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FAIR PRE-ENTRY DEADLINE...

July 1, 2019 by 4:00 pm at the Extension Office

This includes livestock, non-livestock, and everything 4-H!

You will be receiving the “Pre-Entry Form” for the fair in the mail soon. This is the form you will use to enter your projects that you would like to take to the fair (i.e. cookies, color photo, ceramic piece.)

Paper copies of the Fair Book will be available soon, it is available online now. Check under the Ford County Fair tab. Other Fair forms can also be found there (Clothing, Space Tech, etc.) Please pay special attention to entry rules and specifications in your respective project areas. If you have any questions, please contact the Extension Office—we would LOVE to help you! It makes for a much easier and smoother fair for everyone involved when we pre-enter and pre-enter correctly!

Livestock ear tags numbers must be included on the pre-entry form when you pre-enter. If you plan to bring two of a species please list the class twice and enter the ear tag number for each animal. The animals must also be listed by specific exhibitor on the pre-entry form.

The county fair and everything that comes with it can be confusing for first year members and parents, so please just ask. No question is a silly question.

Andrea and Ethel will be holding a “**Fair First Stop**” on Monday, June 24 from 5:30-7:00 pm at the Ford County Fair Building. We realize it is sometimes difficult to get to the Extension Office during regular hours. So we will be at the Fair Building to answer questions about pre-entry forms, fashion review forms and have labels (clothing, arts/crafts, etc) and photo matte board for sale. If any older 4-H members or community leaders would like to help with this, please let us know.

NOTE: Dog pre-entry are due into the Extension Office by June 21. Dog show will be July 6 at the Multi-County Dog show held at the Gray County Fair Building. Dog Agility judging will only be held in Dodge City on June 25, not on July 6. Contact the office if you have any questions.

More information on fair pre-entries is on pages 3-4



4-H AMBASSADOR/EXCHANGE

4-H Exchange will be traveling to Kent, Delaware on June 28 and returning on July 3. Due to the exchange trip, we will have our June Exchange meeting earlier in the month. Date and time to be determined.

4-H COUNCIL & LEADERS MEETING

The next meetings will be held on Tuesday, July 9. Community Club Leaders will meet at 6:30 pm followed by 4-H Council at 7:00 pm. If you are unable to attend, please find a replacement. May meeting minutes are included with this newsletter.

PROJECT NEWS



HORSE PROJECT NEWS

County Wide leaders have scheduled horse practices on Monday and Wednesday evenings starting in June at 7 pm at the Ford County Fairgrounds arena. Practice will be contingent on the weather. Please look for emails or texts from Dave McCollum for more information.

2019 DISTRICT HORSE SHOW — June 27, 2019 Where: Western State Bank Expo Center, Entry deadline: June 15, 2019. Entry forms were emailed out to all in the Horse Project who are eligible.

POULTRY TESTING

We will not be testing poultry this year due to a nationwide shortage of antigen, the KS Dept. Of Agriculture is waiving poultry testing requirements for the 2019 County Fair Season.

STATE LIVESTOCK NOMINATIONS

The nomination deadline for commercial heifers, swine, sheep, and meat goats is June 15th (DNA for sheep, goats and swine) for KSF and KJLS. Remember, there is a \$25 fee if any of the agents have to travel to tag livestock for state shows that weren't brought to the respective weigh-in. If you will need us to come tag any livestock, please make those arrangements as soon as possible. Both Agents will be at Heart of KS camp from June 11-14 so any additional tagging and signatures must be completed by June 10. **DON'T WAIT!**

July 15 is the entry deadline for the Kansas State Fair for Beef, Sheep, Goats and Swine.

YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS (YQCA)

Past newsletters have had a flier concerning how to obtain your YQCA certification. This was also emailed to all livestock members. You will need to do the training online. Register at <https://yqca.learnrow.io> to do the online certification. Questions, call Andrea at the Extension office.

CERAMICS CAMP

Ceramics Camp has been scheduled for June 24-27, 9 am – noon, at the YMCA Ceramics facility (mornings only and limited to 20 participants. If you are interested in participating the register deadline is Monday, June 17 with your registration fee of \$25 and project choice. Don't wait to register if you are interested as space may fill up.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED...FAIR SUPERINTENDENTS

What is a SUPERINTENDENT? A Superintendent is someone who assists judges during entry day on July 18th. They also assist in creating the display for the project area. We encourage Livestock Superintendents to assist with their respective livestock weigh-in and out in the ring during the show. These are great leadership activities for your record book!

What if I'm new and do not know what I'm doing? No problem! Jumping in and volunteering as a superintendent is a GREAT way to learn about 4-H and that project area! Questions are always welcomed!

If you did not sign-up and would still like to help out, please give us a call at the office.

2019 FAIR SPECIAL CONTESTS

Ford County 4-H'ers are eligible to enter the Special Contests, which are Barn Quilts, King Arthur Flour Bar Cookies, Container Garden and Photo contests during the 2019 Ford County Fair. The King Arthur Flour Bar Cookies contest, you must use King Arthur Flour to enter. You do not need to be enrolled in the Arts & Crafts, Photography, Foods or Plant Science projects to enter Special Contests.

4-H KING & QUEEN CONTEST

It's time to nominate your club's King & Queen contestants for this year's contest! Contestants will need to decorate a coffee can to display at Fair. The King and Queen candidate who earns the most money will be crowned King and Queen at the Premium Sale the last day of the fair. ALL contestants are encouraged to ride on the 4-H Float at the Dodge City Days Parade on July 27th. This is a fundraiser for the 4-H Exchange Group.

HELP NEEDED FOR FAIR SET-UP AND CLEAN-UP

How many volunteers does it take to run a successful county fair? The answer is: We need Everyone's help! Check with other club members and make sure your club is represented. Parents and 4-H members are needed to help Fair Board members with set up and clean up on Tuesday evening, July 16, at 5:30 pm and Tuesday evening, July 23 at 5:30 pm. Please bring rakes, brooms, hoses, buckets, rags, etc. to help clean out the barns, clean displays, racks, and other things in the fair building. It won't take long if everyone comes to help. Pizza for all who help!



After the July 23 clean up, everyone that helped with clean up is invited to the waterpark for a private swim party sponsored by the Ford County Fair Association, Ford County 4-H Foundation and the City of Dodge City.

FAIR T-SHIRTS

Victory Electric is again sponsoring t-shirts for all 4-H members exhibiting at the County Fair. Please be sure to update your t-shirt size on our online enrollment webpage (www.KS4honline.com) so we will have the correct size ordered.

This is your DIVISION number. It tells us what project you were enrolled in.

FOODS & NUTRITION - DIVISION 20
Judged Thursday, July 24, 2014

FOOD PREPARATION

- All exhibits are required to have a recipe. (The recipe will not be returned). Recipes in the 4-H Foods and Nutrition Notebook are only guidelines. Comparable recipes from other sources may be used and are encouraged. For copyright purposes include source of recipe used (i.e. name of cookbook, magazine, etc.)
- For food safety purposes, any food with custard and cream cheese type fillings and frostings, flavored oils, "canned" bread or bread or cakes in a jar, cut fresh fruit or food requiring refrigeration will be disqualified and not be judged.
- No alcohol should be included as an ingredient in food entries. Entries with alcohol in the recipe will be disqualified and not be judged.
- Place on waxed paper or aluminum foil covered cardboard, which has been cut to fit the size of the product or a small, white plate, and put the product in a food grade plastic bag. **DO NOT PUT PRODUCT DIRECTLY ON THE CARDBOARD. Do not wrap in plastic. Coffee Cakes must be in disposable pan.**
- All exhibits must be clearly labeled with a 4-H foods label sticker. The label must include: name of product, class number, and name of exhibitor. **DO NOT ATTACH TO FOOD OR TO BOTTOM OF EXHIBIT - PLACE STICKER LOOSE ON THE INSIDE OF PLASTIC BAG.**
- All unfrosted cakes shall be exhibited in upright position with top crust showing.
- All items entered in the Foods Division, with the exception of Class 2032- Food Gift Package and 2033- Decorated Food Item, will be sold at the 4-H Food Sale and the money shall be donated to the Ford County 4-H Council.
- The grand and reserve grand champion entry, in each age division, will be given the opportunity to be auctioned at the start of the livestock sale on Monday, July 22. A new product made after the conclusion of the fair by the 4-H'er, is required for the buyer. Winning item from the exhibit area may be used for display at the auction.
- Due to time restraints, each exhibitor will be limited to 2 entries for conference judging.
- State Fair classes are available for 4-H members 9 and older prior to Jan. 1, of current year. A blue ribbon must be received to qualify.

This is where you can find the rules and specifics about projects

Cookie Definitions:

- Drop - any cookie dough dropped from a spoon onto a cookie sheet.
- Refrigerator - any cookie made by slicing rich dough, which has been thoroughly chilled.
- Molded - any cookie dough molded or rolled with the hands.
- Bar - any cake-like cookie made from a stiff batter spread in a shallow pan and cut into bars or squares after baking.
- Rolled - any cookie made from stiff dough & rolled with a rolling pin to the desired thickness & cut into desired shapes.

Cookies

- Class 2000 4 No Bake Cookies
- Class 2001 4 Bar Cookies
- Class 2002 4 Drop Cookies
- Class 2003 4 Cookies of Other Lands
- Class 2004 4 Molded Cookies
- Class 2005 4 Refrigerator Cookies
- Class 2006 4 Cake Mix Cookies
- Class 2007 4 Cookie Tray (5 varieties of any kind of cookie - 4 cookies of each variety)

Cakes

This is your CLASS number. It tells us what specific type of exhibit you are bringing.

Above and to the left are excerpts from the Ford County Fair Book. Below is an example of how to pre-enter cookies.

Pre-Entry Form

Ford County Fair		Dodge City, KS 67801		7/17/2014 - 7/21/2014	
Fvb #	Name	Home Phone			
Division	Class	Description	# of entries	Tag #	
20	2002	4 drop cookies	1	(only for livestock)	

WHAT IS A FAIR PRE-ENTRY ANYWAYS? ALL projects or animals that you exhibit at the Ford County Fair need to be pre-entered! This allows for the Extension Office to plan accordingly with the number of pens we need for livestock to how big of space we need for inside exhibits, to the number of judges we need for a project, and how many trophies to order. If you think you MIGHT take a project to the fair, PRE-ENTER it!

WHAT IF I FORGET SOMETHING? In 2019, each 4-H member will be given 1 (and only 1) "freebie" entry tag. It may be used in any project area that you are enrolled in, but remember each child is only given ONE, so in the event that you need to use it, use it wisely! *(For example...Suzy pre-entered one color photo on her pre-entry sheet on July 1. However, when Suzy showed up to Entry Day at the Fair on July 18, she had two colored photos that she would like to exhibit. Suzy had two choices 1—take one photo home and enter the other in the fair or 2—use her freebie card to be able to enter both colored photos in the fair.)* Exhibits that utilize the freebie entry card are not eligible for a purple or champion award. The "freebie" may not be used for livestock that were not weighed in at their respective spring weigh-ins or projects that youth are not enrolled in. Plan ahead and pre-enter correctly so you don't end up in a bind. **WHAT IF I HAVE MORE QUESTIONS?** Please ask us at the Extension Office or come see us on Monday, June 24 at the Fair Building. We would love to sit down with you and help you fill out your pre-entry forms. 620-227-4542!

THANK YOU!!!!

- Families who sold Quack Attack Tickets! All funds raised come back to our clubs, council and Fair. You are helping our program in more ways than you know!
- Candace Fry, who signed up to be a counselor and campers for this 4-H Camping Season!
- Everyone who attended YQCA Training this Spring.

KANSAS 4-H WHEAT EXPO

- Plan to attend the 2019 Kansas 4-H Wheat Expo on August 8, 2019 at the Kingman Expo Center, 121 S. Main, Kingman, KS .
- There is a \$6 per person registration cost to help offset the Wheat Expo costs. This fee will be collected at the door in Kingman on August 8th. Registration Deadline: July 28, 2019, 11:59 p.m. If you would like more information, please contact the Extension Office.



DATES TO REMEMBER

June 1—Main Street Dodge Festival—Quack Attack Race 1:30 pm

June 7 — Cowpoke Day Camp

June 10-14 — Heart of KS camp at Rock Springs

June 15— All swine, lamb, commercial breeding heifers and meat goat nominations for the KSF and KJLF DUE to the Kansas Youth Livestock Program Office.

June 15—High Plains Horse Show @ DC Roundup

June 19-21— 4 Clover Camp

June 24-27 — Ceramics Camp

June 24 — Fair First Stop, 5:30-7:00 pm, Fair Building

June 25 — Dog Agility Judging

June 27 — SW District Horse Show, Expo Center

June 28– July 3—4-H Exchange trip to Delaware

July 1—FAIR PRE ENTRIES DUE!!!!

July 6 —**Dog Show @ Gray County (beginning at 9am)**

July 9—4-H Community Club Leaders at 6:30 pm & Council at 7 pm, Fair Building

July 15—Clothing & Style Review, Fair Building

(All forms are due by 9:30am)

July 16 —Fair Set Up

July 17 —Booth Set Up

July 18-22—Ford County Fair

July 23—Fair Clean Up

Ford County 4-H Council meeting minutes

May 21, 2019

The Bi-monthly meeting of the 4-H Council was called to order at 7:05 pm on May 21, 2019 by Vice President Candace Fry. There were 15 members present which included 7 adults and 8 club representatives. Roll call was answered by which club you represent. The treasurer's report was read and minutes were read and approved as read. The motion carried. There were no communications.

Council members were once again reminded about The Great Quack Attack and members were asked to help out for the main street event on Saturday June 1, 2019 by selling the remaining duck leases. There was a need for 4-6 volunteers. Those that volunteered to help included Candace, MacKenzie, Cole, The Tilley family, The Stimpert family, and Becky Swan.

The Youth For Quality Care for animals was once again discussed as well. All livestock exhibitors are required to complete this in order to show. Kaylee Simon requested A list of who has not completed it for her club. It was discussed and decided that a list of those who have not completed their YQCA will be sent out to all club leaders. If you have any questions regarding the YQCA please contact Andrea.

Council members present were informed of a ceramics camp geared towards the members enrolled in ceramics. The camp will run from June 24-27 from 9 am-noon at the YMCA ceramics facility. Members were told that you must register by June 17 and that the camp is limited to 20 participants only.

The KidFest which Willroads Garden club is chairing was discussed. The date will be August 4,2019 from 1-3:30pm in Wright Park. The activity was not yet decided. Each club was asked to furnish two members to help out. Two time slots are available that include 12:30-2pm and 2:00-3:30pm. Members that volunteered included Cole, MacKenzie, Quaid, and Candace. Adult members include Kaylee S. Members are still needed to help out if you are interested talk to Ethel or Andrea.

The Barnyard Olympics was discussed again. Lucky Clovers will be getting in Contact with DIY JRs May 22. The Barnyard Olympics will be July 19,2019 at 2:00 pm. Possible T-shirt designs were discussed.

The family of the year-Reigo Hahn family is willing to ride in the DC Days parade on Saturday July 27. Becky Swan volunteered to be in charge of finding transportation in the parade, and Susie Burgert was mentioned as a possibility to create posters for the float.

The council was reminded that fair books will be available soon online and in print. We were reminded that fair superintendents are still needed. As well as a fair committee.

The DC Days POP concession stand was discussed and the council decided that Willroads Garden club will set up Friday July 26 at 6pm. Members were asked to volunteer to help on Saturday. There were 3 time slots (8:30-11:00am,11:00-1:00 pm, and 1:00-3:30pm). Two time slots are still open one for 11-1pm and 1-3:30pm.

Fair committee sign up included outside night monitors, turtle races, and workers for games. There are three slots open for outside night monitors. Those spots consist of two Thursday July 18 night volunteers and 1 volunteer on Friday July 19. The Turtle races are still in need of two volunteers on Sunday July 21 at 4:30pm. Three spots are still open for game workers on Saturday July 20th from 2-4pm. The age limit for the bounce house was discussed and this year it will be 12 and older.

The fair schedule was discussed and Council members were informed that this year the livestock sale exhibitor meeting will be Thursday night following weigh in, in the arena and the dog agility was moved to be held on June 25 in Dodge City and the rest of the dog show will be held in Cimarron on July 7th. Members were informed that due to a nationwide shortage of antigen the KS dept. of agriculture is waiving poultry testing requirements for county fair.

Announcements of future dates were made. The next meeting is Tuesday evening July 9 at 7pm.

Quaid moved to adjourn the meeting and Cole seconded. The May meeting was adjourned.

MacKenzie Swan
Stand in Secretary

Candace Fry
Vice Chair

2019 FAIR COMMITTEE SIGN UP SHEET

Food Sale Thursday, July 18, 6 p.m. Lucky Clovers

Outside Monitors – all night need three more nights filled

- Thursday, July 18 1. _____ 2. _____
- Friday, July 19 1. __ Valley Boosters _____ 2. _____
- Saturday, July 20 1. __ DIY Jrs. _____ 2. ____ Lucky Clovers _____
- Sunday, July 21 1. __ Wilroads Gardens _____ 2. ____ Wright Wonder Workers _____

Turtle Races

Chair(s): Sheila Prater

Friday, July 19, 4:30 p.m.

- Valley Boosters (4)
- Wright Wonder Workers (2)

Saturday, July 20, 4:30 p.m.

- Lucky Clovers (2-3)
- Wilroads Gardens (2)
- Valley Boosters (2)

Sunday, July 21, 4:30 p.m.

- DIY Jrs (2)
- Wright Wonder Workers (2)

_____ **need two more**

Afternoon at the Fair - Saturday, July 20, 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Workers for games: Bretta Austin, Harlee Tilley, MacKenzie Swan, Jordan Stimpert

Need 3 more _____

Dodge City Days BBQ Contest Drink Stands - need two more spots filled

Chairs: Janell and Brandi

Set up on Friday, July 26, 6 or 6:30 p.m. Wilroads Gardens 4-H Club

Saturday, July 27 (Each club needs to sign up for a time – provide at least 2 workers)

8:30 – 11:00 am	11:00 am – 1:00 pm	1:00- 3:30 pm
Valley Boosters	Lucky Clovers	DIY Jrs.
	Wright Wonder Workers	_____

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Dear 4-H Families,

With the end of school and beginning of Summer yours and our schedules are filled with various camps, shows and project activities. It also means the county fair is about 45 days away. It will be here sooner than we think. We hope you are all working on your projects and deciding what you will be exhibiting at the County Fair. We are also working on finalizing things for the Fair!

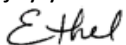
As parents and leaders it's important that we remember the goal of our children's involvement in the 4-H program is to provide an educational learning experience. We hope they gain so much more than a blue ribbon!

The county fair is an opportunity for an independent evaluation of the project skills a member learned through completing a project. This helps to maintain the focus of what we are trying to accomplish in 4-H, which is develop blue ribbon kids, not just blue ribbon projects.

While entering and displaying a project at the county fair is the traditional way a members shows what they have learned, there may be other means of exhibitions such as club tours, a visit to the older residents at a Health Care Center or even helping other members at the fair.

Remember it's not about the color of the ribbon but about the experience!

Enjoy your summer!



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