MORRIS COUNTY NEWS



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Stop By and Wish Chelsea Well

We want to wish Chelsea Richmond, our Family and Consumer Sciences Agent, all the best as she has accepted a position with the Frontier Extension District. We greatly appreciate her years of service and will miss having her in the office!

You are invited to attend an open house reception on Wednesday, January 18th from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Stop by the Extension Office and help us wish Chelsea farewell!!

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who attended my farewell reception and to those who have sent emails, cards and gifts. It has all meant so very much to me. I have really enjoyed working with all of the 4-Hers and their families and to see all of them grow through 4-H the past 8 years. I will miss all of you.

The time has come where I need to spend more time taking care of my mother and in August our oldest daughter blessed us with grand baby #5 so this grandma plans to spend more time spoiling those precious kids. I wish you all well and I thank you for allowing me to be a part of Morris County 4-H.

Finally, always have eyes that see the best in people, a heart that forgives the worst, a mind that forgets the bad, and a soul that never loses faith.

Elaine Jones

Message from Chelsea

I wanted to take a moment to let you know that I have accepted an extension agent position in the Frontier District specializing in the area of nutrition, food safety, and health. This opportunity will allow me to work in the extension district that includes my hometown and allow me to be closer to my family.

I have enjoyed working in the Flint Hills District over the last seven years. I have truly enjoyed getting to know many wonderful 4-Hers, families, and volunteers. It has been a pleasure to watch so many 4-Hers grow and develop their skills. I wish you all the best and continued success with the Morris County 4-H program.

-Chelsea

Welcome, Allicia!

We would like to welcome **Allicia Ochoa** to our district's team as our new office professional in the Council Grove office. Allicia will begin employment on January 9^{th} . Stop by to welcome her and say hello!

4-H Council & Ambassdor Meeting

The next 4-H Council meeting will be held on Monday, January 30th in the Morris County fair building at 7:00 p.m. The Morris County Ambassadors will meet following the 4-H Council meeting. ***Note location change.

Cloverbud Meeting

Watch your email for the January meeting information.

Office Relocation

We have temporarily moved our office into the courthouse meeting room. After the remodel work is finished, we will be moving our office into our new location at the west end of the basement in the courthouse (former Appraiser's Office). You can regularly check our Facebook page, K-State Research and Extension - Flint Hills District, for temporary changes in office hours. Please be patient with us as we do our best to meet the needs of our 4-Hers and families.

Kansas State Fair Premium Checks

The KSF premium checks have been mailed out. Please cash/deposit them promptly.

Weigh-In

Beef weigh-in will be held on **April 8th** from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at Derek Schrader's home (16875 K177, Alta Vista).

Small animal weigh in (sheep, goats, swine, bucket calves) will be held **April 30**th from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the fairgrounds.

Northeast Area KAP Judging

4-Hers who were named a senior county project award winner and who have passed their 14th birthday BEFORE January 1, 2017, but NOT their 19th birthday before January 1, 2017, are eligible to participate in the Northeast Area KAP Screening. 4-Hers may submit a KAP for each project area in which they were name a champion. KAPs need to be turned into the Extension Office by January 11th at 5:00 p.m. Please make sure you have used the senior KAP forms that have a revised date of September 15, 2014. Before you turn in your KAP book, you are also encouraged to make revisions/improvements to your book, especially the suggested changes mentioned on your score card. 4-Hers who are eligible to participate in the Area KAP screening are listed below:

- *Jamie Beck Foods & Nutrition
- ***Laura Buller** Fiber Arts
- *Joey Carson Beef
- *Makenzie Downes Meat Goats, Shooting Sports, and Swine
- *Avery Lee Pets
- *Justine Lee Sheep
- *Dryden Powell Clothing & Textiles
- *Morgan Poole Dog Care & Training, Horse and Rabbits
- *Jess Prudence Leadership and Photography

Volunteer Information Profiles (VIP)

Just like 4-H members, all volunteers need to "enroll" or "re-enroll." K-State requires 4-H volunteers to be registered volunteers. For those who are already registered volunteers, please submit a renewal form. For new volunteers, the VIP registration process includes filling out an application form, checking references, completing an online orientation, an interview, and a background After application materials are check. received in the Extension Office, applicants will go through an approval process. Once individuals become registered volunteers, each year thereafter they will need to complete a VIP renewal form.

For application forms or renewal forms, please contact your club leader, go to our website at flinthills.ksu.edu, or stop by the Extension Office. Forms were due to our office by **November 1st**.

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

The Morris County 4-H Club Day will be held on Saturday, March 4th at the Council Grove Elementary School. Entry forms are attached to this newsletter or are available on our website at: http://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/morris-county/. The entry deadline is Friday, February 17th. Regional 4-H Club Day will be held on March 18th at Madison High School.

Kansas 4-H Communication Fact Sheet Series Available

Speaking skillfully before an audience is one of the hallmarks that Kansas 4-H members have been successfully doing for over 100 years. Kansas youth through 4-H have learned the skills necessary to get up before an audience and eloquently speak. 4-H has helps youth learn the skills necessary to clearly organize and present thoughts and ideas through project talks, demonstrations, illustrated talks and public speaking presentations. The complete Kansas 4-H communication fact sheet series is listed below. These may be helpful to Kansas 4-H families as they begin to prepare for county day presentations. They can downloaded free from the Kansas 4-H web site.

Visit: www.kansas4h.org/p.aspx?tabid=551.

Kansas 4-H Communication Fact Sheet Series Available:

Kansas 4-H Presentation Overview

4-H Project Talks

4-H Demonstrations

4-H Illustrated Talks

4-H Demonstration & Illustrated Talk Planning Form

4-H Public Speaking

4-H Public Speaking Record

4-H Presentation Brainstorming Activity

4-H Effective Presentation Tips

4-H Preparing and Using Visual Aids

Presentation Score Sheets Available:

4-H Demonstration & Illustrated Talk Scoresheet

4-H Public Speaking Scoresheet

4-H Project Talk Scoresheet

Kansas 4-H Scholarship

2017 Kansas 4-H The Scholarship application is available on our website at http://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/morriscounty/ in a fillable form. Forms are also available in the Extension Office. members wanting to apply need to have completed applications submitted to the Extension Office by Wednesday, January 25th. Scholarship selection is based on 4-H merit: 40 percent on 4-H leadership, 30 percent on citizenship/community service in 4-H, 20 percent on 4-H participation and recognition, and 10 percent on non-4-H participation, leadership, community service, and recognition in school and community. Each application must include a transcript of grades and two letters of reference (one from school personnel and one from a nonrelated 4-H leader or non-related current K-State employee of Research and Extension). Graduating seniors and college students are encouraged to apply.

Kansas 4-H with the Wildcat Women

The annual Kansas 4-H Day with Wildcat Women's Basketball will be held **Saturday**, **February 11**th at 1:00 p.m. The ticket cost is \$20 per person and each participant will receive a t-shirt and a \$7 meal voucher. Registration information is available at Kansas4h.org or in the Extension Office. The registration and payment deadline is **January 17**th. The Wildcat Women will be taking on Iowa State that Saturday.

Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF)

The 2017 dates for the Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) trip are June 16-26, 2017. Through their participation, 4-Hers will learn about the political process, visit Capitol Hill, meet with Kansas legislators, participate in workshops and assembly groups, visit historic sites and memorials, and interact with 4-H members from other states. CWF is open to 4-Hers who are 15-18 years of age as of January 1, 2017. For more information and registration details, visit: www.kansas4-h.org/eventsactivities/national-regional-events/index.html. The registration deadline is January 15, 2017, or when all spots are filled.

Citizenship in Action

Would you like to have more influence in laws and rules that affect your life? Then you'll want to go to Kansas 4-H Citizenship in Action! This two day event is sponsored by the State 4-H Youth Leadership Council. The purpose of the event is for Kansas youth to learn how the state legislative process works and how their voice and participation in decision-making can make a difference in their local communities. The legislative visit will not only familiarize youth with the capitol building, but will also show them how they can affect the legislative process.

When: February 19-20, 2017

Where: Topeka, KS

Who: Youth 13-18 years old by January 1 of

the current year

Registration: http://www.kansas4-

h.org/events/index.html Registration Fee: \$170

Registration Deadline: January 15, 2017

Northeast Leadership Event (NELE)

Are you looking for a one day leadership experience where you can get great new ideas to take back to your 4-H club and meet new friends? Consider attending the Northeast 4-H Leadership Event on Saturday, January 21st from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The event will be held at Riley County High School, 12451 Fairview Church Road, Riley, Kansas, and is open to 4-Hers between the ages of 12 and 18 from all over the northeast area. The day will also include quest speaker Jake Worcester President/CEO of the Kansas 4-H Foundation. The cost to attend is \$25. The registration and payment deadline is January 3rd. For more information and to register, visit www.kansas4h.org.

Hutchinson Community College Livestock Judging Classic Contest

Mark your calendars for Thursday, April 13, 2017 for this event. This is a great preparation for many state contests. More info to come when it is available.

Horse Panorama

The 2017 Horse Panorama will be held at Rock Springs on **January 27-29**. Please visit the Horse page to view rules and registration. Here is the link to register through cvent: http://www.cvent.com/d/vvqc04.

Shawnee County Livestock <u>Judging Clinic</u>

Shawnee County 4-H Livestock Committee is having their state wide clinic and contest on **February 11**, **2017** at the Kansas Expo Centre Livestock Pavilion in Topeka. Registration is from 12:00-12:45 and the contest starts at 1:00 p.m. More information is available in the Extension office.

Kansas Junior Swine Producer Day

March 11, 2017 in Weber Arena on the K-State campus will be the location for Kansas Junior Swine Producer Day. Early registration is due Feb. 22nd. More information is available in the Extension office or to register online go to commerce.cashnet.com/KSUASIND.

Kansas Junior Meat Goat Producer Day

The 5th biennial Junior Meat Goat Producer Day will be held on March 25, 2017 with registration at 8:45 a.m. Early registration is due March 3, 2017. More information is available in the Extension office or register online at commerce.cashnet.com/KSUASIND.

4-H Unmanned Aerial Systems Experience Coming

The Kansas 4-H SpaceTech Program and Cosmosphere Kansas located the Hutchinson are again teaming up to provide fun, hands-on and science-based programming for Kansas 4-H Youth Development. This program will feature "Unmanned Aerial Systems." The experience will begin Friday, March 31, at 4 p.m., and will end on Saturday, April 1, 4 p.m. Cost will be \$110 for youth between 9-18-years old and \$110 for all adult participants. All youth must have a designated chaperone to attend. Parents, grandparents, other relatives, and guardians may chaperone their own children/relatives. They may not chaperone other non-family members. Registered KSRE 4-H Leaders or KSRE staff may also chaperone 4-H members. Adult chaperones will be responsible for their children overnight.

Registration includes three meals, two breaks, and an overnight stay. Program topics include: a tour of the Cosmosphere, a UAS flying challenge inside the Cosmosphere, an outside UAS demonstration (weather permitting), FAA regulations and compliance of registering private and commercial UAS's, guest speaker, UAS applications in agriculture, fixed and rotor wings UAS's, plus much more. For more information visit www.kansas4-h.org/tipsheet/announcement.php?id=31335.

Mark Your Calendars

Feb. 11 - Shawnee Co Livestock Judging Clinic

Feb. 17 - Club Day Entry Deadline

March 4 - Morris County 4-H Club Day

March 11 - K-State Junior Swine Producer
Day

March 18 - Regional Club Day

March 25 - K-State Junior Meat Goat Producer Day

April 8 - Beef Weigh-in

April 13- HCC Livestock Judging Classic

April 30 - Small Animal Weigh-in

June 24-27 - 4-H Camp

July 22-31 - Morris County Fair

Extension Office Closed

In observance of the New Year, the Extension Office will be closed **January 2**, **2017** and **January 16** for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

CLUB DAY ENTRY FORM (ONE PER FAMILY)

Entry Form Due to the Extension Office on or before Friday, February 17, 2017 Club Day will be held on Saturday, March 4th

LAST NAME ONLY:		<i>PHONE</i> :			_ <i>CLU</i>	B:		
ADDRESS:				EMAIL:				
	Birth date		Entry Areas					
EX: 4-Her's Name:John Doe	07/07//90	3	5		10	12	14	18
4-Her's Name:								
4-Her's Name:								
4-Her's Name:								
Public Presentations 1 Show & Share (1 st time participants onl 2 Project Talk (Ages 7-13) 3 Public Speaking (Ages 14+) 4 Jr. Demonstration/Illustrated Talk (Age 5 Sr. Demonstration/Illustrated Talk (Age	Pros 7-13) Part	tner (if ap	plicable	e) & Proje	ect Area:			
Talent Event 6 Reading 7 Novelty If more than 1 person, list p. 8 Dance Routine If more than 1 person 9 Skit or One-Act Play (Can be a club or Participants:	on, list particip a mixed group	oants: of 4-Her	s)					
Music Entries 10 Jr. Vocal Solo (Ages 7-13) 11 Sr. Vocal Solo (Ages 14+) 12 Jr. Instrumental Solo (Ages 7-13) 13 Sr. Instrumental Solo (Ages 14+) 14 Vocal Ensemble (2-10 4-Hers, any age) Participants: 15 Instrumental Ensemble (2-10 4-Hers, any Age) Participants: 16 Chorus (11 or more 4-Hers, any age) Participants:	ny age)							
Parliamentary Procedures								
17 Jr. Gavel Games Ac Participants (4 Team Members):	dult Contact ar	nd Phone	Number	:				
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Participants (4 Team Members):								
Alternate Participants:		m) ontact an						

Notes:

- Readings should not be memorized. A script is required.
- Novelty includes: Juggling, pantomime, ventriloquist, magic puppets, marionettes, and gymnastics.
- Project talks and demonstrations/illustrated talks can only be given on subjects that a 4-Her is enrolled in.
- All musical entrants must bring the original sheet music (music may <u>not</u> be copied, due to copyright laws) for the judge and have the measures numbered.
- Instrumental entries will not have to be memorized. All vocal numbers must be memorized. Pre-recorded music accompaniment is allowed.

County & Regional 4-H Day Guidelines

Junior Division - 7-13 years

Senior Division - 14 & over

Revised 5/15

EVENTS	PARTICIPANTS	TIME	# OF ENTRIES to Regional					
TALENT								
Novelty	No age or size limit	1 number, not to exceed 5 min.	1					
Reading	Individual Activity Juniors & Senior Together	1 number, not to exceed 5 min script required	1					
Skit/1 Act Play	No size or age limit, original script must be presented to the judge	1 number, not to exceed 10 min	1					
Dance Routines	1 or more any age	1 number, not to exceed 5 min	1					
MUSIC								
Chorus	11 or more 4-H'ers any age	2 numbers must be memorized **	1					
Vocal Ensemble	2-10 4-H'ers any age	2 numbers must be memorized **	2					
Instrumental Ensemble	2 or more 4-H'ers any age	2 numbers **	2					
Vocal Solo	Individual, 2 age groups	1 number must be memorized **	1 Junior 1 Senior					
Instrumental Solo	Individual, 2 age groups	1 number **	1 Junior 1 Senior					
** All music entries must bring the original sheet music for the judge and have measures numbered. Instrumental entries will not have to be memorized. All vocal numbers must be memorized. Pre-recorded music accompaniment is allowed.								
	PUBLIC PRESENTATION							
Project Talks (tells about project)	Individual, Jr. only Must be enrolled in project	2-7 minutes, visuals optional	2					
Public Speaking (original presentation)	Individual, Sr. only	maximum 15 minutes, visuals optional, provide outline, 1-2 notecards suggested	2					
Demonstration & Illustrated Talks (shows how or tells how)	Individual or team of 2 Must be enrolled in project	2 Junior, 2 senior Maximum time 15 minutes Includes set-up & presentation	2 Junior 2 Senior					
PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE								
Sr. Gavel Games	Teams of 4, all participants will take a written test, may not use notes, will draw for positions. See Gavel Games manual for requirements	10-15 minutes parliamentary presentation	1					
Jr. Gavel Games	Teams of 4, all participants will take a written test, may not use notes, will not draw for positions. See Gavel Games manual for requirements	10-15 minutes parliamentary presentation	1					
Model Meetings (Main Motion, Subsidiary Motion, Incidental Motion, Privileged Motion & Unclassified Motion)	All club participation (Find motions in: A Guide to Parliamentary Practice for your club pg 2-3)	35 minute meeting (includes roll call and recreation) Provide agenda, present secretary book & notes after meeting. Must do all 5 types of motions.	1					