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Dear Cowley County 4-H Families;

With flood of emotions, I write to share that this will be my final Flash letter. October 29 will be my last day in the Cowley County Extension Office as I will be transitioning to a new position with K-State Research and Extension as the state specialist for 4-H ag sciences.

To the volunteers who understand the value and impact 4-H can have on a young person's life, thank you. Thank you for reaching kids. Thank you for giving your time and talent to grow our youth. Thank you for being part of the 4-H team and continuing your own personal growth so that our kids can thrive in this program.

To the parents who've seen the value of 4-H and allowed their kids to be a part of our program, thank you. Thank you for letting me be a small part of your family's life. Thank you for teaching me how to work with you as parents and volunteers. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your kids' lives.

To the kids who love learning by doing, thank you. Thank you for choosing 4-H to be one of your activities. Thank you for continuing to grow and learn and do. This program will truly help shape you into the kind of adults our country needs. Your impact will have a butterfly effect on this world. Thank you for teaching me. Thank you for allowing me to watch you grow.

My new position with K-State will not take me far. In fact, I get to stay in Cowley County. It will allow me to impact youth across our state and in an area that is near and dear to my heart- agriculture. I look forward to the opportunity to continue to watch you grow, but from a different perspective- as a 4-H mom and volunteer.

Thank you for our time together. Thank you for allowing me to serve. Thank you for loving my family and impacting my life.

Blessings,

Kelsey



Extension Office Closed

The Cowley County Extension Office will be closed Thursday, November 11th in observance of Veteran's Day. We will re-open Friday, November 12th. We will also be closed Thursday, November 25th & Friday, November 26th for the Thanksgiving holiday.

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2021-2022 enrollment is underway

If you have not re-enrolled, please log on to

v2.4honline.com and complete the process for every 4-her and adult volunteer in your household. You already have a profile if you were enrolled last year.

Barn 4 Awards

If you won a Champion/Reserve Champion award in Barn 4, your Chamber Bucks and/or plaques are available for pick up. Please make arrangements to do so ASAP.

LAST FLASH

Effective December 2021, the 4-H newsletter will be sent to only 4-Hers with an <u>active</u> enrollment. Don't miss out on important information, get enrolled today!

Upcoming Meetings

4-H Council and Junior Leaders will meet Monday, November 15th in the Extension Office Meeting Room. 4-H Council will meet at 7pm followed by Junior Leaders at 7:45pm.

If you were selected to represent your club at 4-H Council and find you cannot attend, please let your leaders know and find another member to serve in your place.

The Cowley County Extension Council Executive Board meets monthly and conducts the business of the Extension Council. The November meeting will be Thursday, November 4th at 5:30 p.m. in the Extension Office Meeting Room (Courthouse, 311 E. 9th, Winfield).

American Pride: 2021 4-H Achievement Celebration

Saturday, November 6, 2 p.m. Island Park, Performance Pavilion, Winfield

Bring your own chair; dress in red, white and blue; and be prepared to celebrate youth accomplishments. 53 project books and 8 officer books were submitted by 41 youth.

The event is being coordinated by the Achievement Committee members Adison Henderson and Caydence Billiter. Reach out to them if you are available to assist!



The Babies are HERE!!

Caden and Case, sons of Caleb and Sarah LaGrone, were born on October 14, 2021.

Caden Dee LaGrone 8:17am 7lbs 2oz. 19 inches long



Case Thomas LaGrone 8:14am 7lbs 9oz. 19 inches long

Momma and Babies are doing great!

Extension Council Elections

The Cowley County Extension Council is comprised of four Program Development Committees (PDC's) that work with County Extension Agents to develop and direct the work of our organization to meet the needs of Cowley County citizens. The PDC's are Agriculture/ Natural Resources, Family and Consumer Sciences, 4-H Youth Development and Community Development. Extension Council elections are held annually to elect PDC members to a two-year term. The Extension Council Executive Board is a nine-member board elected from the PDC's to serve a one-year term to assist with overseeing the work of Extension in Cowley County. Extension Council Elections will be held November 20th 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.at Baden Square, Winfield. Cowley County citizens of voting age (18) are welcome and encouraged to vote.

Candidate biographies will be posted at <u>www.cowley.k-state.edu</u>.

Entrepreneur Club

Do you want to make money by turning your projects and hobbies into a business? Join the Entrepreneur Club and learn the skills you will need. Kids sixth grade and up will have the opportunity to sell their creations at local Farmers' Markets.

Contact Becky at bkreid@ksu.edu for more information.

Cowley County 4-H Junior Leaders

The purpose of the 4-H Junior Leaders club is to help members: 1) build self-confidence 2) relate to others 3) develop concern for the community and others in it 4) use knowledge, skills and values in making decisions and 4) develop an inquiring mind. These aims are to be implemented by encouraging members' participation in planning and involvement in meetings, individual or group projects, tours or field trips, camps and other community or county activities.

Our next meeting will be Monday, November 15th at 7:45 p.m. at the Cowley County Courthouse Extension Assembly Room and via zoom. Any youth 12 and older are invited to participate.



Bylaws

A club's constitution and bylaws help to define and outline the administration of a club. It is imperative that new clubs determine their constitution and bylaws before becoming chartered by the National 4-H Council. The articles of the constitution and bylaws determine the official name of the club, state where and when meetings will be held, set up how business will be conducted, determine officers and even allow for planning of dissolution. Officers of existing organizations should review the club's bylaws annually. Clubs should also provide a copy of their bylaws to the Cowley County Extension Office. Officer teams that have not reviewed current bylaws are encouraged to do so under the guidance of adult leadership. A sample constitution and bylaws may be found at www.kansas4h.org/p.aspx?tabid=498

Grant Funding Information

Is your club thinking about applying for grant funds for an upcoming event or activity? Beginning in 2013, the Cowley County Extension Council Executive Board established the expectation that all grant submissions made in the name of 4-H (any applicant, any funding source) needs to be reviewed prior to submission. This step will allow the Cowley County Extension Council Finance Committee to review all submissions to provide insight and suggestions. This also insures that the 4-H clover is used appropriately and non-discrimination/equal opportunity components exist. There are also situations where funds might have to be processed through Kansas State University.

If your club or project leaders are considering grant applications or extra funding sources, please submit in writing a copy of the grant application to the Extension Office at least 5 business days prior to the grant deadline. We encourage creativity in fundraising and applaud the efforts of groups seeking external funding sources.

l pledge...

My head to clearer thinking

My heart to greater loyalty

My hands to larger service and

My health to better living

for my club, my community,

my country and my world

County Committees

All 4-H families are needed to take an active committee role in 2022. Due to financial cutbacks and limited staffing, our office must have your help or extra activities will not be offered. Please sign up for a county committee and identify an area where you can assist at the Cowley County Fair. The first 20 youth/adults to sign up will receive a Sonic drink token. Cowley Committee and Fair Help Sign-up

Achievement Celebration Committee

Committee Duties:

Select committee co-chairs and an adult advisor.
Select a date for the celebration. The traditional date is the first Saturday in November. A date should be selected at the May or July 4-H Council meeting.
Select where the celebration will be held.
Select a theme for the celebration, plan/collect decorations and purchase paper goods and drinks.
Design the cover for the Achievement Celebration program.

Plan and prepare decorations for the location and set them up prior to the program.

Clean up decorations and facility after the program. Return all items to appropriate places.

Extension Office Duties:

Organize all awards and the script.

Provide signs and set-up supplies as needed by the committee.

Publicize event in the 4-H newsletter.

Answer any questions of the committee.

Contact award presenters.

Correspond with the school and book the location.

Club Day Committee

Committee Duties:

Select committee co-chairs and two adult advisors. Select a date for Club Day. A date should be selected at the May or July 4-H Council meeting.

Select where Club Day will be held.

Recommend judges at the November meeting. One judge should be secured per room.

Publicize the event in local news media.

Be available to assist with room set up on Friday afternoon, the day prior, to the event.

Be available the day of the event to work at the front "Information Table" and to check on judges periodically during the day.

Bring judges items they need, and collect score sheets for the tabulation room. Check in with each room to be certain that room monitors are present, and find substitutes in the event of an absence.

Sort completed score sheets by club.

Be available to assist with room clean up on Saturday late morning. Rearrange classrooms, and return all items to the appropriate location.

Return all Extension supplies (easels, ribbons, score sheets, pencils, tape, signs, etc.) to the Extension vehicle.

Extension Office Duties:

Collect entries and produce a schedule for the event. Send judging correspondence to judges.

Orientate judges prior to the judging start time.

Provide paper, pencils, judge packets, door signs and other supplies as needed by the committee.

Publicize the event in the 4-H newsletter, and assign clubs rooms and time slots for room monitoring.

Answer any questions of the committee.

Correspond with the school and book the location.

Fashion Revue Committee

Committee Duties:

Select committee co-chairs and two adult advisors. Select a theme for the public fashion revue by the May 4-H Council meeting.

Plan and prepare decorations for the public fashion revue.

Set up and decorate prior to the evening public fashion revue.

Clean up stage decorations and fashion revue location. Return all items to appropriate places.

Committee members may also be asked to help with judging tear down.

Recruit script readers.

Extension Office Duties:

Provide signs, judging supplies and other office supplies needed by the committee.

Handle all details associated with the judging portion of the day.

Secure judges for the judging portion.

Write the script for the public fashion revue.

Provide resources needed by the judges.

Book the location of the judging and the public fashion revue.

Answer any questions of the committee.



National 4-H Week Committee

Committee Duties:

Select committee co-chairs and two adult advisors. Determine county-wide events using the National 4-H Week theme.

Promote Cowley County 4-H during National 4-H Week. Publicize 4-H Week events in appropriate media outlets.

Extension Office Duties:

Print needed signs.

Publish events in the 4-H newsletter.

Answer any questions of the committee.

Correspond with Community Leaders.

Finance/Policy Committee

Committee Duties:

Select committee co-chairs and two adult advisors. Determine the annual 4-H Council budget under the guidance of the 4-H Agent.

Present the budget to the 4-H Council at the November meeting for approval.

Extension Office Duties:

Keep record of funds spent for budget line items. In cooperation with the Treasurer, pay 4-H Council bills. Answer any questions of the committee.

Fair and Shows Committee

Committee Duties:

Select committee co-chairs and two adult advisors.

Determine needed foodstand improvements and present to 4-H Council for approval.

Coordinate needed improvements of the foodstand.

Purchase supplies to make foodstand improvements.

Plan the program for 4-H Sunday at the fair.

Promote 4-H Sunday at the fair.

Secure speakers for 4-H Sunday at the fair.

Extension Office Duties:

Publicize foodstand work days.

Check out foodstand key to committee chair(s).

Print 4-H Sunday programs.

Publish events in the 4-H newsletter.

Answer any questions of the committee.

Consumer Judging Contest Committee

Committee Duties:

Select committee chair(s)

Develop judging classes

Plan and coordinate county-wide Consumer Judging Events

Extension Office Duties:

Print information

Provide information to members.

Publish information in the newsletter

Answer any questions of the committee.

Provide consumable/print materials.

Awards Committee

Committee Duties:

Select committee co-chairs.

Provide training to families on completing Project Record Books and 4-H records.

Provide training to screeners to judge record books.

Coordinate dates and times to screen record books.

Recruit volunteers to screen record books.

Provide a list of record book screening results to 4-H Agent.

Determine judging criteria for scholarships and award applications.

Meet with 4-H Agent/4-H PDC to approve record screening process as needed.

Extension Office Duties:

Print information.

Provide information to members.

Publish information in the 4-H newsletter.

Update information on the Cowley County Extension Website.

Answer any questions of the committee.

Correspond with Community Leaders.

Community Service Committee

Committee Duties:

Select committee co-chairs (youth) and two adult

Determine county-wide service projects.

Promote service projects to clubs and community.

Extension Office Duties:

Provide oversight.

Print needed signs.

Publish events in the 4-H newsletter.

Answer any questions of the committee.

Correspond with Community Leaders.

4-H Council 101

Facts about 4-H Council:

- Meetings last about 30 minutes.
- All meetings begin at 7:00 p.m.
- Meetings are held at the Extension Office Meeting Room located in the Cowley County Courthouse.
- 4-H Council has a President, Vice President, Secretary/Reporter and Treasurer. Officers are elected at the September meeting.
- There are 6 meetings held in a year.
- Meetings are held on the third Monday of every other month, except January, due to holiday conflicts and July.

Meetings for the 2021-22 year are: November 15th, January 17th, March 21st, May 16th, July 18th and September 19th. What to Expect:

- Council meetings are called to order by the President. The President selects attendees to lead the group in the flag salute and 4-H pledge.
- Officer reports are then given, followed by an agent report.
- Committee reports are given.
- New business is discussed and votes are taken.
- Announcements are offered, followed by adjournment 4-H Council is an organization that represents the views of each club. As a representative, you represent your club's viewpoints during 4-H Council. The representatives are responsible for taking information back to the 4-H Club. If a representative must be absent, it is recommended that a replacement be found for that meeting.

Help Wanted

Cowley County 4-H seeks County-Wide Project Leaders for the upcoming year to provide positive learning experiences for 4-H youth. The volunteer(s) in these positions would be responsible for the following:
-hold at least 6 educational project meetings/activities for project members throughout the year.
-serve as a resource to project members
-work under the direction of the Cowley County 4-H
Agent with direction from the 4-H Youth Development
Program Development Committee.
-communicate with families enrolled in the project(s)
Volunteers need not be current 4-H parents/family members.

To apply, contact the 4-H office at cl@listserv.ksu.edu or 620-221-5450. All volunteers will be asked to enroll as a volunteer at v2.4honline.com and must complete the volunteer screening process including: volunteer service application, criminal background check, orientation and

review by 4-H PDC and Extension Council Executive Board.

We encourage our kids to keep learning and to try new things. The same should be true for us, as adults. The best way to teach our kids valuable skills and characteristics is to model those same skills for them. Show your kids that you aren't afraid to learn or try new things. Get involved!

Cowley County 4-H needs project leaders to organize learning opportunities throughout the year in many of the project areas. That could be you! Contact Kelsey today to find out more!

County-wide Project Leaders

The following volunteers are serving as county-wide project leaders:

- •Austin Waite- Shooting SportsCoordinator, Rifle, Shotgun
- •Troy Archer, Shooting Sports, Archery
- Joe Rasico, Shooting Sports, Archery
- Justin Deal, Shooting Sports, Archery
- Greg Dixon, Shooting Sports, Hunting Skills
- Debbi Waite, Shooting Sports, Hunting Skills
- Joe Shook, Shooting Sports, Muzzleloader, Rifle
- Jade Alquest, Shooting Sports, Pistol
- Jason Kindt, Shooting Sports, Rifle
- Pete Nulik, Shooting Sports, Shotgun
- Heath Adams, Shooting Sports, BB
- Tim Evans, Shooting Sports, BB
- Darrin Green, Shooting Sports, BB
- Angie Krepps- Horse and Leathercraft
- Brayden Krepps- Horse and Leathercraft
- Dale Weishaar- Entomology
- Becky Henderson- Dairy Cattle
- Andy Murphy- Dairy Cattle
- Scott Murphy- Dairy Cattle
- Rachel Hanna- Dog
- Kerri McEntire- Dog



WANTED: CloverBud Leader

Do you enjoy helping young kids explore 4-H? Do you have a passion for introducing 5 and 6 year olds to the fun they will have as 4-H members in a hands-on, activity based setting? YOU could be our next CloverBud Leader! We are looking for a teen or adult who is interested in working with this great group of kids.

Dairy Cattle Project

If you are interested in the Dairy Cattle project, please contact Becky Henderson at 620-438-3598, Andy Murphy at 620-218-1859 or Scott Murphy at 316-217-3384.

4-H Family Handbook

The 4-H Family Handbook is available to all 4-H members. Come into the office to pick up your copy today, or visit www.cowley.ksu.edu.

Project Materials

The Extension Office has a variety of project materials and curricula available for checkout and/or purchase. Please contact the Extension Office for more information.

4-H Club Corner

4-H leaders and families are encouraged to visit the **4-H Club Corner** under the "resources" tab at www.kansas4-H.org. A variety of tools and resources are posted to support you in your role.

This page also has an "officer resources" page with videos to help your club leaders. Visit the site today to learn more.

<u>Membership</u>

In order to be a regular member of Cowley County 4-H, the member must be 7 before January 1st, 2022.

November To Do List for 4-H

- Re-Enroll for new 4-H year (v2.4honline.com)
- Call the Extension Office to sign up for a County Committee, 620-221-5450
- Set Project Goals

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Project Goal Examples

- ·Learn a new technique
- · Give a presentation at a club meeting
- ·Give a talk/demo at County 4-H Day
- ·Do something outside of 4-H related to the project
- ·Review 4-H fair book for exhibit requirements
- Test recipes, and share samples with Extension staff
- ·Explore new technology or equipment related to project area
- ·Teach someone about the project
- ·Identify an adult mentor
- Develop a system to track project expenses
- ·Explore ways to make a profit



Sunday, Nov. 7th - <u>Air Discipline</u> (BB, Air Rifle, and Air Pistol) Annual Safety Meeting at 2:00 at the Fairgrounds, practice to follow.

Thursday, Nov. 11th -<u>Indoor Archery</u> practice at 6:30 at Building #1 at the Fairgrounds.

Sunday, Nov. 14th - Shotgun, 2:00 at the Meadow

Sunday, Nov. 14th - 4:30 pm, Club Meeting at New Hope Fellowship, 19195 61st

Rd. Thanksgiving Club Meal to follow



We want to thank our 2021 National 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational Championship participants serving from Cowley County 4-H Shooting Sports for representing us well. Stetson Shook, Kansas State Muzzleloader team member and Titus Mill, Kansas State Small Bore Rifle team member attended the event in Grand Island, NE this past June. Congratulations!

Congratulations also to the Fall State Match participants.

<u>Archery</u> - Kyle Bannon, Price Kindt, Titus Mill, (4th Place FITA Sr. Open Class), Robyn Shaw, Trace Thomson, and Aah Wolfe (1st Place Jr. Bowhunter Trail, 3rd Place Jr. Bowhunter Overall)

Shotgun - Everett Green, Robyn Shaw, and Stetson Shook

Small Bore Rifle - Jacob Arnett

<u>Small Bore Pistol</u> - Amanda Bannon, Jake Jewers, and Robyn Shaw (3rd Place State Team)

Muzzleloader - Everett Green (5th Place Overall)

THANK YOU TO OUR COACHING TEAM that work to prepare our members to represent Cowley County at Fall state matches.

"Enjoy your Thanksgiving Break!! Live a Grateful Life!"

Austin & Debbi



Thank you, thank you, thank you!

When you buy groceries at Dillon's 4-H Council can benefit!! It's as easy as swiping your Dillon's Plus Card when you buy groceries. 4-H Council has received \$286.06, in 2021, from supporters who are participating in Dillon's Stores' Community Rewards Program! With that money, we can give back more to our community,

support youth programming, help pay for 4-H camp and award scholarships to our amazing 4-H'ers! To enroll in the Community Rewards Program and contribute to Cowley County 4-H, go to the secure website https://www.dillons.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow The NPO (non-profit organization) number you will need to enroll is JG419. You must re-enroll each year. (This does not take away from your credit/points on your plus card.)





The 4-H Food Stand Grocery Sale is open through the end of November. Please review the sign-up to reserve your items. Creekstone beef patties are available for \$3 a pound.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/ 10C0B4FAFAB2EA1FE3-food







After a successful 2 year pilot, we are excited to launch the online ZBooks 4-H record keeping software state-wide for the new 2021/2022 program year. Pilot units have found that ZBooks is extremely easy to navigate and user friendly. This online record keeping software is identical to the new Project Report Form pdfs- meaning 4-H'ers and families now have the option to choose which format they feel more comfortable using. They can continue to fill out the form fillable pdf version of Project Report Forms or they may opt to keep their records online with ZBooks. Both are evaluated using the same rubric and the same set of standards.

Some features of ZBooks include:

- Mobile friendly- jot down notes, weights, ear tags, expenses, etc on the spot!
- Internet based-you can work on them from any device that is connected to the internet
- Unlimited amount of entries until final report is submitted-youth select the allowed number of entries to print
 on final report, allowing them to prioritize, summarize, etc.
- Permanent Record is also included
- Extension staff have ability to view member's progress, send reminders, upload local forms, etc.
- You can grant 4-H leaders with viewing rights for the members in their clubs so they too can track progress,
 coach and encourage record keeping
- Live online ZBooks Support Chat feature

2022 FAIR CHANGES

- Dairy Cattle will be released and must be taken off the grounds at 1:00 p.m. Monday.
- The top 5 market livestock will be selected in each market specie. The top 5 livestock will sell at the beginning of the sale order for each specie in the market livestock sale.
- In showmanship, livestock judges will place the top 3 senior showmen for each specie. The preference order for showman who compete in multiple species will be Dairy Goat, Dairy Cattle, Swine, Sheep, Beef, Meat Goat, Horse. The order will rotate annually.
- A bred and owned class will be added for Beef, Sheep, Swine and Meat Goat in both the
 market and breeding divisions. Animals entered in the Bred and Owned class must be the
 offspring of a dam owned by the 4-H'er prior to breeding, during gestation and after birth of
 the animal.)
- New General Livestock Rule #32: All male livestock (beef, sheep, swine, meat goats) must be
 castrated at least 30 days prior to the fair and must be healed completely.
- Dairy Goats must be owned or leased by May 1 of the current 4-H year.
- Change Dairy Goat Rule #8 to: Dairy goats may have hay in their pens. The hay must be in a hay bag and kept away from Meat Goat and Sheep pens. NO HAY NETS.
- New Food and Nutrition Class #0415- Enhanced Baking Mix Product
- Lego projects are removed from the Visual Arts division and will be in the 4-H STEM-Architectural Block Construction. 4-H'ers must enroll in the "4-H STEM, Architectural Block Construction" project.
- Ag Mechanics is no longer a "Self-Determined" project. It is now under STEM- Ag Mechanics.
 4-H'ers must enroll in the "4-H STEM, Ag Mechanics" project.

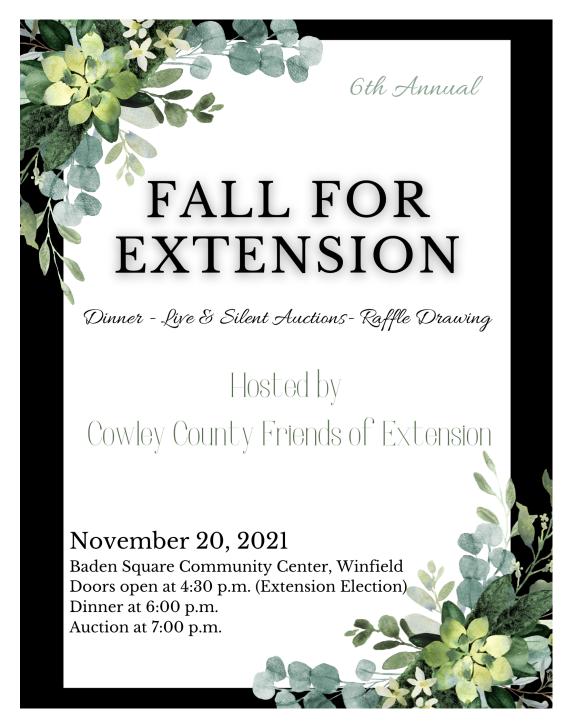
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A vital community resource is K-State Research and Extension Cowley County. Due to financial cutbacks at the state and local level, our Extension program has had funding decreases. In 2015, local advocates formed a Friends of Extension Committee to raise funds and support for Cowley County Extension.

Final details are now being made for the 6th Annual "Fall for Extension" special event on Saturday, November 20. The event includes a dinner, raffle drawing, and live and silent auction. Community members gather to celebrate our community and the positive impact of Extension.

4-H clubs and families are needed to support this event. Here are ways you can help:

- items or baskets for the auction
- raffle ticket sales (the club that sells the most will win a pizza party!)
- older youth to be food servers on November 20
- attendees at the dinner and auction

Dinner tickets for the event go on sale October 1 and limited seating is available. Auction items and volunteer commitments are requested by November 1.