

Cowley County Extension Council  
**Annual Meeting**



Tuesday, December 7, 2021  
Baden Square, Winfield 6:00 p.m.

**County Program Responsibility (K.S.A. 2-611)**

The 24 members so elected in the three county commissioner districts, or at large, in any county shall constitute and be the county extension council, and it shall be the duty of the council to plan the educational extension programs of the county.

**Responsibilities and Limitations of Extension Council**

The county extension council shall have for its sole purpose the giving of instruction and practical demonstrations in agriculture, marketing, home economics, 4-H club and youth work, community and resource development, and economic development initiatives to all persons in the county and the imparting to such persons in the county of information on those subjects through practical demonstrations, meetings, publications or otherwise, in accordance with the program and service prescribed by the council. Such councils shall not engage in commercial or other private enterprises, legislative programs, or other activities not authorized by this act and shall not give preferred service to any individual, group or organization.

<b>2021 Extension Council</b>			
<b>Ag &amp; Natural Resources</b>	<b>Family &amp; Consumer Sciences</b>	<b>4-H Youth Development</b>	<b>Community Development</b>
Justin Brazle	Janet Davidson	Jessie Bradley	Will Abernathy
Phillip Bruce	Carol Galliard	Mary Enderud	Rose Anstine
Jim McClung	Laura Heger	Amanda Jennings	Beau Bailey
Kent Miller	Jessica Jones	Gaye Mackey	James Jirak
Bill Mueller	Kacey Preston	Todd Shepherd	Jamie McGee
Will Tatum	Julie Wilson	Brett Thomson	Julie VonBon

<b>2022 Extension Council</b>			
<b>Ag &amp; Natural Resources</b>	<b>Family &amp; Consumer Sciences</b>	<b>4-H Youth Development</b>	<b>Community Development</b>
Justin Brazle	Audrie Bailey	Mary Enderud	Will Abernathy
Clint Bryant	Aimee Campbell	Becky Henderson	Beau Bailey
Jim McClung	Janet Davidson	Amanda Jennings	James Jirak
Kent Miller	Carol Galliard	Angie Krepps	Jessica Martin
Josh Tatum	Kacey Preston	Gaye Mackey	Jamie McGee
Will Tatum	Julie Wilson	Greg Norwood	Julie VonBon

## Annual Meeting Program

### Welcome

#### Extension Appreciation Award

-Roger and Carol Black

#### Extension's Grand Challenges

-Gregg Hadley, Director for Extension

#### Business Meeting

- Roll Call
- Minutes of 2020 Annual Meeting
- Recognition of Outgoing Extension Council & Board Members
- Nominating Committee Report
- Election of 2022 Executive Board
- Motion to secure treasurer's bond
- Oath of Executive Board Members
- Program Development Committee Meetings:  
Elect chair, vice chair, secretary
- Announcements
- Adjournment

Picture of 2022 Executive Board



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## 2021 Cowley County Extension Council

### Executive Board Members

Beau Bailey, CD, Chair  
James Jirak, CD, Vice Chair  
Kacey Preston, FCS, Secretary  
Bill Mueller, ANR, Treasurer  
Will Abernathy, CD  
Jessie Bradley, 4-H  
Phillip Bruce, ANR  
Kent Miller, ANR  
Brett Thomson, 4-H

### Regional Local Unit Extension Director

Aliesa Woods  
Colby, Kansas

### Director for Extension

Gregg Hadley  
Manhattan, Kansas

### Dean of Agriculture, Director of Agriculture Experiment Station and Director of Extension

J. Ernest "Ernie" Minton  
Manhattan, Kansas

### Cowley County Commissioners

Wayne Wilt, District 1  
Bob Voegele, District 2  
Alan Groom, District 3

### State of Kansas Legislators

14<sup>th</sup> District - Senator Michael Fagg

32<sup>nd</sup> District - Senator Larry Alley

12<sup>th</sup> District - Rep. Doug Blex

79<sup>th</sup> District - Rep. Cheryl Helmer

80<sup>th</sup> District -Rep. Bill Rhiley

### Cowley County Extension Staff

Jewell Ceballos, Office Assistant  
Sarah LaGrone, 4-H Program Assistant  
Becky Reid, Extension Agent  
Cindy Stephens, Office Professional

Ruth Bumgarner, Nutrition Educator  
(thru 10/1/21)

Kelsey Nordyke, Extension Agent  
(thru 10/29/21)

## 2020 Extension Council Annual Meeting Minutes December 1, 2020

The Cowley County Extension Council Annual Meeting was held at 6:00 p.m. on December 1, 2020, at Baden Square in Winfield, Kansas. The welcome was given by Mike Legako.

Secretary, Stephanie Mackey, called the roll for 2020 and 2021 Cowley County Extension Boards (\* indicates their presence at the meeting, ^ indicates their presence via Zoom).

### 2020 Council Members:

Phillip Bruce\*, Bill Mueller^, Mike Legako\*, Justin Brazle, Russ Gottlob, Will Tatum^, Laura Heger, Jessica Jones, Julie Wilson, Ruth Bumgarner, Stephanie Mackey\*, Janet Davidson, Brett Thomson^, Jessie Bradley\*, Craig Depenbusch\*, Angie Krepps, Sarah Lagrone, Todd Shepherd, Will Abernathy\*, James Jirak\*, Sarah Werner, Beau Bailey^, Jamie McGee^, Rose Anstine

### 2021 Council Members:

Jim McClung\*, Kent Miller^, Kacey Preston, Carol Galliard^, Gaye Mackey^, Mary Enderud\*, Julie VonBon\*

The minutes from the 2019 Extension Council Annual Meeting were presented. Beau Bailey moved to approve the minutes as printed. Jessie Bradley seconded. The motion carried.

Vice Chair, James Jirak, thanked the following Extension Council members for their service to Cowley County Research and Extension: Russ Gottlob for Ag and Natural Resources; Ruth Bumgarner for Family and Consumer Sciences; Craig Depenbusch and Angie Krepps for 4-H Youth Development; and Sarah Werner for Community Development. Mike Legako and Stephanie Mackey were each presented with a gift of thanks for service on the Executive Board.

Mike Legako presented the Nominating Committee report of the slate of officers and members for the 2021 Executive Board. Chair: Beau Bailey, Vice Chair: James Jirak, Secretary: Kacey Preston, Treasurer: Bill Mueller, At Large Member Positions: Will Abernathy, Brett Thomson, Jessie Bradley, Phillip Bruce, and Kent Miller. James Jirak moved to cast a unanimous ballot for the presented slate of officers and members. Jessie Bradley seconded. The motion passed.

James Jirak moved and Mary Enderud seconded to secure a Treasurer's Bond from United Agency for at least \$300,000. The motion passed.

Newly elected board members completed the oath of office with Cowley County Clerk, Karen Madison.

The Program Development Committees selected officers for each committee.

Agriculture and Natural Resources: Chair-Bill Mueller, Vice Chair-Kent Miller, Secretary-Phillip Bruce

4-H Youth Development: Chair-Gaye Mackey, Vice Chair-Mary Enderud, Secretary-Sarah LaGrone

Community Development: Chair-Julie VonBon, Vice Chair-Jamie McGee, Secretary-Rose Anstine

Family and Consumer Sciences: Chair-Carol Galliard, other officers to be determined at a later date

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

## Opportunities

### Crop Donations

Did you know that for many cash basis farmers, tax savings can be achieved by donating crops directly? To learn how to transfer bushels to *Friends of Cowley County Extension*, please contact your tax advisor to understand tax saving benefits and other logistics.

### Tax-Deductible Donation Options

Contributions to Kansas Extension Councils to support their educational programs may qualify as tax-deductible contributions under section 170(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code. You can write a check to Cowley County Extension Council, PO Box 538, Winfield, KS 67156.

A Friends of Cowley County Extension endowment fund has been established at Legacy Regional Community Foundation. Financial donations can be sent to 1216 Main Street, Winfield KS 67156 with *Friends of Cowley County Extension* noted in the memo line.



### WE'RE HIRING!

#### 4-H Program Agent

Full-time position with benefits

#### SNAP-Ed Nutrition Assistant

Part-time position

Visit [cowley.k-state.edu](http://cowley.k-state.edu) for job descriptions and application links in January.

*K-State Research and Extension is committed to providing equal opportunity for participation in all programs, services and activities. Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested by contacting the event contact two weeks prior to the start of the event at (620) 221-5450. Requests received after this date will be honored when it is feasible to do so.*

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## 2021 Extension Appreciation Award Roger & Carol Black

Innovate, thrive, forward-thinking, servant-leader, inspire, seek, sustain, growth, support, legacy — these are all words that describe the mission of K-State Research and Extension. Coincidentally, they're also words that describe Roger and Carol Black, 2021 Cowley County Extension Appreciation Award recipients.

Roger and Carol Black were destined to be involved. Carol's great-grandfather homesteaded in Cowley County and her family set an example of involvement in the community and Extension. Carol, daughter of Jasper and Bea DeVore from Arkansas City, grew up in 4-H with her mother as the founding community leader for the Cameron 4-H Club. Carol and her siblings were active in Cowley County 4-H.

Roger grew up in Choctaw County Oklahoma. His exposure to 4-H was through his school, as at that time, Oklahoma clubs were school-based and agent supervised. As a teen, he continued his involvement in local youth organizations through his local FFA chapter.

Roger became acquainted with Extension as a student at his state's land grant institution where he worked as a research assistant. This developed in him a strong interest in helping others find the answers they need to become more productive, a value that he believes is beneficial to producers and a valuable role that Extension continues to play. His work-study job at Oklahoma State University is what led to him work for Carol's dad and his relocation to Kansas.

Carol and Roger served Cowley County 4-H before becoming 4-H parents themselves. As a young married couple, they served as sponsors for the 4-H Junior Leaders organization. Through their involvement, youth began to hold fundraising events to allow them to participate in interstate 4-H



exchange trips. They learned to set high expectations and believe in the youth they were impacting. They found that those kids who participated in the various fundraisers and trips created a more cohesive group.

The Black's continued the 4-H tradition with their three children- Liz, Jason and Brian. Their children were members of the Cameron 4-H Club and Roger and Carol continued their service as adult volunteers throughout their kids 4-H careers.

As producers, the Black's continue to utilize Extension in their operation. They work with state and area specialists to explore ways to improve their own operations as well as the customers they serve. Roger builds connections with agents and specialists across the state asking questions of the university, bringing topics to the forefront, which sometimes results in further investigation and research, and nearly always an increase in learning. Roger said that Extension creates a culture that drives people to think outside the box and try to do a better job than they ever thought possible.

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*The K-State Research and Extension Appreciation Award was authorized by the Extension administrative staff in 1977. Its purpose is to honor a person(s) who has made outstanding contributions to the extension programs in a county or district.*

Roger serves as the president of the Kansas Forage and Grassland Council. This group supports research and education in forage production and grassland management. Wichita, Kansas is the host site for both the American Forage Council and the International Conference in 2022. This group actively works with KSU to staff forage research and extension positions and fund millions in research dollars. Roger was one of the founding members with Gary Kilgore. Roger is the chairman of the Grouse-Silver Watershed Board and serve on the regional advisory committee for the Kansas water office.

In addition to countless civic and church organizations, Roger has served on multiple committees for Cowley County Extension. He is a past active member of the Cowley County Livestock Association Board as well as the Agriculture and Natural Resources Program Development Committee, part of the Cowley County Extension Council. He also served on the Cowley County Extension Council Executive Board various times throughout the 1970's, early 2000's and recently finished serving two terms in 2020. He was a founding member of the Cowley County Friends of Extension group that developed Cowley County Extension's "Fall for Extension" fundraising event.

Roger and Carol continue their service to Cowley County Extension. They cooperate in field days, provide insight and research to the agents and are actively involved as Friends of Extension. Their leadership and service has benefited Cowley County Extension programs as well as the local community. Their participation and leadership in Cowley County Extension spans across seven decades and has been a true influence in the presence of Extension in Cowley County.

The Cowley County Extension Council honors Roger and Carol Black with the 2021 Cowley County Extension Appreciation Award for their years of service and commitment to Cowley County.

## **Cowley County Extension Appreciation Award Recipients**

2020- KSOK Radio  
2019 - Rich & Sue Helsel (Grouse Valley Equipment)  
2018 - Barry & Dawn Schmidt  
2017 - Lester Priest Family  
2016 - Jim McClung  
2015 - Kent & Nancy Miller  
2014 - Winfield Daily Courier News Dept.  
2013 - Tina and Beau Bailey  
2012 -John Brazle and Justin Brazle  
2011 - Carrol Wray and Jeanie Campbell  
2010 – Dick Bonfy  
2009 – Vic and Jan McClung  
2008 – John Blankenship Family  
2007 – Jim and Jessie Bradley  
2006 – Lloyd and Carmelita Clarkson  
2005 – Junior Shorter and Family  
2004 – Larry and Mary Hittle  
2003 – Mildred Moore  
2002 – Verne and Zola Gottlob  
2001 – Larry and Billie Swanson  
2000 – John and Judy Lawson  
1999 – Duane and Pat Chrisler  
1998 – John and Zora Weir  
1997 – Carl Seeliger  
1996 – Irvin and Gracie McClung  
1995 – Karolyn Smith  
1994 – City of Winfield, Cowley County Fair Association  
1993 – Roger and Melba Maechtlen  
1992 – Harvey and Vada Whitehill  
1991 – Don and Joan Drake  
1990 – Frank and Helen Bossi  
1989 – Floyd and Margaret Thiel  
1988 – Not presented  
1987 – Walter and Alice Hunt  
1986 – Dwayne Lagerstrom  
1985 – Bea DeVore

## Extension Master Gardeners- 2021 Highlights

### Extension Master Gardener Community Outreach

**Partners:** Winfield Public Library, Gottlob Lawn and Landscape Walnut Valley Farmers Market; Ark City Farm and Art Market, Burden Schools, Cowley County Head Start

Extension Master Gardeners assembled 55 grab and go kits with green bean and nasturtium seeds, soil and newspaper pots. They also developed instructions, promotional materials and educational videos (distributed on YouTube). The kits were distributed through the Winfield Public Library.

Planting activities were coordinated at the Celebrate Ag Day, Farmers Markets in Winfield and Arkansas City and virtual family programs for Burden schools and



### Celebrate Ag Day

**Participants:** 150

**Partners:** Cowley County Conservation District

The inaugural event included hands-on educational programming promoting agricultural literacy to consumers and producer meetings to aid in production. The event helps bridge the gap between rural and urban living, teaching consumers the importance of the agriculture industry, and where their food comes from.



## 4-H Youth Development - 2021 Highlights

### 4-H Days- Flipgrid experience

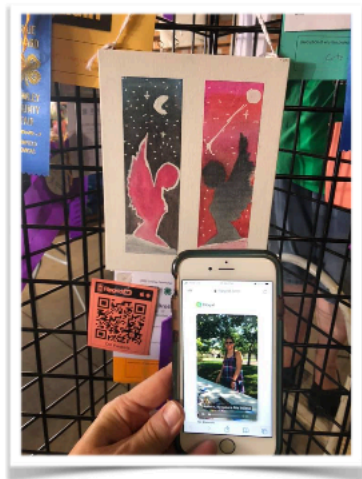
**Participants: 23 youth**

23 Cowley County 4-H'ers presented their skills and talent via uploading videos to Flipgrid, an online video site. Judges viewed the recordings and provided written or video feedback.



### Interactive Exhibits at the Cowley County Fair

A new addition was the use of QR codes that directed Fair visitors to see "behind the scenes" of project activities. A total of 35 videos were available for static and animal exhibits with 260 views.



### Youth Entrepreneurs share and sell projects

4-H youth utilized their project skills at the Walnut Valley Farmers Market at the **4-H Entrepreneur Club Booth**. Four members staffed the booth on 8 market dates and sold baked goods, jams and jellies, macrame creations, bowl buddies and custom wall decorations. This opportunity allowed youth to utilize marketing and customer service skills while making money!

4-H youth have an opportunity to showcase project learning at 4-H Days, Spring Livestock Shows, Regional and State Judging Contests, the Cowley County Fair and Kansas State Fair.

#### Fun Facts:

- The 2021 Spring Livestock Shows had a record number of participants from Kansas, Oklahoma and Missouri.
- Twenty youth have participated in Regional and State Judging Contests.

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## Agriculture & Natural Resources Highlights - 2021

- Farm Succession Workshop - 53
- Calving School - 72
- Winter Ranch Management School (Area) - 11
- Milo Production Workshop - 49
- Tractor Safety - 7
- Cowley County Classic & Spring Sheep and Meat Goat Show - 100, 200 spectators
- 4-H Sheep (50), Swine (120) & Meat Goat (87) at tagging/weigh-in
- South Central District Horse Show
- Livestock Showmanship Clinic
- Youth Livestock Judging - 5
- Calls - army worm, custom rates, land leasing



### Pond Management Workshop and Consultations

**Participants:** 20

**Partners:** KSRE Fisheries and Aquatic Extension

Dr. Joe Gerken, KSRE Fisheries and Aquatic Extension Agent provided consultation and insight into proper pond care and maintenance. Dr. Gerken visited 6 producers to evaluate their ponds, take samples and provide tools to reach their management goals.



### Wheat Variety Test Plot and Pre-Plant Meeting

**Partner:** Sumner, Sedgwick and Harvey Counties; KSRE Department of Agronomy; American Ag Credit; Bryant's Ag Services

**Participants:** 60

For every \$1 invested in varietal improvements, nearly \$12 is earned by Kansas wheat producers. Public research in wheat breeding has resulted in higher yields for Kansas producers. On-farm and local research is critical to assist our local producers in making sound cropping decisions.

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## Family & Consumer Sciences - 2021 Highlights

### **New market customers get free fruits and vegetables**

**Partners:** Mid-America Regional Council, Cowley Farmers Market Association and vendors

**Participants:** 63 new market customers

K-State Research and Extension staff and volunteers have assisted the Cowley Farmers Market Association leadership to implement the Double Up Food Bucks (DUFB) Program, SNAP card users can double their benefits up to \$25 per market visit in extra tokens for locally-grown fruits and vegetables. DUFB goes along with the market's regular SNAP (EBT) card program. Funding for this program is from a USDA grant to the Mid-America Regional Council.

"The Double Up Food Program has been great. I've always wanted to be able to shop for local produce at the farmers market and now I can."

- SNAP-EBT customer



\$5,574 distributed through EBT & DUFB  
\$4,632 redeemed

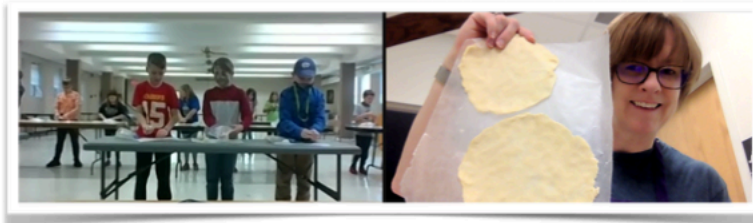


### **Hands-on Programs delivered virtually**

**Partners:** Cowley County Head Start, Burden schools, Winfield Middle School

Nutrition education and school enrichment programs were delivered virtually, including Wheat Science, gardening and SNAP-Ed lessons.

The Ark City Pre-K Program with Cowley County Head Start partnered with K-State Research and Extension to host family events. Families received information about community resources and the Ark City Farm and Art Market along with supplies (and a demonstration) to make guacamole, including tomato and cilantro plants.





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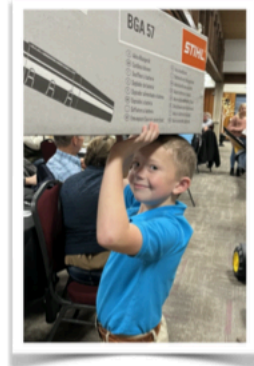
# Fall for Extension Nov. 20, 2021



*Shane Farley, KSOK radio, served as emcee.*



*\$2,000 grant from Legacy Regional Foundation.*



*4-H Youth provide smiles and service.*

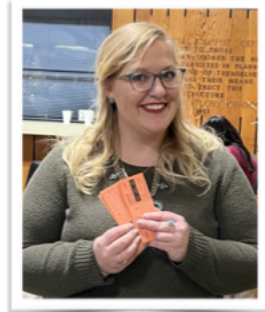
**Dinner tickets**  
\$30 or \$220 for table for 8

**Raffle items**  
1 for \$10; 3 for \$25  
834 tickets sold  
Hustler Raptor Zero Turn Mower  
Kansas Lifetime Hunt/Fish  
Whole hog with processing

**Live Auction**  
30 lots

**Silent Auction**  
89 lots + 32 centerpieces

**Proceeds**  
~\$35,000



*Raffle ticket sales began in August at the Cowley County Fair.*



*Friends and family reconnect at the event.*

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