

April 2011 Kansas 4-H Tip Sheet

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- Mar 15 Ventures Boundary Waters Canoe Trip Registration due**
- Mar 15 Horse Action Team/Horse Board Applications due**
- Mar 15 Camp Information to Rock Springs**
- Mar 15 Horse Judging Registration due**
- April 1 Wichita Garden Show youth photography entries are due**
- April 1 Kansas 4-H T-Shirt Design Submissions due**
- April 8 "Building Positive Youth Development in Kansas" Registration due**
- April 8 Basic 4-H Operations Training Registration due**
- April 15 Discovery Days Registration due**
- April 22 4-H Fair Judges Training Registrations due**
- May 1 4-H "Camp Going Green" requests for theme logo and/or decorations due**
- May 2 4-H Campference Registration due**
- May 12 Livestock Judging Camp Registration due**
- May 15 Photo Adventure Camp registration due**

Order 4-H Name Tag Holders Now



We are now accepting orders for the zipper pouch name tag holders that can be used for camps, conferences, and other events. The cost will be \$1.50 each. Please e-mail your order, including your name, group name, and number of name tags to tewillia@ksu.edu by April 15th. Pick up availability is anticipated for May 15.

Williams

Seeking Sponsorship for North Central Region Collegiate 4-H Conference

The K-State Chapter of Collegiate 4-H will be hosting the North Central Region Collegiate 4-H Conference November 4-6, 2011. This conference is an opportunity for K-State and Kansas 4-H to showcase the programs and opportunities available in our state. We are currently working to obtain sponsorship to help make our conference a success. Your donations will help pay for tours, workshops, and entertainment throughout the conference.

More information about our conference and sponsorships forms can be found at <http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=137> . If you have any further questions please contact our conference coordinator Kylee Grant at kyleeg@ksu.edu or our advisor Sharon Dobesh at sdobesh@ksu.edu.

All sponsorships are greatly appreciated. If you are unable to sponsor, but would like to contribute to our conference in another form, please contact Kylee.

Basic 4-H Operations Training

Basic 4-H Operations Training will be held April 18 and 19 in Manhattan. Basic 4-H Operations training begins at 1:00pm on Monday, and goes through 5:00pm on Tuesday. All sessions will be held at Pottorf Hall on the Riley County Fairgrounds, Manhattan.

This training is part of the New Agent Training Cycle, but any agent or program assistant in the system is welcome to attend this training where we share critical information for handling 4-H managerial issues that may arise.

Topics to be addressed include: Accountability to the Youth Development Mission, Youth Livestock Update, Accountability in Working with Volunteers, Accountability in Fiscal Affairs, State 4-H Office Connection, Accountability in Program Planning and Program Expansion.

If you have questions, please contact Diane Mack or Beth Hinshaw. Cost to attend is \$25 payable to the Kansas 4-H Foundation. To register, please fill out a form at <https://spreadsheets.google.com/viewform?hl=en&authkey=CNHqg-cH&formkey=dE1VVURmajJxTEN3bFFPUjJmaXpJQ0E6MQ#gid=0>. Fill out all information and hit submit by April 8, 2011.

The next session will be held September 26 and 27, 2011.
Mack dmack@ksu.edu

Join Kansas 4-H Website Inquiries

It's been six months since the JoinKansas4-H.org was launched in August 2010. According to Google Analytics, there have been 1,399 visits to the site. Since the website was launched, 251 families completed the "How to Join" section. Sedgwick, Johnson, Butler, Wyandotte, Miami and Shawnee counties lead with the top number of inquiries. We continue to receive them daily. Of the inquiries, 56% of the respondents completed them during hours when the local Extension Office was closed.

As you continue to market or make plans for next fall's marketing efforts, the 4-H Marketing Action Team hopes that you are directing new families to the JoinKansas4-H.org website.

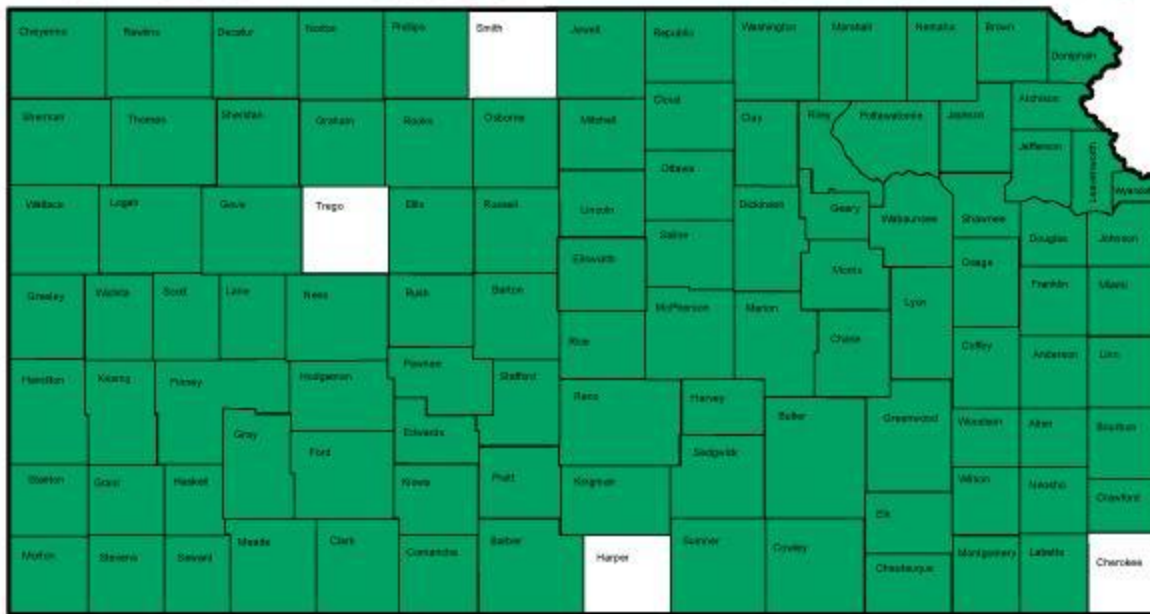
Mack and 4-H Marketing Action Team Members

"Join Kansas 4-H" Multimedia Campaign Recognized by Advertising Industry

The American Advertising Federation of Topeka has honored New Boston Creative Group, LLC, with a Silver ADDY for the "Join Kansas 4-H" multimedia campaign. New Boston Creative Group worked with the Kansas 4-H Marketing Action Team to create the <JoinKansas4-H.org> website and "Join Kansas 4-H" video. The ADDY Awards is the world's largest advertising competition with over 50,000 entries annually. The ADDY Awards is unique among other advertising creative competitions in that it is the only competition that includes three levels of judging: local, regional, and national. Gold and Silver local winners earn the right to compete in one of 14 districts nationwide. Our congratulations and best wishes as they move forward to regional competition.

Gerhard ggerhard@ksu.edu

Kansas - Access 4-H Extension Units



The above Extension Units shown in green have participated in Access 4-H Training and are beginning to use the system.

Access 4-H Enrollment

Please continue with your plans to make the transition to Access 4-H Enrollment by May 2011. We want to help staff make the switch prior to the rush of summer camping and county fairs/state fair and year-end reporting. End of year reporting for 2011 will only be accepted via Access 4-H; especially in light of all the troubles caused by Blue Ribbon and the K-State e-mail system.

The National Access 4-H Team offers weekly webinars hosted by Meredith Muckerman. You can sign up for these trainings at: <http://tinyurl.com/Access4-HTraining> You need to sign up no later than 12 PM Eastern on the day before the training to be able to receive e-mail confirmation and instructions.

We plan to continue offering face-to-face training sessions here in Kansas along with Adobe Connect webinars and downloadable training videos.

Over the next several months Access 4-H is planning some significant new features and upgrades they are labeling "Access 4-H 2.0". Below is a list of anticipated questions and responses.

1. Will it replace the current ACCESS 4-H Online Enrollment System and when can we expect it?

Access 2.0 will be an incremental extension of the current enrollment system as opposed to a replacement. Users will see these incremental updates and new features between now and July 31st 2011, when ACCESS 2.0 is slated to be finalized. ACCESS 2.0 is focused on functionality beyond base enrollment and data management.

2. Will staff have to be retrained for ACCESS 2.0?

There will not be a massive overhaul or need for current users to re-learn system use. All base functionality will remain the same.

3. What will ACCESS 2.0 offer and what is the anticipated release timeline?

Along with many improvements to and enhancements of current functionality, here are some of the new features ACCESS 2.0 will offer;

- More support for National 4-H Initiatives and Changing 4-H Business Policies (*Winter 2011*)

- OpenID Integrations with the NYSD site, Every One Ready, Brand Networks and the Curriculum Modules (*Winter 2011*)
- Advanced Integrated Surveying Module (*Spring 2011*)
- Multiple LGU tracking (*Spring 2011*)
- Advanced Curriculum Tracking (*Spring 2011*)
- OpenID integration with My4H which will give users access to Online projects & Record Books, virtual clubs and interest area communities/groups. (*Summer 2011*)
- Impact tracking (*Summer 2011*)
- Event Management & Online Payment System (*Summer 2011*)
- Fair Management Solution (*Summer 2011*)
- Internationalization (*Summer 2011*)
- Calendaring (State/County/Club levels) (*Summer 2011*)
- Customizable Dashboards with Data Visualization Gadgets and Charts (*Summer 2011*)
- Mobile Application (*Summer 2011*)
- And more ...*

4. How much in addition to the cost of the current enrollment systems will states have to pay for all of these wonderful 2.0 modules and features?

Initial implementation in Kansas has been generously funded by the Kansas 4-H Foundation. There will be no additional cost to states or counties! This is all part of ACCESS 4-H.

Wiebers

TEACH BAKING AND WIN \$1,000

Calling all baking educators! The Home Baking Association (HBA) will award \$1,000 and a trip to the 2011 HBA Annual Meeting in Vermont this fall. Each year the association seeks to reward educators who have implemented outstanding programs that teach children to bake and share baking in their communities.

Classroom educators and community youth organization program leaders are eligible to enter. Family and consumer science educators and youth organization leaders for 4-H, Boys and Girls Clubs, Camp Fire USA and other after-school or community programs are encouraged to share successful community baking programs. Youth who have developed baking programs that teach other youth to bake are also invited to enter.

In addition to the top prize additional awards will be given for special categories. All entrants will receive a complimentary teaching resource from the Home Baking Association. Information on the 2011 contest and application form can be found at www.homebaking.org. Entries may be mailed or sent electronically through the web-site. Entry deadline is March 31, 2011.

4-H Fair Judges Training

There will be two 4-H Fair Judges Training opportunities coming in May. These workshops are for Judges, Potential Judges, Agents, Leaders and Junior Leaders. Registration for each will be due on Friday, April 22 in the SE Area Office.

Wednesday, May 4, 2011

Community Building at Riverside Park
600 South State Street
Iola, Kansas 66749

Subjects covered include: foods, food preservation, arts and crafts, fiber arts (knitting and crochet) and photography

Thursday, May 5, 2011

4-H Community Building
200 N Griffith
Eldorado, KS 67042

Subjects covered include: foods, food preservation, fiber arts (Knitting, crochet, rug making, weaving and needlework), fiber arts (quilting), flowers/houseplants, vegetables and photography

The flyers with the complete schedule and registration information are on the State 4-H website under "What's Hot". If you have questions, please contact Beth Hinshaw bhinshaw@ksu.edu

Youth Livestock Safety Video Available

A new dvd "Youth Livestock Safety" from the K-State Extension Farm Safety program is now available through the Extension Bookstore, Video #582. One copy of the dvd is being distributed to each Kansas Extension office. Additional dvds can be ordered from the Bookstore for the cost of postage while supplies last. The current inventory is 1,900. The safety lessons were designed to supplement 4-H and youth livestock curriculum materials for use at project meetings. The material on the dvd is supplemented with web-based safety lessons at: <http://ylsp.bae.ksu.edu>. The project was funded by a USDA-NIFA Youth Farm Safety Grant.

Video and print safety lessons cover commonly-shown livestock species -- beef, dairy, horse, sheep, swine, and goat. The dvd also includes supplemental material on making livestock projects safe and accessible for youth with disabilities. Web site content is taken from the dvds. Video lessons are closed captioned.

Animals are one of the top three cause agents and a leading source of non-machinery injury to youth in an agricultural setting. The National Children's Center for Rural and Agricultural Health reports 52% of injuries to all farm youth occur on livestock operations. Because of the amount of time spent with their animals, youth who raise and show livestock may be at greater risk of injury. The video was produced in Kansas with Kansas 4-H members, families, and shows. Some of you will recognize 4-H families from your counties; others of you allowed us to film at fairs and other livestock events in your counties. Thank you to all who helped with this project.

Kerri Ebert, kebert@k-state.edu

Major Kansas State Fair Changes For 2011

1. All classes having standing displays will use the standard 3'x 4' tri-fold size.
2. Fashion Revue will allow 2 entries per class from each county.
3. New Geology Lapidary classes.
4. 4-H Spacetech-Rocketry section has major revisions.
5. 4-H/FFA dairy cattle may be co-owned and co-registered by two or more 4-H or FFA members of the same family, but may not be registered in a farm name or include any names of adults. (This is in agreement with beef heifer rule).
6. 4-H/FFA crops has a new class for cotton bolls.

For further details and minor changes, check out the posting on the 4-H website under events/Kansas State Fair.
Adams

Kansas 4-H T-Shirt Design Contest

The Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council is holding a design contest for their next T-Shirt that will be sold starting in the summer of 2011. Any current 4-H member is encouraged to submit a design. Submissions are due by April 1, 2011. Information and official [submission form](#) can be found on the State 4-H website.

[Hinshaw](#) and the [Kansas Youth Leadership Council PR Committee](#)

Kansas 4-H Ambassadors Trained

One hundred fifty five Kansas 4-H Ambassadors and Advisors recently attended the annual training at Rock Springs 4-H Center. This year's theme was *Ambassadors – 'Lei' the Pathway to Success!* The Kansas 4-H Ambassador Action Team co-sponsored the event with Kansas 4-H Youth Development. **The 2012 Kansas 4-H Ambassador Training dates have been set for February 24-25, 2012, at Rock Springs 4-H Center.** While there is no perfect date for this training, this date doesn't conflict with spring breaks or Easter. Visit the Kansas 4-H Ambassador web site for the latest information and resource materials: <http://www.kansas4h.org/p.aspx?tabid=29>. For more information about the Kansas 4-H Ambassador Action Team and program, please contact Deryl Waldren, 785-462-6281 or e-mail him at: dwaldren@ksu.edu.
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Alpha of Clovia 4-H based Scholarship House Opportunity for Women

Alpha of Clovia is a 4-H based scholarship house for women near the Kansas State University campus. Clovia is a house ran for the women and by the women. All women participate in determining house rules and electing officers. House duties are distributed among members and arranged around class schedules. This cooperative effort allows Clovia to be an economical living situation. Members pay about \$1,500 each semester, which includes 18 meals/week, laundry, internet, and utilities. A semester in the residence halls with 20 meals/week is around \$3,500. The average cost of living in a sorority for a semester is over \$2,600.

Clovia is a home away from home. Since all Clovia girls share similar backgrounds and interests, moving into Clovia is like gaining instant friends. The girls are all ready to help new members get adjusted to living away from home and find their way around campus and Manhattan. To be eligible for new membership, a girl must have been an active member of 4-H or have a similar background. If the prospective member is a high school senior, she must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0. Clovia strives to find new members who have a positive attitude, a good academic record, and good leadership skills. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about Clovia, visit the website at www.alphaofclovia.org.

4-H Citizenship Washington Focus Delegates Needed

Applications are still being accepted for 4-H Citizenship Washington Focus, June 16-27, 2011. Citizenship Washington Focus is open to youth, ages 15-18 years old. It is an intensive 11 day summer citizenship experience in our nation's capitol.

Along the route, delegates tour educational sites like the Gateway Arch in St. Louis and Independence Hall in Philadelphia/Gettysburg Battlefield or Monticello and Williamsburg, Virginia. Delegates and/or their counties are responsible for the cost of \$1,425. Applications were due March 1st.

Wiebers

Out-of-School Program Idea Conference

October 4, 2011, Sedgwick County Extension Education Center, 7001 W. 21st. Street N., Wichita - reserved the date for this fantastic conference. The call for presentations is up under "What's Hot".

Van Horn

Kansas Foster Care Resource Family Grants

Kansas 4-H Youth Development, the Kansas 4-H Foundation and Saint Francis Community Services are working together to provide funding opportunities for foster children.

The purpose of the Kansas 4-H Resource Family Project and Camp Grant Programs is to provide financial assistance for foster youth and their resource families who want to participate in learning opportunities available through 4-H. Kansas 4-H is open to all youth ages 7 through 18 wanting to expand their learning opportunities. 4-H focuses on developing confident, capable, caring, responsible citizens. 4-H offers a wide range of project areas that youth may learn from, ranging from agriculture to food and nutrition to aerospace and photography. Although being involved in the local club can provide an opportunity for youth to learn from each other and contribute to others through community service projects, volunteers and family support are also important elements of 4-H as volunteers and parents serve as club and project leaders that guide and mentor youth.

Family Project Grants

- o Foster children must enroll as 4-H members through their local extension office
- o Eligible 4-H member can only apply for one 4-H project and one 4-H camp grant per year.
- o Grant funds are for the purpose of starting or enhancing a 4-H project during the 4-H year such as purchasing a camera, craft supplies, clothing, feed, equipment, etc.
- o Eligible 4-H member may request funds for supplies and equipment needed for participating in a pet or livestock project; however, funds are not available for the purchase of pets or livestock.
- o Grant funding cannot include meal expenses.
- o Items and supplies purchased from grant funding for 4-H project become the property of the eligible 4-H member.
- o Liability, maintenance and warranty of the items and supplies purchased become the responsibility of the eligible 4-H member.

Grant application and instructions available on the Kansas 4-H Web site: www.Kansas4H.org.

Van Horn

Geology/Entomology Exhibit Boxes

Alan Meinholdt, State 4-H Geology Action Team Member, continues to make the standard display boxes for these projects for \$23/box. Alan is willing to take orders and work with the system to deliver them at a

minimum cost to the 4-H member. This cost does not include staining, but does include the plexiglass top. To order boxes, contact Alan Meinholdt, 1407 Rural, Emporia, Kansas 66801 or phone 620-343-7368 or email anmeinholdt@bcglobal.net

Adams

KAE4-HA Spring Conference Set for April

Please put on your calendar April 12 - 13 for our KAE4-HA Spring Professional Development Conference and Annual Meeting. It will be in Salina and be just before Spring Action Conference. Rooms will be available at the Ramada for the same rate as SAC, (\$65.00 per night). This date and location was arrived at after extensive discussion with many of you. Registration information at:

http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/agent_association/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabloid=59

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Tractor Supply Company Partnership Opportunities

As we move into the new year, we are thrilled to announce the upcoming opportunities for fundraising, membership recruitment, and prizes that are part of our exciting partnership with Tractor Supply Company. Many of you have shared feedback regarding more advanced notification of opportunities and events, so to help you plan, please review our 6-month calendar detailing upcoming events and promotions with TSC. This calendar runs from January to June, 2011. It contains dates for events, how to obtain more information, and where to find resources that may be available.

Below is a brief overview of the top two upcoming opportunities/events:

- **TSC Clover Card** : Enrollment is open for the TSC Clover Card! As 4-H youth, staff, families, volunteers, and alumni - you can sign up for your free, exclusive card at the TSC website . You will receive periodic printable coupons via email and a 10% off introductory coupon just for joining. In addition, each time you make a purchase at a TSC store and use your card, your club will be entered into a random monthly drawing to win a \$500 TSC gift card! The TSC Clover Card is not a discount card.
- **Spring Paper Clover** : Mark your calendars, TSC and Del's stores will run our spring Paper Clover Fundraiser in all stores nationwide from April 15-25! Coming soon we will have customizable resources (press release template, posters, etc.) available for you at the 4-H website .

Please contact Julie Conn at jconn@4-h.org with any questions.

County Club Days Coordinator

Collegiate 4-H's County Club Days Coordinator is Kylee Grant. She can be reached at kyleeg@ksu.edu or by phone at 620-285-9048. During this spring semester try to avoid the following dates due to conflicts or other scheduled dates which keep Collegiate 4-Hers from participating:

March 18th-27th- (Spring Break)

April 13th-18th- (National Collegiate 4-H Meeting in Georgia)

April 22nd-25th- (Easter Weekend)

Please include which categories judges are needed in your requests.

Animal Sciences

Beginning Horse Judging Camp

Beginning Horse Judging Camp - June 6, 2011. This camp is designed for youth that have had very little experience judging horses and would like to learn more about note taking and oral reasons. Emphasis will be placed on the placings of classes commonly seen in Kansas judging contests. A printable brochure can be found at www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu. Contact Teresa Slough at 785-532-1268 or tslough@ksu.edu for more information.

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Advanced Horse Judging Camp

Advanced Horse Judging Camp - June 9-10, 2011. This camp is designed for youth that have had some experience judging horses and would like to learn more about note taking and oral reasons. Emphasis will be placed on the placings and reasons of classes commonly seen in Kansas judging contests. A printable brochure can be found at www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu. Contact Teresa Slough at 785-532-1268 or tslough@ksu.edu for more information.

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The “Champion” Livestock Judging Camp

The “Champion” Livestock Judging Camp - A three day, intense judging camp designed for 4-H and FFA members (ages 14-18) who are seriously interested in enhancing their livestock judging and oral communication skills. Prior livestock judging experience is necessary for this camp. Workouts will be conducted similar to those at a collegiate level. Dr. Scott Schaake, coach of five consecutive National Collegiate Championships will conduct the training for each camp. The camp will focus primarily on the proper format, terminology, and presentation of oral reasons. Camp participants will also be exposed to livestock evaluation skills and incorporating performance records in the decision making process.

The following dates are set for the 2011 camps:

June 14-16 (Tuesday-Thursday)

June 17-19 (Friday-Sunday)

June 24-26 (Friday-Sunday)

The registration deadline is May 12. Registration information and brochures can be found at www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu.

Tomascik

K-State Animal Sciences Leadership Academy is set for June 8-11, 2011 at Kansas State University

The goal of the academy is to further develop young leaders within the livestock industry through an engaging summer experience hosted by K-State Animal Sciences and Industry. This four-day event will focus on increasing knowledge of Kansas' diverse livestock industry, as well as building participant's leadership skills. Twenty high school students will be selected to participate based on educational, community, and agricultural

involvement. Applications are due March 15th and can be found at www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu.

Don't forget to check out the YLP on Facebook and Twitter for more information on our events!

Facebook: K-State Youth Livestock Program

Twitter: @KS_YLP

Tomascik

Awards and Recognition

The Kansas 4-H Award Portfolio process moves forward. Interviews are scheduled March 18 and March 24. A sample video is available for viewing on the Kansas 4-H web page, Kansas4-H.org. Semi-finalist's KAPs will be available at Spring Action Planning Conference.

Van Horn

Camp

2011 Camp Payment Process

Administrators have agreed on the following for 2011 Camp payments:

KSRE Rock Springs Camp Payment

1. By February 1, the camp chair will submit to Rock Spring a list of extension units and whether to invoice the 4-H Council or Extension Council.
2. Two weeks prior to camp, the camp chair notifies the assigned Rock Springs Administrator on Duty of individual extension units' numbers of campers, counselors and agents/adults. (Scenic County: 112 campers, 15 counselors, 4 agents/adults for counselor training and 12 additional agents/adults). Plus, provide Rock Springs with the number of campers housed in the Stonybrook living area.
3. Upon receiving the number of campers by extension unit from the camp chair, Rock Springs will invoice individual extension units within the camp group.
4. Rock Springs will adjust for available discounts based on camper numbers and Stonybrook campers.
5. Individual extension units will pay Rock Springs prior to the start of camp.
6. During 4-H camp, financial changes will be adjusted as needed. Additional fees must be submitted within two weeks following camp participation.

Extension 4-H Camp Incidental Fees

1. Camp groups' financial account managed within either an extension unit's 4-H Council or Extension Council as a sub-account.
 - a. Extension unit manages the account under KSRE recommendations.
 - b. Preference of KSRE Administration would be individual agents/adult volunteers purchase needed supplies/equipment on personal account and submit expenses to camp group treasurer for reimbursement.
 - c. All financial transactions must be accounted for.

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4-H Camping Promotions

Kansas 4-H Camp Going Green, 2011 Camp theme logo available on the 4-H web site. Camp groups wanting to use the 2011 theme need to notify Karla Hightower, khightow@ksu.edu or Pam Van Horn, pvanhorn@ksu.edu by May 1. Cost for decorations is \$20. Checkout the web site <http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=17> for ideas.

Van Horn

Camp Promotions

The Kansas 4-H Journal's Camping Issue is out in circulation! Please utilize the issue to help in promoting camp throughout your Extension Unit. Many thanks extended to the Camp Action Team for their efforts in putting together a terrific piece. Special thanks to Robyn Dienes for coordinating efforts in collecting articles. Remember to take photos during this 2011 camping season as the CAT will be asking for pictures for the 2011 Camping Issue.

Van Horn



4-H Campference

The Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council is excited to promote Campference! This event is focused on youth ages 12- 14 (before January 1, 2011), and will be held June 14-17, 2011 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Participants will experience the feel of a conference, while enjoying the “camp” activities Rock Springs 4-H Center has to offer. This is a great transitional opportunity, as these tweens go from being a camper to attending educational conferences. Campference will feature workshops about opportunities in the 4-H program, healthy living skills and how to better interact with others. Participants will meet other youth from around the state of Kansas. Registrations are due May 2 in local Extension Offices. Register early as the space will fill! Registration and detailed information will be available on March 15 on the State 4-H website.

[Hinshaw/Maass/Youth Leadership Council Campference Committee Members](#)



CHARACTER COUNTS! Cheating Is Just Wrong

A recent study by the Josephson Institute reveals that 59% of high schoolers admit they cheated in the past year. Yet neither schools nor parents seem to take this seriously. Instead they often tell kids: “You’re only cheating yourself.” Not a good thing to say. First, it’s not true. Cheaters don't only cheat themselves. They cheat fellow students who earn their grades fairly, and they cheat everyone who is misled by a fraudulently acquired grade. Most of all, cheaters dishonor themselves, their families, teachers, and schools. Telling a youngster “you’re only cheating yourself” transforms an issue of integrity and moral responsibility into a self-serving cost/benefit calculation that doesn't favor a decision to not cheat. Most kids know that they could live successful and happy lives even if they never learn the value of X or capital of Zimbabwe. What's more, a strong argument could be made that learning to cheat could be more useful than learning to study. Trying to instill a commitment to honesty by appealing to self-interest reinforces the corrosive idea that decisions should be made on the basis of personal advantage rather than moral duty. We should tell children that cheating is wrong because it is dishonest

and unfair. We should tell them that the road to a worthy and fulfilling life filled with meaningful relationships is the road of honor, not expediency. We should teach them to do what is right, not because of what they will get from it, but because of what they will become by it. (Josephson, Michael. 22 February 2011)

Gerhard

CloverBuds

4-H Cloverbuds!!!

As summer approaches ... a quick reminder that Kansas 4-H Cloverbuds program became the authorized 4-H education option for 5-and 6-year-olds. All former programs, such as tag-alongs, mini-4-H, etc., **are not** recognized as 4-H Youth Development programs. 4-H Cloverbuds is age appropriate for those children learning to learn, gaining self-understanding, making positive choices, getting along with others and mastering physical skills. Check-out the Kansas 4-H Cloverbuds Policies at <http://www.kansas4h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=264>.

Van Horn

Curriculum Corner

Looking for Action Team Members

The Curriculum Action Team is still looking for a few good people to become action team members.

Activities currently in process include:

- * Developing Project Promotional Brochures
- * Recruiting Science Teachers to apply science standards to project lessons (Have 3, need several more)
- * Support Project Leader training efforts
- * Work on submitting Kansas materials to the National 4-H Directory

Reminder!!! National 4-H Materials Order Form will be coming in April for pre-press discounts.

The National Curriculum Working Group (CWG) will use the following list of prioritized areas from a recent survey of states in conjunction with the three national mission areas to develop strategies (and funding as needed) to address these prioritized needs.

Youth Curriculum Priorities:

1. Career Exploration
2. Consumer Education/Money Management
3. Large Animals
4. Physical Activity for Teens
5. Food Science
6. Communications
7. Bullying Prevention
8. Project Samplers for Ages 5-8
9. Nutrition- Special Dietary Needs
10. Videography
11. Family Cooking
12. Veterinary Science
13. Clothing/Textiles
14. Aviation/Space

15. Distracted Driving Prevention

16. Astronomy

Please contact Jim Adams at (785) 532-5800, or jadams@ksu.edu with any questions.

Adams

Dogs

Dates for the major state dog project activities are:

September 17, 2011 State 4-H Dog Show at Kansas State Fair

October 15-16, 2011 State 4-H Dog Conference at Rock Springs

January 27-29, 2012 Dog Judge Training, Sedgwick County Ext. Office

Please contact Jim Adams at (785) 532-5800, or jadams@ksu.edu with any questions.

Adams

FCS

FCS Information for 2011 Available

Project meeting ideas for family and consumer science projects (clothing and textiles, family studies, fiber arts, foods and nutrition, health and wellness, and home environment) have now been posted on the 4-H website at <http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx>. The Family and Consumer Science Action Team asks that these topics be made available to club and county leaders of those projects to assist them in planning project meetings.

If you have any questions, please email Linda Biles at sewandsewbiles@aol.com

Linda Biles, FCS Consultant

State 4-H Family and Consumer Science Tour – March 26, 2011

Spend the day, March 26 exploring the treasures of southwest Kansas. Step back into time as you stroll the streets of Meade where the Dalton Gang's hideout is located. Visit a dairy to watch the cows being fed and milked. Tour a tortilla plant observing tortillas being made from start to finish. Taste the flavorful foods of the southwest plus purchase authentic baked goods from the local market.

Registration for this adventure is \$15 per person, due March 12. The tours are limited to the first 50 registrants. For those driving, the Days Inn in Liberal has a block of 12 rooms reserved under the "State FCS Conference" for \$54.00 just by calling 620-626-7377, this includes occupancy tax and a continental breakfast. A small swimming pool is available. For more information contact Christine McPheter, cmcphete@ksu.edu. The tour is sponsored by the Family and Consumer Science Action Team.

Van Horn

GPS/GIS

GLOBE at Night - A Citizen Science Program - www.globeatnight.org

There's still time to offer your clubs, families, and other educators a great "grab & go" citizen science program. GLOBE at Night is an internet-based geospatial program in which youth and families can contribute and monitor light pollution world-wide. By locating and observing specific constellations, they can learn how the lights in their community contribute to light pollution, and explore the relationship between science, technology, and their society. This global scientific campaign lets participants submit their observations through an online database, allowing for authentic worldwide research and analysis by participating scientists.

The 2011 observation reporting time is February 21 - March 6, 2011 and March 22 - April 4, 2011. Family and teacher activity packets are available for download at www.globeatnight.org. Additional resources exist on the site to help your audience take concepts one step further including a 15 minute light shielding demonstration. Review a brief program presentation by clicking on the Globe at Night icon on the Kansas 4-H home page.

Hecht

Geology

The State 4-H Geology Field Trips will be held June 10-12, 2011 with headquarters in Topeka and Newton. Watch for details later in the spring.

Adams

Healthy Living

Two Opportunities for Healthy Living: National Youth Traffic Safety Month & The President's Challenge

1) May celebrates [National Youth Traffic Safety Month](#), a national campaign empowering youth to take a stand for traffic safety, especially during the dangerous season of prom, graduation, and summer. A focus of the 2011 [National Youth Traffic Safety Month](#) is youth distracted driving prevention. Distractions like texting, talking on the phone, eating, drinking and crowded vehicles can cause injuries and fatalities on the road due to car crashes. Teens are one of the most important demographic groups affected by the consequences of distracted driving. This year help drive home the message - **JST DRV!** [Campaign kits](#) are available for free download and are filled with easy-to-use awareness tools for clubs, schools, communities.

2) The President's Challenge is for one million Americans to complete the Presidential Active Lifestyle Award (PALA). **4-H is answering this call by setting a goal to have 100,000 4-H members and their families complete their PALA.**

The Presidential Active Lifestyle Award recognizes those individuals who log their recommended physical activity for six weeks, five days a week (60 minutes for youth, 30 minutes minimum for adults).

Signing up for the 4-H group is simple. All you have to do is register. It's quick, and there's no cost to participate!

HOW TO JOIN:

- 1) Go to http://www.presidentschallenge.net/login/register_individual.aspx
- 2) Fill out the registration form.

3) When you arrive at your personal dashboard page, click on the groups tab and join the 4-H group.

- Your Group ID Number: **96548**
- Your Group Name: **National 4-H Program**

4) After registering, start logging your activities. As you log activities you'll be able to track your progress toward winning a President's Challenge Award or Medal.

Good luck!

[The President's Challenge](#)

[Let's Move Campaign](#)

Submitted by Elaine Johannes, Kansas Healthy Living Liaison ejohanne@ksu.edu, 785-532-7720.

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Horse

Panorama

A big "Thank You" to all of our volunteers who helped make the 2011 4-H Horse Panorama a success! Also, thank you to all of our participants and parents! Congratulations to all of the 4-H'ers who competed at the 2011 Horse Panorama!

The results can be found on the 4-H website

<http://www.kansas4h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=193>

Horse Action Team/Horse Board

In spring 2011, positions for the Horse Action Team and Horse Board will be re-appointed. Applications will be accepted for both groups. Please note: Beginning in 2011, interested candidates will complete a Horse Action Team application, which is for membership on the Horse Board and Horse Action Team. This is to avoid any confusion since all Board members must be on the Horse Action Team. The deadline for applications will be March 15 and members will be appointed by April 15. Please contact Sarah Dick sarahdd@ksu.edu for additional information.

Horse Show Judge's Seminar/Certification

There will not be a 2011 Horse Show Judge's Seminar and Certification. The next Horse Show Judge's Seminar and Certification will be in 2012. All Horse Show Judge's with terms expiring in 2011 will have a one year extension. Additional information on the 2012 seminar will be available in the coming months.

State Horse Judging Contest

The 2011 State Horse Judging Contest is March 26 at the Ag Hall, Expo Center in Salina. Registration information and rules can be found on the 4-H website <http://www.kansas4h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=43>

Check-in time is from 8:30- 9:00 A.M. The contest will begin at 9:00 A.M.

Lunch will be provided for the Intermediate and Senior contestants. At the completion of the judging portion of the contest, the Beginner contestants will be dismissed. The Intermediates and Seniors will eat under supervision.

Registration costs are as follows:

Senior (14-18)/Intermediate (9-13): \$12.00 (Intermediate/Senior meal included in cost)

Beginner (7-18): \$5.00.

Entries and required 4-H Participation Forms are due by 5:00 P.M., March 1, 2011 to the State 4-H Office. ATTENTION: 4-H Horse Judging Contest, 201 Umberger Hall, Manhattan, KS 66506. Please make checks payable to: Kansas 4-H Foundation.

District Horse Show info

The 2011 District Horse Show dates and locations are as follows:

South Central

July 13, Kingman Activity Center, Kingman

South West

July 7, Finney County Fairgrounds, Garden City

South East

July 7, State Hospital Arena, Parsons

North East

July 6, Douglas County Fairgrounds, Lawrence

North West

July 6, Oakley Fairgrounds, Oakley

North Central

July 6, Saline County Expo Center, Ag Hall, Salina

East Central

July 5, Douglas County Fairgrounds, Lawrence

Please contact Sarah Dick, Kansas 4-H Horse Events Coordinator sarahdd@ksu.edu with any questions or for additional information.

Dick

Horticulture

Horticulture Judging

A big thank you to all Extension Units that had young people take part in the Horticulture judging Contest during the Wichita Garden Show. The contest went well and we had an abundance of good help from agents and volunteers. Results can be found on the web under "What Happened". Thanks also for working with our new registration system through Google docs, we were pleased with how it worked and plan to use it for future contests as well. The State Horticulture Judging Contest will be Saturday, August 20, 2011 on the K-State Campus. More information will be available this summer.

[Hinshaw](#) and [Neier](#)

Marketing

Resources Available for Orienting New 4-H Families

The 4-H Marketing Action Team provided many resources to attract new families to your local 4-H program. Now is the time to focus on engaging them in the program.

One way to help orient new families is with their own newsletter. Marketing Action Team members Andrea Feldkamp, Riley County and Amy Sollock, Ford County, send a special newsletter to new families. Andrea and

Amy shared their newsletters. They are available in both word and pdf on the Marketing Action Team Resources website at:

<http://www.kansas4h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=56>

Remember that resources for new families are also available in the Strengthening Club I materials. Resources include: New Family Coordinator Position Description; Welcoming New 4-H Members; Welcoming New 4-H Members Example: Greet Sheet; 4-H Parent Interest Survey; and 4-H Parent (Home Helper) Position Description. They are available in both word and pdf on the Strengthening Club I website at

<http://www.kansas4h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=60>

We appreciate those of you who responded to our survey to help us plan for future projects. We value your input.

Mack/Marketing Action Team

Photography

The 4-H Photography Action Team is proud to announce the 16th Annual Photography Adventure Camp, June 8 - 11, Rock Springs 4-H Center.

<http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=191>

Some changes, camp is for youth 13 - 15 and registration will be online using a GoogleDocs form. The link to the registration form is:

<https://spreadsheets.google.com/viewform?formkey=dGdZclhpb0xQaE9Jb1VfQlIFS11CUIE6MQ>

It is also on Kansas4-H.org What's Hot, Photo Adventure Camp.

Buchele

PHOTO CAMP 2011 - THE NEXT GENERATION

June 8-11, 2011, at Rock Springs 4-H Center

Now is the time to start thinking about attending Kansas 4-H Photo Adventure Camp,

June 8-11 at Rock Springs 4-H Center.

From the basics of composition and lighting to new skills and techniques, youth ages 13-15 will be immersed in all aspects of photography. Campers will learn how to shoot in a variety of situations and settings as well as learn tips and tricks from a variety of instructors with a variety of backgrounds. Photo Adventure Camp will elevate skills and creativity to a new level.

Register online at www.kansas4h.org

. Look under What's Hot - Photo Adventure Camp. Registrations are due May 15. Youth camp fee is \$165 and includes housing, meals, and instruction. Twenty-five campers must be registered by May 15 or camp will be canceled. Adults may attend camp for \$175. For more information contact camp director, Rachel Harmon at 785-656-0987 or rachel@sagebrushvideo.com

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Wichita Garden Show Photography Contest

Entries are now being accepted for the Wichita Garden Show youth photography contest. This contest is for

photos taken during the 2011 Show. Entries are due April 1st. Full information is at <http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=191>

Buchele

Volunteer Information Profile (VIP)

Kansas 4-H policy requires all adults who are in overnight situations with youth to be VIP registered. Now is the time to get started with getting ready for our various summer activities including camp. By getting volunteers fully registered and appointed now, much time will be saved this summer. As a reminder the full VIP process is, Application with references, references checked, online check of the Registered Offenders Site and KASPER site, VIP Review Committee review, Orientation and appointment by the local Extension Unit Council/Governing Board. VIP registration is not complete until all steps have been completed. We have an online orientation option available to complete this step in a timely manner. To enroll someone in the online course, please send their name and valid email address to ks4-hvip@ksu.edu

If you have any questions about the VIP process, please contact me at rbuchele@ksu.edu

Buchele

Positive Youth Development

Final Call for ["Building Positive Youth Development in Kansas"](#) training to be held April 26

Kansas youth development organizations are coming together on April 26 in Wichita to provide training to youth workers at the "Building Positive Youth Development in Kansas" institute. K-State Research and Extension, Kansas Enrichment Network (KEN) and Communities-in-Schools of Kansas are partnering to sponsor the event which features Cornell's Advanced Youth Development (AYD) curriculum and Kansas' Afterschool Program Quality Guidelines and self-assessment tools. Registrations of \$50 are due by April 8. See registration details at: Kansas Enrichment Network ["Network, Partners Offer Positive Youth Development Training"](#) (see: <http://apps.ku.edu/~ken/index.php?id=88>)

For more information, contact Marcia Dorvak <mjdvorak@ku.edu> at the Kansas Enrichment Network (785) 864-9665, Malissa Martin-Wilke at Communities In Schools of Kansas <malissa@ciskansas.org> or Elaine Johannes at ejohanne@ksu.edu

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Shooting Sports

Upcoming Shooting Sports Events

Spring Match (BB, Air Rifle, Air Pistol) to be held in Great Bend on April 16. Entry Deadline is March 28. Details have been sent to county coordinators.

Fall Match (Archery, Small Bore Rifle and Pistol, Muzzle Loading) Oct. 1 at Capital City Gun Club in Topeka.

Fall Match (Shotgun, Hunting Skills) Oct. 8 with location yet to be determined.

State Fair change-- Educational Displays will be using the standard 3ft x 4ft tri-fold display.

Please contact Jim Adams at (785) 532-5800, or jadams@ksu.edu with any questions.

Adams

Tax Issues

Do Your 4-H Clubs/Groups Need to Report 2010 Income to IRS? Now is the time to check!

Tax time is upon us and 4-H National Headquarters has shared some important information to help 4-H Clubs/Groups determine whether they need to file with the IRS by May 15, 2011 (Yes, May!).

- 1) In the next few days, each Extension Unit will receive an e-mail from Keli Yungeberg, the State 4-H Office Manager, with a listing of all of the 4-H clubs/groups/affiliates (except local 4-H Foundations/Funds with separate 501(c)3 status) in your Extension Unit. Please carefully check this list for 4-H clubs/groups that are missing and must be added or should be deleted because they have disbanded. [Please include your newest 4-H clubs/groups.] Please check the EIN numbers for accuracy, too. Please complete this task **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, APRIL 1!** (and that's not "foolin" around). The e-mail will include the necessary forms and instructions if you have a 4-H club/group that does not have an EIN. If you do not want to e-mail your changes, you may call Keli Yungeberg (785-532-5800) or fax the information in care of Keli to (785-532-5981). KSRE must submit the most current and accurate list of Kansas 4-H clubs/groups to the IRS.
- 2) Tell the 4-H clubs/groups in your Extension Unit to check whether they must report their 2010 income to the IRS. The minimum annual gross income for reporting for 501(c)3 charitable organizations has been increased from \$25,000 (2009 and earlier) to \$50,000 in 2010. This means, that if a 4-H club/group has earned gross income less than \$50,000 between January 1-December 31, 2010, **THEY DO NOT NEED TO FILE!** The IRS frequently automatically sends filing information to groups that have filed in previous years. Even if you receive such a courtesy mailing, follow the rule stated above! If any 4-H club/group's gross receipts are equal to or greater than \$50,000, they should consult a local tax preparer regarding proper filing of their IRS Form 990. Your assistance is greatly appreciated!

GERHARD/BUCHHOLZ

Volunteers

The National Extension Conference on Volunteerism (NECV)

The National Extension Conference on Volunteerism (NECV) will be held April 18 - 21, 2011 in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. The NECV is designed for all extension faculty and staff who work with volunteers and volunteer programs. Featured International Volunteerism Expert presenters are: Martin J Cowling & Susan J. Ellis. A full slate of outstanding workshops and seminars will be presented, all focused on Volunteers and Volunteerism. This will be a great conference, here is the website:

<http://www.regonline.com/builder/site/default.aspx?EventID=930378>

North Central Regional Volunteer Forum Planning

We are still looking for volunteers to help plan the 2012 North Central Volunteer Forum, October 11-14, 2012 at the Hyatt Hotel in Wichita. See: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=314> for full information and application forms. We are looking for Adult, Youth, and Agent Volunteers. We have opportunities for all interests.

Buchele

Venturers

Venturers Canoeing Trip

Kansas 4-H Venturers will be traveling to the Boundary Waters in Ely, Minnesota this year! Be sure to get registered by March 15, 2011. Registration will cost \$550.00, which covers all expenses. Sign up at www.kansas4h.org today! We will be limiting this trip to only 36 participants, so sign up for this exciting outdoor adventure soon!

World Citizenship

4-H Short-Term Hosts for IFYE's Needed

Kansas 4-H expects to host six International 4-H Youth Exchange (IFYE) inbounds, ages 19-26 between June and September. They each need several hosts for 2-3 week periods during that time. Now is the time to apply, as it takes a few weeks to make matches and get a family cleared to host. Choice of time and delegate is based on a first come basis. Families are asked to provide bed and board and to include the representative of one of our 4-H partner organizations abroad in family activities. Most are interested in learning about 4-H. Everyone except the Austrian girl will be ready to go to his or her first family on June 20. The male Austrian and the Taiwanese IFYE will leave around the first of August. The female Austrian will arrive July 11 and depart August 22. The others will be here through the first weekend of State Fair. All have good English.

If you'd like to learn more about hosting or give your family this opportunity, go to <http://www.kansas4-h.org>. Choose links to programs, world citizenship and Kansas Exchanges. Or call Mary Kay Munson, Kansas 4-H Exchange Coordinator at 785-238-3631, munson@ksbroadband.net. Local Extension Offices can also assist you. Following is a brief description of IFYE's 4-H is ready to place now.

Swedish male, 24, active 10-year 4H member and national leader (His club has a magic school, and he performs magic.); recent electronic engineering graduate interested in films, home cinemas and all tech stuff; likes ice hockey and sports, and wants to experience the USA and improve his English skills. He says he's easily entertained.

German male, 20, active member of Landjugend (German Young Farmers), is just completing his high school and plans to attend university in agriculture. He is from a crop and egg producing farm. The crops are wheat, rapeseed and barley and the family has nearly 100,000 layers. He'd like to learn about agricultural management while here.

Swiss male, 25, grew up on a dairy and now beef farm that also raises wheat, oats and barley. He's a student in agriculture science and plans to work in agribusiness or education until his father retires. Then he plans to take over the farm. He'd like to work on hosts' farms and take part in family life. His leisure interests include skiing, mountain unicycling, and agricultural student club activities.

Austrian male, 26, a seven-year member of Landjugend (Austrian Young Farmers) and the local management board grew up on a cattle, corn and timber farm and loves country life, but now works as an electrician. He enjoys snowboarding, photography and socializing with friends during free time.

Austrian female, 22, an active member of Landjugend, is currently a university student of marketing and wants to explore organic farming and direct marketing from farms while here She grew up on a dairy farm which also

has timberland. Her hobbies include traveling, reading, cooking and baking as well as outdoor activities with friends. She is available July 12-August 22.

Taiwanese 4-H member. (Details are not available until at least the end of March..)

Mary Kay would welcome referrals of potential hosts for any of these exchangeees she can contact. Please send phone numbers and/or e-mail addresses. Families may have children of any age or gender to host IFYE's.

Munson