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 June 29th. Packets have been handed out to Club Leaders. The Fair Book has been extensively updated. Be sure to read all the information!!

Community Carnival at the Fair
◆ The Pawnee County Fair Board is having a Community Carnival this year. The Carnival will have a variety of booths with prizes at each booth. Any club that would like to run a booth may contact Kathy Hammeke at 620-285-9080. Each Club will receive 10% of the profit from their booth. 6-8pm Friday July 27th.

Heart of Kansas 4-H Camp Scholarship Winners
◆ Pete & Hilda Penka Memorial Scholarship: Congratulations to Jaidyn Pinkston and Luke Fischer on receiving the Memorial Scholarship of the Pawnee County 4-H Foundation. 4-H campers are selected for this one-time award based on their application.

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Dog Obedience & Showmanship Meetings
Mark your calendar for project meetings at the J.A. Haas Exhibit Building. Practices will start at 5:30 p.m. These meetings will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please plan to attend so you will be ready for the fair this month! Community members are welcome to attend also for a $5 fee. ** Again for this year: 4-Hers and their dogs must attend at least 3 practices before they will be allowed to participate in the 4-H Dog Show at the Fair.

July 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19

Bucket Calf
4-Hers enrolled in the bucket calf project need to castrate their male calves. An excellent time to cut the calf is before hot weather and insect pressure begins. Our rules state that only heifer and steer bucket calves may exhibit at the fair.

Wheat Variety Plot Enrollment
The 2018 Kansas 4-H and FFA Wheat Variety Plot program begins in Fall 2018 and goes through September 2019. Pawnee County 4-H members should contact the Extension Office by July 10 for information and enrollments, so enough seed and metal signs are available. Cost is $35.00.

Colored Canning Jars
Companies that produce canning jars have come out with a line of Spring Green, Blue, and Purple Mason jars. While they are pretty, they cannot be used for canned foods to be exhibited at the county fair or state fair.

Canned food exhibits are judged visually and are not opened. The color jars would hinder the judge in making a proper decision while judging the exhibit. These jars would be fun to use for canning products you will not be exhibiting.

Livestock Skill-A-Thon
Dr. Frick will be hosting one more skill-a-thon on Wednesday, July 11 at 5:45 p.m. at Frick Vet. Please join to learn more about your livestock!!

Clothing Construction
If you’re needing advice on your Clothing Construction entry for the Fashion Revue and/or Fair, please contact Diane Zook, County Clothing Construction Leader, at 620-804-1271.

Fashion Revue Notice
The judging for the Fashion Revue, Clothing Construction, and Buymanship will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 17, at the J.A. Haas Exhibit Building. The Public Fashion Revue will be held 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center, Tuesday July 17. Western Wranglers is the hosting club this year.

State Wheat Expo
The State Wheat Show will be held on August 2, at the South Hutchinson Community Center. There will be a $6.00 registration fee per person. Eight contest divisions will be open to youth members. Wheat samples must be postmarked to KSU by July 20 for testing. Pre-registration will be required by Sunday, July 22, to ensure proper head count for tour groups and meals. For questions, feel free to contact Deryl Waldren at 785-462-6281 or email to dwaldren@ksu.edu.

NEW in Horse Project!!
Next year ALL 4-Hers enrolled in the Horse Project need to have their Horse ID paperwork submitted to the Extension Office By May 1. This includes participants that want to show at the Pawnee County Fair, Regional/Out of County shows, and State Fair. There will be no exceptions to this rule. If you have questions please call Kyle Grant or Erin Josefiak.

Market Wheat Show
Collection bins for the Market Wheat Show are set up at the Pawnee County Coops; Burdett, Garfield, Larned, Rozel, and Sanford. Rules are posted at each box, and collection bags are also available. Please write clearly on the bag labels. If you have any questions please contact Kyle Grant.
Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes

The 2018 Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes will be held August 18-19 on the K-State campus in Manhattan. Mark your calendars! The 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes event includes the state 4-H livestock judging contest, meat judging contest, livestock skill-a-thon, and livestock quiz bowl. The members who will represent Kansas at the national 4-H contest for each of these events will be selected during the livestock sweepstakes weekend. The deadline to enter will be August 1. All entries must be made by the local Extension Office, so contact us if you are interested.

Kansas Junior Livestock Show

Wanting to show your livestock again? For those that turned in nominations, KJLS gives you the opportunity to do so. The dates for this year are October 5-7. Much of the work for the County and State Fairs will get you ready for the show. The entry deadline is August 15. If you have any questions, contact Kyle at the Extension Office.

Local 4-H Events & News

Fair Books & Entry Packets

Fair books & entry forms have been handed out to the Club Leaders. Each 4-H Family will receive a packet containing a fair book and necessary entry forms for their projects. ALL entry forms are due to the Extension Office NO LATER THAN 5:00 p.m. on June 29. If you do not pre-enter, or pre-enter after June 29, your entries will be docked one ribbon placing in premium money. PLEASE BE ON TIME! If you have questions, please contact the Extension Office. We can help you figure out what you need to do but it is more difficult if you wait to ask until the last minute.

The fair book is also posted on the Pawnee County Extension website: www.pawnee.ksu.edu/about/fair-association.html

Bird Testing

If you have any chickens that you plan on showing at the County Fair this year, they need to be tested for Salmonella and Avian Influenza. We have set the date of Monday July 2nd at 7:00 am outside the J.A. Haas Exhibit Building for this testing. Shelley Oelkers from the USDA will be there collecting the necessary samples. There will be no fee for this testing because of the USDA processing them for us!

If you DO NOT have your bird tested, your bird will NOT be able to show at the 2018 Fair. Birds consist of ONLY Chickens. Pigeons and Waterfowl do not need to be tested. If you cannot make this scheduled time, please call Kyle Grant 620-804-2568 to make other arrangements. There will be several counties surrounding us that will be doing this testing as well, to make it convenient.

Heart of Kansas 4-H Camp

A great week at camp was had by 14 4-Hers, 8 counselors, and 2 agents. Thank you to the parents for loaning their kids for a few days! A special thank you to the Pawnee County 4-H Foundation for helping to cover the cost of transportation to camp. It was much appreciated!
**2018 Fair Book**

The 2018 Pawnee County Fair Book can be found at: http://www.pawnee.k-state.edu/ or pawneecountyfair.com. Hard copies are available in the Extension Office. Each 4-H family received a copy in their Fair Entry Packet. The Fair website also has entry forms for special events.

**Consultative Judging**

The classes that have consultative judging scheduled ahead of time (Fashion Revue, Clothing Construction, Photography, Foods, and Arts & Crafts) will receive a letter with the schedule and important details for the judging.

**Club Lamb Fungus**

Club lamb fungus is ringworm like and highly contagious to people. This fungus is still occurring in Kansas. Precautions should be taken whenever sheep are brought together in groups. Please make sure all the lambs brought to the Fair are free of club lamb fungus.

**Public Fashion Revue**

The Public Fashion Revue will be held at the Larned Community Center Auditorium on Tuesday, July 17, beginning at 7:00 p.m. All 4-H Families and the public are invited to this event. Come support our Fashion Revue participants!

**Fair Set Up**

Clean up and set up of the J.A. Haas Exhibit Building, Community Center, and Livestock Barn will be Tuesday, July 24, at 5:30 p.m. All 4-H Families and parents should plan to attend and help with this project.

To clean up the Livestock Barn, we will need rakes, shovels, wheel barrows, and etc. Please bring them if you have them.

**Fair Helpers**

Everyone is asked to help with the County Fair in some way. You may check with a superintendent or they may call you. You may be asked to help with entry check in, write comments during judging, attach ribbons, maintain the display during the fair, or check out exhibits. ALL help is appreciated!

**Cherry Pie Contest**

A Cherry Pie Contest will be held in the Open Class Foods & Nutrition Department. Anyone is invited to enter this contest with 1st place receiving $50.00, 2nd place receiving $25.00, and 3rd place receiving $15.00.

All pies must be made in a disposable pan as the pies become the property of the Pawnee County Fair Association. They will be sold at the 4-H Foods Sale on Thursday. No pie in a non-disposable pan will be accepted for the contest. For a complete set of rules, check the Pawnee County Fair Book.

**4-H Supporter Appreciation**

Pawnee County 4-H is giving 4-H supporters two meal tickets for the Fair Concession stand to show our appreciation for their support throughout the year. We encourage all 4-Hers and their families to thank those that attend our fair for their generous support. Be sure to share a way that 4-H has been important or impacted you.

**FACS Judging**

There will be a FACS Judging contest at the Fair on Thursday, July 26, from noon-2:00 p.m. at the J.A. Haas Exhibit Building.

**4-H Swim Party**

The county-wide swim party will be held at the Larned Swimming Pool on Tuesday, July 31, from 8:00-9:00 p.m. See you there!

**Thank You to American AgCredit!**

American AgCredit will be hosting a hamburger feed for all 4-H Families on Wednesday evening, July 25, 5:00 p.m., at the fairgrounds. They have generously offered to do this to help get the fair off to a great start. If you see any of their staff, be sure to say, “Thank you!”
Notebooks, Posters, & Displays Judging
Due to a change in the judges personal schedule, this 4-H Division will not be judged until approximately 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 25. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

FAIR CLEANUP
ALL 4-H exhibitors are required to help clean up at 7:00 a.m., Sunday July 29, or ALL premiums (sale included) will be forfeited.

Fair Food Stand
The money raised through the Fair Food Stand will be used to support 4-H activities throughout the year. Every 4-Her, parent, volunteer - anyone involved with 4-H - really must pitch in to help it run smoothly. We’d love to have our 4-H Alumni help, too! Please sign up with Community Leaders or the adults that are in charge of the shift. The noon and evening meal shifts are really important! Your help is greatly appreciated!

Closing the Food Stand
We need volunteers to help with the concession stand on July 28, starting at 2:00 p.m. Closing down the concession stand properly can be a challenge if there are not enough workers. Consider working an hour or two - it will be greatly appreciated!

Food Donations Needed
Donations of the following would be greatly appreciated and will help keep the overhead costs down. If you are able to donate, please contact Melvina Prescott or the Extension Office by July 10, and let us know what and how much you will be providing.
- 5-10 pounds pork sausage
- Ground beef for sloppy joes
- Home-grown tomatoes
- Beef roasts to be used for BBQ beef

Important Reminders
- Please keep an eye on the concession stand. If a club seems to be shorthanded during the meal times, please offer to help. Thanks!
- If you are entering the food stand to work, you must wash your hands thoroughly. Only those working in the food stand should be in the kitchen.
- NO eating IN the food stand. If you wish to order food, please go outside to order and eat at the tables.
- There should be at least two adults in the food stand at all times. One adult should be at the cash box and helping up front. A second adult should be behind the counter “cooking.” Those taking orders should give the order to the “cooks” and let them do the actual food preparation. This is very important for food safety guidelines and we must follow state guidelines.
- During their assigned time, each club is responsible for keeping the table area clean and checking the restrooms.
- 4-H Families may establish a charge account at the food stand during the Fair. The charges must be approved by a parent and names of those who can charge must be listed. Please pay what you owe on the last day of the fair.
- We will be having a daily special. Watch for the listings to be posted by the Food Stand.
- No meals will be served after 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 28, as clean up will begin. We will continue to serve drinks, candy, etc., until close.
Fair Food Stand Schedule

Wednesday, July 25
8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Pawnee Peppers (1 person from 7:00-8:00 a.m.)
2:30-9:00 p.m. Tiny Toilers

Thursday, July 26
8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Zook Zippers (1 person from 7:00-8:00 a.m.)
2:30-9:00 p.m. Pawnee Peppers

Friday, July 27
8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Gem Dandys (1 person from 7:00-8:00 a.m.)
2:30-9:00 p.m. Tiny Toilers

Saturday, July 28
8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Zook Zippers (1 person from 7:00-8:00 a.m.)
2:30 until cleaned up Western Wranglers

Kansas State Fair - Sept 7-16

Livestock Entries
The Kansas State Fair 2018 Beef, Sheep, Goats, and Swine exhibits Entry and Entry Fees are DUE by JULY 15. County Fair qualification is not required. Animals must have been tagged/DNA collected by the required 4-H dates. Check with the Extension Office for entry forms and additional information.

Fashion Revue
When signing up for the State Fair Fashion Revue, you will have to indicate a time to be judged. These times will be given out on a first come/first serve basis by State staff in charge of the event, so register early to get the time you want.

State Fair Books
Once again, the State Fair Book is available online only. It is accessible at http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/index.html

Entries
We will have you turn in your State Fair Entries at the Fair. The forms and State Fair Book will be available in the Fair Office. You will be responsible to look up your own State Fair classes and write them on the forms. If you do not get your State Fair entries turned in at the fair, you can turn them in to the Extension Office by August 15. Horse Show entries are due by August 1. Livestock entries are due July 15 (BEFORE the Fair).

Just a reminder that if you were 9 years old by January 1, 2018, you may exhibit at the Kansas State Fair, with the exception of the Fashion Revue. If you’d like to volunteer at the State Fair, please let us know. Youth volunteers must be 13 years of age and mature enough to handle the job without a lot of supervision. We need to send in your name by August 15.
**Dates to Remember**

**JULY**
2: Bird Testing at the J.A. Haas Exhibit Building @ 7:00 am
3: Day Camp at the J. A. Haas Exhibit Building 8am-12pm
3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19: Dog Obedience & Showmanship Meetings at the J.A. Haas Exhibit Building - 5:30 p.m.
10: Wheat Variety Plot Enrollment deadline at the Extension Office
11: Livestock Skill-a-thon, 5:45 pm @ Frick Vet
15: Nomination Forms for Commercial Heifer, Sheep, Swine, & Goats due to State Office
17: 4-H Fashion Revue & Clothing Construction Judging at the J.A. Haas Exhibit Building - 10:00 a.m.
17: 4-H Public Fashion Revue at the Larned Community Center - 7:00 p.m.
20: Kansas Wheat Show samples postmarked to KSU
22: Kansas Wheat Show registration due online
23: 4-H & Open Trap Shoot
23: Cat & Hand Pet Show, Community Dog Show, and 4-H Dog Show
24: Pawnee County Fair Set Up - 5:30 p.m.
25-28: Pawnee County Fair
25: American Ag Credit 4-H Family Hamburger Feed - 5:00 p.m.
29: Fair Clean-Up 7:00 am —ALL 4-Hers need to help!!!
31: Carcass Show at B & B Quality Meats, LLC - 7:00 p.m.
31: 4-H Swim Party at Larned Swimming Pool - 8:00-9:00 p.m.

**AUGUST**
1: State Fair Horse Show entries due to Extension Office
1: Livestock Sweepstakes due to Extension Office
2: State Wheat Show in Hutchinson
15: State Fair entries due to Kansas State Fair
15: State Fair Volunteers need to be turned in
15: Kansas Junior Livestock Show entries due to the Extension Office
18-19: Livestock Sweepstakes in Manhattan

**SEPTEMBER**
7-16: Kansas State Fair

**October**
5-7: Kansas Junior Livestock Show

**BE SURE TO READ YOUR FAIR BOOK FOR OTHER INFORMATION!**

You can also check for Fair updates and events from the Pawnee County Fair Association on their Facebook page and website:
www.pawneecountyfair.com
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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