

July 2009 Kansas 4-H Tip Sheet

Deadlines

June 19	SET Video's Due
June 19	State 4-H Horse Judging Contest Registrations Due
June 26	National Camping Institute Proposals Due
June 26	Online Registration for Dairy Judging, School & Quiz Bowl Due
July 15	Camp Counselor Recognition Due
July 15	KYLF Workshop Proposals Due
July 17	Wheat Show Bin Run Samples Due to K-State
July 31	State Wheat Show Meal Reservations Due
Aug 1	NELF Registrations Due
Oct 15	Registrations for KS 4-H Volunteer Forum Due
Nov 1	National Camping Institute Scholarship Applications Due
Dec 18	National 4-H Camping Institute Registrations Due

Resource to send to County Fair 4-H Division Judges

Judging is a vital part of the county fair educational process. The evaluation of an exhibit should be a positive and exciting part of the total 4-H experience. Judges help support and reinforce the learning that occurs during the project year. Fair judges are part of a teaching team of volunteer leaders, parents and Extension staff. They are the link between the 4-H project, the 4-H member and a standard of performance.

"Creating A Positive Experience for 4-H Youth at the County Fair" is a one page, front and back, resource. Share this with County Fair 4-H division judges to help remind them of key judging points. We suggest including this resource with your letter outlining other specific fair judging details. It is available at <http://www.kansas4-h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=299>
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Out-of-School Program Idea Conference, October 13

Mark you calendars for the "Out-of-School Program Idea Conference", Tuesday October 13, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m., Sedgwick County Extension Education Center, 7001 W. 21st. Street N., Wichita for learning new ideas for educational activities for your out-of-school educational events. This one-day event will highlight hands-on curricula that adapts easily for any out-of-school setting as well as networking with other youth serving agencies. Additionally, following the "Out-of-School Program Idea Conference" a two hour post conference to answer questions on how to get afterschool educational opportunities started and community networking. Cost is \$10 for the one-day session. For more information contact Pam Van Horn.

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Sewing Safety Tips

Sewing...one would not consider sewing a dangerous hobby. Although, a needle stick can be painful if it was in your finger. Therefore, adding a few safety precautions can decrease the risk of injury and increase the fun for youth learning to sew.

* When sewing...wear proper shoes for grip on the foot peddle to reduce the chance of accidents from machine needles sewn into a finger. Wearing shoes protects the feet against dropped pins and needles on the floor.

- * Hold the scissors properly, never run with scissors and properly store scissors.
- * Cut fabric on a flat clean surface to avoid cutting through papers, equipment or carpet hidden beneath the fabric.
- * Always turn the sewing machine and iron off when not in use. Additionally, double check that the needle is down in the sewing machine by using the hand wheel and the pressure foot is down.
- * Instruct youth to ask for adult assistance as needed when using the sewing machine or iron.
- * Keep a first aid kit handy.
- * Enjoy and have fun!

Taking a few extra moments to prepare can be time well spent when instructing youth.
Sources: Sewing Crafty Safety and Safety Tips on Sewing at Home for Children.

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YOUNG PEOPLE NEEDED FOR KANSAS DROP INS YOUTH COUNCIL

During the 2007-2008 school year, 3,515 Kansas students dropped out of school. When students drop out of school they are putting themselves at a severe disadvantage for the rest of their lives. Kansas DropINs is committed to seeing that all Kansas children graduate from high school and young people are needed in the process.

The Kansas DropINs Youth Council provides Kansas youth (ages 12-21) a voice in the dropout prevention discussion. The Council is composed of 16 youth who represent eight regions of the state.

Applications to be selected as a Kansas DropINS Youth Council delegate are being accepted upto June 30. Selected delegates will meet on August 8 in Junction City for training, will help plan regional pre and post- summit regional meetings and will help the state team conduct the Kansas Dropout Summit on October 20 in Wichita.

For more information about Kansas DropINS Youth Council, to apply or to learn more about the Oct. 20 Dropout Summit, contact: Jessica Noble, KDHE-DropINS Coordinator, 1-785-296-1521 jnoble@kdheks.gov or Elaine Johannes; 1-785-532-7720 ejohanne@ksu.edu
[Johannes](#)

CAMP

Camp Counselor Recognition

Farm Bureau is again sponsoring the Camp Counselor Recognition! Each 4-H Camp Group is asked to complete the camp counselor recognition form found at <http://www.Kansas4-H.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=17> under Counselor Recognition and submit Camp Counselor's names to the State 4-H Office by July 15. Certificates will be available at the Kansas State Fair.

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2010 Camp Dates

Listed below are the 2010 Camp dates. The schedule is very tight with nine camp groups to fit into a time frame after Discovery Days - July 4. Happy Camping!

Far Points

June 6-9

Purple Power Pack	June 9-12
Heart of Kansas	June 12-15
Dirty Dozen	June 15-18
Fantastic Four	June 18-21
Ozsome	June 21-24
Northwest	June 24-27
Pioneer Trails	June 27- 30
Sunny Hills	June 30-July 3
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National 4-H Camping Institute - March 16-20, 2010

The 2010 National 4-H Camping Institute has extended the call for presentations through mid-September. The presentation proposal can be found at <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/national-camping-institute-2010-march-1620>. Additional breaking news from Oregon...all selected presenters will be entered into a drawing to win a free registration to attend NCI X. Winner announced at the 2009 NAE4-HA Conference in Rochester, NY.

Interested in attending NCI? Registration information posted by July 1 at <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/national-camping-institute-2010-march-1620>. Early bird registration due December 18, 2009.

The Kansas 4-H Camp Action Team is sponsoring three \$100 scholarships for those interesting in attending. The scholarship application available at <http://www.kansas4-h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=17&Pid=3>

Scholarship applications due November 1, 2009 to Pam Van Horn.

For more information concerning NCI X contact Virginia Bourdeau at mombear@proaxis.com. or the CAT scholarship contact Pam Van Horn at pvanhorn@ksu.edu.

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CHARACTERCOUNTS!

The Cowboy Code

I grew up in much simpler times. Television was in its infancy, and the idea of a hero was exemplified by a white-hatted cowboy. There was a clarity and simplicity to this hero's moral code that left no doubt there is a right and wrong. As I became more sophisticated, it was easy to ridicule these simplistic approaches to ethics and living. Yet the more I've learned, the more I've come to think there's just as much danger in muddying our choices into endless shades of gray. Sure, there are extenuating factors and exceptions that challenge the validity of every ethical principle, but on balance we need clear prescriptive benchmarks of virtue. Such guidelines are provided in the quaintly old-fashioned Cowboy Code promoted by the late Gene Autry:

1. Don't shoot first, hit a smaller man, or take unfair advantage.
2. Don't go back on your word or a trust confided in you.
3. Tell the truth.
4. Be gentle with children, the elderly, and animals.
5. Don't advocate or possess racially or religiously intolerant ideas.
6. Help people in distress.
7. Be a good worker.
8. Keep yourself clean in thought, speech, action, and personal habits.
9. Respect women, parents, and the law.
10. Be patriotic.

With a little updating, this code still works.

Michael Josephson, May 18, 2009.

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CLOVERBUDS

4-H Cloverbuds Training

Mark your calendars now for two additional 4-H Cloverbuds Trainings, August 27, Rock Springs 4-H Center and September 1, Scott City. Registration available on-line at <http://www.Kansas4-H.org/DesktopDefault.aspx>.

Upon completion of training each extension unit will receive a free copy of the curriculum. The 4-H Cloverbuds Training Team will offer an opportunity for extension agents, volunteers and teens to receive hands-on training. For more information contact Pam at

pvanhorn@ksu.edu.

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CURRICULUM CORNER

New 4-H Enrollment Forms

The Kansas 4-H Enrollment Form has undergone major revision for next year! The front page of both MG3A and MG3B has been reformatted to correspond with the sequence of the Pilot test for the new national online Access program. The back side of the 3B form has a new Energy Management project that includes Small Engines and Power of the Wind. Also, Rally Obedience has been added as a new phase in the Dog Care and Training project.

A new MG3C Enrollment Form is being developed for Cloverbud enrollees.

The Project Selection Guide will feature things to learn and do in various phases of a project plus state level events and awards available. This publication will again be the feature in the August issue of the Kansas 4-H Journal. Don't forget to order extra copies to distribute to public places.

The Kansas 4-H Project Curriculum Guide will be posted on the State 4-H Website as an electronic only publication so that local Extension Units can download and use descriptions of the most current curriculum and additional resources for the specific projects they are able to offer in their unit.

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DAIRY

Dairy Contest Reminder

All online entries for the July 3, 2009 State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest and Quiz Bowl in Salina are due by 5pm June 26, 2009!! Every youth can enter one division in the Judging Contest and one division in the Quiz Bowl. Please enter on-line all youth interested in these possibilities so enough brackets can be planned for quiz bowl divisions! It is much easier to scratch someone that does not attend than to try to add a new entry the day of the contest.

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State Fair 4-H Dairy Cattle Entries and Schedule

Please remember to inform your dairy project members that qualify for state fair that they MUST enter through the regular online 4-H KSFAIR system! An Open Class entry made directly to the State Fair office DOES NOT automatically enter them in the 4-H division.

State Fair 4-H Dairy Cattle schedule is:

Sept. 11	3-5pm	Holstein and Jersey Check-in
Sept. 12	1pm	Holstein and Jersey Showmanship
Sept. 14	9am	Holstein and Jersey Show
Sept. 17	11am-noon	Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Milking Shorthorn Check-in
Sept. 18	8:30am	Milking Shorthorn Show
Sept. 19	8:30am	Ayrshire and Brown Swiss Show

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EMERALD CIRCLE

2009 Emerald Circle Banquet- Photos Available

With the development of News Media Unit in the Department of Communications and employment of Dan Donnert as photographer for K-State Research & Extension, new technologies make viewing and ordering photos available to everyone throughout the world who has access to the internet. If you missed this year's Emerald Circle Banquet, would like to see the banquet, stage, and tables scapes, or just want to look at the photos, go to:

<http://kstatephoto.zenfolio.com/>

For pricing go to: <http://www.oznet.ksu.edu/news/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=78>

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HEALTHY LIVING

KANSAS HEALTHY LIVING LIAISONS DESIGNATED

Carol Fink cfink@ksu.edu and Elaine Johannes ejohanne@ksu.edu are sharing the national designation of being Kansas' 4-H Healthy Living Liaisons. Among the three national 4-H mission areas, "Healthy Living" is a focal point for youth-related health programs, health promotion and health research. The newly launched "Healthy Living" website features information about liaison responsibilities, health literature and the health initiative's framework. See: www.national4-hheadquarters.gov/about/4h_health.htm

Carol and Elaine will be providing timely updates, funding announcements and program ideas to achieve our 4-H Healthy Living outcomes. Stay tuned!

[Johannes](#)

HORSE

State 4-H Horse Judging Contest

When: Tuesday, June 30th

Where: CiCo Park in Manhattan

Check-in: Begins at 8:30 AM

Start time: Contest will begin at **9:00 AM**.

Lunch will be provided for the Intermediate and Senior contestants. Beginners will be dismissed at the Completion of the judging portion of the contest.

Registration costs:

Senior/Intermediate: \$12.00 (lunch included)

Beginner: \$5.00

Checks payable to: Kansas 4-H Foundation

Entry forms and required 4-H Participation forms are due **June 19th**, by **5:00 PM** to:

State 4-H Office
Attn: 4-H Horse Judging Contest
201 Umberger Hall
Manhattan, KS 66506

Registration forms can be downloaded at:

<http://www.kansas4h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=43>

Contact Sarah Dick with questions
KS 4-H Horse Program Coordinator
(785) 532-0746
sarahdd@ksu.edu

[Dick](#)

Kansas 4-H Horse Shows -- Rule Clarification

Please be advised that for the 2009 Kansas 4-H Horse Shows, the current rule will remain as in past years: "Exhibitors may not be tied, buckled, or fastened to a horse or any portion of the tack. Exception: Any person with a handicap that necessitates such assistance." (Paragraph #5, page 52 of the Kansas 4-H Horse Show Rule Book)

At the April 18th meeting of the State 4-H Horse Action Team, a motion passed to allow the use of specific size of rubber bands to fasten the exhibitor's foot to the stirrup. To assure that the 4-H youth development program is appropriately managing the risks inherent with the horse program, the University Attorney is currently reviewing the proposed rule change. Consequently, the current rule stands and use of rubber bands will not be allowed at the 2009 Kansas 4-H Horse Shows.

Please contact Pat McNally (pmcnally@ksu.edu) or Sarah Dick, Kansas 4-H Horse Program Coordinator (sarahdd@ksu.edu), for additional information

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LIVESTOCK

Make plans to attend the new 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes August 22-23!

This all-around event will feature contests in Livestock Judging, Meats Judging, Livestock Skillathon, and Livestock Quiz Bowl. Belt Buckles will be awarded to the county that does the best in all four contests. A county or district may choose to use the same four 4-Hers for all contests or use any combination of students for each contest. Teams may also come for only a portion of the contests. The Livestock Judging Contest will be held on Saturday with rounds 1-3 of the Quiz Bowl. A dance and social activity will be available to 4-Hers on

Saturday evening, as well as workshops throughout the weekend. On Sunday, participants will compete in the Livestock Skillathon and Meats Judging Contest. We will hold Round 4 of the quiz bowl just prior to the award ceremony for all events. Each participating county will be required to provide a minimum of one volunteer for the event. Please look for a sign-up sheet, complete rules, and registration materials coming soon.

Please Note: The event will be held during K-State Move-in Weekend. Reserve your rooms as soon as possible. No activities will take place at the hotel so stay wherever you like. For your convenience two sets of room blocks have been made for August 21-23: Clarion Hotel, \$90, "KSU Department of Animal Science and Industry" Block, (785) 539-5311
Super 8 Motel, \$65, "K-State 4-H" Block, (785) 537-8468

For questions contact, Sharon Breiner, K-State Youth Livestock Coordinator at sbreiner@ksu.edu.
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MARKETING ACTION TEAM

4-H Marketing Survey

The 4-H Marketing Action Team would like your input on what kinds of things you need to market 4-H more effectively in your communities. We want to help you Grow 4-H! All agents, office professionals and program assistants are encouraged to reply individually to the survey that is in an axio format. The survey will be open til June 15. Click on this link to reply to the survey: <https://surveys.ksu.edu/TS?offeringId=130246>
[Mack](#) / 4-H Marketing Action Team Members

NELF

Northeast 4-H Leadership Forum

The Northeast Area members of the Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Forum are proud to present the First Annual Northeast Leadership Forum. The forum is a one-day event for 4-Hers ages 12-18 who live in the NE programmatic area. It will be held on Saturday, August 29, 2009, in Pottorf Hall on the Riley County Fairgrounds in Manhattan and will include programs on the national SET initiative, body language, and much more.

Registration is available on-line at <http://www.Kansas4-H.org/Register>.
Cost to attend is \$20. The deadline for registration is August 1, 2009.
For more information go to

<http://www.kansas4h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=298>
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STRENGTHENING CLUBS

Strengthening Clubs

Summer activities are in full swing...camp, district horse shows, and county fairs. However as you are busily going about the daily tasks, don't forget to prepare for the new 4-H year, October 1! Agents, when you are visiting with club leaders, encourage them to think about reducing their load by starting a Parents' Committee. The Parents Committee can enrich the learning experiences for club members by identifying, recruiting, orienting, training and supporting organizational/community leaders, project leaders, and club helpers. What an

opportunity for promoting roles for volunteers that can strengthen the foundation of 4-H clubs. Check the Kansas 4-H web site for more ideas to strengthen the 4-H club at <http://www.kansas4-h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=60>
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SHOOTING SPORTS

We are still searching for a State 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator to assist the Action Team, Match Committee and the newly formed Training Group. Anyone college age or older that has 4-H Shooting Sports experience and would like to work 10-15 hours per week, should contact Jim Adams (jadams@ksu.edu).
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Instructor Workshop

Another Shooting Sports Instructor Workshop will be held in Larned, Aug 28-30! Watch for Details!!
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VOLUNTEERS

Kansas 4-H Volunteer Forum

November 20 - 22, 2009, Rock Springs 4-H Center

The theme is "*Tackling Leadership - The Green Is Right*" Volunteer Forum and KYLF will be closely tied together so that KYLF adult chaperones may participate in the full Volunteer Forum. Forum will feature, skillathons, workshops and many networking opportunities. Registration deadline will be Oct. 15.

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VIP Orientation Disks

We are happy to announce the CD's of the Kansas 4-H VIP Orientation are available again. Thanks to Gerry Snyder from IET who fixed them so they would work again.

They now work only in the Internet Explorer program. They have been configured to start Internet Explorer automatically. To order copies of the CD's, please contact Mary Gehrt at the State 4-H Office. The cost of the disks remains \$5.00.

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North Central Region 4-H Volunteer Forum, Oct 1-4, 2009. Lincoln, NE "Giving Them Our Best"

The Forum home page is: <http://4h.unl.edu/volunteers/forum.htm>

Online Registration is now active. <http://4h.unl.edu/volunteers/pdf/registrationform.pdf>
Please access the workshop schedule before registration as registration asks you to specify the workshops you wish to attend. Registrations will be submitted online, with checks to be mailed in.

* The workshop schedule is at: <http://4h.unl.edu/volunteers/forum.htm>

<http://4h.unl.edu/volunteers/pdf/Workshop/schedule/NCR/Forum/Draft.pdf>

* The keynote speaker is Jones Laflin on "Juggling Elephants". Jones is the author of the book Tony Carroll presented at KAE4-HA.

* Schedule - Optional tours on Oct 1, Oct 2 workshops, speakers, and evening event, Oct 3 workshops, speakers, banquet, and evening learning activities, Oct 4 grab and go breakfast.

- * Registration Fee will be \$200 for full forum or \$110 per day
- * Early bird registration will be open from June 1 to August 15. Late registration will be open until Sept 15 with an additional \$50 fee.
- * The Downtown Holiday Inn in Lincoln, NE is the site of the forum. Room prices are \$92 per night for 1-4 people. The hotel registration code will be included in the registration information. The room block will be held until Sept 1.

The full program booklet is available at: <http://4h.unl.edu/volunteers/pdf/programdescript.pdf>
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Kansas Association of 4-H Volunteers

The Kansas Association of 4-H Volunteers (KA4-HV) is THE state wide organization for 4-H Volunteers. All 4-H Volunteers are eligible to join KA4-HV. The Association works to support 4-H Volunteers to conduct better 4-H programs.

The Kansas Association of 4-H Volunteers was formed in 2001. It has two primary goals: 1) Provide opportunities for educational volunteer development at the state and area level and 2) Serve as a communication network to get information to volunteers.

The Association provides a unique opportunity for volunteers, paid staff and other individuals to join forces to build connections with others who have an interest and passion for the 4-H youth development program.

Dues to the organization are just \$5.00 per year or \$50 for a lifetime membership. The KA4-HV web page is at: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=39> Click on the Membership Brochure to get membership information.
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WHEAT

2009 Kansas 4-H & FFA State Wheat Show in McPherson

Don't miss out on this exciting **free** Kansas 4-H and FFA State Wheat Show. Join us in McPherson on Friday, August 7th from 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at the McPherson County 4-H Building. The wheat show is open to all 4-H and FFA members, family members, 4-H leaders, Extension staff and Vocational Agriculture staff. Pre-registration is required for an accurate meal count and for tour divisions by July 31st on the Kansas 4-H web site registration system, www.kansas4-h.org.



Register by clicking on "4-H Events Registration", and then the "Kansas 4-H & FFA State Wheat Show." For those with no computer connections, contact Jana McKinney in McPherson County Extension for a food count by July 31st at 620-241-1523. For details about the wheat show, visit: <http://www.kansas4h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=226>. For more information, contact Deryl Waldren at 785-462-6281 or e-mail him at: dwaldren@ksu.edu.

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Kansas 4-H and FFA Wheat Variety Plot Enrollment

As wheat harvest approaches it is time to remind members to re-enroll or ask new members to enroll for the 2010 Kansas 4-H and FFA Wheat Variety Plot program. The program begins fall of 2009 and goes through September 2010. The enrollment form is on the Kansas State 4-H Website, www.kansas4-H.org under a "What's Hot" link. Members are asked to contact their local Extension Office by July 10 for information with enrollments due to the Northwest Area Extension Office by July 24, 2009. We need to know the number of participants early, so we can have enough seed and metal signs available for Extension agents and leaders to

pick up at the Kansas State Fair. New participants will receive a large plot sign, and five individual variety signs. These will be distributed on Friday, September 11th at the 2009 Kansas State Fair.

Resource information for the wheat variety project includes: (1) Wheat Variety Plot Brochure, 4-H 565 Rev., April 2000, http://www.oznet.ksu.edu/library/4h_y2/samplers/4H565.asp; (2) Wheat Variety Plot--Youth Participant Handbook, 4-H 566, Aug. 1996, http://www.oznet.ksu.edu/library/4h_y2/samplers/4H566.asp; and (3) 4-H Wheat Variety Plot Record, P1099, http://www.oznet.ksu.edu/library/4h_y2/samplers/P1099.asp.

This year's participants who are getting ready to harvest their plots 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 dwaldren@ksu.edu.

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WORLD CITIZENSHIP

Kansas Families Host International Exchanges

Two Taiwanese 4-H professionals will arrive June 21 in Colby for six-week stays to learn about 4-H programs in Kansas. They will participate in Kansas Orientation coordinated by Deryl Waldren at the Northwest Area Office followed by home stays in three counties each hosted by a local agent and/or volunteer. The two Taiwanese and their host families, and host agents are as follows:

Kao-Chun "Cash" Ni, Agent in the National 4-H Club Association, Taiwan , R.O.C.

June 24- July 5/6, Ron and Nancy Honig, Stevens Co., (Nancy Honig)

July 5/6-July 19, Rod and Mary Buchele, Southwest Area/Finney Co., (Rod Buchele)

July 19- July 29, Joe and Suzanne Hokett, Central Kansas Dist., (Sarah Maass)

Chia-Mei "Amy" Wang, Teacher and 4-H Volunteer, Kaohsiung Co., Taiwan, R.O.C.

June 24- July 5/6, Chris and Diann Gerstner, Thomas Co., (Diann Gerstner)

July 5/6-July 19, John and Donna Krug, Barton Co., (Donna Krug/Berny Unruh)

July 19-July 29. Brian and Tracy Clugston, Cherokee Co., (Phyllis Kriesel)

On July 1 two Norwegian 4H members will arrive for a one-month stay with one host 4-H family each. The Norwegian teens, their hosts and districts/counties are as follows:

Hans Johan Kopland Darrell and Deb Brobst, Phillips-Rooks Dist, Rooks Co.

Knut Henrik Lie Rob and Peggy Hensleigh, Meadowlark Dist, Jefferson Co.

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