BE IN THE OFFICE BY 2 PM 9-5-19 AND PERISHABLES SUCH AS FOOD, FLOWERS, AND GARDEN ITEMS SHOULD BE AT THE OFFICE NO LATER THAN 5 A.M. 9-6-19!!**

**Town and Country-August, 20, 2019, 7 pm at the 4-H Building at the Fairgrounds in Meade**
4 Leaf Clover-To Be Announced
Plains Livewires-August 12 @ 5 p.m. Plains United Methodist Church
3 C’s-To Be Announced

**JUST A REMINDER THE EXTENSION OFFICE IS CLOSED SEPTEMBER 2, 2019 IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY!**