4-H Enrollment

Well we’re more than half way through the month, so you must complete your enrollment (youth 4-H’ers and all adult volunteers) via 4-H Online. The link is https://ks.4honline.com. New enrollments and re-enrollments began October 1 and need to be completed by Nov 1. Please let us know if you have any questions. You can call our office at 620-767-5136.

Just a reminder that there is a $15 enrollment fee. The Morris County 4-H Foundation will pay the fee for those who turn in record books. They will also waive the fee for new family members and first year 4-H’ers. Please remember to mark ‘a sponsor has agreed to pay your fee’ rather than you are requesting a waiver if you qualify for any one of these. We will take care of the rest from our end.

VIP

By the time you get this newsletter, everybody who was a leader, in some capacity last year, has received a packet in the mail to complete their renewals or their rescreening. If you weren’t a leader last year and think you would like to sign up as a volunteer leader this year, please let us know so we can get a packet to you. You can also come into the office to pick one up and we can answer any questions you may have. Everything needs to be completed by November 1 to qualify as a registered leader. You can also find the information and forms on our website: http://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/morris-county/vip/index.html.

Club Elections

IMPORTANT: As club elections are completed, Community Leaders will need to be sure the Leadership Roster for the club is turned in to the Extension Office.

Officer Training

Officer Training will be held the evening of Tuesday, November 6 from 6 - 8 pm in the Courthouse Meeting Room. Please RSVP by November 1.

Fair Board Meeting

The next Fair Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 14 at 7 pm. The meeting will be held at the Courthouse Meeting Room.

4-H Council Meeting

The next 4-H Council meeting will be held on Monday, October 29 in the Morris County Courthouse Meeting Room at 7 pm.

Ambassador Meeting

The next Ambassador meeting will be held on Monday, October 29 in the Courthouse Meeting Room following the 4-H Council meeting. They will be writing ‘thank you’s’ to those who signed up to learn more about 4-H at the 4-H Expo and new families who have enrolled in 4-H so far this year, as well as first year members.

Record Books

Thank you to all those who turned in record books this year! Everyone who turned in a record book this year received a t-shirt from the Morris County 4-H Council. We hope everyone was pleasantly surprised!
Achievement Banquet
The annual 4-H Achievement Banquet will be held on Saturday, November 10 in the Community Building at the fairgrounds. Dinner is scheduled for 6 pm and the program will start at 7 pm.

Tickets. Tickets are $4.25 each. Tickets are now available in the Extension office or will be available at the 4-H Council meeting on October 29 for club leaders to pick up. Tickets can be purchased from the Extension Office or through your club leader. Ticket orders need to be submitted to the Extension Office by Thursday, November 1.

Club Assignments. Each club is assigned to a committee for the Achievement Banquet.

Decorations, Tables, & Chairs – Burdick Hustlers and Willing Workers
Responsibilities include helping to set up tables, chairs, and decorations prior to the banquet on Friday evening, November 9 at 4:30 pm.

Programs & Tickets – Neosho Valley
Responsibilities include taking tickets on the evening of the banquet and handing out programs to attendees.

Trash & Clean-Up – Dwight Sunflowers and Flint Hills
Responsibilities include putting away tables and chairs as well as cleaning up following the banquet.

Kansas Youth Leadership Forum (KYLF) and Kansas Volunteer Forum (KVF) = Kansas 4-H Leadership Weekend
What: Come and build your leadership skills and potential through workshops, consulting groups, inspirational speakers and more. In addition, the 2019 State 4-H Youth Leadership Council will be elected at KYLF.

When: November 17-18, 2018
Where: Rock Springs 4-H Center
Who: Youth 14-18 years of age before January 1, 2019

Registration Deadline: November 1, 2018
The Morris County 4-H Foundation will pay 40% of the fee to help support the Morris County 4-Hers planning to attend KYLF. To register go to http://www.cvent.com/events/2018-kansas-4-h-leadership-weekend/event-summary-1dc75409a19446a2b3e205b821201eeaa.aspx

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. They need to include a 500 word essay, a copy of their school transcript and provide two letters of recommendation that are not relatives. The deadline is December 21st. The recipient will be presented the scholarship at the January 26th annual meeting. The application is attached and is on our website at http://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/morris-county/scholarships/index.html

Upcoming County Project Meetings

Horse/Horseless Horse
The upcoming county-wide horse/horseless horse project meetings will be held on the last Thursday of every month. The meetings will be held in the Courhouse Meeting Room from 6:30-8 pm. The first meeting to kick off the new year will be on Thursday, October 25. So, mark your calendars!

For questions, contact Lisa Wainwright at 785-466-3132 or by e-mail at spurofthemoment09@gmail.com.

Fiber Arts
The first Fiber Arts County meeting will be held on Saturday, November 17 at the First Baptist Church located at 501 Country Lane in Council Grove. Members who have signed up for Fiber Arts should bring their projects to work on. 4-Her’s who haven’t signed up but are interested to see what Fiber Arts is all about are welcome to come check it out.

The project meeting will run from 11 am to 2 pm.

For questions, please contact Lizzy Buller or Laura Buller at 620-767-2415 or 620-767-3415 or by e-mail at lizzykaybullah@gmail.com.
**Shirts for Sale**

- 2 - Youth Small - 2017 Fair Shirt - $3 each
- 1 - Youth Medium - Orange - $3
- 1 - Adult XS - Ambassador’s button up, long sleeved, collared - blue/white - $3
- 1 - Adult large - 2018 Fair Shirt - $9

‘4-H Week’ shirts (the one’s given to those who turned in a record book) are also for sale at $6 each. We have a variety of sizes left, but not a large inventory. So, don’t wait too long if you’d like one!

**Help with Santa Visits**

The Morris County Chamber of Commerce would like some assistance from the 4-H’ers. They are needing about 6 - 10 youth to help with Santa visits on Friday, December 15 from 10 am to 2 pm. Just one or two clubs need to accommodate. Please contact Reba Sumner at chamber@councilgrove.com if you are interested. Or you can call the Chamber at 620-767-5413.

**Notecard Sets for Sale**

The notecard sets we have had in our office since last winter are on sale for half price: $4 per set of 12 with envelopes. Please make checks payable to the Morris County 4-H Council. They would be great to use for ‘thank you’ cards, gifts, etc. They were given out last year at the Achievement Banquet with photos exhibited by our 4-H members at the 2017 Morris County Fair. So, once they’re gone, they’re gone!

*Our new one’s are in and will be ready for sale following the Achievement Banquet.*

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**Contests and Events**

**Great Plains Nature Photographers** - fliers for this event were handed out at the State Photography Judging Contest at the State Fair. It will be held in McPherson, KS at the Opera House on Saturday, **November 10** from 8:30 am to 4 pm. Adults are $15/person and students are free with school ID. For more information, contact our office and we can e-mail you the flier. If you plan on attending, they would like your **registration submitted by October 30**. If you’re not sure, you can still register at the door between 8 am and 8:30 am that morning. Michael Fosberg will be leading the program. Michael is well know for his ability to cover the unique landscape and wildlife of the region, while also recognizing the needs of local farmers and ranchers.

**Swine Day 2018** - If you’re interested in attending this program at the K-State Alumni Center in Manhattan on **Thursday, November 15**, the registration **deadline is Wednesday, November 7**. Cost is $25 per participant. Onsite registration is $50. No charge for students if they register ahead of time. You can register online at www.KSUswine.org or stop by our office for a form. Payment is required at the time of registration.

**2018 Kansas 4-H SpaceTech Robotics Experience** - The Kansas 4-H SpaceTech Program and the Kansas Cosmosphere located in Hutchinson are teaming up to provide fun, hands-on and science-based programming for Kansas 4-H youth. This fourth program will feature “Robotics.” This event will be **Friday, November 16 through Saturday, November 17**. Cost will be $115 for youth between 9-18-years old and $115 for all adult participants. The CVent registration system will be used, visit: [http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html](http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html) after October 1, 2018. Registration deadline is November 4. There will be a minimum number required or the Robotics SpaceTech Experience will be cancelled. The program is limited to the first 60 who register on a first-come, first-serve basis. For more information, contact our office or Deryl Waldren at dwaldren@ksu.edu or 785-462-6281.

**Kansas 4-H Leadership Weekend** - The Kansas Youth Leadership Forum and the Kansas Volunteer Forum are both under the new title of Kansas 4-H Leadership Weekend. The two events will be held simultaneously **November 17-18** at Rock Springs 4-H Center. You still have time to register if you want. Deadline is November 1. Remember, the Morris County 4-H Foundation will pay 40% of the fee.

**National Festival of Breads: America’s Bread Baking Championship** - This contest is for all home bakers, not just 4-H members enrolled in the Foods project. You can win cash, a year’s supply of Red Star Yeast, and a trip to take a class at the King Arthur Flour Baking School, valued at $2,000. **The Festival will be held on June 8, 2019** in Manhattan, KS. You **must enter before January 1, 2019**. For recipe contest and festival information, visit: [nationalfestivalofbreads.com](http://nationalfestivalofbreads.com) or Face Book at nationalfestivalofbreads.

**International Exchange Opportunities** - 4-H’ers interested in traveling to Japan, Costa Rica, South Korea or Norway via the States’ 4-H International Exchange programs or wanting to go from Kansas under IFYE (International Foreign Youth Exchange) program in 2019, should complete their application packets this month. Flyers about each program may be found on the Kansas 4-H web site: [http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/global-citizenship/kansas-4-h-international-exchanges/](http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/global-citizenship/kansas-4-h-international-exchanges/).
**Important Dates**

**Extension Office Closed:** Monday, November 12 (Veteran’s Day)
Thursday, November 22 & Friday, November 23 (Thanksgiving)

### 4-H EVENTS

- Oct 1 - Nov 1 - 4-H Enrollment, Re-enrollment, and VIP needs to be completed.
- October 29 - **4-H Council Meeting** (followed by **Ambassador** meeting)
- November 1 - **deadline** to RSVP for Officer Training
- November 1 - **deadline** for ordering Achievement Banquet tickets
- November 6 - **Officer Training**
- November 9 - set-up for Banquet at 4:30 pm
- November 10 - **Achievement Banquet**
- November 17-18 - **KYLF at Rock Springs**
- November 18 - Shooting Sports Safety Training

### LIVESTOCK EVENTS

**2019**

- January 17, 2019 - **NE Area KAP Screening**
- January 19, 2019 - **NE Area Leadership Event**
  Rock Springs 4-H Center

- June 5-8, 2019 - Sunny Hills Camp.
- June 23-26, 2019 - Campference
- July 20-29, 2019 - Morris County Fair

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**If you have items you would like to see in the monthly newsletters, please notify the Extension Office by the 20th of each month.**

**Thank You!**

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**Happy Fall**
**Shooting Sports**

Safety Training - Sunday, November 18 at 1 pm at the CG Recreation Department. Range Training will be discussed at this meeting. Any member who is new to the Shooting Sports project is required to attend.

Practices will begin on Sunday, December 2. You will receive more information at Safety Training.

For questions, please contact Tim King at 620-767-2133 or at moriscountrypsharphooters@hotmail.com.

**Health and Wellness**

We are very excited to announce that Denise Ehrlich has volunteered to be a County leader for Health and Wellness this 4-H year! (She will still be the County leader for Cats and Hand Pets too.) She is planning some great things! Here are few things she is thinking the project will include, but not limited to:

- learning and participating in bike safety
- basic first aid for cuts, scrapes and sprains
- ‘power’ foods for snacks
- outdoor recreation like hiking, camping, and fishing

We hope that when you enroll in 4-H this year, you will consider adding Health and Wellness to your project list! If you would like to talk to Denise further about this project, you can call her at 785-466-1782 or e-mail her at dehrlich@cgrove417.org.

**Thinking Ahead...**

After enrolling in 4-H Online and selecting your projects for the year, take the time to sit down with a piece of paper and write out 3-4 goals for each of your projects this year. What do you want to accomplish? What do you want to learn? What do you want to make or do? Also think about your year of 4-H... is there anything new you want to try this year? Any event you would like to try? Is there a leadership opportunity to help grow your skills? Plan ahead so that you can make the most out of your year in 4-H. Don’t forget to record your activities so they can be documented in record books, on scholarships, and your resume as your experience grows. You might also print your next pin application and record check sheet to help track activities.

**2018-19 Ambassadors**

Morris county 4-H Ambassadors are looking forward to another great year. First, a thank you to the 2017-18 Ambassadors!

Congratulations to the recently selected 2018-19 Ambassador Team!

Jamie Beck, Carissa Dalquest, Ella Kirk, Sierra Meade, Daria Pieczynska, Rylee Powell, and Anna Schrader.

**2019 Morris County 4-H Fair**

The fair date has been set for 2019! Please put July 20 - 29 on your calendar.

Remember, we are still asking people to come up with ideas for a theme for next year’s fair. Please send us your ideas or let us know if you stop by the office some time. If your theme is chosen, you will receive a prize!
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