

MORRIS COUNTY NEWS



September 2017



4-H Council Meeting

The next 4-H Council meeting will be held on **Monday, October 23rd** in the Morris County Courthouse meeting room at 7:00 p.m.

Kansas State Fair Exhibits

Exhibits that were pre-entered for the Kansas State Fair can now be dropped off at the Extension Office. Exhibits need to be dropped off by **Thursday, September 7th**. Food, horticulture, and floriculture exhibits may be delivered to the Extension Office between 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. on **Friday, September 8th**.

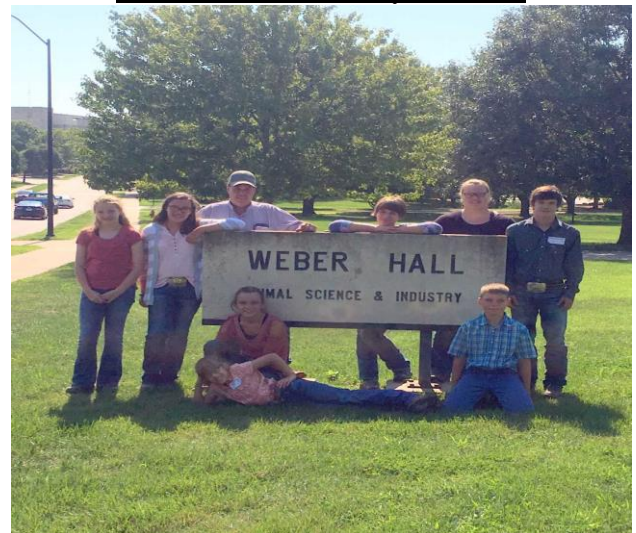
Ambassador Applications

"Would you like to see 4-H grow in Morris County? Here is your opportunity! Apply to be a Morris County 4-H Ambassador. Help educate others about the value of 4H. Enjoy interacting with other 4-H members from across the county as well as civic organizations, families, and businesses. Applications are available online at flinthills.ksu.edu. Applications **must be** emailed to Lisa Palmer, Office Professional at palmer50@ksu.edu no later than **Monday, September 25**. All applicants will be interviewed on **Wednesday, September 27**. Applicants must select interview time once they have turned in their application.

Club Officer Books

Club secretary, reporter, and treasurer books need to be submitted to the Extension Office on **Thursday, October 5th**. Clubs do not need to turn in their historian book.

Livestock Sweepstakes



Participating in the Livestock Sweepstakes contest in Manhattan were Carissa Dalquest, Sophia Glanville, Kinslea Glanville, Lexi Monihen, Zoey Barber-Meade, Colton Bacon, Makenzie Downes, and Mason Ellerman. The team competed in three events; skillathon, quiz bowl and livestock judging. They consistently placed in the top half of each contest.

Final Cloverbuds Meeting

The final meeting of the Cloverbuds will be **Thursday, September 21, 2017** at 6:30 p.m. If interested in being a Cloverbud Co-Leader, please contact the Flint Hills Extension Office at 620-767-5136.

Record Book Reminders



Record books and pin applications are due in the Extension Office by **Thursday, October 5th**. Forms are online at: www.flinthills.ksu.edu.

As you are preparing your record books, please remember the following:

***Junior Division (7 & 8 Year Olds)** - When writing stories for your award applications, remember to include **two** stories. One story should be a general 4-H story that describes your 4-H year. The second story should be a project story that describes your project work throughout the year.

***Intermediate Division (9-13 Year Olds) and Senior Division (14 & Older)** - When writing your stories for your KAPs, remember that your story needs to be project specific. You may include information from your 4-H year as it relates to your project.

***Permanent Records** - Remember that the permanent record is a continuous document of the activities throughout your 4-H career. In other words, the current year's activities should be added to the previous year's document.

***Application Signatures** - Remember to have your award applications and pin applications signed by your club leaders and a parent/guardian.

An order of assembly for record books is now posted on our website. If you have questions about completing record books, filling out pin award applications or what pin application you can apply for, please contact the Extension Office.

Record Book Judging

4-H record book judging will be held on **Wednesday, October 18th**, in the meeting room at the Morris County Courthouse. We will plan to judge books from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. If you are planning to come in the evening, please call the Extension Office to make sure we still have books that need to be judged. We would like to have at least three representatives from each club to help with the judging. Please contact the Extension Office by **Monday, October 10th** to let us know who will be representing your club.

Friend of 4-H and 4-H Alumni Nominations

Each year, 4-H clubs in Morris County are asked to nominate individuals who they feel have contributed to the 4-H program and are worthy recipients of the Friend of 4-H or 4-H Alumni awards. Both of these awards are given out at the 4-H Achievement Banquet. If you have someone who you think would be a great candidate, let your club leader know. Nominations are due with the 4-H Club Summary on **October 5th**.

4-H Key Award

4-Hers who are 16 years old or older may apply for the 4-H Key Award. Requirements for the award include completing at least four years of 4-H work, being enrolled in the leadership project for at least four years, and fulfilling at least nine other requirements on the application. The application can be found on the Flint Hills District website at flinthills.ksu.edu. Once at the website, click on the 4-H Youth Development tab on the left-hand side of the screen and then click on the Morris County Information tab. Applications are due **Thursday, October 5th**.

Project Meeting Forms

Club and county project leader meeting reports for meetings held during the 2016-2017 4-H year are due to the Extension Office by **Thursday, October 5th**. These forms are used to report 4-Her attendance as well as presentations given by 4-Hers at club and county project meetings. The form can be found on our website at www.flinthills.ksu.edu or in the Extension Office.

2018 Fair Dates

The Morris County Fair Board has announced the 2018 fair dates to be **July 21-30**. The detailed schedule will follow at a later date.

National 4-H Week

National 4-H Week will be **October 1-7, 2017**. Clubs are encouraged to inform their communities about the 4-H program during this week. 4-H members should be prepared to discuss contests, presentations, displays, and other ways to promote 4-H. If your club wants ideas for activities during National 4-H Week, contact the Extension Office, as there are some great promotional materials. National 4-H Week is a great opportunity to share enthusiasm and promote the benefits of the 4-H program to our communities.

Morris County Fair Bags

We have leftover fair bags at the Flint Hills Extension Office at the cost of \$18 each.

First Come, First Serve!

4-H Expo

October 8th from 3:30-5:00 p.m. is the Morris County 4-H Expo. Come learn more about 4-H, where 4-H can take you, see examples of record books; learn more about giving a project talk and much more.

What we need for the Expo:

- Any project interested in having a booth at the Expo is encouraged to do so. If you plan to have one, please let the Extension Office know (by **Oct. 2nd**) so the booth will be listed on the participating groups list.

- Past record books that placed in the top 3 of their respective categories (Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Divisions).

- Each Club is invited and encouraged to have a booth. Ideas to have at your booth Club Officer Books, tri-fold display of the club's activities, club t-shirt, and club banner.

Friend of 4-H Appreciation Picnic

The annual appreciation picnic will be on **Sunday, October 8th at 5:00 p.m.** following the 4-H Expo. The picnic will be held at the Morris County Community Building. Each club is asked to provide 5 bags of chips and needs to be dropped off at the Flint Hills Extension office the week before. 4-Hers and parents will be need to greet guest, serve food, and clubs are asked to send the names and addresses of anyone who has supported the club and its members to the Extension office by **Monday, September 11th** so an invitation can be mailed to them.

Achievement Banquet

This year's 4-H Achievement Banquet is on **Saturday, November 11th** at the fairgrounds community building. A BBQ dinner will be served at 6 p.m. and the program will follow at 7 p.m. Dwight Sunflowers and Willing Workers are in charge of set up on **Friday, November 10th** starting at 4:30 p.m.



Kansas Youth Leadership Forum (KYLF)

The Kansas Youth Leadership Forum (KYLF) will be held **November 17-19, 2017**, at Rock Springs Ranch 4-H Center. The forum is for youth 14-18 years of age before January 1, 2018. Participants will have the opportunity to build leadership skills and potential through workshops, consulting groups, inspirational speakers, and more. In addition, the 2017 State 4-H Youth Leadership Council will be elected at KYLF. Registration is open on the Kansas 4-H website and will close October 16th. The Morris County 4-H Foundation will also provide support to Morris County 4-Hers planning to attend KYLF. For more information or to register go to <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/kansas-youth-leadership-forum/index.html>

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. A 500 word essay explaining why conservation and water quality are important to them and how the scholarship will benefit them personally and professionally is required, must submit a copy of their school transcript and provide two letters of recommendation that are not relatives. **Deadline is December 22nd**, and recipient will be presented a medal at January 27th's annual meeting. The scholarship check will be presented in May at their school's awards assembly. The application is attached or visit www.morriscountyconservationdistrict.com.

The Reptile Expo

A fun learning opportunity for those interested in the Hand Pet Project. The Reptile Expo will be held **Sunday, September 3rd** in Manhattan, KS. The expo is located at the Four Points Sheraton hotel from 10am to 6pm. Admission for the event is \$9 at the door. If you are interested in turtles, snakes, spiders, lizards, geckos, frogs, or other types of tank dwelling hand pets this is for you! Many awesome vendors and experts will be on site to visit with. If you have any **questions**, find reptile expo on Facebook or look up Manhattan Reptile World.

Mark Your Calendars

- Sept. 8-17 - Kansas State Fair
- Sept. 25 - 4-H Ambassador Applications Due
- Sept. 27 - 4-H Ambassador Interviews
- Sept. 29 - Oct. 1 - KJLS
- Oct. 5 - Record Books, Pin Applications & Key Award Applications Due
- Oct. 1-7 - National 4-H Week
- Oct. 8 - 4-H Expo & Friend of 4-H Appreciation Picnic
- Oct. 18 - 4-H Council Meeting & Record Book Judging
- Nov. 11 - Achievement Banquet
- May 28 - June 1-Discovery Days
- Jun 3-6 - Camp

Extension Office Closed

We will be closed on Monday, September 4th, for the Labor Day Holiday.





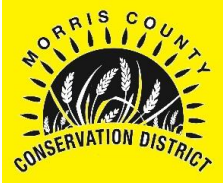
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Created by Sue Lindstedt
Grand Forks Herald 2012

See how many of these newspaper related words you can find in the puzzle.
The words can be forward, backward or diagonal.

1. LABOR	5. WORK	9. SUMMER	13. AMERICAN
2. DAY	6. LONG	10. NATIONAL	14. MONDAY
3. HOLIDAY	7. WEEKEND	11. USA	15. DAY
4. SEPTEMBER	8. ENDING	12. TRAVEL	16. OFF



MORRIS COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



Name of Applicant: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Grade Point Average: _____

High School: _____

College or University to Attend: _____

College Major: _____

\$500.00 Scholarship (\$250.00 per Semester)

*Copy of Grades with a Minimum of 2.0 GPA Required for 2nd Payment!

ITEMS REQUIRED WITH APPLICATION (Applicant must be pursuing a degree in a natural resource field.) Examples: Range Management, Plant Sciences, Agronomy, Agriculture Technology Management, Animal Science, Ag Education, Feed Science, and any other "natural resource" field.

1. Copy of School Transcript
2. Two Letters of Recommendation (not relatives)

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

On a separate piece of paper, please type a 500 word essay explaining why conservation and water quality are important to you, and tell how this scholarship will benefit you personally and/or professionally. Deadline for applications and all requested materials will be December 22, 2017. Scholarship will be presented at the Morris County Conservation District's Annual Meeting scheduled for January 27, 2018.

Submit application to:
Morris County Conservation District
116 Fox Street
Council Grove, KS 66846-1219

For more information or if you have any questions, please contact us at: 620-767-5111 Ext. 101 or contact jobea.titus@ks.nacdnet.net or visit <http://www.morriscountyconservationdistrict.com/>

WATER QUALITY

*CONSERVATION

*DEVELOPMENT

*SELF-GOVERNMENT

Application 2017-18 Morris County 4-H Ambassador

*Mission: Promote the 4-H Program to the families and youth of
Morris County through leadership, service and support.*

DUE: SEPTEMBER 25, 2017

PLEASE TYPE APPLICATION AND RESPONSES

EMAIL APPLICATION AS SINGLE ATTACHMENT TO PALMER50@KSU.EDU

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- One full year of experience as a Morris County 4-H Club member
- 8th grade to age 18
- Current 4-H member

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Full Name:

Preferred Name:

Home Mailing Address (city, state and zip):

E-mail:

Phone:

Text – YES OR NO

4-H Club Name:

Years in 4-H:

School:

Current Grade:

Date of Birth:

Parent or Guardian Name:

Parent or Guardian Phone:

Text – YES OR

NO

Parent or Guardian Email:

Applications must be received via email by 5pm on September 25th. All applicants must sign up for an interview upon return of application by stopping in or by calling the Extension Office (620.767.5136). Interviews are scheduled for Wednesday, September 27th (beginning at 6pm). Your application should be no more than 3 pages.

STATEMENT BY 4-H MEMBER:

I have personally prepared this application and believe it to be true.

E-Signature: _____ Date: _____

PLEASE RESPOND TO FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

1. Why do you want to be a Morris County 4-H Ambassador?
2. What are two specific skills you would contribute to the Morris County Ambassador team?
3. What one experience has helped you understand what it means to be a leader? Be specific.
4. What is one area where Morris County 4-H could be improved?
5. What aspect of 4-H can you talk about most easily? What is most difficult for you to explain?