May 1st Deadline

- Drop or add 4-H projects
- Complete online enrollment in order to participate in upcoming 4-H activities
- Turn in or update Horse I.D.s
- Beef DNA & fee due to State 4-H Office

Pawnee County Fair - July 25-28, 2018

- Deadlines and important dates will be published in newsletters, letters, emails, and other forms of correspondence.
- Fair entries will be due to the Extension Office by 5:00 p.m. on Friday June 29th. Packets will be handed out when available.

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Contact Us!

Whether you have questions about upcoming events, enrollment, or project descriptions, we are here to find you answers!

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Pawnee County Shoot Out

The Shooting Sports project leaders and parents hosted the 23rd Annual Pawnee County Shoot Out on March 10. About 40 4-Hers from 7 counties competed. Pawnee County 4-Hers received medals in:

**Air Rifle:**
- Overall 13-14 years: Audrey Manry, 3rd
- 4-Man Team: Pawnee County—Audrey Manry, Jameson Smith, Sarah Manry, Jaidyn Pinkston, 3rd

**Air Pistol, 4-H Sporter:**
- 13 yrs & under: Cordell Hammeke, 3rd
- 2-Man Team: Cordell Hammeke & James Seeman, Silver

**Air Pistol, Open:**
- 13 yrs & under: Jameson Smith, 3rd
- 2-Man Team: Jameson Smith & Charisma Taylor, Silver

**Archery:**
- 8-10 years: Gavin Lemuz, 1st
  Faith Kelty, 2nd
  Gillian Smith, 3rd
- 11-13 years: Ethan Lemuz, 1st
  James Seeman, 2nd
  Jameson Smith, 3rd
- 14+ years: Jarett Seeman, 1st
  Charisma Taylor, 2nd
  Clayton Kelty, 3rd

**Special thanks to the following helpers:**
Joe Augustine, Bob Frisbie, Alan Hagerman, Sindy Hagerman, Jason Hammeke, Nathan Lemuz, Tracy Rector, Bob Rein, Mary Strong, Paul Strong, Larry Stude, Marilyn Stude, Josh Taylor, Jeff Holste, Jason Pinkston and Wayne Wilcox.

**Shotgun**
Practices will be held at the Larned Gun Club Range on April 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30th. Beginners will practice at 5pm and advanced will begin at 6pm.

Pawnee County Fair Shoot:
Monday July 23rd at 5:00pm

For any questions about weather conditions please call Larry Skelton at (620) 285-5074 or Nathan Barker at (620) 804-0580.

**Horse Project**
Meet at the fairgrounds on Sunday April 22, at 4:00 p.m. Bring your horses and be ready to practice!

**4-H Horse Information**
In 2018, only Achievement Level 1 will be required by 4-H members 9-18 years of age wanting to compete at District and State Fair. The reason is a limited number of certified Achievement Level Testers and scheduled trainings being offered.

No roping events at the Kansas State Fair for 2018 because of the cost.

No horse ID papers will be required, except for those showing out of county.

The updated Horse Show Rule Book is available.

**Dog**
Dog practice will be on April 3rd & 10th at 5:30 p.m. at the J.A. Haas Exhibit Building. Be sure to bring your dog and leash.

**Rabbit Project**
With spring in the air, it is time to think about getting involved in your rabbit project. There are many exciting upcoming local rabbit shows that would be a great experience for your child to attend. If you don’t have a rabbit, this would be a great opportunity to purchase one. There are many breeds to choose from and Kathy Hammeke would be more than happy to help you.

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to call Kathy at 620-285-9080 or Cindy Grant at 620-285-9033.
Livestock Judging

There are a couple KSU Youth Livestock Judging Camps available to anyone interested!

June 6-8; June 11-13; or June 15-17

Please contact the Extension Office for more details.

Spring Shows & Sales

We receive digital and paper flyers advertising for upcoming livestock shows and sale opportunities. If you are interested in showing or purchasing at a sale, contact the Extension Office for more information.

Project Leaders

There are many project resources available in the Extension Office. Several projects have large notebooks compiled by KSU professors and project leaders across the state. There are also copies of the National CCS project materials. Both of them can be checked out for a two week time period so you can make plans for project meetings.

Help Wanted

With 4th Grade Ag Day coming up very soon, we could use some help to clean up the fair grounds before this event. Thursday, April 26, 5:30 p.m. has been set aside to clean up the fair grounds. Everyone is asked to bring cleaning tools (scoop shovels, wheel barrows, rakes, brooms, etc.) if they have them. See you there!

If you agree to present at 4th Grade Ag Day, it would be great to have you there and also after the event to help clean up. Any other 4-Hers are welcome to help also.

Community Leaders, please remind your club members!

4th Grade Ag Day

4th Grade Ag Day will be held May 3, at the Pawnee County Fair Grounds. There will be a 4-H Animal Petting Zoo again this year, which Donna is organizing. Give Kyle a call if you would like to help with that. Also be prepared to help clean up the fair grounds before the event and help clean the J.A. Haas Exhibit Building after the event.

Small Animal Weigh-In

Sheep, Goat, and Bucket Calf ear tag and weigh-in is scheduled for Wednesday, May 3, 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the Fair Grounds. Swine will not be weighed due to disease but do need ear tags before May 3rd. Call Ted Van Horn or Kyle Grant to set up an appointment.

In 2010, the 4-H PDC and Executive Board enacted guidelines that need to be kept in mind:

◊ Must be enrolled in the project before weigh-in.
◊ Only animals weighed-in on May 3 are eligible for rate of gain contest.
◊ If you have a conflict with the weigh-in dates or do not want to participate in the rate of gain contest, you can contact Ted or Kyle to set an appointment to weigh and tag.
◊ Each 4-Her has a limit of six animals per species to be designated for county fair.

State Fair & KJLS Livestock

If you are planning to take market beef, swine, goats, or sheep to the State Fair or KJLS, DNA samples must be taken and sent in. All market animals, commercial heifers, commercial ewes, and wether dams must be identified with the State EID 4-H tag. DNA samples on market steers and market heifers are due on May 1. The deadline for commercial heifers, lambs, goats, and hogs is June 15.
Regional 4-H Day

Congratulations to the Regional 4-H Day participants! Pawnee County’s composite model meeting received a Red. Thank you to those serving as officers and to the leaders Beth Smith and Kristy Mull for organizing the composite meeting.

The top blue winners from our County Club Day participated and did a great job. Evelyn Brownlee (Jr. Reading), James Seeman (Project Talk), Sarah Manry (Sr. Demonstration), and Audrey Manry (ARI) received top or alternate top blues at Regional 4-H Day.

Heart of Kansas 4-H Camp

It’s time to start planning for 4-H Camp. Pawnee County 4-Hers can attend camp at Rock Springs Ranch June 9-12. 4-Hers age 7-13 (or just completing 8th grade) are eligible to attend. Cost for camp this year is $180.00. Registration will be due May 1 to the Extension Office.

Pete & Hilda Penka Scholarship through the Pawnee County 4-H Foundation, applications are also due May 1st (this scholarship may only be won once).

Another scholarship, sponsored by 4-H Council, is available to be used for county camp. The 4-H PDC decided to have an interview process to award the scholarships. Camp scholarship interviews will be held May 22nd, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Please call or stop by to set a time to interview. The 4-H member must have attended 2 club meetings and 1 other 4-H activity to apply for the scholarship. The 4-Her will receive a list of possible questions for a 5 minute interview. 4-Hers will be rated on their appearance, responses, to questions, and their professionalism. This process will help 4-H youth develop self-confidence. 4-Hers will receive letters with more details.

Camp counselor applications are also due May 1st in the Extension Office. There is no fee for counselors. They will go up to camp the day before to prepare for the campers. Those applying to be counselors must be 15 years old as of January 1, 2018, and must have completed the 4-H volunteer screening process.

4-H Council - UPDATED INFO

The June meeting for the Pawnee County 4-H Council is scheduled for Monday June 4, at the J.A. Haas Exhibit Building, at 7:30 p.m. There will be no leaders meeting beforehand. Everything that needs to be discussed will be done with the youth during the meeting! Please plan to attend or send a substitute.

Fair T-Shirts

Please see enclosed order form for the Pawnee County Fair 25th Anniversary t-shirts. Shirts are available to anyone that is interested (current 4-hers and families, alumni, and etc.). Please be aware of the due date being June 1st! There will only be one order placed for these shirts, so money is due at time of order.
Tiny Toilers celebrated the Easter season by making Washcloth Easter Bunnies that they presented to residents of Country Living. Small gestures can go a long way within your own community! Thank you for making the time to spend with others!

Gem Dandys welcomed their newest member Kale Hagerman with a family fun night full of LOTS of pizza and yummy desserts. The kids enjoyed watching their parents participate in some Rec fun!

Western Wranglers took a Roller Skating trip for their March meeting. Fun (and hopefully not too many falls) were had by all!!
**Tractor Safety**

The Extension Councils from Clark, Comanche, Edwards, Ford, Gray, Hodgeman, Meade, Pawnee Counties, and Walnut Creek District will be hosting a Tractor Safety Operator’s Course. It will take place on Saturday, May 5. Pre-registration is required by April 27 and forms are available in the Extension Office or online at www.ford.k-state.edu/news/tractor-safety-2017.html.

Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. at the Ag Tech Building (located just south of the small irrigation system, on the northwest corner of the campus) on Dodge City Community College’s Campus. The course runs from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. A registration fee of $15 covers the noon meal, breaks, handouts, and a handbook.

You can pre-register and receive a Participation Form in the Pawnee County Extension Office. If you have any dietary restrictions, contact Ford County at 620-227-4542.

**Campference**

4-H Campference is for youth ages 12-14 (before January 1, 2018), and will be held June 26-29, at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Participants will experience the feel of a conference, while enjoying the “camp” activities from Rock Springs 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.

Register early as the space will fill on a first come basis. Campference was full the last four years! Register online by May 15 at www.kansas4-h.org/events. Payment must be in to the local Extension Office by May 15, 2018. Cost will be announced at a later date.

**Discovery Days**

This event will be May 29-June 1 on the KSU campus. Be sure to check the State 4-H website at http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/discovery-days/index.html for more information. It’s a great 4-H event for youth 13-18 years old. Classes fill quickly, so register early to attend the class you want. Registration deadline is April 16th. Base price is $235, but many classes have additional fees.

**$25 Scholarship available through the Robert Bowman Memorial. Please stop into the Extension Office to pick up an application— Due April 23rd!!**

**Shutterbugs at Botanica**

On April 28th, Botanica, The Wichita Gardens at 701 Amidon, Wichita, will host the photography workshop.

Workshop topics and activities include: Camera Questions, Props & Costumes, Portraits & Posing, Lighting, Getting Ready for the Fair, Kaleidoscopes, Composition, and Photo Scavenger Hunt. In the event of rain or snow, workshops will be held indoors.

Registration is not required. All participants pay regular gate fee at the gardens but no additional workshop fee.

**4-H Takes Flight!**

Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 14th and save the date! 4-H members will have the opportunity to visit and experience the Spencer Flight and Education Center in Scott City for a 2 hour field trip. Established in 2012, the SFEC provides a local venue for high-quality flight instruction and youth aviation education. The day will include lunch at the William Carpenter 4-H Building followed by an afternoon 4-H Aerospace/Rocketry workshop.

Register by calling the Scott County Extension Office at 620-872-2930 no later than Friday, April 6th. To cover the cost of lunch and activity supplies, youth will pay a registration fee of $10.00 and adults will be charged $5 (lunch only). Registration fees will be collected on-site. Please bring exact cash and a completed 4-H participation form with you to the event. Registration is limited to the first 25 youth—SIGN UP EARLY! Event time is 10:00 am-3:00 pm.
The 4-H Foundation provides so much support for Pawnee County 4-H, we need to support them. We can do this by promoting membership to the 4-H Foundation. The lifetime membership is $10.00 per person, this includes all youth and adults that are interested in the youth of Pawnee County. The Pawnee County 4-H Foundation will be making the following awards during 2018:

- Cash scholarship to Citizenship-Washington Focus delegates - Mary K. Froetschner Babb Memorial
- Cash award for the Hilda Phinney Youth Leader Award to leader involved in youth work
- **Plaque for top project talk and demonstration at Pawnee County 4-H Club Day and Silver tray to best of Show 4-H Arts and Crafts exhibit at the Pawnee County Fair - Jason & Brooke Meckfessel Memorial
- **Cash award to the Pawnee County Bike Safety Essay - Melvin Kasselman Memorial
- Cash scholarship to Citizenship-Washington Focus delegates - Keith Gore Memorial
- Two cash scholarships to County 4-H Camp - Pete and Hilda Penka Memorial
- Cash scholarship to be used as the 4-H Council decides - 4-H Council Scholarship Fund
- Cash award to the Grand Champion 4-H Crops exhibit at the Pawnee County Fair - Hugh Bowman Memorial
- Power tool to the Grand Champion 4-H Woodworking exhibit at the Pawnee County Fair - Dewey Schultz Memorial
- Cash award and a silver tray for the Grand Champion 4-H Beef Showman at the Pawnee County Fair; cash award to each team member for the State Livestock Judging expense; and cash award and a silver tray to the Pawnee County Beef Record Book Champion to be presented at the 4-H Achievement Banquet - Joe W. Lewis Memorial
- Plaque to the Pawnee County Swine Record Book Champion to be presented at the 4-H Achievement Banquet; cash award to the Champion Jr. Swine Showman at the Pawnee County Fair; cash award to the Champion Sr. Swine Showman at the Pawnee County Fair - Glenn & Velma Hewson Memorial
- Cash award to the Grand Champion 4-H Garden Exhibit at the Pawnee County Fair - Velma Bowman Memorial
- Plaque and cash award to the Pawnee County Horticulture Record Book Champion - Estella Irion Pittenger Memorial
- Plaque for Grand Champion 4-H Electric Exhibit at the Pawnee County Fair - Edna and Arthur Strobel Memorial
- Trophies for Champion Jr. 4-H Sheep Showman and Champion Sr. 4-H Sheep Showman at the Pawnee County Fair - Ruth & Lyle Traylor Memorial
- Plaque and cash award to Pawnee County Record Book Champion in Crop Production and Management to be presented at the 4-H Achievement Banquet; Plaque and cash to the Reserve Grand Champion 4-H Crops Exhibit at the Pawnee County Fair - Edwin and Shirley Doll Memorial
- Cash award to Pawnee County Photography Record Book Champion to be presented at the 4-H Achievement Banquet - Faye M. Anderson Memorial
- Cash scholarship to Citizenship-Washington Focus delegate; Cash award to Grand Champion 4-H Clothing Construction at the Pawnee County Fair - Jennifer Otte Finger Memorial
- Plaque and cash award to Pawnee County Record Book Foods Champion to be presented at the 4-H Achievement Banquet - Doris Barstow Krehbiel Memorial
- Cash award to the Supreme 4-H Beef Female and Cash award to the Reserve 4-H Beef Female at the Pawnee County Fair - Barbara Bowman Memorial
- Award to the Reserve Grand Champion 4-H Beef Showman at the Pawnee County Fair and an award to the Grand Champion 4-H Horse Showman at the Pawnee County Fair - Judy Kirby Memorial
- Trophy and cash award to the Champion 4-H Hereford Steer at the Pawnee County Fair; Trophy and cash award to the Champion 4-H Hereford Heifer at the Pawnee County Fair; Trophy and cash award to the Grand Champion 4-H Bucket Feeder at the Pawnee County Fair; Plaque to the Reserve

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Grand Champion 4-H Electric Exhibit at the Pawnee County Fair; Plaque to the Reserve Grand Champion 4-H Woodwork Exhibit at the Pawnee County Fair; Individual plaque and a series of years plaque for Outstanding Fair Helper to be awarded at the 4-H Achievement Banquet - Michael Steffen Memorial

- Trophy and cash award to the Grand Champion 4-H Bucket Calf at the Pawnee County Fair; Trophy and cash award to the Champion Junior Beef Showman at the Pawnee County Fair; Plaque and cash award for the Pawnee County Record Book Bucket Calf Champion to be presented at the 4-H Achievement Banquet - Wayne Miller Memorial
- Trophy and a rope halter awarded to the Reserve Grand Champion Bucket Calf at the Pawnee County Fair - Ethan Cooper Memorial

**Above listed awards can only be won once by a 4-Her.**

- Plaque awarded to the Champion Wheat Jar at the Pawnee County Fair; Traveling Herdsmanship plaque awarded to highest scoring club - Raymond Johnson Memorial
- Plaque to the Grand Champion Shooting Sports at the Pawnee County Fair - Clayton Buster Memorial
- Plaque and cash award to the Champion 4-H Cookie exhibit at the Pawnee County Fair - Ada Lee Dege Stedman Memorial
- Plaque and cash award to the Grand Champion Constructed Fashion Revue - Natlie Thompson-Clizer Memorial
- Cash award to the Champion 4-H Pie at the Pawnee County Fair - Joan Strobel Memorial
- Cash award to the 1st place Youth Division at the Pawnee County Fair Market Alfalfa Show; Cash award to the 2nd place Youth Division at the Pawnee County Fair Market Alfalfa Show; and Trophy to Reserve Champion 4-H Alfalfa Exhibit at the Pawnee County Fair - Raymond Frick Memorial
- $500.00 4-H Foundation Scholarship awarded to two seniors enrolled in 4-H - Pawnee County 4-H Foundation
- Cash scholarship to the recipient of a National 4-H Congress Trip – if no trip winner, provides funds for Washington Focus Trip winner - Ellen and Elmer Musil Memorial
- Silver 4-H Tray and a cash award to the Senior High Point Horse Exhibitor at the Pawnee County Fair - Arnita Tabler Memorial
- Cash award to the Best Yeast Bread (no bread machine used) at the Pawnee County Fair - Hilda Hagerman Memorial
- Cash to sponsor awards for the Pawnee County Livestock Judging Contest - Frances Lewis Memorial
- Gingher Shears to the Reserve Grand Champion Fashion Revue in the Construction division at the Pawnee County Fair - Martha Zecha Memorial
- Cash award to the Jr. Horse Showman at the Pawnee County Fair - Ida Neil Balman Memorial
- Crystal vase to the Grand Champion 4-H Flower, Terrariums, & Plant Division at the Pawnee County Fair; Crystal Bowl to the Reserve Grand Champion 4-H Flower, Terrariums, & Plant Division at the Pawnee County Fair; Award to the Reserve Grand Champion 4-H Photography Exhibit at the Pawnee County Fair - Marian Mull Memorial
- Cash award to the Reserve Grand Champion Swine Showman at the Pawnee County Fair - Marvin Finger Memorial
- Cash award to the Grand Champion Entomology Exhibit at the Pawnee County Fair - C.M. Phinney Memorial
- Cash award to the Champion Sr. Beef Showman at the Pawnee County Fair - Leon Graver Memorial
- Cash award to the Champion Level II Clothing Construction at the Pawnee County Fair - Mystel Graver Memorial
- Cash award & plaque to the Grand Champion Girls Buymanship Fashion Revue at the Pawnee County Fair - Alice Schultz Memorial
- Silver 4-H Tray and a cash award to the Senior Horse Showman at the Pawnee County Fair - Gina Tabler Crowe Memorial
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- Cash award to the Grand Champion Reading Exhibit; Cash award to the Reserve Grand Champion Reading Exhibit; and Cash award to the Grand Champion Bicycle Exhibitor at the Pawnee County Fair - E. Clifford Manry Memorial
- Scholarship to the Top ranked 4-H Foundation scholarship winner each year - Amil & Berniece Hanson Memorial
- An award to the Champion Intermediate Beef Showman at the Pawnee County Fair - Wayne Ward Memorial
- An award to the Reserve Grand Champion Shooting Sports at the Pawnee County Fair - Gary Shelton Memorial
- An award to be given to all 1st time 4-H Livestock exhibitors at the Pawnee County Fair each year - Judy Zook Memorial
- Cash award to the Junior Champion in Woodworking at the Pawnee County Fair - Rick Best Memorial
- Cash award to the best Angel Food or Chiffon Cake at the Pawnee County Fair - Mary Ann Fox Tammen Memorial
- Discovery Days Scholarship - Robert Bowman Memorial
- Cash award to the Reserve Champion Senior Sheep Showman - Leonard Finger Memorial

Other awards to be made with income from the general fund include: Silver trays for 4-H Alumni winners, radios to the top project talk and top demonstration at Pawnee County 4-H Club Day, and many of the county champion and achievement pins presented at the 4-H Achievement Banquet.

Dates to Remember

A P R I L
2, 9, 16, 23, 30: Shotgun Practices at the Larned Gun Club
3 & 10: Dog practice at the J.A. Haas Exhibit Building @ 5:30 p.m.
6-7: Alien Adventure Experience in Hutchinson
16: Discovery Days Registration deadline
22: Horse Project Meeting - Fair grounds @ 4:00 p.m.
26: Fairgrounds Clean Up - 5:30 p.m.
28: Shutterbugs at Botanica

M A Y
1: Last day to drop/add projects for 2018 Fair
1: 4-H Camp Counselor applications, Camper Registration forms, & Campference Registration due to the Extension Office
1: DNA samples for market steers and market heifers due
3: 4th Grade Ag Day
3: Small Animal Weigh-In - Fair Grounds @ 5:00-7:00 p.m.
5: Tractor Safety Class in Dodge City

(May Cont.)
22: Camp Scholarship Interviews - Courthouse Lounge, starting @ 5:30 p.m.
29: June 1: Discovery Days at KSU

J U N E
1: Fair T-Shirt orders Due — NO EXCEPTIONS!
4: 4-H Council meeting at the J.A. Haas Exhibit Building @ 7:30 p.m.
9-12: Heart of Kansas 4-H Camp at Rock Springs Ranch
15: DNA samples due for commercial heifers, lambs, goats, and hogs
26-29: Campference at Rock Springs 4-H Center
29: Pawnee County Fair Entries are due to Extension Office by 5pm

J U L Y
25-28: Pawnee County Fair
Dear 4-H Families,

The Extension Office is open from 8:30 a.m.-12:00 noon and 1:00-5:00 p.m. The office will “normally” be closed over the noon hour. However, we realize these hours may not coincide with everyone’s schedules. Give us a call and we will do our best to work with your schedule.

Sincerely,

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