HAVE YOU COMPLETED YOUR 4-H ONLINE ENROLLMENT?

Your enrollment is not active until your payment has been received and processed by the State 4-H Office. Thanks to everyone who has completed their enrollment.

Returning members have until February 1, 2018 to complete their enrollment for this 4-H year to be eligible to enter the 2018 LV CO Fair in 4-H classes. This includes any additions, deletions, or other changes you wish to make to your enrollment. If returning members enroll after February 1 they may only exhibit in open classes and may not participate in the Livestock Auction or exhibit at Kansas State Fair for 4-H classes.

New members will be accepted for enrollment until May 1, 2018. They will need to contact the Extension Office to gain access to 4honline. They will be allowed to exhibit in 4-H classes except those livestock classes that may have had a previous deadline such as Beef Weigh-in.

The enrollment site can be reached by this link: http://www.leavenworth.k-state.edu/4-h/join.html. Scroll down the page and in the center section select either returning families or new families to access the guide to get started.

Reminder to all parents/leaders/volunteers — you need to be listed on your family account. If you do not have members in 4-H please create your own account.

You will need to be enrolled in 4honline to be able to participate in Youth Quality Care of Animals classes. More information regarding YQCA appears later in this newsletter.

Reminder tips to ease your re-enrollment process.

4honline Enrollment Suggestions & Reminders:

- 4honline functions best with the Chrome or Firefox web browser
- It is advised not to attempt to enroll or reenroll using your cell phone.
- NEVER create a new individual or family profile if one already exists
- LOGIN to existing family profile for reenrollments
- If you have forgotten your password, it can easily be reset.
- Print the guide from our local site BEFORE you go online to enroll or reenroll (one guide gives reenrollment guidance; one guide gives new member enrollment guidance.)
- Call or come into the office for assistance

PLEASE REMEMBER to go into 4honline prior to the add/drop date to review the projects in which you have enrolled. Also remember to update any pertinent information (email address, phone numbers, etc.) as the year progresses.
National/State/Area Opportunities available to Youth

National—4-H Citizenship Washington Focus - June 14, 2018 - June 25, 2018

Road trip across the USA stopping to see Philadelphia, Gettysburg, the Liberty Bell and more! Meet, learn, share and tour with youth from other states and respected resource people. Walk among places that have made history and places that are making news today. Visit Capitol Hill, government departments, historic sites, and memorials. Get a close-up view of the political process through visits to Capitol Hill. Meet with the Kansas Congressional and Senate delegations to discuss legislative issues. Participate in workshops and assembly groups to learn life skills and discuss possible solutions to domestic and international problems.

Interact with 4-H members from other states, learning and sharing about 4-H and other interests and issues.

Delegates must be responsible and mature young people, 15-18 years of age by January 1, 2018. They also must commit to sharing what they learn with others.

Applications and cover letters must be submitted online and then will receive approval from Local Extension Units after your application has been submitted and received. Applications will be accepted until January 15 or until all 50 spaces are filled. Applicants will be notified of their selection and will be required to confirm their intent to participate.

A $250 nonrefundable deposit will complete your application (due by January 15, 2018) and to guarantee your spot. Checks should be made payable to the "Kansas 4-H Foundation". Full payment of the $1850 will be accepted at any time before April 15. Any cancellation made before January 15 will result in a $25 cancellation fee, otherwise cancellations made after January 15 will not receive their $250 deposit back.

State—2018 4-H Horse Panorama

The 2018 4-H Horse Panorama has been scheduled for January 26-28 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Registration and contest rules for Horse Panorama are posted on the Kansas 4-H web site on the Horse Events page. http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/horse/index.html

Area—Northeast Area 4-H Leadership—January 20, 2018

Come see what leadership is like “Under The Sea!” 4-H members ages 12 to 18 are invited to the Northeast Area 4-H Leadership Event (NELE), Saturday, January 20, 2018, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Clay Center Community High School in Clay Center.

NELE is led by the Northeast Area Youth Council representatives. Delegates can sign up for multiple classes throughout the day with many options for everyone.

Through the generosity of Kansas Electric Cooperatives, Inc. and CoBANK each registered delegate will receive a copy of the book, “Find Something To Do! No Prop Activities,” by Jim Cain. Sessions will be offered for delegates to explore and learn how to lead some of the activities outlined in the book. Adults may purchase a copy of the book for $9 through the registration process.

Don’t miss this opportunity to meet new people, learn many new leadership activities, and listen to keynote speaker, Wade Weber, State 4-H Program Leader! Cost to register is $25 for both youth and adults. Registration link: http://www.cvent.com/events/2018-northeast-4-h-leadership-event/event-summary-1d10bd8339144899ac8d5eadc48deb39.aspx

More events continued on next page.
More State and Local Events—continued

State—2018 Kansas 4-H Citizenship in Action—February 18, 2018, 1:00 p.m. - February 19, 2018, 1:00 PM  Registration information to come soon.

Citizenship in Action 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 communities. Delegates will tour the Capitol, get tips on how to meet and talk with their legislators, and discuss how youth can have a greater impact in their communities.

Sunday will feature time at the Capitol In Topeka, legislative sessions, and a dinner and dance at the Capitol Plaza Hotel also in Topeka. Monday is reserved for delegates to meet with their legislators.

This event is open to all youth 13-18 years old as of January 1, 2018.

The cost to attend CIA is $170 for both youth and adults—includes a 1 night stay at the Capitol Plaza Hotel, a plated meal for dinner on Sunday night and a plated breakfast on Monday morning. If you prefer a single bed there is a $35 extra fee.

There is a $100 scholarship available through a generous donation from Capitol Federal. The scholarship form and online scholarship application can be found on the web at: http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/citizenship-in-action/index.html

Please make your payment to your local Extension Office upon receiving your registration confirmation. Check with your local Extension Office for any local deadlines and funding that may be available for this event.

State—2018 Kansas 4-H Ambassador Training

The 2018 Kansas 4-H Ambassador Training will be February 23-24 at the Rock Springs 4-H Center near Junction City. It is open to all county/district 4-H ambassadors, interested teens, ambassador advisors and Extension staff. The theme is “4-H Ambassadors: Leadership on Target.” There will be six youth workshops, three adult workshops, two speakers, with lots of fun and fellowship.

Full details will be posted on the Kansas 4-H web site by December 6th. Registration will be on the CVent system, and will close on Thursday, February 8, 11:59 p.m. The Kansas 4-H Ambassador Action Team accepts members (teens, volunteers and Extension staff) year-round. For more information, please call Deryl Waldren at 785-462-6281, or e-mail him at dwaldren@ksu.edu.

Local Events

Please mark your calendars on December 14 for the annual Leavenworth County Youth Leaders Cookie Collection for the Good Shepard’s holiday food baskets. Cookies will be collected and packaged on December 14, from 6 p.m.—7:30 p.m. in the 4-H Building on the LV CO Fairgrounds. You can bring as many as you would like but even one dozen will be fine— it all adds up. Cookies can also be dropped off at the Extension Office.

Calling all those interested in the Dog Care and Training Project.

The year will begin with training classes early January 2018. These classes will not be repeated. Veterinarian signed vaccination cards are required at the beginning of class. Please enroll or reenroll as early as possible to receive all the pertinent information, so you don't miss out.
Youth for the Quality Care of Animals

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a new, national, multi-species livestock quality assurance program available for youth ages 8-21. This annual educational and certification program focuses on food safety, animal well-being, and character awareness for youth producing and/or showing livestock. The species targeted in the training includes swine, beef cattle, dairy cattle, sheep, goats, market rabbits, and poultry. Extension specialists and animal industry representatives were involved in designing the program with the intent to provide a national, standardized livestock quality assurance applicable to multiple species. The curriculum is designed to provide different modules annually, so youth will expand their knowledge by covering new topics every year. Kansas 4-H has an agreement with YQCA which allows extension agents the opportunity to become certified trainers and provide face-to-face training for Kansas youth.

There are two options by which a youth may obtain their YQCA certification; they may attend a 1-hour face-to-face training with a certified instructor, or they may complete the age-appropriate online certification course. There is a $3/child fee for the face-to-face training, while the online certification course is $12/child. The YQCA program has been integrated into the 4honline system, so families may register for a face-to-face training, or complete the online certification, by logging in using their 4honline credentials. Leavenworth County does require that ALL youth enrolled in the projects listed above for targeted species MUST complete a YQCA livestock quality assurance face to face class or on line course. The face to face classes for our county will be posted soon. Remember— you will have to register in your 4honline account to attend the class.

For more information about the program, please visit www.yqca.org, contact the Youth Livestock Coordinator, Lexie Hayes, at adhayes@ksu.edu or (785)532-1264 or contact Karol Lohman or Brenda Taxeras in the Extension Office.

2018 Kansas 4-H Dog Scholarship Details

High school seniors or current college freshman who have been in the Kansas 4-H Dog Project for three or more years may apply for the Keith Neuway and Jim Adams Kansas 4-H Dog Care and Training Project Scholarship. This one time 4-H scholarship of $500.00 will awarded on Saturday, September 15, 2018, during the Kansas State Fair 4-H Dog Show. Applications must be received on or before 5 p.m., Thursday, February 1, 2018. Late applications will not be accepted.

Send the completed application to:
Kansas State 4-H Office
ATTN: Neuway and Adams Dog Care and Training Scholarship Committee
201 Umberger Hall, 1612 Claflin Road
Manhattan, KS 66506-3404
PH: 785-532-5800. The application is on the Kansas 4-H web site: http://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animals/dog.html. For more information, contact Deryl Waldren, 785-462-6281 or e-mail dwaldren@ksu.edu.
2017-2018 Dates

November

27 - LVCO 4-H Council meeting. **Come at 6:00 p.m. to enjoy pizza and pop provided by the LVCO Executive Board.** They will meet and greet to kick off the new year with a bang. The general meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m., Brown 4-H Building, LV CO Fairgrounds. All new Council Representatives and if possible last years officers should attend. Be prepared to sign up for at least two committees and officers will be elected.

December

6— Informational planning meeting for 4-H Judging, Boling Grange( RWD#8 building), 7:00 p.m.
14—LVCO Youth Leaders will be assembling cookie tins for the holiday baskets for Good Shepard. For more information see newsletter.

January

8 - Deadline to turn in Sr. level winning KAPs for Area screening. Turn the books in to the Extension Office by 5 p.m. on January 8. If you were the Sr. level county winner and do not want to send your KAP on please let the office know ASAP.
11 - NE Area 4-H KAP Screening, Pottorf Hall, Manhattan. Adults interested in assisting with screening please contact Brenda. Gather at 9:30 a.m. screening begins at 10 a.m. Transportation and lunch are provided.
17—Deadline: Kansas 4-H Horse Panorama registration. Information in newsletter article.
26-28 - Kansas 4-H Horse Panorama, Rock Springs.

February

1 - Returning members deadline to enroll to be allowed to enter in 4-H classes at LVCO Fair
1 - KS 4-H Scholarship deadline—For more information, visit: http://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-library/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html
1— Deadline: Kansas 4-H Dog Scholarship application. For more information visit: http://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animals/dog.html.
8 - Ambassador Training registration deadline. For more information visit: http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/ambassador-training/index.html.
18-19 4-H Citizenship in Action (CIA) See article for details.
21 - KAPs selected for state screening must be turned in to the Extension Office by 5 p.m.
23-24 Kansas 4-H Ambassador Training, Rock Springs. See newsletter article or site noted above.

March

17- Junior Sheep Producer Day
24—Junior Beef Producer Day

April

5-8 -Kansas 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Certification Training

May

1—New 4-H member Enrollments Deadline

June

13-16 Oz-Some Camp
All 4-Her’s are invited to attend our upcoming classes with our Master Food Volunteers. Locations are TBA after registration. RSVP to Chelsi Myer, K-State Research and Extension – LV County Agent, at 913-364-5700 or chelsim@ksu.edu

Food Safety

Food safety refers to the conditions and practices that preserve the quality of food to prevent contamination and food-borne illnesses.

Cooking Styles

Cooking Style is the technique used for the application of ingredients to the method of cooking applied for a recipe.

Table Etiquette

Table Etiquette are the rules used while eating, which may also include the appropriate use of utensils.

How to Prepare for Fair

Preparation tips for food entered at county and state fair.
Attention ALL LV County 4-Hers & Parents

Informational Planning Meeting for 4-H Judging
Opportunities and Contests!

Wednesday Dec. 6th, 2017
Boling Grange RW #8 Building
Time: 7 pm

“Judging builds life skills beyond the actual content of the event!”

Public speaking, decision making, analytical thinking, learning to defend your decisions, confidence, networking, and so much more!

The purpose of this meeting will be to inform our 4-H families of the various opportunities for contests that exist through 4-H in the following areas:

- Horticulture Judging
- Meats & Livestock Judging
- Quiz Bowl
- Skill-a-thon

We will be reviewing plans for the upcoming year and are looking for both youth and parent participation at this meeting! We want this to be an open conversation and to answer any questions you may have on getting involved in these great events! To plan for the year it is important to hear from you if your 4-Her is interested in participating!

PLEASE RSVP TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND
BY DEC. 4TH SO HANDOUTS CAN BE MADE

Hope to see you there! Everyone is WELCOME!

Brian Habjan, Livestock Coach  Karol Lohman, Extension AG Agent
Gretchen Manus, Horticulture Coach

913-364-5700 Extension Office or klohman@ksu.edu
4-H Day with Wildcat Women’s Basketball

This 10th Annual event will be held on Saturday, January 13th at 1:00pm for the K-State vs. Oklahoma State Women’s Basketball game. Tickets are $20 each and include a ticket to the game, a t-shirt, and a $7 meal voucher that can be used at the main concession stands at the game.

2018 4-H FCS Judging

The 2018 Kansas 4-H FCS Judging contest will be held on Saturday, September 15, 2018 at the Kansas State Fair. Both Intermediate and Senior contest experiences will be conducted on this date. The theme for 2018 is Health! The contest format for 2018, will also feature a local unit health component. Additional details and resources will be shared in late December.

Congratulations!
The following LVCO 4-H members had their photos selected by the Kansas 4-H Foundation to be held for a year for publication consideration, display at Rock Springs or photo judging packets.

Sophie Leach, Glenwood 4-H Club
Carmen Payne, Basehor Rustlers 4-H Club
Malia Pebley, Basehor Rustlers 4-H Club
Maya Pebley, Basehor Rustlers 4-H Club
Braxton Shupe, Happy Helpers 4-H Club
Evan Shupe, Happy Helpers 4-H Club

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