Flint Hills District 4-H News

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Farewell Shandi

Shandi began her extension career in the Flint Hills District in April 2017. We want to take this time to thank her for her time of service to the Flint Hills District and 4-H! Her effort and support of the 4-H program is greatly appreciated. Shandi has accepted a new position as the Kansas FCCLA State Adviser and Family and Consumer Science Education Instructor at K-State. Her last day with the Flint Hills District will be Tuesday, August 1st. She will be missed, and we wish her all the best! There will be a come and go style farewell reception at the Council Grove office on August 1st with refreshments available 2-4pm. Please come wish Shandi luck with this next chapter of her journey.

Kansas State Fair

In lieu of ribbon premiums for entries in the 4-H Project Areas, the State Fair will once again give two tickets to exhibitors. This will be processed with State Fair entries; no additional form is necessary.

Check out the Kansas State Fair Book if you have questions on your exhibits going: https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/2023%20MASTER%20CLEAN%20KSF%202023%20BOOK%205.25.23.pdf

Complete 4-H Schedule: https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/2023%20Kansas%20State%20Fair%20Schedule%20-UPDATED%206.19.23.pdf

State Fair entries and additional State Fair ticket orders are due to the Extension Office on Tuesday, August 8th.

Kansas Youth Leadership Forum (KYLF)

What: Build your leadership skills and potential through workshops, consulting groups, inspirational speakers and more. In addition, the 2023 State 4-H Youth Leadership Council will be elected and up to six National 4-H Conference delegates will be selected through an interview process at KYLF.

When: November 18-19, 2023

Where: Rock Springs 4-H Center

Who: Youth 14-18 years of age before January 1, 2024

Registration Deadline:

Monday October 16, 2023 by 11:59 p.m.

4-H Activities & Training

Horse Project

Howdy Ya'll!

If you are a part of the Kansas 4-H Horse Project and would like to stay up to date on any last-minute changes, please message Lisa Wainwright on Facebook or 785-466-3132. If you would like to volunteer to help the horse project, please message Lisa as well. I have included other 4-H important horse dates in the list of meetings

2023

August 1st State Fair horse show entries are due August 6th Sunday 3-5 Ride MCYRA Arena September 6th Wednesday 7-8 Ride MCYRA Arena September 14-16 State Fair horse show (tentative

Any 4-H member in the Flint Hills District enrolled in the horse project is welcome to attend these meetings.

The 4-H Horse Safety Webinar and Quiz are now available to you at https://bit.ly/3zbn5XC. Both the Webinar and Quiz are required prior to entering the Kansas State Fair 4-H Horse Show. Once you have watched the webinar, you will receive a link to complete the quiz. A passing score of 75% is required and members can take the quiz until they receive a passing score.

Pullorum-Typhoid Testing for 2023

Kansas continues its designation as a Pullorum-Typhoid (P-T) clean state. With that being said the Kansas Department of Agriculture is able to decrease the required surveillance for PT testing. Routine surveillance testing will be performed for each county fair a minimum of once every 5 years. KDA has created a map designating the next time Chase and Morris Counties will need to be tested and that will be in 2025.

If you have birds from in-state, you do not currently need to test for PT or provide proof of being from a certified PT clean flock this year for the Morris or Chase County Fairs

If you get new birds for the County Fair this year and they come from out-of-state, you must show proof that they originated from a certified U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid clean flock or provide a negative PT test. Other poultry shows may still require a negative PT test to participate, this rule is only for your local county fair. This year, 2023, Lyon County is one of the counties that is designated for P-T testing, so we will share their test date in case you are needing to test. The Kansas State Fair will require a negative PT test still and they will be offering testing at check-in.

Please note that if P-T is discovered in the state, requirements could change. If you have questions please reach out to the Extension Offices with any questions.

Livestock Sweepstakes

The 2023 Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes will be hosted on the K-State Campus in Manhattan August 19-20. All Kansas 4-H'ers are invited to participate in this livestock learning and competition experience. The Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes includes the state 4-H livestock judging contest, meat judging contest, livestock skillathon, and livestock quiz bowl in one action-packed weekend. 4-H'ers can test their knowledge and display their expertise in a variety of livestock-related events. This is also the qualifying event to select youth who will represent Kansas at each of the national 4-H contests. Awards will be given in each contest, in addition to overall Sweepstakes buckles to the team and individual placing the highest in all four contests!

Youth must register through the Extension Office by the local deadline of Monday, July 31st to allow us time to submit your registrations! Please have your t-shirt size ready.

Citizenship Washington Focus

Shandi Andres and Jessica Inlow will be co-sponsors for the Citizenship Washington Focus 2024 trip. The interest meeting was held at the beginning of June. If you missed it and have youth interested in attending the Citizenship Washing Focus trip in 2024, contact Shandi for more information and you can be added to the email list.

Shandi's email address will not be changing, you can reach her at sdandres@ksu.edu or on her cell phone (785)204-1458 for more information.

The tentative dates for the trip are June 7-16, 2024. Dates will be finalized this fall when final details are received from National 4-H. Fundraisers are planned to cover the cost of the trip.

This event is for teens who are 14 by June 2024. Youth travel to Washington DC for the national event. Teens have the opportunity to learn about laws and legislation, meet congressmen, tour the DC, building leadership skills, and learn about how politics can be impacted by 4-H and our voices.







AUGUST

August 7 - Chase Co. 4-H Council

August 8 - State Fair Ticket Orders Due to Extension Office

August 8 - State Fair Entries Due

August 12 - State Horticulture Judging

August 15 - Kansas Junior Livestock Show Entries Due

August 19-20 - Livestock Sweepstakes

August 21 - Morris Co. 4-H Council

SEPTEMBER

September 4 - Extension Office Closed September 8-17 - Kansas State Fair September 29-October 1 - KJLS

SPRING SHOWS

https://www.asi.k-state.edu/extension/youth-programs/events/spring-shows/springshows.html

KANSAS 4-H ANIMAL SCIENCE WEBINAR SERIES

To Register to attend please fallow the link: https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV bxPYyUieLxZMB2C

KANSAS 4-H PRESENTS: EQUINE WEBINAR SERIES

Please click the link below to register

https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/horse/equine-webinar-series.html

LOOKING AHEAD

October 1 - 4-H Enrollment Opens

November 18 - Morris County Achievement Banquet November 18-19 - Kansas Youth Leadership Forum

AGENTS TIP OF THE MONTH

Best Wishes

During my time here with the Flint Hill Extension District, I have been blessed to work with the 4-H youth, 4-H families, community members, and supporters of our programs. I am so thankful for the time that I have been able to work with you all. Getting to see our 4-H members participate, learn, and grow up has been a highlight of my job. I encourage you to take the time to thank those who support our 4-H program. We have Fair Boards and fair superintendents in both counties that invest time and energy into our youth; we have club leaders and project leaders who spend countless hours to help 4-H members succeed and have a great experience; we have parents who support not only their own kids, but also the youth across the county; Morris County has an amazing 4-H Foundation who supports the 4-H program. Thank you to everyone who invests in our youth "to make the best better". Our future is bright. My journey has a new path, but I am grateful for the time I spent here.

Please stay in touch! Wishing you many blessings ~ Shandi



Shandi

Post Fair!

As we wrap fair week up, take the time to reflect and fill out the Fair Survey! Before we know it school will be starting and our schedules will get busy, so begin thinking about those record books. If you've been working on them all year it shouldn't take much to complete them now. If you have questions please reach out to your Community Leaders or the Extension Office. Record books are important for so many reasons! Record keeping in 4-H teaches valuable life skills and is an important part of completing each project. Record books help members set goals, keep track of activities, record events, track project costs, and a whole lot more! They also teach members valuable, lifelong skills in record keeping, accounting, reporting, and written communication.



Chelsea

Morris County 4-H Questions

Hi, everyone! I have seen Shandi work hard to build a strong 4-H program and how she has been a steady and knowledgeable source of information for you all. As our office transitions, you might be wondering who to contact to get your 4-H questions answered!

Through the week, please feel free to call the office (620-767-5136) or send an email to both me (agettinger@ksu.edu) and Aleece (adpriest4@ksu.edu) with your questions. Having both Aleece and I on the email helps our office to be on the same page as we both learn, and it may help get you an answer more quickly!

If you have questions outside of business hours that aren't time sensitive, please send both me and Aleece an email.

If it's a time-sensitive question outside of business hours, my preferred method of communication is for you to give me a call on my cell (307-941-0586). If I'm unavailable, please leave a voicemail letting me know that you will send me a time-sensitive email, and then send both me and Aleece a quick email explaining your question. Sending me an email gives me a record of your question on my official work email, and the phone call alerts me that it's time sensitive.

As we head towards our later summer and fall events, like the State Fair, Achievement Banquet, Family Fun Night, re-enrollment, and more, I look forward to growing in 4-H with you all! Please don't hesitate to reach out.



Abby







4-H Council Meeting

The next Council Meeting is scheduled for August 7th at 5:30 pm at the Community Building in Cottonwood Falls. If the 4-H Council Rep is unable to attend from your club, please have the alternate attend.



State Fair Entries

State Fair entries are due **August 8th** to the Extension Office. Please have your projects to the office no later than **September 6th** except for foods and floriculture/horticulture products which can be brought the morning of **September 7th between 7:30am-8:00am.**

Judging Results

Photography Judging	FACS Judging
Senior Division	Senior Division
1st-Karlie Gibb	1st-Kinslea Glanville
2nd-Guthrie Danford	2nd-Karlie Gibb
3rd-Kinslea Glanville	3rd-Jerit Inlow
4th-Josepha Inlow	4th-Josepha Inlow
Junior Division	Junior Division
1st-Alexys Miller	1st-Vincent Hodges
2nd-Clark Miller	2nd-Cooper Miller
3rd-Vincent Hodges	3rd-Lakin Spain
4th-Tate Gibb	4th-Enley Lauer
1st Overall– Alexys Miller	1st Overall– Vincent Hodges

Thank You Notes!

Remember as the Fair wraps up and you collect your ribbon money, merchant prizes and/or premiums from the livestock sale get your Thank You Notes written and in some cases your goodies baked and delivered to those who have so graciously donated to this years Chase County Fair.

Project Changes

There have been some project changes at the State level. The fair book is being revised to update and include these project changes. Be sure to look over the Fair Book once it is sent out. At the local level: Market Goat has now been added to the round robin and a Cow/Calf class has been added to the Beef Division.

Record Books

You will only need to complete one personal page and one copy of the permanent record. Each member will need to complete records for at least half of the projects that you are enrolled in (if half is not a whole number, round up). If you are enrolled in the Leadership project this must be one of the projects that you complete records for to complete this project for the year.

- Please find the Chase County 4-H Record Book Order of Assembly page here: h/chase-county/Chase%20County%204-H%20Record%20Book%20Order%20of%20Assembly%208-31-22.pdf
- Leaders will collect club record books but will not score them at the club level. Please check for completion and that all signature lines are signed.
- Record books and club officer books will be due to the Extension Office by September 19th.
- Books will be swapped with another County for scoring.
 Look for a date soon for leaders or volunteers to sign up and evaluate record books from another County.

4-H Key Award

The Kansas Key Award is one of the highest honors awarded to 4-H members across Kansas. As a reminder the basic requirements are:

- The 4-Her must have passed their 16th birthday by January 1of the current year
- Completed four or more years of 4-H world
- Enrolled in 4-H Leadership four or more years They also must meet at least 9 of 11 optional requirements. If you are interested in applying for the Key Award, it is important you take a look at those requirements at least 4-5 years prior to applying.



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Kailyn Budke
Faith Carr
Carissa Dalquest
Lucas Dold
Aidan Eidman
Kinslea Glanville

Hudson Lange
Leyton Olsen
Josiah Peters
Morgan Romme
Kyler Rose
Elijah Schrader

Cooper Schroer
Nolan Simmons
Lexi Todd
Tucker Weber
Esther Woods
Samuel Zimmerman

A Flashback in 4-H History





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Fair Survey

Please visit the link below for the fair survey. It will be open until Monday at midnight.

https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8c3ykvtcV6w3v1A



Fair Wrap-up

A huge thank you to all of the 4-H members, parents, leaders, superintendents, fair board members, and volunteers who worked to help the Fair run smoothly from start to finish. Thank you to each and every one of you who stepped up to fill a hole when asked.

Please remember to fill out your thank you cards as soon as possible. We will have the box for thank yous sitting next to the State fair poster.

Livestock premium sale participants: Please be sure to have your cards signed when you deliver your thank you's. These should be turned in to the office by Thursday, August 31 at 5 pm.

Congratulations to all who participated in the fair! It is always exciting to see each of the projects brought to showcase at the fair!

Achievement Banquet

The date for the Achievement Banquet has been set for Saturday, November 18th from 6-8 pm. Mark your calendars!



Important Dates

Fair Board Meeting

Tuesday, August 9, 6 PM @ Fair Building

4- H Council Meeting

Tuesday, August 21, 7PM

Cloverbuds

We will be having our next Meeting **September 9**, @ **11 AM** at the Courthouse.

Record Books

I know we are just getting to the end of fair however it is never too late to start thinking about Record Books. Hopefully you have been doing some record keeping all year. If not this is a great time to start. Your awards you receive at the fair including Ribbon money should be tracked and entered into your records.

VIP Enrollment

Volunteering is a great way to show our 4-H youth how to get involved in 4-H. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer for our 2023-2024 4-H Year please reach out to us in the extension office and we can give you some information. Enrolment will begin October 1 and should be completed by November 1.

4-H Enrollment

Enrollment is just around the corner. The link is https://v2.4honline.com/. New enrollments and re-enrollments begin October 1 and need to be completed by November 1.



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