

# MORRIS COUNTY 4-H NEWS

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## Northeast Area KAP Judging

The NE Area KAP judging was pushed back to Thursday, January 31st due to inclement weather. Makenzie Downes, of the Flint Hills 4-H Club, was selected to advance to the State level for Swine. Congratulations Makenzie!

## 4-H Club Day & Regional 4-H Club Day

The *Morris County 4-H Club Day* will be held on **Saturday, March 9** at the Council Grove Elementary School. For some helpful information regarding Club Day activities, please refer to the State 4-H website at <https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/personal-development/communications.html>. This has also been added to our website under *Club Days* tab and listed under helpful preparation information. A list of basic presentation tips is also available on the website.

**Regional 4-H Club Day** will be held **March 23** at the Madison High School. Please mark this on your calendar and plan ahead to attend in case your child advances to Regionals from our local Club Day. Please refer to the Guidelines, last column titled '# OF ENTRIES to Regionals' to see how many qualify to go on to regionals for that specific category. The Guidelines can be found on our website along with the Club Entry form at <https://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/morris-county/clubdays/index.html>.

## Club Day Cookie Plates & Poster

To show our appreciation to the teachers and staff for allowing us to use the Council Grove Elementary School for 4-H Club Day, each club is asked to bring a plate of cookies (2 dozen) and a signed 'thank you' note from club members. Cookie plates and 'thank you' notes can be dropped off in the teacher's lounge on the morning of Club Day.

We are also going to have the club members sign a poster that will be posted in the 'results' hallway. The poster will be thanking the teachers for letting us use their space and will be hung up in the teacher's lounge for when they return from Spring Break. Please be sure to stop by and sign it!

## Morris County Fair

We have a theme winner: '*Homegrown & Handmade... Bounty of the County*' Any ideas for the theme poster are welcomed. We still want to keep the poster in line with what we've been doing in keeping it old fashioned looking.

The Morris County Fair Board will have sponsors for 4-Hers to receive a free t-shirt again this year. **Please, please, please** make sure the t-shirt size(s) for your 4-H members are correct in 4H Online. A report is run based off what is entered in 4H Online for the shirt sizes of each member. This report is what is used to order the shirts each year. Please make sure you have updated sizes prior to May 1.

**Be on the look out**, starting in April, there's going to be a separate 'Fair' page dedicated to only Fair related points of interest in the newsletter.

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*If you have items you would like in the monthly newsletters, please notify the Extension Office by the **20th of the month** with the information. Thank You!*

## Fair Board Meeting

The next Fair Board meeting is scheduled for **Wed., March 20** at 7 pm in the Courthouse Meeting Room. It was pushed back a week due to Spring Break.

## 4-H Council Meeting

There will be no 4-H Council Meeting in March. The next meeting will be held April 15 at 7 pm in the Meeting Room at the Courthouse.

## Ambassador Meeting

No meeting in March. Probably meeting in April. Will confirm at a later date.

## Beef Weigh-In's

Will be **Tuesday, March 12** at Derek Schrader's from 6-8 pm. If you're unable to attend, please contact Shandi about tagging your beef animal before the 12th. All market beef **must be tagged by the 12th**. Bucket calves can come to beef weigh-in or small animal weigh-in.

## Small Animal Weigh-In's

Will be **Sunday, April 28** at the Morris County Fairgrounds from 4-6 pm. We will tag market sheep, goats, and bucket calves. Hogs will not be tagged at weigh-in. All animals **must be tagged by the 28th**. To make arrangements for swine, please contact Shandi.

## Information continued...

# Scholarships

### Citizenship In Action

Left to Right: Representative Dave Baker, Sierra Meade, Rylee Coy, Sophia Glanville, Mark Andres, Daria Pieczynska, Liza Borysenko, Shandi Andres, Agent



### Morris County 4-H Foundation 2019 Scholarship

Once again the Morris County 4-H Foundation is offering scholarships to **present** or **past** Morris County 4-H members. Also, please note that students can **apply and receive the scholarship twice**. The application was sent to last year's seniors and this year's seniors via e-mail to the seniors and/or their parents. You can also find it on our website in Word or PDF format. Go to <https://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/morris-county/scholarships/index.html> to get it from our website. We also have blank copies in our office if you want to stop by to pick one up. The **deadline is Monday, April 29th**. Let us know if you have questions.

### Konley Harding Memorial Scholarship

Applications are now being accepted for a \$1,000 academic scholarship in memory of Konley Harding. Applicants must be a current or former 4-H member and a graduating high school senior planning to pursue higher education at a four year college, community college, or vocational technical school. Preference will be given to applicants seeking an agricultural related field of study. Applications are due **May 10** and are available in the Extension Office or on the website at <https://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/morris-county/scholarships/index.html>.

### State 4-H Horse and Open Equifest Judging Contest

Left to Right, Top Row: Gus Wainwright, Mandy Wainwright, Castyn Andres, Ransom Tiffany Bottom Row: Ronnie Mayer, Laramie Mayer, Taylor Tiffany, Ainsley Tiffany, Cooper Andres



### 2019 Kansas 4-H Ambassador Training

Left to Right: Sierra Meade, Daria Pieczynska, Jamie Beck, Ella Kirk, Rylee Powell



### Upcoming County Project Meetings

### Horse/Horseless Horse Project Meeting

The upcoming county-wide horse/horseless horse project meeting will be held on **Thursday, March 28** in the Courthouse Meeting Room from 6:30 - 8 pm. For questions, contact Lisa Wainwright at 785-466-3132 or by e-mail at [spurofthemoment09@gmail.com](mailto:spurofthemoment09@gmail.com).

### Shooting Sports

Don't forget that **practices are being held on Sundays** starting at 1 pm at the Recreation Center (Old Army) located at 1020 East Main Street, Council Grove. For questions, please contact Tim King at 620-767-2133 or at [tim\\_king@live.com](mailto:tim_king@live.com).

## County Project Meeting Info continued...

### County Dog Project Meeting

The schedule for the County Dog Project Meetings is listed below. Please contact Michelle Poole at 785-776-4699 (h) or 785-410-6971 (c). You can also e-mail her at [michellerp1965@hotmail.com](mailto:michellerp1965@hotmail.com). Below is a list of all the meetings she has scheduled. Please put them on your calendar.

**March 24** at 4:30 pm  
**April 14** at 2 pm (2nd Sunday due to Easter)  
**May 20** at 6 pm (Monday evening due to high school graduation)  
**June 3, 10, 17, and 24** at 6:30 pm on Mondays  
**July 1, 8 and 15** at 6:30 pm on Mondays

### County Cat Meeting

The next County Cat project meeting will be held on **Monday, April 29** at 6:30 pm at the Courthouse in the Meeting Room. You will be discussing parasite identification and control for cats. **Please bring something to draw with like markers, colored pencils or crayons.** If you have questions or want additional information, call Denise Ehrlich at 785-466-1782 or e-mail her at [dehrlich@cgrove417.org](mailto:dehrlich@cgrove417.org).

### Cloverbuds

A reminder that the Cloverbud (5-6 year olds) meetings are scheduled primarily for **Saturday's** at 9 am at the White City Community Building. The schedule is listed below. If you have questions, please contact Amber Davis at 785-349-2448 or by e-mail at [amberfromoz@hotmail.com](mailto:amberfromoz@hotmail.com).

Saturday, March 9 at Club Days  
Saturday, April 6  
Saturday, May 4  
Saturday, June 1  
County Fair activity (July 20-29)  
Saturday, August 3  
Saturday, September 7

### County Food Project Meetings

There will be a county-wide Foods project meeting held on **Thursday, March 14** at 6 pm in the Courthouse Meeting Room to decorate cookies. Cost to attend is \$3 to cover the cost of supplies. Please RSVP to Rachael by **March 10** if you plan on attending.

The April County-wide Foods meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, April 7** from 3:30 - 5 pm in the Courthouse Meeting Room. This meeting will be about Food Safety in Food Preparation.

For questions, please contact Rachael Barr at 785-497-2912 or by e-mail at [bandrbarr@tctelco.net](mailto:bandrbarr@tctelco.net).

### Meat Goat & Sheep Clinic

There will be a Meat Goat and Sheep Clinic on **Tuesday, March 19** at 6:30 pm in the Courthouse Meeting Room. This is open to 4-Her's and local producers. Guest speaker is Dr. Alison Crane, assistant professor and extension sheep and meat goat specialist for the Kansas State University. Topics include nutrition, parasites, and health. Light refreshments will be served. For more information contact the office at 620-767-5136.

### County Meat Goat Meeting

Heads up! There's going to be a County Meat Goat meeting on **Thursday, May 23** at the Morris County Fairgrounds at 6 pm. There may be an earlier one scheduled. If so, all goat project members will be contacted. Charles Downes is the County Meat Goat project leader. If you have any questions, you can contact him at 785-466-1112 or by e-mail at [Charles@canningcreek.com](mailto:Charles@canningcreek.com).

Charles is also planning on taking members to the Jr. Meat Goat Producer Day in Manhattan on March 30, if anyone is interested.

## Fun Tournaments, Contests, and Events

### YQCA

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a new national, multi-species youth livestock quality assurance program. It is available as an online training to youth 8-21 years of age and focuses on food safety, animal well-being, and character development. Exhibitors who plan to participate in the 2019 Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and/or Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS) will be required to have YQCA certification. This includes youth who will be showing market animals, commercial breeding females, and/or registered purebred breeding females.

Shandi will be offering a YQCA training in the Courthouse Meeting Room on Sunday, March 3 at 3:30 pm. Follow the link below to register online for the training. Cost will be \$3 and you will pay online when you register. Training will be completed by 4:45 PM. <https://yqca.learnrow.io/Account/Login> Note: Use your 4-H Online login information to sign up for the training.

### Kansas Junior Producer Days Are Scheduled

The 2019 Kansas Junior Producer Days have been scheduled! **Junior Swine Producer Day will be hosted on March 9, 2019, with Junior Meat Goat Producer Day being March 30, 2019.** Both junior day programs will be in the Department of Animal Sciences and Industry's Weber Hall on the K-State campus. These events are one-day educational opportunities for youth, parents, agents, and project leaders to learn about various aspects of livestock project selection and management.

# Fun Tournaments, Contests, and Events

An optional **Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)** session will be held at the conclusion of both Junior Days. **This will be an opportunity for youth to obtain their YQCA certification through an instructor-led session.** The Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and KJLS will require all exhibitors to be YQCA certified for the 2019 shows. Families have the option to mail in their junior day registration, or complete it online. You can register online at <http://bit.ly/ksuasiregister>

## Tractor Safety Training

There will be a Tractor Safety Training on **Wednesday, March 13** from 9 am to 4 pm at Prairieland Partners John Deere in Emporia. This training is for 14 and 15 year olds who would like to get certified for farm employment. Youth ages 12 and 13 are welcome to attend, but cannot get certified until they reach the age of 14. Participants must be able to attend the entire day. The tractor safety manual and a paper pre-test is required prior to attending the training. **Pre-registration is required by March 6.**

You can pick up a tractor safety manual, the pre-test, and you can pre-register in our office. Feel free to contact us with questions at 620-767-5136.

## Discovery Days

2019 Theme: "Discovery Your Spotlight"

**What:** Discovery Days offers classes and tours at K-State Campus about 4-H projects, careers, hobbies, community service and more! You can also share your talents in the Talent Show. Are you ready to dance? Are you ready for some Call Hall ice cream? Are you ready for some great speakers and Discovery Days Night Live and all the other possibilities in your future? This annual event has been reduced by one day this year. You will be attending for 3 days and 2 nights.

**When:** May 29 - May 31, 2019

**Where:** Kansas State University, Manhattan

**Who:** Youth who are 13-18 years old as of January 1 of 2019.

**Registration:** Opens on March 1

**Registration Fee:** \$195 (Many classes have additional fees)

**Registration Deadline:** April 15, 2019

The Morris County 4-H Foundation has agreed to pay a flat fee of \$146 for each 4-H member who would like to attend this event. Please keep this fee reduction in mind if you would like to attend. Remember to bring your 'thank you' notes to the Morris County 4-H Foundation with you to camp check-in.

## Sunny Hills Camp Applications

Camping creates memories of fun-filled days. Attending summer camp can be a time for experiencing nature and the outdoors, making new friends, and learning life skills. Summer camp is more than just a vacation. Campers learn self-confidence, cooperation with others, and how to live in different communities. Camping teaches life lessons that contribute to a child's interactions into their adult years.

Rock Springs 4-H camp is a natural extension of the classroom. Research indicates that by participating in strategically planned, structured summer experiences, children reduce summer learning loss. Rock Springs challenges children, keeps them engaged, develops creativity, and expands their horizons.

Rock Springs is part of the fabric of Kansas 4-H. When children go to Rock Springs, they'll likely return home excited to tell you of the lifelong friends they've made, and the exciting adventures they experienced. What they probably won't tell you about are the many life lessons Rock Springs 4-H camp has given them; that will happen in later years as they reflect on fond memories.

Sunny Hills 4-H Camp will be held on June 5-8 this year. There is an application attached to this newsletter. The applications are also available in our office and on our website at: <https://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/morris-county/camp/index.html>

Please note that the cost to attend 4-H Camp is \$200. Because of the Morris County 4-H Foundation, Morris County 4-Hers are able to attend for only \$50. Remember to bring your 'thank you' notes to the Morris County 4-H Foundation with you to camp check-in.

## Camp Counselor Applications

Don't wait! Get a head start! Get your camp counselor application completed and turned in now!

**Camp counselor training will be June 4-5.** The Camp Counselor applications are available in our office and are also on our website: <https://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/morris-county/camp/index.html> If selected, there is no cost to attend camp as a counselor.

Deadline for Camp Counselor applications and Camp registrations is **May 1, 2019.**

## Kansas 4-H Dog Care & Training News

### **--Kansas 4-H Dog Conference Theme Logo Design Contest**

The Kansas 4-H Dog Conference logo design contest is open to all dog project members. Designs are needed for the 2019 theme "Rock Star 4-H Dogs." Designs must reflect this dog rock star theme and be submitted electronically in a JPG format. PDF submissions will not be accepted. The winning logo design, with professional modifications, will be used for promotional efforts including t-shirts. The winning entry will receive a complimentary registration to the 2019 Kansas 4-H Dog Conference, October 19 -20, 2019, Rock Springs 4-H Center. There is no cash value.

**Entries must be received electronically by Friday, March 15.** Questions may be directed to Deryl Waldren at [dwaldren@ksu.edu](mailto:dwaldren@ksu.edu), or 785-462-6281.

## Events Continued...

### --2019 Kansas State Fair 4-H Dog Show Qualification

Just a reminder that 4-H members in order to participate in the 2019 Kansas State Fair 4-H Dog Show, in Hutchinson, on Saturday, September 14th, must have qualified in a specific discipline(s) at a state qualifier 4-H or open dog show during the 2018-19 4-H year. Dog members cannot just register for the KSF 4-H Dog Show without first qualifying every year. The disciplines are showmanship, obedience, agility and rally obedience. Most of these qualifier dog shows happen during county fairs or invitational dog shows during spring and summer. Later this winter and spring, visit here for a listing of dog shows open to 4-H members to qualify for the 2019 KSF 4-H Dog Show: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/dog/local-dog-shows.html>.

## Contest Winners

### 2019 State Horse Judging/Equifest

Horse Judging Teams attended the Equifest Open and State 4-H Contest on February 22, 2019 in Topeka. Those participating were: Castyn Andres, Cooper Andres, Laramie Mayer, Ronnie Mayer, Ainsley Tiffany, Ransom Tiffany, Taylor Tiffany, Gus Wainwright, and Mandy Wainwright.

#### Open Horse Judging -

Intermediate Division, Flint Hills Team 1:  
4th Overall - Ainsley Tiffany, Ransom Tiffany,  
Taylor Tiffany, and Gus Wainwright

Intermediate Division, Individual Rankings:  
9th Overall - Ransom Tiffany

#### State 4-H Horse Judging -

Senior Division, Team Event:  
1st Overall - Mandy Wainwright was on a team from  
Riley, Wabaunsee, and Morris Counties

Intermediate Division, Individual Rankings:  
8th Overall - Taylor Tiffany  
7th Overall - Ransom Tiffany

Intermediate Division, Flint Hills Team 2:  
5th Overall - Cooper Andres, Laramie Mayer, and  
Taylor Tiffany

## Livestock Spring Shows

A list of spring livestock shows compiled by the KSU ASI youth programs team can be found online at: <https://www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/spring-shows/index.html>

Please let us know if you would like more information on any of these shows listed below. We have the flyers with entry/registration forms in our office.

### March

March 13 - **Greenwood County Rabbit Clinic**; **RSVP to Greenwood County Extension Office by March 11**. Call 620-583-7455

March 30 - **Washington County Spring Dairy Show**; **Entries due March 18**

March 30 - **Wyandotte County Spring Beef Show**; **Deadline for pre-entry is March 15**

March 30 - **Harvey County 4-H Spring Beef Show**; **Deadline to register is March 26**

March 31 - **Marion County Spring Beef Show**; Register online at <https://www.marion.k-state.edu/>

### April

April 7 - **Calf Training 101** at Holton Livestock Exchange; presented by Dan Dvorak from North Bend, NE; **RSVP by March 29** to Meadowlark Extension Office at 785-364-4215 or e-mail Cara Robinson at carar@ksu.edu

April 13 - **Central Kansas Classic** in Salina. Considered a Blow and Go Show; **Must be postmarked by March 27**

April 20 - **Johnson County Spring Beef Show**; **Pre-registration due April 5**

April 27 - **Cowley County Classic Beef Show** at Winfield Fairgrounds; **All entries must be checked -in by 9 am that day**. Pre-entries are strongly recommended.

April 28 - **Flint Hills Classic Spring Livestock Show** in Eureka, KS; **Pre-entries required by April 19**

### May

May 4-5 - **Gary Fuller Spring Classic** in Emporia; **Pre-entries are due by April 26**

### June

June 1 - **Johnson County Spring Goat & Sheep Show**; **Pre-registration due May 15**

June 2 - **Johnson County Spring Bucket Calf & Swine Show**; **Pre-registration due by May 15**

# Important Dates

**Extension Office Closed:** Monday, February 18, 2019 (President's Day)

## 4-H EVENTS

March 9 - **Club Days**, Council Grove Elementary School  
March 23 - **Regional Club Days**, Madison High School  
March 29 - **Morris County 4-H Foundation Banquet**  
May 1 - **Deadline** for Camp registration and Camp Counselor applications to be turned into the office  
May 1 - **Deadline** for add/drop projects via 4-H Online  
May 29-31 - **Discovery Days**  
June 4-5 - **Camp Counselor Training**  
June 5-8 - **Sunny Hills Camp**  
June 23-26 - **Campference**  
July 11-13 - **Tri-County Fair**  
July 20-29 - **Morris County 4-H Fair**  
September 6-15 - **Kansas State Fair**

## LIVESTOCK EVENTS

March 3 - **YQCA Training**  
March 6 - Tractor Safety Training pre-registration **Deadline**  
March 9 - **Junior Swine Producer Day**  
March 11 - **Deadline** for Junior Meat Goat Producer Day early registration  
March 12 - **Beef Weigh-In**  
March 13 - **Tractor Safety Training** - Emporia  
March 30 - **Junior Meat Goat Producer Day**  
April 28 - **Small Animal Weigh-In**  
May 1 - **Deadline** for Horse ID's to be turned into the office  
May 1 - Market Beef Nominations **Due**  
June 15 - Commercial Heifer, Swine, Sheep & Market Goat Nominations **Due**  
June 28-29 - **Bob Hines Classic Swine Show**  
July 1 - **North Central District Horse Show**  
August 24-25 - **Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes**  
September 27-29 - **Kansas Junior Livestock Show**

## **Tip of the Month**

*Just a reminder that you need to attend one over half of your monthly club meetings (October-July) to receive premium money from the fair. This is 10 months; you will need to have attended 6 meetings. If you joined as a new member after October, the count begins when you joined.*

*Shandi*

# March 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 YQCA Meeting 3:30 pm	4	5	6	7	8 Club Day Set-up 4:30 pm	9 Club Days 8 am - Noonish
10  Daylight Savings	11	12 Beef Weigh-in Derek Schrader's 6 - 8 pm	2 Tractor Safety Training - Emporia	14 Foods Mtg Cookie Decorating 6 pm	15	16
17  St. Patrick's Day	18	19 Meat Goat & Sheep Clinic 6:30 pm	20 Fair Board Meeting 7 pm	21	22	23 Regional Club Days Madison H.S.
24 Dog County Mtg Fair Grounds 4:30 pm	25	26	27	28 Horse/Horseless Horse County Mtg 6:30 - 8 pm	29 Morris County 4-H Foundation Banquet 7 pm	30
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# March 2019 4-H NEWSLETTER

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