Re-Enrollment: Volunteers and Members alike!

If you have not re-enrolled via 4-Honline and are an active member or volunteer, please do so ASAP! We would like everyone to be re-enrolled by January 1st. This ensures newsletters, project information, and more can make it to you. Re-enroll for this 4-H year by going to this link and clicking on “RE-ENROLL IN 4-H ONLINE” (located on the right side).

4-H Club Days

When: March 7th
Where: Alma High School (Wabaunsee County)

Club days with Wabaunsee Co. has been scheduled! Unfortunately, a busy school calendar meant we weren’t able to avoid the start of Spring Break and Sub-state (we do apologize for any inconvenience this may cause). More specific information and registration will be available in early January!

4-H Scholarships

The 2020 Kansas 4-H Scholarship list and application is now available by clicking here - Applications for 4-H scholarships are due to the County Extension Office by January 27th at 5:00pm. Please note that all scholarships must use the 2020 application which is located at the URL above.

2020 Ambassadors

Congratulations to the new Pottawatomie Ambassadors! The applicants were very deep this year and made for some tough decisions. That being said, the following 4-H members are your 2020 Pottawatomie ambassadors: New: Grant Dugan, Allison Moser, Emma Kasselman, ElyseLouderback, and Elizabeth SinghDhillon. Returning: James DeRouchey, Grace Fike, Blake Jones, Kara Riffel.
JR. Producer Day: Beef and Sheep

Junior producer days are held to provide educational material and hands-on experiences for youth, parents, leaders, and extension agents. Various speakers share information on topics such as selection, nutrition, showmanship, fitting, reproduction, feeding, and disease control. Talks, demonstrations, hands-on activities, and door prizes are present at all events. Beef and Sheep days are held in the even years and Swine and Meat Goat days are held in the odd years.

Find out more at this link: https://www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/ks-jr-producer/index.html

North East Leadership Event

Transportation available! (January 3rd registration deadline)

4-H members ages 12 to 18 are invited to the NE Area 4-H Leadership Event (NELE), Saturday, Jan. 18, 2020, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Heritage Hall at Rocks Spring 4-H Center. This year’s theme is “Jammin’ Out with Leadership”. NELE is led by the Northeast Area youth council representatives. Delegates can sign up for multiple classes. Registration of $30 includes lunch, snack and t-shirt. Registration will open soon. Don’t miss this opportunity to meet new people, learn new leadership skills, and enjoy fun classes! Register at: http://www.cvent.com/events/2020-northeast-4-h-leadership-event/event-summary-bde888a0b36b43038a124b7b83a7bcd.aspx

Horse Panorama

When: January 24 - 26, 2020
Where: Rock Springs 4-H Center
Who: 4-H Members ages 7-18 and adult volunteers. Horse Panorama is a compilation of various contests related to the Horse Project. Contests include: quiz bowl, hippology, public speaking presentations, photography and educational posters. There will also be educational activities for 4-Hers of all ages..... Find out more and register at: http://www.cvent.com/events/2020-kansas-4-h-horse-panorama/event-summary-3035ccde410147368c36ff17c66e2e2f.aspx
Save The Date: Summer Camp!

Save the date for this next summer 4-H camps.

Purple Power Pack (our 4-H camp): June 10-13th

Campference: June 23-26

Citizens in Action (Talk to Daniel regarding transportation)

What: 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 16-17, 2020

Where: Topeka, KS
Who: Youth 13-18 years old by January 1 of the current year

Registration: http://www.cvent.com/events/2020-kansas-4-h-citizenship-in-action/event-summary-e489dcc054744fb693b2c83cac59471e.aspx

Welcoming New Families

As new families come into your club, please make sure you have assigned someone to greet these families and make them feel welcome. Feeling welcome can be the difference between a family staying with the 4-H program for years to come, or dropping out after a few meetings. New Family Handbooks are available at the Extension Office to share with your new families
4-H Council Dates for 2020
January 27th, March 16th, April 27th, July 8th, August 31st, November 9th

Events Committee: Hayes Rickstrew, Aubrey Engelken, Kennedy Ratliff, Jordan Sylvester, Sara Blankley, Colby Fordham, Skyler Zoeller, Wyatt Pennington, Donna Ratliff, Marica Hermesch

Fair Committee: Lilly SinghDhillon, Isabella Wilber, Tyree Figge, Will Johnson, Grace Fike, Tatum Lara, Mariah Louderback

Publicity Committee: Elyse Louderback, Kara Riffel, Cathy Wilber, Darrin Figge, Michelle Dugan, Mary Pennington, Donna Ratliff

Regional KAP Screening
The NE Area 4-H KAP (Kansas Award Portfolio) screening is set for January 16, at Pottorf Hall in Manhattan. All 4-H’ers who were selected and are participating need to have their KAP’s to the KSRE office by January 15th.

Gathering starts for screening at 9:00 a.m. and the screening starts with an orientation at 9:30 a.m. Each county may send a maximum of three adults to judge award portfolios. If anyone is interested in assisting to judge and learning more about KAP’s, let us know! We can sign up additional county volunteer screeners until January 10th.
Kids Corner!
Date and Deadlines

January 1- All members and Volunteers re-enrolled
January 1- KSRE office closed
January 3- NELE Registration Deadline
January 15- Citizenship in Action registration deadline
January 18- North East Leadership Event (NELE) @ Rock Springs
January 20- MLK day, KSRE offices Closed
January 24-26 Horse Panorama @ Rock Springs
January 27- 4-H Council Meeting
February 1- State Scholarships due
February 16-17 Citizenship In Action
March 7 Club Days

What do snowmen eat for lunch?
Icebergers!