

4-H Connections

Enroll Online by December 1

Please do not forget to enroll online at <https://ks.4honline.com> before December 1, 2019! Enrollment fees for 2019-2020 are still at \$15 per 4-H member. Clover Buds and Adult Volunteers are free.

It is important that you take the time to get this done. After December 1st, the office will roll over into the year for ALL notifications. This includes the 4-H Newsletter, broadcast emails and texts. Those who are not enrolled after December 1 will still receive the December 4-H Connections, and then will be removed off all mailing/notification lists.

Youth enrolled by December will be able to mark this item as one of the three (3) additional requirements to be eligible for county fair auctions.

4-H Achievement Recognition

2:00 PM - November 17, 2019

Plains Community Building, 812 Grand Avenue

All 4-H families and friends are invited to the annual 4-H Achievement Recognition Event. This year we will not be having a pot-luck meal as in the past, drinks and cookies will be served at the event. Thank you Plains Livewire 4-H Club for hosting us this year!

This events recognizes youth and volunteers for their hard work during the 2018-2019 4-H year including:



- 4-H Pins
- Kansas Award Portfolio County Project Winners
- 4-H Family of the Year
- 4-H Alumni
- Friend of 4-H
- Years of Service

Leke Zequiri, from Kosovo and 4-H Exchange Student will also be giving a short presentation.

Please come join us for this celebration! Expect a condensed event do to the 4-H Record Book party happening immediately afterwards.

Youth attending this event will be able to mark this item as one of the three (3) additional requirements to be eligible for the county fair auctions.

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Record Book Party

4:00 PM - November 17, 2019
Thunder Strikes Bowling Alley
1103 LaLande Ave – Sublette



4-Her's that completed a noncompetitive record book are invited to come have a good time and bowl! 4-H Council will pay for each qualified member (and their parents) to bowl and will also provide snacks. Siblings are welcome to attend, but must cover their own cost.

Officer Training

6:00-7:00 PM - November 20, 2019
Meade County Extension Office

4-H members that were elected as Officers for the 2019-2020 year are requested to attend Officer Training. Christine and Elly will host the training at the Extension Office. Youth will be split in two different groups to receive their training. 4-H leaders and parents are encouraged to also attend.

RSVP is required for the training by November 15. The Extension Office will provide pizza for those in attendance. This meeting will be canceled if less than 10 members sign up.

Youth attending this event will be able to mark this item as one of the three (3) additional requirements to be eligible for the county fair auctions.

Cooking with Christine

December 20, 2019



Save the date! Christine will be offering a limited number of spots at this December Foods meeting. Please RSVP to the Extension Office (620.873.8790) to save your spot. At this time, the meeting will be held in the early afternoon. Watch the December newsletter for more information on the class!

4-H Council Meeting

1:00 PM – November 17, 2019
Plains Community Building

4-H Council members, both "old" and "newly" elected members can participate in the November 4-H Council Meeting. "Old" representatives will need to call the meeting to order, approve the minutes and treasurers report, and finish any old business. In new business, elections will be held for President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

4-H Apparel - \$16

Kansas State 4-H Council members are selling shirts for \$16 each. Orders and payment are due to the Extension Office no later than November 18 for county delivery. We hope to have the shirts in before the office closes for Christmas break.

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Heart
Hands
Health
#InspireKidsToDo*



Youth: Sizes – Small to X-Large

Adult: Sizes – Small to 3XL
(add \$1.50 for 2XL and \$3 for 3XL)

Youth Colors:

Heather Coral Heather Purple

Adult Colors:

Heather Orchard Heather Slate
Heather Purple Heather Sunset
Heather Raspberry Heather Storm



Horse Project Activities

Local Project Meetings:

The Horse Club will be studying for various competitions and to compete at the 2020 4-H Horse Panorama, January 24-26 at Rocks Springs 4-H Center.

All Meetings will begin at 6:00 PM unless noted.

November 12 – Business + Quiz Bowl Practice
 November 19 – Quiz Bowl Practice
 November 24 – 4:00 PM, Mounted Practice
 November 26 – Quiz Bowl Practice
 December 10 – Business + Quiz Bowl Practice
 December 17 – Quiz Practice

Thank you Karrie Miller for teaching these meetings!

Local Winter Play Days:

The Horse Club will also be hosting winter play days. The events are open to anyone will include: Barrels, Pole Bending, Flag Race, and 1 mystery event!

Each day will start at 1:00 PM.

November 16, 2019
 December 21, 2019
 January 18, 2020
 February 22, 2020



Buckle Bonanza

Two remaining Buckle Bonanza Shows remain. These shows focus primarily on teaching the 4-Her more **about what judges expect during a show. It's a clinic and show in one event!** Great Job to Adeline, Kellie and Teaghan, who participated at the first show in Garden City on October 19th.

November 9 – Sublette, Haskell County Fairgrounds
 December 14 – Meade, Gene Harris Arena
 December 15 – Rain/Snow Date

Code of Conduct Update

Kansas 4-H has updated the Code of Conduct that EACH member signs when enrolling for 4-H. The changes align with Kansas State University risk management and conduct standards, and will be implemented for the current 4-H year. The new form brings clarification of behavior expectations and help all parties in local extension units and at K-State move forward in the Kansas 4-H Youth Development mission.

If you would like to read the nitty-gritty legal details of the new 4-H Code of Conduct. Please refer to this article online published in the State 4-H Tip Sheet.

<https://www.kansas4-h.org/tipsheet/announcement/?id=56846>

Livestock Sale - Policy J2.2

It is important for all livestock project members to be aware of this rule! In simple terms, the policy state that if a NOMINATED animal (for Kansas State Fair or Kansas Junior Livestock Show) is SOLD at any COUNTY FAIR auction, it becomes INELIGIBLE to be shown at the KSF or KJLS.

All nominated livestock that are sold in July at the fair are reported to the State 4-H Youth Livestock Department. Again, this policy only affects the Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show.



2020 Citizenship Washington Focus

POSTPONED
 We are very sad to announce that 2020 CWF trip for the State of Kansas has been postponed. Recent years have seen lower participation numbers, that cause the overall budget of the trip to loose substantial money. The intentions of canceling the trip for 2020 is to help Kansas 4-H better determine how to strategically leverage CWF and other 4-H Summits held at the National 4-H Conference Center throughout the rest of the year.

Locally we hope to see the trip resumed in 2021! The experiences and friendships made on this trip are once in a lifetime.



Citizenship Project Activities

5K Fun Run-Operation Christmas Child November 3, 2019

This fun run is hosted by Meade County 4-H Citizenship Project and is designed to help raise funds to help raise funds to mail all of the shoeboxes that were packed at the 48 Hours of 4-H event in October. If you would like to help with this event, **please contact Clawson's (620.482.3305) to let them know and they will assign you to a task.**



Fleece Blanket "tie" Workshops

November 16, 2019 – 2:00 – 3:30 PM
December 8, 2019 – 2:00 – 3:30 PM

County-wide Citizenship project leader, Korben Clawson will again be hosting TWO more workshops to tie fleece blankets for the Forensic Nursing unit at Via Christi St. Joseph in Wichita. The blankets will be given to patients that are the victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, child abuse, elder abuse, and human trafficking. The blankets will provide a sense of comfort for these children and adult victims.

Thank you to everyone that helped make fleece blankets at the first two workshops. There is no need to RSVP to come help make blankets.

Korben plans to continue hosting meetings where 4-Hers can make tied fleece blankets to donate year round to this cause for the foreseeable future. You do not need to be in any certain 4-H project to get involved. You also do not need to know how to sew because we will simply be cutting fringe and tying square knots.

DONATE



FLEECE NEEDED!

If you have extra fleece or could help donate, please let Korben know.

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48 Hours of 4-H

A weekend of service. A lifetime of impact.
A Kansas 4-H Service Challenge | October 27 - 29, 2019

48 Hours of 4-H Wrap Up & Thinking ahead

Thank you to everyone that helped with the 48 Hours of 4-H Weekend. We had a great turnout for the packing party and appreciate everyone that helped the day before as well. We have been asked what 4-H clubs can do to help even more with the 48 Hours of 4-H event. We work towards this packing party year round.

As 4-H members, or your club as a group, can help by: collecting school supplies, collecting new small stuffed animals, Barbie dolls, or tools (hammers, multi-head screwdrivers, pliers, and tape measures). You can save medicine bottles to be used for the nails and screws to put in the boxes with the tools.

You can also make fishing kits or sewing kits. We've seen these kits placed in medicine bottles as well. As a sewing project, you can make the flannel blankets for the baby dolls or make extra outfits for the Barbie dolls.

Many of you have attended workshops to make the t-shirt jump ropes. It would be great to have dozens or hundreds of these jump ropes made to go in the boxes.

Finally, you or your club can fundraise for the shipping of the boxes. Each year, we raise \$9,000 in shipping money!

Many of you help with the 5K Fun Run, the bake sales and ice cream sales throughout the year for this project, but you are welcome to get creative and come up with your own fundraising ideas as well.

Once again, thank you for helping make the weekend a success! If you have any questions about this project, please contact Tamra Clawson or Korben Clawson.

48 Hours of 4-H Photos

Thank you to all of our 4-H Members and community members that helped with the Operation Christmas Child Event held on October 12 & 13, 2019.



Ambassadors in Action

Newly formed this fall, Meade County 4-H Ambassadors are just getting started. Ambassadors will work closely with their advisor, Dixie Harlow and the Extension Agents to promote 4-H, organize, narrate events, and become positive role models for other members of the community. Congratulations to Korben Clawson, Kody Henson, Kaylen Langhofer and Jamie Turner for turning in forms to become our first group of Ambassadors for 2019-2020 4-H Year.

The first official event they participated in was Trunk or Treat on October 24th at the Meade District Hospital. If you have an event you would like them to attend, please contact Dixie at ddharlow@gmail.com.



TRUNK OR TREAT

Annual Pecan Fundraiser



The Plains Livewire 4-H Club is hosting their annual pecan sale to raise funds for their 4-H Club. The pecans come as either halves or pieces in 1 lb. bags. Each bag is \$13. You can contact any club member or either Melissa Langhofer (620.482.3726) or Mary Beth Woods (620.353.4731) to purchase pecans.

FACTS: Pecans are certified heart-healthy from the American Heart Association and are among the top 15 foods to contain the highest antioxidant capacity, and a handful a day can lower LDL cholesterol. Pecans can also be stored in the freezer for up to 2 years to preserve freshness!



November Extension Office Holiday Closings

Veterans Day – November 11, 2019
Thanksgiving – November 28 & 29, 2019

The Extension Office will be closed in November for Veterans Day and Thanksgiving. We hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving with their family.

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, the December 4-H Connections will be published the first week in December. Please submit any photos or events to Elly at sneath@ksu.edu with the subject line 'Newsletter' no later than December 1st!

Don't forget to start setting project goals for each of your projects!

Other Photos from October!

Thank you Cole Langhofer, Plains Livewire Reporter for sending us photos of your club members!



During National 4-H Week, members displayed their projects at Plains Elementary School.

Kaylen Langhofer attended the 2019 Kansas 4-H Dog Conference at Rock Springs. She and Kaycee, her dog, participated in various events, including a demonstration, fashion show, speech and quiz bowl! Kaylen even met some new friends she hopes to see at other dog shows and events.



Adeline Woods and Gunner, her horse, participated at the first Buckle Bonanza show in Garden City. Her favorite part was seeing her friends!

Cole Langhofer participated in the 4-H SpaceTech event at the Kansas Cosmosphere on October 4 & 5th. Cole learned how to operate a robot and drone by maneuvering them through a course. He enjoyed touring the facility and learning about space history.



NOVEMBER 2019

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
3 C's Club Meeting TBA					1	2 Citizenship Mtg 5K Fun Run
3	4 4 Leaf Clovers Club Meeting	5	6	7	8	9 Buckle Bonanza Horse Show @ Sublette, 10 AM
10 Plains Livewires Club Meeting	11 Veteran's Day <i>Office Closed</i> Town & Country Club Meeting	12 Horse Club Mtg & Quiz Practice @ 6 PM	13	14	15	16 Citizenship Mtg Fleece Blanket Workshop@2PM Horse Play Day @ 1 PM
17 @ PLAINS 4-H Council@1PM 4-H Achievement @ 2 PM Record Book Party @ Sublette – 4PM	18 T-SHIRT ORDER due to office with payment	19 Horse Quiz Bowl Practice @ 6 PM	20 Officer Training @ 6 PM	21	22	23
24 Horse Mounted Mtg @ 4 PM	25	26 Horse Quiz Bowl Practice @ 6 PM	27	28 Thanksgiving <i>Office Closed</i>	29 <i>Office Closed</i>	30

Club Meetings	Monthly Club Meetings	Date	Time	Location	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 C's – TBA 4 Leaf Clover – 4th 6:30 PM Plains Livewires – 10th 3:00 PM Town & Country – 11th 7:00 PM 			Meade Co. Fairgrounds	Plains United Methodist Church