A Word From Your Agent...

Hello 4-H Families!

Summer is in full swing and fair books and entry information should have already hit your email inbox. We are using an online system this year, meaning that there will be no paper entry forms. You can find the entry site at shawneeks.fairentry.com. Fair Entries are due on June 24th. If your entry is received after that date, there is a $50 per exhibitor late fee. No entries can be accepted after July 1st. Do not wait until last minute to start your entries. We are happy to help in the office if you run into any issues with your entries, so feel free to call, email, or stop by!

Please make sure you look over the rules for each project you enter as there are some new classes this year and some existing classes have had rule changes.

Lots of good reminders in this issue of the chatterbox, please look at the calendar in the back to make sure you are not missing out on anything.

Have a Safe and Fun 4-H Summer!

~Grace

We have a new office professional in the 4-H office! You can find her in the office Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from noon-5pm, unless otherwise noted!

Hello! My name is Lisa Satterthwaite and I am the new 4-H Office Professional! Some of you may recognize my name. I was a 9-year member of Shawnee County 4-H and am so excited to work with the organization that helped me become who I am today. Even after I aged out, I continued to volunteer and love hanging out at the County Fair. I have a degree from Washburn and a degree from Emporia State, both in history. I can often be found reading or working with yarn and I love to be crafty. 4-H continues to hold a special place in my heart, so I am thrilled that I am able to be part of this amazing team! I look forward to seeing everyone at events and getting to know you all!  

-Lisa
Volunteering at the Mulvane Art Fair

Submitted by Bryan Boutilz:

For all of our budding artists and those just wanting to serve the community, we have an opportunity to help with the Mulvane Art Fair at Washburn University June 3rd - 5th. They especially need help moving artists in and out on Friday all day and Sunday late afternoon.

This is a great opportunity to include community service in your arts and crafts or fine arts record books! It also is a chance to meet a variety of professional artists and see "behind the curtains" of an art fair.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0B44A5AC2EA7FA7-artfair

Volunteers needed for Hidden Hills Farm Camp

Angela Dake is looking for 4-Hers who can bring a couple of small livestock animals (sheep, goats, poultry) to her Hidden Hills Farm Camp. The camp is June 15th & 16th and the time slots that need filled are 11:00 am and 1:00 pm both days. Volunteers for both morning and afternoon will be provided with a lunch at noon. If you are interested, please contact Angela at angelamdake@gmail.com or visit the Hidden Hills website at http://www.hiddenhillfarms.com/.

Look for more opportunities on page 8!
Livestock Corner

**Dates to mark:**

- June 7th– 8th: Tractor Safety
- June 8th: YQCA Training @ 5:30pm in EMR
- June 8th: Last day to Order Small Livestock DNA Envelope for Nominations
- June 15th: Commercial Heifer, Swine, Sheep & Meat Goat Nominations Due
- June 24th: Fair Entries Due
- July 1st: Last Day Late Fair Entries will be taken
- August 20-21: State 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes
- September 9-18: Kansas State Fair
- September 30– October 2: Kansas Junior Livestock Show

Don’t forget to [RSVP for any YQCA Trainings](#), dates and times listed above. To do so, please email Haley at kelley13@ksu or give her a call at the office, (785)232-0062 ext 112.

Thank you!

**FairEntry Tip**

If you have an animal class entry, please remember to specify which animal you will be using for each entry. If you are not sure which animals youth will bring, please enter information for one of the animals registered in your family name. This can be corrected at the time of weigh in or edited after entries have been submitted. This is a big help when it comes down to prepping for the fair.

If you have questions or are needing some help with FairEntry, don’t hesitate to reach out to Grace, Lisa, or Haley. We are happy to help in anyway we can.
Livestock Nomination

We are quickly approaching the state livestock nomination deadline and the last day to submit orders for DNA envelopes is right around the corner! They must be ordered by June 8 and the next two weeks are going to fly by. The sooner the better! The nomination fee is now paid through purchasing official DNA envelopes. **We encourage everyone to get them ordered NOW!** This spring the mail has been really unpredictable, so you are encouraged to order your DNA envelopes ASAP. The sooner you order them, the longer you will have to receive them, pull your DNA samples, have everyone sign the envelopes, and get them postmarked by the deadline. If you wait until June 8 to order them, you will be cutting it close and risk missing the June 15 postmark deadline. You may use extra DNA envelopes leftover from 2022 next year, if you are waiting because you aren’t sure if you’ll purchase a few more animals between now and the deadline.

Everyone must use the new official DNA envelopes that have been purchased through the online system. Old envelopes (that you may have stashed from the local extension office over the last few years) will NOT be accepted. All market animals and commercial females must be state nominated and have DNA samples submitted to be eligible for the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and/or KJLS. You will need to submit one (1) DNA envelope per nominated animal and have all exhibitors in your family sign each envelope. **If you know of a family who will be nominating for the first time or tends to procrastinate – please share this message with them as a reminder!**

Those who prefer to pick up their DNA envelopes in person rather than waiting for them to arrive in the mail may do so. You will need to go ahead and order them online, then let us know when you’ll be stopping by to get them.

**Link to order DNA envelopes:**  [https://kansasnom.fainwire.com/](https://kansasnom.fainwire.com/)

Information on skipping ahead in the system to order DNA envelopes, if you aren’t ready to enter animals online yet: [https://www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/nominated-livestock/Order%20DNA%20Envelopes%20before%20Tagging.pdf](https://www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/nominated-livestock/Order%20DNA%20Envelopes%20before%20Tagging.pdf).

We also hosted another zoom session over the state livestock nomination process and the new online system last night. Below is the link to the recording. There are slides at the beginning, followed by a demonstration of creating exhibitor accounts and entering animals. Additionally, tips on completing and uploading the Declaration Form and YQCA certificate are shared midway through the video.

**Small Livestock Zoom Session Recording:**  [https://youtu.be/GLi5OVNnkv8](https://youtu.be/GLi5OVNnkv8)

**Declaration Form:**  [https://www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/nominated-livestock/2022%20Declaration%20Form.pdf](https://www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/nominated-livestock/2022%20Declaration%20Form.pdf) (download first to use the fill and sign function).


**Rookie Guide** – all families encouraged to use this year, not just rookies:  [https://www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/nominated-livestock/2022%20Rookie%20Guide_updated%204.5.22.pdf](https://www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/nominated-livestock/2022%20Rookie%20Guide_updated%204.5.22.pdf)

If you are a NEW family and will be nominating for the first time this year – make sure to request a KSU Nomination # in advance! Here is the link:  [https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8tU94QBkQxL9lfY](https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8tU94QBkQxL9lfY). If you’ve requested one and haven’t seen a response, check your spam folder. A few email domains are diverting them to spam.
Kansas 4-H State Events and Activities

2022 State Horticulture Judging Contest

Please save the date for the 2022 State 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest, Saturday, August 13, 2022 in Manhattan, Kansas.

4-H Leadership Learning Opportunities

We have a number of 4-H Leadership Learning Opportunities planned for this fall! Please save the dates and watch for additional information in the Tip Sheet and Email.

48 Hours of 4-H 2022

48 Hours of 4-H, October 8-9, is a chance to combine efforts all across the state to serve our communities. Save the date now and plan to take part.

Save the Date: Kansas 4-H Wheat Expo

The Kansas 4-H Wheat Expo will be held August 4 in St. John. The 4-H Wheat Expo is intended to educate Kansas youth about Kansas Wheat and is a project learning opportunity for 4-H members enrolled in Plant Science, Photography and Foods.
Shunga Valley 4-H Club

On May 7th Shunga Valley 4-H Club cleaned the Landon Trail. They had a lot of fun spying litter and working their way through trees to grab it. They also saw wildlife including two small snakes sunning on the trail.

Shunga Valley would also like to thank Deer Trail for coming to a picnic social on May 22nd. It was fun to get to know another club.
Indian Creek 4-H Club

The Indian Creek 4-H club met on Monday May 16, 2022. During this meeting we continued with opportunities for all club members to get project talks in. We also broke up into committee teams to do some planning for the June fun meeting, Fair, and for community service planning. It was a great meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel Biggs, Reporter
Capitol Federal Fundraising Campaign

Capitol Federal Bank is running a fundraiser for Shawnee County 4-H through the month of June. They are having a kickoff event on Monday, June 6th and would love to hear from some 4-Hers about their experiences in 4-H. It will be at 3:00 pm on the second floor of their office at 700 South Kansas Avenue. Please let Grace and Haley know if you are interested in sharing a little about what 4-H means to you!
Shawnee County 4-H Chatterbox

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Shawnee County 4-H Calendar

June

1-3  Discovery Days
2   Shooting Sports, EMR, 6:30pm
    4-H Exchange Meeting, 7pm
3   First Friday Day Camp, TBD
6   Bunny Bunch Rabbit Club Meeting, EMR, 7pm
7-8 K-State Horse Judging Camp, Kansas State University, Manhattan
    Tractor Safety
7   Archery Practice, Practice Arena
8   Horse Clinic
    YQCA Training, EMR, 5:30pm
9   State 4-H Horse Judging Contest, Manhattan
11  4-H King & Queen Interviews, EMR
11-12 State Geology Field Trip
11-12 4-H Horse Show
14   Geology Meeting, Washburn Campus, 7pm
15   State Livestock Nominations Due
    (Commercial Heifer, Goats, Sheep, Swine)
20  Office Closed
21  Archery Practice, Sutherlands Outdoors
20-23 Flint Hills Farm to Fashion, Kansas State University, Manhattan
23  Horse Club Meeting, EMR, 7pm
24  Fair Entries Due
26  Chatterbox Articles Due
27  Paw Prints Dog Club Meeting, EMR, 7pm

July

1   Late Fair Entries Due
4   Bunny Bunch Rabbit Club Meeting, EMR, 7pm
7   Shooting Sports, EMR, 6:30pm
    4-H Exchange Meeting, 7pm
12  Geology Meeting, Washburn Campus, 7pm
15  Clothing Judging & Horticulture Judging Contest
16-17 4-H Fair Horse Show
17  Fair Photography Judging, Maner Conference Center
21-24 Shawnee County Fair
25  Paw Prints Dog Club Meeting, EMR, 7pm
26  Chatterbox Articles Due
28  Horse Club Meeting, EMR, 7pm

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All dates and activities are subject to change.