August 2011 Kansas 4-H Tip Sheet

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- July 15 Camp Counselor Recognitions due to State 4-H office.
- July 15 Grand Drive Livestock Entries due to Kansas State Fair.
- July 20 Northwest Youth & Leader's Forum (NWYLF) Google registration opens.
- July 22 Kansas 4-H and Wheat Variety Plot Enrollment forms due.
- July 25 Kansas Youth Leadership Forum proposals due.
- Aug 1 Livestock Sweepstakes Entries due to Animal Science.
- Aug 1 Application deadline for KFAC, or until position is filled.
- Aug 1 Basic 4-H Operations Training registration due.
- Aug 1 Kansas 4-H & FFA State Wheat Show Pre-registration due.
- Aug 1 State Fair 4-H Horse Show Entries due to KS Fair online system.
- Aug 1 4-H Stalling form due to the KANSAS STATE FAIR.
- Aug 8 State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest; Quiz Bowl and Jr. Dairy Show Entries due to Animal Science.
- Aug 14 Deadline for full refund on Horse Versatility Contestant cancellations.
- Aug 15 NorthWest Area Youth & Leaders Forum and Day Camp Training Registration due.
- Aug 15 Kansas Junior Livestock Show Entry deadline.
- Aug 15 State Horticulture Judging Contest Registration due.
- Aug 16 4-H Marketing/Recruitment Webinar registrations due by Noon.
- Sept 1 Shooting Sports Instructor Renewals due to State 4-H Office.
- Sept 1 4-H Journal Photos and Stories due to Robyn Deines, Walnut Creek Dist.
- Oct 15 Registration Deadline for Kansass 4-H Volunteer Forum.

Wichita Garden Show closes

Earlier this summer the board of the Wichita Garden Show voted to cease operations, and the March 2012 show has been cancelled. The Wichita Garden Show began as an Extension project. It has been the venue for 4-H horticulture contests for 15 years, and in recent years WGS had hosted photography events. We appreciate the opportunities the show provided for 4-H members. Kansas 4-H will explore options for other horticulture and photography events. **E Neier/Hinshaw/Buchele**

STATE FAIR

Many State Fair items will be appearing soon. The info for agents in the password protected area of the website already has a contact list for each 4-H division and the Volunteer letter to use to recruit volunteers. More information will be appearing soon. **Adams**

State 4-H Program Updates

Please mark your calendars for the 2011 Kansas 4-H Program Updates. The two options will be: Tuesday, December 6 in Emporia and Thursday, December 8 in Scott City. More information will be available this fall, for now please save the date and location that works best for you. **Hinshaw/Mack/Buchele/Waldren**

Baking With Friends

"Sharon Davis and Charlene Patton are the co-authors of a new baking book, <u>Baking with</u> <u>Friends</u>, designed to help children learn the joys of baking. Featuring 31 recipes, the hard-back book also includes vocabulary words, family baking activities, suggested children's literature and other educational resources. For more information, visit <u>www.homebaking.org</u>." **Biles**

4-H Marketing/Recruitment Full Plan Unveiling: WEBINARS August 26 or 30, 10 a.m.

You saw the overall strategy for marketing in our webinar in May, and now we have the details. Tune in to see...

*The full range of planned activities *What your role is *New creative campaign *Activities at 2011 State Fair

Sign-up for one of these two webinar times: Friday, August 26, 10 a.m. Tuesday, August 30, 10 a.m.

Please register by noon, Friday, August 16. To register, please sign up on the doodle poll at <u>http://www.doodle.com/gmhg58ead5pkmnri</u> and select the date that works for you. If you want to learn more, but neither date works for you, please make a notation in the comment section. Details on how to connect will then be emailed to you. **Diane Mack and 4-H Marketing Team Members**

You're Invited to Attend Basic 4-H Operations Training

Basic 4-H Operations Training is set for September 26 & 27 in Manhattan. Basic 4-H Operations training begins at 1 p.m. on Monday, and goes through 5 p.m. on Tuesday. All sessions will be held at International Grains Program Building, 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. <u>https://spreadsheets0.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?hl=en_US&hl=en_US&formkey=dEU5</u> <u>QnJ4YUVGdFJDM285M3l0cjFoS1E6MA#gid=0</u> Fill out all information and hit submit by August 1, 2011.

The next session will be held April 16 & 17, 2012. --Diane Mack <u>dmack@ksu.edu</u> Mack

Out-of-School Program Idea Conference, October 4

The õOut-of-School Program Idea Conferenceö has been set for Tuesday, October 4, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m., at the Sedgwick County Extension Education Center, 7001 W. 21st. Street N., Wichita. The õOut-of School Program Idea Conferenceö provides an excellent opportunity for sharing and networking with professionals that are planning, organizing and facilitating educational activities for out-of-school youth participants. This one-day event highlight hands-on curricula that adapts easily for any out-of-school setting whether its an organized afterschool program, camp setting or summer recreation the idea sharing with other youth serving professionals. Registration forms available on the Kansas 4-H Web Site at <u>http://www.kansas4h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx</u> under õWhatøs Hotö. For more information on the Out-of-School Program Idea Conference contact Pam Van Horn, <u>pvanhorn@ksu.edu</u>.

Van Horn

Grow 4-H with Better Project Meetings

The Kansas 4-H Foundation is providing the Department of 4-H Youth Development funding to pilot an initiative for the 2011-2012 4-H year that will help 4-H project leaders become: 1) more connected across the state of Kansas as a community of practice; 2) acquaint them with Extension Specialists who will serve as content sources for their subject matters; and 3) provide a set of 7 lessons that can be taught over the year using experiential learning. The 2011-2012 pilot will include 2 projects. Plant Science (i.e. horticulture; fruit, vegetable and ornamental gardening; forestry; and crops) and a second that has not been confirmed. Every month, a Webinar will be held in the evening for 4-H Project Leaders to connect to with a simultaneous conference call for audio. The calls and webinars will be recorded. The project will include NEW PROJECT WEBSITES for both of these projects that will be designed for the volunteers and members/parents with lots of links if they want to explore beyond their 4-H Project Meeting time together. Look for more information in August as everything begins to unfold. Our thanks to the Kansas 4-H Foundation for helping us strengthen project work and help Kansas 4-H project volunteers be the best they can!

Gerhard, Mack, Hinshaw

Northwest Youth & Leaders' Forum (NWYLF)

Join Northwest 4-H at the 5th Annual Northwest Area Youth & LeadersøForum and Day Camp Training, Saturday, August 27, 2011, at the K-State Ag Research Center in Hays, 11:00 a.m. ó 4:30 p.m. The 2011 NWYLF theme is õGot Leadership?ö Part of the activities for the day will be to have teams participate in a õminute-to-win-itö type game. Youth participants will also pick from four workshops. Registration is due Monday, August 15th. Cost is \$10.00 with checks made payable to KSU. The NWYLF is open to any Kansas youth 12 and older, 4-H leaders, other community volunteers and Extension staff. Participants may register by hard copy or on a Google registration system that will be functional by July 20th. All participants must submit a 2011 copy of the Kansas 4-H Participation Form in order to attend the 2011 NWYLF. Visit the NW Area web site to download the registration form and information beginning on July 20th: http://www.northwest.ksu.edu/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=19. For more information, contact Deryl Waldren, 785-462-6281 or e-mail dwaldren@ksu.edu. Waldren

4-H Rockets and Fire Bans Across Kansas Information

It has been brought to the attention of the Kansas 4-H SpaceTech Action Team that in some Kansas counties there are bans on devices that create open flames. These bans include the launching of model rockets. We, the Kansas 4-H SpaceTech Action Team consider the safety of 4-Hørs, our clubs, and our communities paramount. We have decided to suspend the Kansas State Fair SpaceTech Rocketry Rule requiring that the rocket be launched prior to display at the Kansas State Fair for the 2011 State Fair because of the fire dangers in some Kansas counties. This decision applies to ALL rockets entered for the Kansas State Fair in 2011. We will be suspending the following rules at the Kansas State Fair: (Rule 6a and Rule 7a)

Exhibit Rules for ALL rocketry categories:[...]

6. One or more photographs of the rocket at the launch site are required: a. Photographs showing the rocket at the moment of ignition are preferred.[...]

7. To exhibit in this division: a. The rocket must have been flown. [...]

What this means is judges will not deduct a ribbon placing because the rocket has not been launched or because there are not pictures of the rocket at a launch site. All rules other than 6a and 7a will still be enforced. On the "rocket information forms" that are attached to the manila envelopes, the launch information may be left blank or completed indicating that the rocket was not launched. All other information on the form should be completed. Furthermore we are encouraging counties affected by such burn bans or other similar safety concerns to waive or suspend any such rules requiring the launch of rockets prior to exhibiting them. Those counties not affected by such ban's are encouraged to use discretion on suspending county fair rules regarding the launching of rockets prior to display.

If your county is affected by a burn ban please publish this information in your county newsletters and or any other means to let 4-Høers know that they do not need to launch their

rockets and create a fire risk.

Should you have questions regarding the suspension of this rule for the safety of 4-Høers and their communities please contact Deryl Waldren at 785-462-6281 or <u>dwaldren@ksu.edu</u>. We appreciate your attention to this matter, and your help in spreading the word.

Deryl Waldren, Extension 4-H Specialist Tony Foster, Kansas State Fair 4-H Rocketry Superintendent for the Kansas 4-H SpaceTech Action Team

Kansas 4-H and FFA Wheat Variety Plot Enrollment - Last Call

Last call to re-enroll or for new members to enroll for the 2012 Kansas 4-H and FFA Wheat Variety Plot program. The program begins fall of 2011 and goes through September 2012. The enrollment form is on the Kansas State 4-H Website, www.Kansas4-H.org under "What's Hotö or visit: <u>http://www.kansas4-h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=297</u>. Members are asked to contact their local Extension Office immediately with enrollments due to the Northwest Area Extension Office by July 22, 2011. New participants will receive a large metal plot sign, and five individual variety signs. These will be distributed on Friday, September 9th at the 2011 Kansas State Fair. This year's participants should be planning their county fair display for possible qualifying for the Kansas State Fair entry in the Showcase Building. For more information, contact Deryl Waldren at 785-462-6281 or e-mail <u>dwaldren@ksu.edu</u>. **Waldren**

Last Call for 2011 Kansas 4-H & FFA State Wheat Show in Wichita

Join us on Friday, August 12th from 8:30 a.m. ó 2:30 p.m. at the Sedgwick County Extension Office, 7001 West 21st Street North in Wichita for the 2011 Kansas 4-H and FFA State Wheat Show. The wheat show is open to all 4-H and FFA members, family members, 4-H leaders, Extension staff and Vocational Agriculture staff. There will be eight contests open to youth members with cash prizes and ribbons awarded. For full details about the show, visit: http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=226. There is no registration cost. However, preregistration will be required by August 1st on the Kansas 4-H web site through Google Documents to ensure an accurate meal count and tour. Entries can also be entered on this registration system. To register now, visit: 2011 Wheat Show Registration Hot Link. For more information about the wheat show or to get involved with the wheat show planning committee, contact Deryl Waldren at 785-462-6281 or e-mail him at: dwaldren@ksu.edu. Waldren

Kansas Youth Leadership Forum Presenters Needed

There is still time to submit a workshop proposal for the 12th Annual Kansas Youth Leadership Forum to be held in November at Rock Springs 4-H Center. This conference, designed for youth, ages 14-18, will include speakers, workshops, consulting groups and the election of the 2012 Kansas State 4-H Youth Leadership Council. We are recruiting proposals for workshop session instructors/presenters for workshops held on Saturday, November 19. Topics should center on some aspect of leadership. Some ideas might include, but are not limited to, community service, citizenship, communications, conflict management, ethics, motivation, decision making, leading by example, time management, international citizenship, multi-cultural studies, diversity, business etiquette and getting involved after high school. The Kansas State 4-H Youth Council members hope that you (or one of your volunteers) will be interested in sharing your expertise or talent with this opportunity.

The letter and proposal form is on the State 4-H Website on the KYLF page. Proposals will be submitted via Google Form. Find all the information here: http://www.kansas4-h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=48

Proposals are due by July 25. Questions can be directed to Beth Hinshaw, <u>bhinshaw@ksu.edu</u> Hinshaw/Chelsey Smith

Animal Sciences

The Kansas Livestock Sweepstakes has been scheduled for August 20-21, 2011

This all-around event will feature contests in Livestock Judging, Meats Judging, Livestock Skillathon, and Livestock Quiz Bowl. A special prize will be awarded to the county that does the best in all four contests. Rules, registration form and past winners can be found at <u>www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu</u>. Registrations are due August 1, 2011.

Kansas State Fair Entry Deadline - Deadline to enter livetsock for the Kansas State Fair is July 15, 2011.

Kansas Junior Livestock Show Deadline - Deadline to enter livestock for the Kansas Junior Livestock Show is August 15, 2011.

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**

Camp

2012 4-H Journal Camping Issue

The 2012 4-H Journal Camping Issue needs photos and stories to bring it alive for promoting the great camp experiences. The photos or stories may be submitted from county staff, district staff and camp groups. The Camp Action Team will be working on the issue soon. Please send stories,

photos or quotes to Robyn Deines, Walnut Creek District, by September 1. Resource information needed:

1) Good camp photo from 2011 camp. The CAT tries to use photos from each camp group if they have enough photos.

2) Good quotes from campers, counselor, agents and parents. Please share the personal side of camp.

3) A camp flyer or letter that is sent to the campers on what to bring, how camp works, etc. CAT likes to pull information which is helpful for families preparing for camp.

4) Additional camp(s) conducted in the county or district? Day Camp, local over night camps, etc.

The Camp Action Team is interested in knowing about all camping! Please share. **Van Horn**

Camp Chair Meeting and Training

Camp Chairs make your plan to attend the Camp Chairs Meeting, in October at Rock Springs 4-H Center. An e-mail will be sent to the 2012 chair once the date is confirmed. **Van Horn**

2012 Tentative Camp Dates

Listed below are the 2012 tentative Camp dates. The schedule is very tight with nine camp groups to fit into a time frame of after Discovery Days and before July 4. Happy Camping!

Pioneer Trails June 3-6 Sunny Hills June 6-9 Far Points June 9-12 Purple Power Pack June 12-15 Heart of Kansas June 15-18 Dirty Dozen June 18-21 Fantastic Four June 21-24 Ozsome June 24-27 Great Northwest June 27-30

According to the Kansas 4-H Youth Development Policies, Best Management Practices, and Information, extension units have the flexibility to renegotiate camp group affiliation after the close of their camp session and no later than September 30, in any given year. **Van Horn**

CHARACTERCOUNTS!

CHARACTER COUNTS! The Golden Rule As the Road of Honor

Five hundred years before the birth of Christ, Confucius was asked, õIs there one word that may serve as a rule of practice for all one¢s life?ö He answered, õReciprocity. What you do not want done to yourself, do not do to others.ö This basic principle, now called the Golden Rule, can be found in every major religion and philosophy.

Although many people evoke one version or another of this rule, it is often misused. You see, the Golden Rule is not primarily a rule of enlightened self-interest. Sure, people are more likely to be nice to you if you if you if you if you more nice to them, but the moral center of this principle is lost if you simply view it as a rule of exchange: Do unto others so they will do unto you. Do unto others as they have done unto you. Do unto others before they do unto you.

The core of the Golden Rule is a moral obligation to treat others ethically for their sake, not ours, even if it it better than the way they treat us. Therefore, we should be honest to liars, fair to the unjust, kind to cruel people.

Why? Certainly not because it advantageous, but because it is right. And because the way we treat others is about who we are, not who they are. It is like the man who broke off an argument that had descended into name-calling by saying, õSir, I will treat you as a gentleman ó not because you are one, but because I am one.ö (Josephson, Michael. July 7, 2011) **Gerhard**

Curriculum Corner

The Kansas 4-H Project Selection Guide will again be the August issue of the Kansas 4-H Journal!

The cost for extra issues is \$1.20. If you have not ordered extra copies, do so ASAP as the deadline was July 1. In addition to the Project Selection Guide we will again post the Kansas 4-H Curriculum Guide on the 4-H website as the first item under Projects!! This will update you as to the latest available curriculum for members and leaders in each project area for the coming year. Adams

Dairy

SALINA JUNIOR DAIRY SHOW

Entry deadline for Salina Jr. Dairy Show and the State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest and Quiz Bowl is August 8th!!! Entry is by going to the following website and completing a fillable pdf. Website is: <u>www.ksu.edu/juniordairyshow</u> There is a page of instructions, but basically you complete the form and save it in the exhibitors name (ex. John.Smith) and send it via e-mail to Mike Brouk or his secretary. REMEMBER that any youth that participates in all activities will get a FREE SWIM at the new Salina Water Park!!

Adams



Dog Care and Training

The Dog Care and Training Action Team has established a scholarship with the Kansas 4-H Foundation in honor of Keith Neuway, long time dog project volunteer and 4-H dog show judge and judge trainer. Many people have been touched by Keith's dedication and passion for the 4-H Dog Care and Training Program. Please help us notify 4-H dog project alumni and friends of Keith to contribute to this scholarship fund. Many local dog shows are making donations as well. To contribute, make checks to:

Kansas 4-H Foundation Keith Neuway Scholarship Fund Send to: Kansas 4-H Foundation 116 Umberger Hall Manhattan, Kansas 66506-3404

Adams

GPS/GIS

Conduct a GPS Hunt at County Fair

Got a little lull in the action during the county fair? Consider holding a GPS Treasure Hunt. Tailor made to fit your location and objectives, a GPS hunt can serve as a great way to expose youth and families to the world of geospatial. Assistance by a 4-H GIS Leadership Team member in set up and navigation may be requested. GPS units can be checked out by contacting Beth Hecht, <u>bhecht@ksu.edu</u>, 913-683-9035. Early requests are favored in order to arrange for available units and assistance.

Hecht

GPS GIS Exhibits at County Fairs

National Geographicøs My Wonderful World, in partnership with Esri, are once again offering very nice fair ribbons to recognize 4-H Maps exhibited at county or state fairs. If you anticipate youth entering a mapping exhibit at your county fair, please email Beth Hecht (<u>bhecht@ksu.edu</u>) your anticipated number of ribbons needed at least one week prior to your fair. There is no fee

for these special ribbons. Also, contact Hecht if needing assistance in identifying qualified GIS judges.

Hecht

Kansas 4-H Represented at International GIS Conference

August Dunlop (Linn County) and Marta Payne (Walnut Creek District) will be among a small group of 4-H teens attending the Esri International Education and User Conferences in San Diego, California this month. As members of the National 4-H GIS Leadership Team, Dunlop and Payne will learn of cutting-edge technologies while sharing 4-Høs geospatial efforts with some of the 14,000 attendees. Consider having either of these teens come share their experience while promoting the 4-H geospatial project at an upcoming event. They may be reached at dunlopfamily6@yahoo.com (August); purpl-mp@hotmail.com (Marta). Both teens will be accompanied by adult team member, Beth Hecht, bhecht@ksu.edu.

Healthy Living

CHANGES IN KANSAS COORDINATED SCHOOL HEALTH PROGRAM – IMPACTS LOCAL SCHOOL-HEALTH PROGRAMS

With the absence of state funding, Kansas Coordinated School Health (CSHP) is undergoing some transitions. The most noticeable õnew lookö is the manner in which CSHP will refer to this work and the programs that are still being implemented. We have adopted the term õHealthy Kansas Schoolsö (HKS for the acronym-oriented) for identification purposes. Under the Healthy Kansas Schools umbrella, our priorities will be to implement K-FIT (the Kansas Fitness Information Tracking program), conduct the Youth Risk Behavior Survey and work with other potential school-focused health initiatives such as Letø Move in Kansas Schools (LMIKS). The newly formed HKS will continue to work under the guidance of a state-wide Advisory Council, work with our many partners ó such as Extension, develop and disseminate communications, offer professional development opportunities, and provide technical assistance where possible. For more information, contact Mark Thompson at mathompson@ksde.org or 785-296-1473.

On another note, many of you have probably worked with Jane Shirley (former Jefferson County Public Health Director) who has announced that she is leaving the Kansas CSHP to accept a position with KDHE. Jane has given me permission to share the following with you:

(Communication from Jane Shirley; July 8, 2011)

I have accepted a new position within the Kansas Department of Health and Environment as the Local Health Program Director in the Bureau of Community Health Systems effective Monday, July 25. It is with some sadness that I leave School Health but I am excited to begin a new journey. I know that you will recall that I worked at the Jefferson County Health Department for a long time before coming to KDHE and I am looking forward to now working with local health

departments all across the state. I envision taking much that I have learned here in the Bureau of Health Promotions and plan to continue to emphasize the importance of collaboration in addressing the health issues of Kansans at the local, community level.

If you have any questions or need information about any of our past work together, please don¢t hesitate to contact me. My email will remain <u>jshirley@kdheks.gov</u>. If you have any questions about ongoing work related to improving health in schools, please contact Mark at <u>mathompson@ksde.org</u> or 785-296-1473.

For more information, contact Elaine Johannes (Kansas 4-H Healthy Living Liaison): <u>ejohanne@ksu.edu</u> Johannes

Johannes



State Fair 4-H Horse Show

August 1 - State Fair 4-H Horse entries due with \$5 per entry plus \$5 per exhibition for State Fair Horse

Packet to the State 4-H Office which includes show patterns.

August 1 ó 4-H Stalling Form due to the Kansas State Fair

Form available at http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=46

Districts are reminded to enter the Horse Versatility contestants. Full refunds are available if cancellations are made before August 15.

All horses must have a negative Coggins certificate completed within one year of the show along with a 30 day health certificate.

Questions concerning the Horse Show can be directed to Linda Kleiner at 785-410-5185. **Van Horn**

Horticulture

2011 State Horticulture Judging Contest

The State Horticulture Judging Contest will be Saturday August 20, 2011 on the K-State Campus. Register your teams with your Extension Office by Monday, August 15. The local offices will enter local information on a Google Form registration program. Find material here:

http://www.kansas4-h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=44

Registration fees are \$10 per contestant, and should be made payable to the Kansas 4-H Foundation. If your qualifying contest is after August, 15, please contact Beth Hinshaw, <u>bhinshaw@ksu.edu</u>

Hinshaw/Neier

Photography

State Fair photo clear plastic bags

If you would like to get the photo bags used at State Fair for your county fair they are available from Clearbags.com. The bags used at the fair are number B11. An alternative bag is the HB11, this bag has a built-in Hanger.

Buchele

State Fair Photography Judging Contest charge

New for 2011: Contest Entry Fee: There will be an entry fee of \$5.00 for each team or group of individuals from a county or district. The fee is payable the day of the contest at the check in table. Checks should be made out to the Kansas 4-H Foundation. **Buchele**

Photo Fund day registration and payment changes

Participants should be registered through the KSFAIR online registration system (only). (Class 6300 Family Photo Fun Day). Registration and payment forms will not be used in 2011, entry on the KSFAIR system will be enough.

Photo Fun Day payment (\$8.00) will be payable at the check in table the day of the event, Sunday September 11. Checks payable to the Kansas 4-H Foundation **Buchele**

Wichita Garden Show photo contest

The photos entered in the post Garden Show photo contest this spring will soon be returned. The photos got held up in the process of the Garden Show ending discussions. We now have the photos back and will be returning them to the Extension Units shortly. **Buchele/Otte**

CATS - Cameras at the Springs

Attention Photography Project Leaders and Photography Parents! The second annual CATS -Cameras at the Springs will be October 21 -23, Friday evening through Sunday morning. CATS is an informal retreat for adult project leaders as well as other adults wanting a relaxing shooting experience at the beautiful Rock Springs 4-H Center. Members of the State 4-H Photography Action Team will be in attendance to lead photo excursions and answer any questions you may have regarding the 4-H Photography Project and/or photography in general. Prices and additional information will be coming soon to the State 4-H web site, check Whatøs Hot for the link. For more information contact Rachel Harmon at 785-222-3313 or <u>rachel@sagebrushvideo.com</u> or check out our new Facebook page, CATS Cameras at the Springs. **Harmon/Buchele**

Positive Youth Development

LOCAL COLLABORATION AMONG YOUTH AGENCIES ESSENTIAL – NATIONAL GUIDE INSPIRES LOCAL WORK

With on-going changes in state and local programs often related to budget limitations it essential that youth-serving organizations communicate, coordinate and collaborate. A new collaboration resource, announced in July by Dr. Suzanne LeMenstrel, National Program Leader for Youth Development Research at USDA/NIFA 4-H is now available:

The Invitation to the Big Picture: Implementing a Local Collaboration for Youth in Your Community produced by the National Collaboration for Youth (NCY) is a guide to identifying and forming a collaboration of local child and youth-serving agencies. NCY is a part of a national partnership to help all children become Ready by 21®ô ready for college, work and life by young adulthood. NCY believes that the best way for child- and youth-serving agencies to be at the table as individual communities take on the Ready By 21 challenge is to first come together as a collaboration of providers.

The 12-page collaboration guide provides an easy, step-by-step approach to establishing LCYs (Local Collaborations for Youth) that move groups from coalitions to collaborations. For example, in this Tip Sheet issue the Healthy Living article relates the need for health-focused, local collaborations due to budget-related shifts in Coordinated School Health Program (CSHP).

Follow this link to the guide: http://www.nationalassembly.org/documents/LCYGuide.pdf. For more information, contact: Elaine Johannes at<u>ejohanne@ksu.edu</u>. **Johannes**



Instructor Renewal

Instructor renewal form and letter will be sent directly to Extention Unit Coordinators. Form and \$5 per instructor is due back to State 4-H office by Sept. 1, 2011. This requirement is what keeps your local program legal and covered by liability insurance. Adams

Volunteers

Kansas 4-H Volunteer Forum, November 18 - 20, 2011, Rock Springs 4-H Center

The Kansas 4-H Volunteer Forum is sponsored by the Kansas Association of 4-H Volunteers with financial assistance from Monsanto. The Forum theme will be õThereøs No Place Like 4-H!ö to build toward the 2012 North Central Regional Volunteer Forum hosted by Kansas.

Forum this year will focus on developing leadership in Kansas 4-H Volunteers and planning for the 2012 Regional Forum. Highlights of this year¢ Forum will be, meeting Dr. Barbara Stone and sharing visions for the future for Kansas 4-H, workshops on Social Media to communicate, Learning and Service Opportunities for Volunteer, GIS/GPS for 4-H, Recruiting new 4-H members, working with the different generations of parents and youth and a tour of Rock Springs.

Volunteer Forum and KYLF will be closely tied together so that all adults may participate in KYLF presentations and activities in addition to Volunteer Forum workshops. Planning for the 2012 North Central Regional Volunteer Forum to be held in Kansas will also be part of the Forum activities.

Registration deadline will be Oct. 15. Full information will be on the web before August 15th. Check under Whatøs Hot for the link to Kansas Volunteer Forum. **Buchele**

Fair and Volunteers

As we go into this very busy and somewhat stressful time please consider this:

You are in the middle of something (big) and someone comes up with a õsuggestionö of something that should be done (maybe implying you should do it, maybe not). What is your reaction? You can feel your anger rising, you are already overworked and there is no end in sight. What are you going to do?

Before reacting negatively to the situation and blowing up at them or dumping on yourself, take a moment and use what Steven Covey tells us about stimulus and reaction, that there is a short time between the two and to be proactive, you take that time, pause and choose your reaction.

So how will you react? Maybe with a moment to consider asking them to help and take care of accomplishing their suggestion, maybe suggesting someone else they can approach or ???? The idea is before you blast them or get down on your self (for not getting it done), look for a positive opportunity to involve others in getting things done. Many hands lighten the work load. Volunteers are our friends, let self them help us accomplish more. **Buchele**

Saying Thank You

A "Thank you" can carry a lot of weight in human relations. Folks like to be appreciated and valued and saying thanks is a great way to show appreciation. We often thank folks for what they do for us, how often do we thank folks for what they do for 4-H. In thanking them for what they do for 4-H, we recognize and strengthen that they help the program and all the youth in the program. This can strengthen their connection to the 4-H program and this is important for the long term health of the program. County Fairs give us a great time to say thank you to folks for what they do for 4-H. This fair season, take every opportunity to say thanks to the folks who do so very much to make 4-H possible.

Buchele

Everyone Ready Volunteer Management Training

http://nextgeneration.4-h.org/volunteerism//

The next topic, an Online Seminar, starting July 18th is: Welcoming Diversity in Volunteer Participation.

Trainer: Tracy Brown.

Learn about the benefits of creating a diverse work environment. Ensure that volunteers of all types and from all cultures are invited and welcomed into your organization.

Learning Objectives of this seminar are:

Participants will be able to:

ÉExplain principles of diversity and inclusion, and how these are integral to all management. ÉTurn their awareness about diversity into action that demonstrates commitment to diversity and

inclusion.

ÉSee diversity as an opportunity.

ÉDeal effectively with situations that arise from differences.

If you have specific questions, you can ask the trainer from July 18 - August 13. Sign up now and participate. **Buchele**

2011 North Central Region 4-H Volunteer e-Forum

Join other 4-H Volunteers in your community to learn cutting edge information from experts across the North Central Region. Gain new knowledge you can share with your 4-H members throughout the year!

Dates: November 7, 17, 22, 2011 Location: Your home, your local Extension Office or anywhere by internet Registration information coming soon, check Kansas4-H.org, Whatøs Hot or go to: <u>http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/ncrvd/NCRVF2011.cfm</u>

Program Description :

Positive Youth Development (Monday, November 7)

Design It Together...A Plan for Successô Brenda Shafer, University of Minnesota Empowerment of Othersô Annette Hass, University of Wisconsin

Tools and Techniques for Growing Youth/Adult Partnershipsô Brenda Allen, Iowa State University

4-H Program Management (Thursday, November 17)

Reducing the Risks of 4-H Club Meetingsô Vicki Schwartz, Ohio State University 4-H Club Basics, Conducting Club Meetings, Planning the 4-H Club Yearô Mary Jo Williams, University of Missouri

Behavioral Managementô Pat McGlaughlin, Sheri Seibold, University of Illinois New & Emerging Curriculum (Tuesday, November 22)

4-H Scienceô Dixie Sandborn, Michigan State University

Get Connected in Your 4-H Worldô Rachelle Vettern, North Dakota State University Community Service Learningô Steve McKinley, Purdue University

The 4-H Volunteer e-Forum has been developed and provided by the 12 states of the North Central region. Sponsorship of the e-Forum has been provided by Monsanto. **Buchele**

World Citizenship

IFYE's in Kansas Until State Fair

Two of our incoming IFYEøs this summer complete their six-week exchanges in Kansas around August 1. Klemens Walkolbinger from Austria and Vicky Shie from Taiwan wrap up their Kansas stays July 29 and August 2 respectively. Staying with three families each, they have had a variety of experiences including camp and a couple of county fairs. Our three, three-month IFYEøs, will remain until the beginning of State Fair. They complete two families at the end of July and all reports are that host families are enjoying them. They will stay with two more families each before they depart. Those exchangee, host families, counties and dates are as follows:

Johannes Carlsson (Sweden) Terry and Nancy Smith, Edwards County, July 30/31-August 20/21 Chris and Jeanette Jellison, Commanche County, August 20/21-September 9/10

Adrian Iten (Switzerland) Dale and Deb Brobst, Rooks Co., Phillips-Rooks District, July30/31-August 20/21 Ken and Barb Grecian, Graham County, August 20/21-September 9/10 Robin Kottsieper (Germany) Roland and Pam May, Decatur Co., Twin Creeks District, July 30/31-August 20/21 James and Charlene Schlickau, Reno County, August 20/21-September 9/10

We hope local agents will include them in agricultural and 4-H activities taking place while they are in the area. These IFYE¢s will be participating in IFYE alumni activities at the Kansas State Fair, September 9-10. If possible, we hope agents in their last counties can assist with transportation to State Fair when 4-H exhibits are brought in for judging unless the host families wish to bring them. We will arrange lodging and transportation after they get to the fair. **Munson**

Outbound Exchange Applications Due November 1st

Itøs not too early to let 4-Høers and their families know that applications to travel abroad in 2012 are due November 1, 2011. We expect to have updated information posted on the Kansas 4-H web site on the World Citizenship page around September 1. In addition to IFYE Representative programs that are arranged around the interests of individual 4-H alumni 19-25, we expect to have a variety of opportunities for 4-Høers 12-18 to travel for 4-8 weeks next summer. We expect 4- and 8-week exchanges in Japan and 4-week exchanges in Argentina, Australia, Costa Rica, Finland, and Norway. These programs should be confirmed in the next month, and Cameroon may be added. If agents know of interested prospective applicants, I encourage them to pass on the information to me and/or tell the prospects they can contact me for more information. Please alert them that I will be out of the country September 3-18. I may be reached before and after those dates at 785-238-3631 and munson@ksbroadband.net</u>. The web page is at www.kansas4-h.org under Programs, World Citizenship and Kansas Exchange Information and Programs.

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Japanese High School Exchange Restarted

Hosting programs for Japanese teens for the high school year have been on a hiatus for the last two years while the Statesø4-H International Exchange Programs organization secured the authority to issue J-1 visas. The J-1 authority has been secured and a small group of teens who are members of LEX in Japan will be coming to the U.S. for the 2011-12 school year. Kansas will have one of those students Iori Sakakibara, who will be hosted by the Ron and Judy Sullivan family in Miami County beginning August 1. We are looking forward to having Iori as part of Kansas 4-H this year.

We are required to make a commitment for hosting high school students from Japan for the 2012-13 school year already in September, 2011!! We expect a larger group of students representing both Labo and LEX next year. Please notify me now if you know of a family who might consider hosting a high school student in 2012-13. My phone is 785-238-3631 and e-mail is <u>munson@ksbroadband.net</u>. I will talk to anyone who is willing to discuss the opportunity. Iød like to make contacts in August, if possible, due to my unavailability in the first part of September.

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