LVCO 4-H Council News

The LVCO 4-H Council met on Jan. 23. The committee for planning County/Regional Club Days made final plans for the February 25, 2017 event. It was held at the Church of the Open Door. A big THANK YOU to all the committee members and other club families that helped make the day happen in my absence. Thanks to Karol Lohman too for stepping in for me that day and to Tina for getting all the paperwork in line. Regional Club Day will be March 18 in Atchison. Our county is in charge of the Talent/Reading/Skits/Other area. Room monitors would be helpful. Next meeting—March 27, 7 p.m.

Livestock Quality Assurance Requirements

Livestock Quality Assurance for 4-H/FFA Livestock/Animal members will once again be mandatory for eligibility to show/sell at the 2017 LVCO Fair. This means ALL members enrolled in Beef (Breeding/Market/ Bucket Calf/Dairy), Swine (Breeding/Market), Sheep (Breeding/Market), Goat (Breeding/Market/Other/Dairy), Poultry, and ALL Rabbit must complete LQA. Three dates were scheduled.

The first one in Feb. has passed. Only two more chances to attend.
* March 16, 2017, Grange Hall, 6:30 p.m.
* April 26, 2017, Pleasant Ridge Elementary School gym, 6:30 p.m.
If you have questions please contact Brenda or Karol.

Camp Counselors must complete the Counselor Application and turn it in by April 18. They must schedule an interview for either April 17 or 18 with Brenda. Counselors must have completed the 9th grade and be volunteer screened certified or attain certification before camp. Counselors are required to attend the Counselor training on June 9 (day before camp starts) at Rock Springs. Form is on our website: www.leavenworth.ksu.edu/4-H Youth Development; Events & Activities; Youth Opportunities

Campers and Rookie Campers—The fliers are on our website and available in the office. All registrations including payment of fees are completed on line through the following link: http://tinyurl.com/ozsome (Ctrl+click) There is a guide on how to navigate this online system on our website.

Regular campers, (grades 3-7) June 10-13, ride the bus both ways. Cost is $222.00.

Rookie Campers, (grades 1-2), select one of the sessions, June 10-11 (ride bus to camp-parent picks up) or June 12-13, (parent takes member to camp and then they ride bus home). Cost $100.00. Registration/payment DUE by May 1.
The next Photography meeting will be on **April 11, 6:00 p.m.** at Tonganoxie VFW. Meetings are on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at the Tongie VFW. **Don't forget to bring your cameras!**

Discovery Days registration opened on March 1, 2017. Registration will close on April 15 at midnight. This will be the 93rd year for Discovery Days! Discovery Days is a mini college experience designed for youth who are 13-18 years of age as of January 1. Youth will have the opportunity to select classes and attend social functions. The primary purpose of 4-H Discovery Days is to gain new ideas and expand your 4-H experience. You will meet new people, build leadership skills and grow as a person. Cost is $230.00. Some classes may have additional fees which will be added to your registration. Register on CVent and pay through the Extension Office. There is an Optional Suite selection which gives registrants the option to select a suite for an additional $35 charge. Suites are available on a first come basis. Cancellations on or before April 20, 2017 will be charged a $25 cancellation fee. After April 20 you will be charged the full base registration fee – no refunds.

For detailed information about 2017 Discovery Days, including Schedule, Dress Code and Packing List, please visit the Discovery Days page on the 4-H website by clicking [here](http://www.kansas4h.org/events-activities/camping/specialty-camps/clothing-camp/index.html).

4-H Campference is for youth ages 12-14 (before January 1, 2017), and will be held June 27-30 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Participants will experience the feel of a conference, while enjoying the 'camp' activities Rock Springs 4-H Center has to offer. This is a great transitional opportunity, as these tweens go from being a camper to attending educational conferences. 4-H Campference will feature workshops about opportunities in the 4-H program and how to better interact with others. Participants will meet other youth from around the state of Kansas. Registration and detailed information will be on the State 4-H Website soon. Register early as the space will fill on a first come basis, and Campference was full the last three years! Register online by May 15 (or earlier if it will close when it is full) and payment must be in the local Extension Offices by May 15.

Registration is now open for the 2017 Kansas 4-H Sewing Camp! What: 4-H Sewing Camp  Who: 13-18 year old 4-H members with sewing experience  When: May 30-June 2  Where: Justin Hall, KSU, Manhattan Campus  Cost: $215  Registration: March 1-April 15 through Cvent Registration is limited to a maximum of 30 youth  Website: [http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/camping/specialty-camps/clothing-camp/index.html](http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/camping/specialty-camps/clothing-camp/index.html)  Adult and teen leader volunteers are needed to assist with the Camp. Teens 16-18 and adults with sewing knowledge, are invited to apply. Applications are available at the above website link. Teen and adult leader applications are due April 1. Cost for teen or adult volunteer leader registration is $125.
As many as ten IFYE’s are expected for summer 2017 in Kansas. Each will have multiple host families, staying with each 2-3 weeks. Families are needed between June 19 and September 8. Information is trickling in, but to date all IFYE’s we have information on this year are females. There should be at least a couple of males. We expect most will be from farms. Several express interest in horses among the currently available bios. Countries include Austria, Estonia, Germany, Greece, Northern Ireland, Scotland, Taiwan and Wales. As information becomes available, it will be posted on the Host Family web page: http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/global-citizenship/host-family-information/index.html. To apply, go to the bottom of the page under IFYE Hosting and download the IFYE Host Family Application as a fillable pdf, save it to your computer, fill in the form and save it. The completed form should be emailed to Mary Kay Munson at munson@ksbroadband.net. The web site has a separate Word document applying families can download and insert a family picture(s), save and email to Munson. She will work with them on placement of an IFYE.

If you are interested in attending a 4-H judges workshop here’s an opportunity for you. It will be held in Hutchinson, KS on April 25. This is a late afternoon-evening event. It is hosted by Reno and Harvey Counties. Sessions will be offered on Foods, Photography, Posters & Displays, Crops & Flowers, Arts & Crafts, Talks & Demonstrations, and Horticulture & Herbs. Cost is $14 if postmarked by April 17; $20 if postmarked after April 17. Meal and all handouts are included in the registration cost. For registration information, go to http://www.reno.k-state.edu/4-h/, and click on 4-H Judges Workshop under "What's Hot" or call the Reno County Extension Office at 620-662-2371.

The Kansas 4-H SpaceTech Program and the Kansas Cosmosphere located in Hutchinson are again teaming up to provide an “Unmanned Aerial Systems” Experience. The experience will begin Friday, March 31, at 4 p.m., and will end on Saturday, April 1, 4 p.m. Cost is $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, but may not chaperone other non-family 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, plus much more.

This collaboration is designed to be an adult-child experience, where 4-H members and adults can interact and learn from these fun and educational experiences. Participants will stay in the Cosmosphere for overnight indoor camping (bring your own sleeping bag, air mattress, pillow, towel and toiletry items). The CVent registration system is now open. Visit: http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html. Registration will close March 16, 2017, 11:59 p.m. For more information, contact Deryl Waldren, dwaldren@ksu.edu, or call 785-462-6281.
Kansas Junior Producer Days

Horse: 2 and 3-Year-Old Projects

Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes August 19-20

Openings 2017 LVCO Fair 4-H Superintendents

Please visit the KSU Youth Livestock Program website, under Kansas Junior Producer Days for more information.

http://www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/index.html

**Kansas Junior Meat Goat Producer Day – Saturday, March 25, 2017**
Weber Arena, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS
Early Registration Due – March 3, 2017
Early Registration Fee - $15/person ($20 after March 3rd) No refunds.
*Registrations received after March 3rd cannot be guaranteed a t-shirt.

**The Junior Meat Goat Producer Day will be held on the same date as the K-State Sheep & Meat Goat Center Sale. They are separate events, but the schedule will accommodate families who would like to participate in both activities.**

Horse snaffle bit projects are due into the local Extension Office by May 1. Along with the nomination, the 4-H member must submit the Horse ID (including a color picture of the horse) and a $10 fee. Three-year old snaffle bit projects must have been nominated the previous year but did not have to be shown to be re-nominated. State Fair entries for these projects are due August 1 in the State 4-H Office. For more information concerning the Snaffle bit project check the 4-H Horse Show Rule Book. Also note, that after May 1 the nominated horse can only be shown and ridden by the 4-H member.

The 2017 Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes will be held August 19-20, 2017 in Weber Hall on the K-State campus. Livestock Sweepstakes is an event that includes the state 4-H livestock judging contest, meat judging contest, livestock skillathon, and livestock quiz bowl over the course of a weekend. This is a great opportunity for 4-H members to display their knowledge of the livestock industry in a variety of ways.

If you are interested in 4-H judging contact Karol Lohman in the Extension Office. Now is a good time to get started with practices and learning events when they are scheduled. All 4-H'ers must go through their local Extension Office to register for the Sweepstakes.

The following 4-H Departments have openings for a Superintendent for the 2017 LVCO Fair. To apply send a letter to Brenda Taxeras indicating your area of interest and qualifications. Superintendents are required to attend both the pre and post fair meetings, get sponsorships for their awards, set up their department on judging day, supervise the judging and then set up the projects for display among other duties. For a full job description see our website at http://www.leavenworth.k-state.edu/fair-book/ (Ctrl = click). Select Job Description under Superintendents.

4-H Fiber Arts - Sets up on Sunday set up day. Judges on Monday of fair week.
4-H Geology - Sets up and Judges on Tuesday afternoon of fair week.
4-H Home Environment - Sets up and judges on Tuesday afternoon of fair week.
4-H SpaceTech - Sets up and Judges on Monday evening of fair week. This area includes Astronomy, Computers, UMAS (drones), Robotics and Rocketry.
4-H Cats/Pets - Judges on the Saturday preceding fair week.

Older teens in the project area can assist as Jr. Superintendents if they wish to apply. Questions-contact the Extension Office.
LEAVENWORTH COUNTY CLUB DAY RESULTS

MODEL MEETINGS
Happy Hollow - Top Blue

JR. DEMONSTRATIONS/ILLUSTRATED TALKS
Evan & Gavin Shupe (Team) - Happy Helpers - Top Blue
Jack Habjan—Glenwood - Reserve Blue
Madelyn Lueck - Glenwood - Blue
Helen Habjan -Glenwood - Blue
Wilson Lueck - Glenwood - Blue
Emma Murphy - Bell - Blue
Samuel Murphy - Bell - Blue
Brookelin Pierce - Bell Blue

SR DEMONSTRATIONS/ILLUSTRATED TALKS
Catie Larson - Boling - Top Blue
Braxton Shupe - Happy Helpers - Reserve Blue
Brett Klamm - Glenwood - Blue
Josie Parsons - Livewires - Blue

PROJECT TALKS
Christopher Raithel - Happy Helpers - Top Blue
Emma Aufdemberge - Livewires - Reserve Blue
Charles Aufdemberge - Livewires - Red
Caden Guthrie Happy Helpers - Red

PUBLIC SPEAKING
Marina Pebley - Basehor Rustlers - Top Blue

MUSIC - VOCAL
Chorus - Reno Bobwhites — Top Blue
Vocal Solo/Ensemble
Elizabeth Hund (Solo) - Basehor Rustlers - Top Blue
(John Payne (Solo) - Basehor Rustlers - Reserve Blue
Marina Pebley (Solo) - Basehor Rustlers - Blue
Eliza Brockhoff (Solo) Happy Helpers - Blue
Anna & Carmen Payne (Ens.)- Basehor Rustlers -Top Blue
Joseph Payne & Timothy Hund (Ens.)- Basehor Rustlers - Reserve Blue

MUSIC—INSTRUMENTAL SOLO/ENSEMBLE
Mary Habjan - Glenwood - Top Blue

PIANO SOLO
Carmen Payne - Basehor Rustlers - Top Blue
Josie Parsons - Livewires Reserve Blue
Grace Douglas - Glenwood - Blue
Samai Parsons - Livewires - Blue
Virginia Parsons - Livewires - Blue
Anna Payne - Basehor Rustlers - Blue
John Payne - Basehor Rustlers - Blue
Joseph Payne - Basehor Rustlers - Blue
Braxton Shupe - Happy Helpers - Blue
Evan Shupe Happy Helpers - Blue
Gavin Shupe Happy Helpers - Blue

CONGRATULATIONS
To ALL
MEMBERS WHO PARTICIPATED
And
Thank you to all those
who helped that day!!

Don't forget - Regional Day on March 18 in Atchison
Atchison Elementary School
825 N 17th St.
Atchison, KS 66002
June 5 – August 4, 2017
Growing plants, animals and children at Camp GROW!

Camp GROW! is a summer day camp for children who have completed grades 1-6. Held on the
grounds of the National Agricultural Center and Hall of Fame in Bonner Springs, KS, the camp
uses the 4-H curriculum. If campers are not already members of 4-H, they can become 4-H mem-
ers and be paired with clubs. Campers can choose from a list of 4-H projects.
The camp is broken into two-week themed sessions:

Session 1: Flocks & Herds, June 5-16
Session 2: Robots & Rockets, June 19-30
Session 3: Sticks & Bugs, July 10-21
Session 4: Arts & Explorations, July 24-August 4
(No camp July 3-7)

Camp is packed with fun activities and learning experiences! Campers will learn about chickens
with our poultry house and egg incubator, fish in our on-site pond, and experience all kinds of ani-
mals and birds first-hand. They’ll explore our nature trail and field to discover different bugs,
plants and trees. Learn about pollinators and horticulture in our garden from Master Gardeners.
Build Lego and Junk Drawer robots and water rockets, and learn how GPS technology is used in
different ways. Plus so much more! And what is summer fun without fishing and swimming!
Campers will fish in our on-site pond and go swimming weekly.

Camp Fee: $360 per camper per two-week session ($180/week). Some scholarships are availa-
ble; contact us (Ctrl+click) for more information about them.

When registering for the camp, select the sessions you would like your child/children to attend.
Registration deadline for each session is seven days prior to the first day of that session. Full
payment for each session is due at time of registration. No refunds if campers miss any days/
weeks for which they are registered.

Before/After Care: The camp begins at 9 AM and concludes at 4 PM daily. Campers should ar-
rive between 8-9 AM. Before and after care is available at a cost of $10 per child per day (7:30-8
AM and 4-5:30 PM), and is paid on an as-needed basis and separately from the camp.

To Register: Register online here (Ctrl+click) Or download the registration form (Ctrl+click) (PDF).

Great Opportunity for Community Service
Saturday, April 22, 2017
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Members/families/clubs consider the following for a great
Community Service Activity.
• Share your animal project(s) at the event
• Volunteer to help by working at the event
• Or ask to have a table to do a Bake Sale

For more information contact Judy—info@aghanloffame.com or Karol Lohman at 913-364-5700.
Please let the Ag Hall of Fame know of your intent by March 31.
2017 Upcoming Dates

March
11 - Junior Swine Producer Day, Manhattan  
- No Secrets Beef Clinic, LVCO Fairgrounds  
14 - Photography Meeting, Tonganoxie VFW, 6 p.m.  
16 - Second Livestock Quality assurance Class, Grange Hall, 6:30 p.m.  
- Registration for Cosmosphere Experience Due  
18 - Regional Club Day, Atchison  
25 - Junior Meat Goat Producer Day, Manhattan  
27 - LVCO 4-H council meeting, Brown Building, Fairgrounds, 7 p.m.  
31 - April 1 4-H Unmanned Aerial Systems Experience, Cosmosphere, Hutchinson

April
1 - K-State Animal Science Leadership Academy Application Deadline. See ASI website.  
7-9 KS 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Training, Rock Springs 4-H Center  
11 - Photography meeting, Tonganoxie VFW, 6 p.m.  
15 - LV CO BIA Beef Show, LVCO Fairgrounds  
- Discovery Day registration closes.  
18 - Camp Counselor Applications DUE.  
26 - Last Livestock Quality Assurance Class, PRES gym, 6:30 p.m.

May
1 - Market Beef Nominations Due  
- Horse 2 & 3 year old Snaffle bit project and Nomination Due in Extension Office  
- Horse ID and paperwork Due in Extension Office  
4 - Sheep/goat tagging, Fairgrounds, 5 p.m. –7 p.m.  
6 - Sheep/Goat tagging, Fairgrounds, 9 a.m. –11:00 a.m.  
9 - Photography meeting, Tonganoxie VFW, 6 p.m.  
20 - Spring Show – Swine, Sheep, Goats, LVCO Fairgrounds  
30 -June 2 Discovery Days, Campus, KSU Registration open on KS 4-H website  
30- June 2 Sewing Camp, KSU

June
9 - Ozyme camp counselors must report for training. Rock Springs  
10-13 Ozyme 4-H Camp (County camp), Rock Springs 4-H Center Registration open.  
27-30 Campference, Rock Springs

July
21-23 LVCO pre-fair events, watch for details  
24–30 LVCO Fair

August
19-20 - State 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes

September
8-17 - Kansas State Fair  
29-October 1 - Kansas Junior Livestock Show

REMINDER - Kansas 4-H Cloverbuds and Spring Shows
When 4-H and/or Extension plans, organizes and facilitates a livestock, small animal, horse or pre or post-fair activity please double check that 4-H Policies are being followed. An area of concern is 4-H Cloverbuds. The program was designed for 5-and 6-year-olds. Cloverbuds is activity-focused, rather than project-focused. Furthermore, 4-H Cloverbuds members may not participate in any competitive 4-H events. 4-H Cloverbuds members many showcase their exhibits at fairs and public events. 4-H Cloverbuds may not own and/or show 4-H livestock. For more information referring to 4-H Cloverbuds, please check the Kansas Department of 4-H Youth Development Policy Guide, section D3 4-H Cloverbuds, page 8 or Kansas 4-H Cloverbuds pages 19 – 22.
Update on Kansas State Fair Changes for 2017

1. The Horse Department has had several changes – this includes a complete overhaul of the schedule.
2. There is no longer a GPS/GIS Class at the State Fair in SpaceTech – this has been replaced with an Unmanned Aerial Systems class. Please note that the SpaceTech Department has also been completely overhauled and reorganized.
3. FCS Judging – Please note that Intermediate and Senior FCS Judging will both occur at the State Fair in 2017.
4. In photography – due to lack of entries in the past, the video class will no longer be offered.

The LVCO 4-H Rules will reflect these changes also.

4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator/Instructor Training - April 7 - 9, 2017

The next 4-H Shooting Sports Training is scheduled, Friday - Sunday, April 7 - 9, 2017 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Plans are to offer all disciplines within 4-H Shooting Sports provided interests from volunteers across the state matches the disciplines. Disciplines offered: Coordinator, Rifle, Shotgun, Archery, Muzzle loading, Pistol, Hunting Skills and Western Heritage/Cowboy Action. Registration will be on the 4-H web page mid-February.

Additionally, a 4-H Volunteer Orientation Session will be offered on Friday, April 7, 10 a.m. for interested 4-H Shooting Sports participants. Please contact Rebeca Savidge or Brenda Taxeras if interested so the Coordinator can set up an interview to get things started.