

July 2010 Kansas 4-H Tip Sheet

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Strengthening Clubs II

Strengthening Clubs II is designed to enhance agents' and volunteers' knowledge and skills for increasing the club leaders' management capabilities to transform the 4-H club into a positive, fun and effective club experience for families. The workshop builds upon Strengthening Clubs I, therefore participants will be asked to complete a survey before the training on how they have used Strengthening Clubs I. Registration deadline is September 15. Cost is \$25. Invoices for participants will be mailed September 20. Payment due on or before the workshop, September 28. Checks payable to the Kansas 4-H Foundation. Questions concerning the training may be made by contacting Pam Van Horn, pvanhorn@ksu.edu, Rod Buchele, rbuchele@ksu.edu, or Deryl Waldren, dwaldren@ksu.edu.
[Van Horn](#)

National Science Festival

National 4-H Council is partnering with the USA Science & Engineering Festival, a national celebration of innovation in science held in Washington D.C. on October 23rd and 24th. The event is the country's first national science festival and promises to be the ultimate multi-cultural, multi-generational and multi-disciplinary celebration of the sciences in the United States. The culmination of the Festival is a two-day Expo that will provide more than 500 science & engineering organizations from all over the United States the opportunity to present hands-on, fun science activities to inspire the next generation of scientists and engineers.

Through this partnership, National 4-H Council has been alerted to a great opportunity for 4-H'ers to showcase the innovative 4-H Science work taking place across the nation. The Kavli Science Video Contest is looking for young people around the country to create and submit videos that answer the question "Why is science cool?"

Winning submissions will be creative, surprising, and "contagious" in terms of spreading youth enthusiasm about science to others. Videos might explore a specific scientific concept, demonstrate the wonders of nature, provide a glimpse into the future, show what scientific discovery has done for us in the past or simply explain why you think science is cool.

We are encouraging the entire 4-H system especially those that participated in the Films on video- SET in Urban Communities Kickoff and The Filmmaking Work Group to submit videos.

- Who Can Enter – Individual students or groups from K-12 schools, home school networks, after-school programs, science clubs or any other organization the student is representing for the purpose of the Kavli Science Video Contest. All prize monies must go to an educational institution rather than an individual student.
- Types of Videos Eligible - Videos should explain Why Science is Cool and may explore a scientific concept, provide a glimpse into the future or show us what scientific discovery has done for us in the past, or whatever else that inspires the entrant. USA Science & Engineering Festival videos must be 30-90 seconds in length, educational and suitable for general public screening.
- Selection of Winners - Winning videos will be chosen by a distinguished panel of judges that includes Brian Schwartz, founder of Science & the Arts at the City University of New York Graduate Center and Sheri Potter, a founder of the Coalition on Public Understanding of Science (COPUS).
- Deadlines and Prizes – The contest is open now and all entries must be submitted before midnight on July 15, 2010. First prize is \$1,000 plus a \$500 electronics gift certificate or HD Camcorder (valued up to \$500) and a travel stipend to travel to Washington DC for the Expo. Second prize is \$500, plus a \$250 electronics gift certificate, third prize is \$250, plus a \$125 electronics gift certificate. The People’s Choice Award prize is \$250.

Following in the footsteps of American Idol, America can vote on a People’s Choice Kavli Science Video Award through SciVee , a Web 2.0 site which helps scientists share their work with the general public.

Rules and a submission form can be found at:

<http://www.usasciencefestival.org/2010festival/contests/kavli-science-video-contest>

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State 4-H Program Rally

It is time to mark your calendars for the 2010 Kansas 4-H Program Rally which will be held at the Rock Springs 4-H Center on December 7-8, 2010. More information will be available this fall, for now please save the dates.

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Northeast Leadership Forum

The Northeast Area members of the Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Forum are proud to present the Second Annual Northeast Leadership Forum “NELF: The Sequel”. The forum is a one-day event for 4-Hers ages 12-18. It will be held on Saturday, August 28, 2010, in Pottorf Hall on the Riley County Fairgrounds in Manhattan and will include a 4-H Chef program, various leadership activities and classes, and much more. Registration is available on Kansas4-H.org. Cost to attend is \$20. The deadline for registration is August 2, 2010.

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Fall 4-H Membership Campaign – New Agent Resource

Members of the 4-H Marketing Action Team have developed a 4-H Marketing Campaign Agent Resource to help you with your fall 4-H membership campaign. The web only document is available to download from the State 4-H website under What's Hot.

The document includes worksheets to look at potential audiences, access current membership, and write an action plan. It also includes sample timelines; ways to help clubs create a welcoming environment; a catalog of the Kansas 4-H marketing items and ideas on how to use them; 101 ways to celebrate 4-H; a New Family's Guide to 4-H; and Clovertines.

To help you in the planning process, we will be hosting a webinar on Tuesday, August 3, at 10 a.m.

We will use Adobe Connect web conferencing. Start connecting 5 minutes prior to the start time. You need a computer with Internet access and speakers. At the meeting time, copy and paste this URL into your browser to enter the meeting.

At that URL you will find a login page. 'Enter as a Guest' with your name and county/district, then click 'Enter Room.' The audio portion of the meeting will come through your computer speakers.

As a participant, test your computer "before" entering the meeting room at http://connect.ksre.ksu.edu/common/help/en/support/meeting_test.htm. This will resolve most connection and interface problems.

Prior to the seminar, please review the new 4-H marketing items that are available at <http://www.kansas4h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=56>.

Best wishes for a successful campaign to grow 4-H!
4-H Marketing Action Team members -
[Mack](#), Besthorn, Feldkamp, Milliman, Pihl, Taylor, Terrell, and Woods.

County Fair Resources

Still recruiting judges? There is a new list of fair food judges that were trained in April 2010. The list is password protected on the NE Extension Area – 4-H website. You'll need to log in before you can access it.

“Creating A Positive Experience for Youth at the County Fair” is a one page resource for fair judges highlighting the important aspects of the judging process. Judging essentials include a standard scorecard; positive, constructive and relevant comments; and awarding the ribbon that is earned. The resource should be included in the letter sent to judges with other details outlining their judging duties. It is available on the state 4-H website under What's Hot.

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Out-of-School Program Idea Conference, October 4

The “Out-of-School Program Idea Conference” 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 “Out-of School Program Idea Conference” 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 wether its an organized afterschool program, camp setting or summer recreation program. Come and share with other youth serving professionals. For more information contact Pam Van Horn, pvanhorn@ksu.edu.

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Call for Proposals

The Out-of-School Program Idea Conference is searching for action-oriented, fun, educational programs and activities that promote hands-on learning for youth. We are looking for seminars and educational displays for curricula and resources that inspire youth to become active learners and can be easily adapted to out-of-school settings.

Each seminar lasts approximately 50 minutes. The target audience is out-of-school providers from before or after school, summer recreation, community-based, faith-based and/or extension education programs. Out-of-School Program Idea Conference seminars **MUST** be hands-on and interactive, and should provide participants with all the information they need to acquire and use the program in their out-of-school setting.

Educational displays will be set up all day for viewing by participants. They do **NOT** need to be staffed, but can be if you choose. Educational displays should highlight resources that can enhance out-of-school programming and/or hands-on learning. Each educational display will receive one 8' table and two chairs.

Please submit your seminar and/or educational display proposal by August 1, 2010 to Pam Van Horn, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS 66506 or e-mail to pvanhorn@ksu.edu. Proposal found at <http://www.kansas4h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx> under What's Hot!.

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CENTENNIAL DELEGATES FOR NATIONAL 4-H CONGRESS

A reminder to all Extension Units that the names of Centennial Delegates to 2010 National 4-H Congress will be accepted through 5 PM, July 6, 2010. A Centennial Delegate is a youth selected by local criteria of excellence and fully funded through local sources or personally. The cost of the 2010 Congress trip is \$1,100/person. They are a regular part of the Kansas delegation to Congress in Atlanta (November 26-30). Along with Project and Key Award delegates, Centennial delegates engage in the full Congress experience! It was established in 2002 as another way to recognize excellence in the 4-H experience for local Extension Units! For forms and complete written information please contact Mary Gehrt in the state 4-H office.

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4-H NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE DAY AND EXPERIMENT

Announcing the 2010 National Science Experiment: 4-H 2 O

Join us on October 6 th for the third annual 4-H National Youth Science Day or throughout October with the National Youth Science Experiment, where youth across the nation examine one of the most important issues facing our nation today—water quality. These young scientists will discover and explore the powerful effects of carbon dioxide on our natural water sources in 4-H 2 O, the 2010 National Science Experiment. You can find everything you need to participate in 4-H National Youth Science Day online at www.4-H.org/NYSD . The site provides all the tools you will need to begin a comprehensive scientific exploration and plan an exciting science event in your community. Developed in conjunction with North Carolina Cooperative Extension and North Carolina A&T State University, the experiment is designed to spark an early youth interest in science—all part of 4-H's bold goal to engage a million new young people in science, engineering, technology and applied math programs by 2013.

Current Online materials include:

- an experiment facilitator's guide
- the youth experiment workbook
- an experiment overview

Coming Soon:

- event planning kits
- promotional materials, including flyers, web banners and more
- an interactive game that demonstrates the importance of water quality

New features, information and promotions will be added in the months and weeks leading up to October 6th—so make sure to register online to receive the latest event updates. We look forward to you joining us for the 2010 4-H National Youth Science Day ! Don't forget to find us on Facebook and Twitter to take part in the dialogue about 4-H National Youth Science Day!

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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.kansas4h.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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2011 4-H Journal Camping Issue

Camp Season has arrived! While you're hiking the Rock Springs' trails or backpacking Pecos : Wilderness remember to take photos, keep a journal or remember the "good" stuff to share by

sending your memories to Robyn Deines, Walnut Creek District, rdeines@ksu.edu, following this year's 4-H Camp. The Camp Action Team needs photos, stories, quotes and camp traditions for the 2011 4-H Journal's February Camping issue. Suggested items include:

- Action photos from camp. 4-H Campers love to see themselves in the Kansas 4-H Journal.
- Quotes from campers, counselors, agents and parents. If you get something great, please share it...ideas...“how much fun”, “how my son/daughter changed while at camp”, and “an experience that changed how I do things”!
- Camp promotional flyers and letters sent to campers. Ideas for promoting camp are always beneficial.
- Other camps conducted in the Extension Unit...day camps, junior leaders' camp or local speciality camps.

Please share as the Camp Action Team is interested in promoting all camps!

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2011 Tentative Camp Dates

Listed below are the 2011 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!

Sunny Hills June 5-8

Far Points June 8-11

Purple Power Pack June 11-14

Heart of Kansas June 14-17

Dirty Dozen June 17-20

Fantastic Four June 20-23

Ozsome June 23-26

Northwest June 26-29

Pioneer Trails June 29- July 2

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.

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CHARACTER COUNTS!

The Coach John Wooden Pledge*

I pledge to improve and safeguard my character and to myself be true, being faithful to my convictions in all I say and do.

I will strive to do what's right and let my conscience be my guide, knowing my worth is measured by what I am inside.

I'll take on each day enthusiastically and give every task my all.

I will not whine, complain, or make excuses, even if I fall.

I will live my life with purpose, thinking ahead and having a plan.

I will never allow what I can't do interfere with what I can.

I will find opportunity in adversity and do things right the first time through and never be afraid to change or try something new.

I will be patient, poised, and confident, working toward each goal,

being sure to govern my emotions and demonstrating self-control.
I will count my blessings daily and be grateful for what I possess,
getting joy from moderation and avoiding all excess.
I will work hard and take initiative in order to excel,
and I'll make big things happen by doing the little things well.
I will pursue victory with honor, not letting praise or criticism change how I act,
and I'll strive to be worthy of pride and emulation, in reputation and in fact.
I will be sincere, honest, and loyal, worthy of other's trust.
I will be respectful and responsible, doing what I must.
I will always act with fairness and show others how much I care,
and I'll be a good citizen and always do my share.
I will live my life with dignity, passion, and fun
and make each day my masterpiece when all is said and done.

*Derived by Michael Josephson of the Josephson Institute of Ethics from the writings and philosophy of the great basketball coach, John Wooden (1910-2010) June 7, 2010.

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CloverBuds

4-H Cloverbuds Training

Adventuresome, energetic, fun-loving, and sensitive are just a few of the characteristics of 5 and 6 year olds. Creating a youth development program to match the high energy level, attention spans, and cooperative needs of this age group can be fun and rewarding. Come participate in this hands-on Kansas 4-H Cloverbuds training and explore how 4-H Cloverbuds can add fun and excitement for 5 and 6 year olds on Thursday, August 19, 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m., Rock Springs 4-H Center. Come learn more about the Kansas 4-H authorized educational option for 5 and 6 year olds. Registration available on-line at <http://www.kansas4h.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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4-H Cloverbuds - July - Television: Making a Choice

Summer Vacation has arrived and the question becomes ... are children spending too much time in front of the TV? Nearly 99% of American homes have at least one TV set. It has been estimated that grade school children have spent enough time in front of a TV to earn a college degree. The 4-H Cloverbuds lesson - Television: Making a Choice focuses on discovering the positive and negative effects television can have on their lives. The outcome is to encourage the Cloverbuds to develop good habits regarding television watching.

Objectives for 4-H Cloverbuds

- Understand both positive and negative effects of watching television;
- Understand the impact of television and advertisements on choices made.

Life skill development for 4-H Cloverbuds:

- Social skill learned through role playing and games;
- Fine motor skills enhanced through using markers and crayons;
- Large motor skills fostered through participation in group games.

Activities available for 4-H Cloverbuds:

- 1) “TV - What’s so Bad About It?”
- 2) “What’s Your Favorite”
- 3) “Cartoon Creations”
- 4) “Investigating Commercials”
- 5) “Commercial Challenge”
- 6) “A Commercial Success”
- 7) “Making Your Own Television”
- 8) “Planning TV Time”
- 9) “Let’s Have a Ball”
- 10) “Safety First!”

TV - What’s So Bad About It?

Materials: TV Guide, large piece of paper, marker.

Show the children the TV Guide. Ask if anyone knows what it is. Ask for a show of hands for how many people like to watch TV. Have the children brainstorm ideas about the positive effects of TV (it’s entertaining, keeps them busy, can learn things, etc.) Record their ideas on the paper in a column titled “Good”. Ask them to think about some things that are not so good about TV. If the group has difficulty with this, ask them to think of things grown-ups worry about concerning TV. Help make suggestions if needed. Make sure the following are included:

- takes time away from playing
- commercials make you want to buy things you don’t need
- learn bad habits or language
- encourages violence.

Record these ideas in a column titled “Bad”. Talk about the children’s ideas. Emphasize that TV has many good qualities and that there are also things that aren’t so good that people should be aware of.

Application: Ask the children to think about the things listed on the “Good” and “Bad” lists as they watch television in the next week. Encourage them to make a new list or talk with their parents about how television has affected them personally.

For detailed information checkout the Television : Making a Choice lesson in the 4-H Cloverbuds Curriculum. The curriculum targets Healthy Living.

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Curriculum Corner

4-H Enrollment forms are undergoing their annual review and will be available hopefully by late July or early August. Current orders are being held until revisions are completed. Both MG3A and MG3B are planned to have a Data Management Release for those counties pilot testing Access 4-H. Project listing changes include:

- * Citizenship
 - Citizenship
 - World Citizenship
- * Energy Management
 - Electric and Electronics
 - Small Engines
 - Power of the Wind
- * Environmental Sciences (New)
 - Water (New National Curriculum, coming soon)
- * Plant Science
 - Field Crops
 - Forestry
 - Horticulture
- * Visual Arts
 - Ceramics
 - Leather Craft
 - Other _____

In addition, MG3C Cloverbuds will have some changes including the Data Management Release, some other minor edits on the front plus some basic Cloverbud Core Values, Goals and Principles printed on the back of the Form.

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Dairy

Dairy Events - Entry Deadline June 28, 2010!!!

The Salina All Breeds Junior Dairy Show entries plus the State 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging Contest and Quiz Bowl entries are all through the same on-line Axio Survey process via an Animal Science website. You can go through the Animal Science Youth programs website or simply click on "Dairy Events" under What's Hot on the State 4-H Website (www.Kansas4-H.org) to access the easy Axio Survey and answer questions to enter animals or youth for each contest.

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Kansas State Fair 4-H/FFA Dairy Cattle Show Schedule for 2010

* Pre-entries MUST be made via the KSFAIR 4-H website via the local Extension Office by August 15!!!

Sept. 11 3-5pm Holstein/Jersey Check-in

Sept. 13 9:am Holstein/Jersey Show and Showmanship

Sept. 16 6-8pm Ayrshire/Brown Swiss/Milking Shorthorn Check-in

Sept. 17 8:30am Milking Shorthorn Showmanship and Show

Sept. 18 8:30am Ayrshire/Brown Swiss Showmanship and Shows

This is the 4-H Schedule! Open Class entries are to be made directly to the State Fair and are not part of the 4-H entry procedure. If a 4-H member wants to enter Open Class, they must make a second entry directly to the Kansas State Fair System.

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FCS

4-H FCS Action Team Educational Opportunities

4-H'ers had a fantastic time learning about business from the past and present in Kansas City this last March. 4-H'ers enjoyed learning how important it is to present themselves properly, how Kansas City downtown used to be the "in" place to sew in design clothes and how food stylist today make food look "Oh so good".

This coming March 26, 2011 the team will once again sponsor an educational trip to southwest Kansas. 4-H'ers will learn how the diversity in the state of Kansas helps it be successful. 4-H'ers will tour a dairy, visit a Hispanic grocery store and eat authentic Mexican food. One of the favorite events will be visiting a family owned business that grows its own corn and makes chips right on the spot. It is a fun place to tour.

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Geology

The Geology Action Team agreed to accept Tri-State mining specimens from Ottawa County, Oklahoma and Newton and Jasper counties in Missouri for the Kansas State Fair because a lot of the mining areas in Kansas are being reclaimed and thus are not available for collecting. These are the only locations outside of the State of Kansas that are allowed.

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GPS/GIS

GPS GIS Exhibits at County Fairs

National Geographic's My Wonderful World, in partnership with ESRI, are offering very nice fair ribbons to recognize 4-H Maps exhibited at county or state fairs. If you anticipate youth entering GPS or GIS exhibits at your county fair, please email Beth Hecht (bhecht@ksu.edu) with 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 for assistance in identifying qualified GPS/GIS judges and for appropriate score sheets.

[Hecht](#)

NEW!! 4-H GeoTech Program To Begin this Fall

The 4-H GeoTech Community Service Learning program involves training, equipping and supporting community team leaders in GPS & GIS applications that can then be localized for

youth community service projects. Learn more about this pilot program by participating in an upcoming GeoTech Primer. These repeat, identical Primers will be conducted as online webinars. One hour Primers will be held: August 27, 9:00 a.m.; September 22, 4:00 p.m.; and September 24, 1:00 p.m. To participate in a GeoTech Primer, log into <http://connect.ksre.ksu.edu/geospace> at your preferred date and time. Additional Primers may be arranged based upon interest. Contact Beth Hecht to schedule. So check it out! Invite potential partners to participate in any one of them. Ask questions. See examples. Get the details of the program's requirements with no obligations. The initial GeoTech training is set for November 9-11 at Rock Springs.

[Hecht](#)

Healthy Living

Kansas Youth Report Being more Physically Active, But Still Need to Improve

The Kansas YRBSS (Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System) report for 2009 is now available through the Kansas Dept. of Education's Coordinated School Health website:

www.kshealthykids.org/KCSH_Menu/KCSH_YRBSS.htm

This bi-annual, CDC-developed survey tracks the nation's high school students' health across a number of health behaviors ranging from alcohol consumption to daily physical activity. For Kansas 48.9% of high schoolers reported being physically active at recommended standards (60 minutes on five or more of the past 7 days) as compared to 45.1% in 2007 and 41.3% in 2005. Kansas' data have been folded into a national State Indicator Report on Physical Activity for 2010 which reports that only 26.3 of Kansas' 9-12 graders are physically active. Hmm, is something amiss?

Needless to say, getting an accurate handle on the level of physical activity among the nation's youth is problematic. There's no question, however that our youth are not as physically active as they were a generation ago and that obesity rates continue to rise.

The best way to gage the physical activity rates of your local youth is simply to ask how active they are throughout an average week, and how their activity can be increased through local clubs, projects and community improvements.

There's some great ideas that have been found to effectively promote and increase physical activity. Just check out the ideas listed on the CDC's Community Guide at:

<http://thecommunityguide.org/pa/index.html>

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Horse

2011 Horse Panorama

Mark your calenders! The 2011 Horse Panorama will be January 29 and 30 at Rock Springs 4-H Center, Junction City, Kansas. More information will be available in the coming months on the 4-H website.

[Dick](#)

State Fair 4-H Horse Show--Information

The State Fair 4-H Horse Show is September 17-19

Entries: The entries for the State Horse Show are due August 1. Participants will need to be entered through the State Fair entry website <http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/KSFAIR/>. The District Horse Show Chairs will enter the participants on the State Fair entry website for the qualifying events. For the non-qualifying events, the Extension Unit will need to enter these participants through this entry website. A Horse Show Fee Summary form must be completed and submitted with payment to the State 4-H Office by the August 1 deadline. The fees will be refunded if the State 4-H Office receives cancellation by August 15th. The Humane Treatment form can be submitted with the Horse Show Fee Summary form or at the time of the show. If participating in the Snaffle Bit project (including the 2 year old Snaffle Bit and the 3 year old Futurity), the Snaffle Bit Statement will need to be submitted; either at the time of entry or at the show.

The Horse Show Fee Summary form and the Humane Treatment/Snaffle Bit Statement can be downloaded from the 4-H website (under Horse Events).

****Reminder: Only one halter horse is allowed, as listed in the Kansas 4-H Horse Show Rulebook.

Stalling: The Stalling form and payment must be submitted directly to State Fair Office (not the State 4-H Office) by August 1st. For additional questions concerning the stalling, please contact the State Fair Office (620) 669-3600.

The stalling form can be downloaded from the 4-H website (under Horse Events).

Volunteering: The State Horse Show needs volunteers! If you are interested in volunteering at the show, please be sure to indicate your interest to the Chair person at your District Horse Show. You can also contact Sarah Dick to sign up. We are very appreciative of the hard work and time of the volunteers. Volunteers help make the State Horse Show a success!

Please contact Sarah Dick, Kansas 4-H Horse Program Coordinator (sarahdd@ksu.edu, 785-341-4869) with any questions or for additional information.

[Dick](#)

Horticulture

2010 State Horticulture Judging Contest

The State Horticulture Judging Contest will be Saturday August 21, 2010 on the K-State Campus. More information will be available in July.

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KYLF

Kansas Youth Leadership Forum Presenters Needed

It is nearly time to recruit instructors/presenters for the 11th Annual Kansas Youth Leadership

Forum to be held November 19-21 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 2011 Kansas State 4-H Youth Leadership Council. We are recruiting proposals for workshop session instructors/presenters. Topics should center on 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 [KYL page](#). Proposals are due to Beth Hinshaw by July 20. Questions can be directed to Beth Hinshaw, bhinshaw@ksu.edu [Hinshaw](#)/Chelsey Smith/Alex Spence

Kansas State Fair

KSF 4-H ENERGY MANAGEMENT CLARIFICATION – Small Engines

With the creation of the 4-H Energy Management division at the Kansas State Fair, youth will have the opportunity to present qualified exhibits for evaluation. The division is divided into: Electrical and Electronics, Small Engines, and Wind Energy. A question has arisen regarding Class 4612 Small Engines, OPERATION. The dimensions for width and depth are provided (4') but the height was accidentally not included. The dimensions should read 4' wide x 4' deep x 4' tall.

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Positive Youth Development

Agent Update Offers Training in the Essential Elements of Youth Development

On August 24 (Tuesday), as part of the Agent Update at K-State University, conference held August 23-25, participants will learn about the Essential Elements curriculum for Positive Youth Development.

The nationally approved/juried "Essential Elements of Positive Youth Development" curriculum equips Extension professionals to understand the essential elements of programs and events that support positive youth development. Participants of the August 24 session will learn how to use the curriculum and to infuse their programs with the Essential Elements.

Registration information and conference details are available at:
www.ksre.ksu.edu/employee_resources/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=206

[Johannes](#)

Shooting Sports

New Project Coordinator Hired!!!

Nancy Becker of Manhattan, began work on June 1 as the new 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator, filling the vacancy left by Mary Beth Strong about a year ago. Nancy joins us as a former Shooting Sports Match Committee member, so is well versed in the program. Nancy will be assisting the State 4-H Office in coordinating basically all aspects of the Shooting Sports program through the State match Committee and the Action Team. Nancy's email is new@ksu.edu and can be reached by phone at 785-770-0128.

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Instructor Workshop

Next Shooting Sports Instructor Workshop is August 27-29, 2010 in Larned. Watch for registration details later.

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Shooting Sports Kansas State Fair Changes

The two Shooting Sports classes at the State Fair have been re-defined beginning this year. Class 6200 Educational Display Must be directly related to the 4-H Shooting Sports Project (Display must not exceed 36"x 24" x 3.5" deep when open). Class 6201 Promotional Poster Must promote 4-H Shooting Sports (Poster must be flat and no larger than 22" x 28").

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Volunteers

Kansas 4-H Volunteer Forum, November 19 - 21, 2010, Rock Springs 4-H Center

The Kansas 4-H Volunteer Forum will be sponsored by the Kansas Association of 4-H Volunteers. It will focus on developing leadership in Kansas 4-H Volunteers. 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. 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.

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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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North Central Regional Volunteer Forum

October 7 to 10, 2010, Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center,
Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan

Breaking News - The Kansas Association of 4-H Volunteers is offering 25 scholarships to the North Central Regional Volunteer Forum. They will be half the early bird registration fee of \$200. Forum registrants just need to let Rod Buchele know when they register and the first 25 will receive the \$100 scholarship on a reimbursement basis.

Head to the Michigan "mitten" for a "Heads On! Hands On! experience when Michigan 4-H Youth Development hosts the North Central Region Volunteer Forum (NCRVF) from October 7 to 10, 2010! A fast paced, educational and fun event awaits you on the spectacular fall campus of Michigan State University in East Lansing. Conference lodging and events will be at the MSU campus Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center located on the banks of the scenic Red Cedar River. Pre-conference tours will also be available on October 7 to some of Michigan's noted historical attractions. You won't have another 4-H opportunity like this until 2012!

The North Central Region 4-H Volunteer Forum is a great opportunity for Extension staff and 4-H volunteers (adult and youth) to:

- * Gain knowledge and insight.
- * Learn new teaching skills to take home and share within their 4-H clubs.
- * Develop healthy youth and adult educational partnerships.
- * Have a great time making new 4-H friends and exchanging ideas!

For more information, go to: <http://web1.msue.msu.edu/cyf/youth/ncr4hvf/index.html>
Registration should be live most any day. Early bird registration deadline is August 15, 2010. Kansas will be hosting the 2012 North Central Regional Volunteer Forum. We want a good delegation to attend the Michigan Forum to promote our 2012 Forum.

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VIP Orientation Disks

CD's of the Kansas 4-H VIP Orientation continue to be available. 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. The CD offers a convenient way to deliver the VIP Orientation on a quick turn around basis. This is of great value to get a volunteer started with minimal delay.

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VIP Question

Can VIP registration (and forms) be transferred from county/district to another county/district?
Why or Why not?

No. A registered volunteer who moves to a new location and wishes to be a volunteer for the new Extension Unit must complete the VIP process for the new unit and be appointed by the new Unit Board. The key is they will be volunteering for a new Extension Unit which requires completion of the VIP process for that new unit. The new unit may, at its discretion, accept the previous unit's VIP orientation (not require the volunteer to take the orientation over). The new volunteer must still complete an application and the unit needs to conduct the reference check, online check, VIPRC screening prior to the Unit Board appointing the volunteer.

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Kansas Extension Conference on Volunteerism

Mark your calendars and save November 9 - 10, 2010 for the next Kansas Extension Conference on Volunteerism. The theme of the conference will be "Engaging Volunteers in New Ways". The conference will include a focus on Engaging Volunteers in Districts and large programs. The conference is for all Extension personnel who work with volunteers, in any geographic area and any subject matter area. The conference is cosponsored by an ESP program grant and the Volunteer Development Program Focus Team. Hold the dates!

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Everyone Ready Volunteer Management Self Study online.

The upcoming Everyone Ready topic is Effective Delegation Skills by Andy Fryar. It is easy to give out work assignments—anyone can do it! What's not so easy is delegating in an effective manner. This Guide teaches you the proactive approach to delegating so that you can truly save time in the long run.

By reading this Guide and discussing its content, participants will be able to:

- Get over the common misconceptions and barriers to delegating
- Invest time in the beginning to delegate proactively and reap more time and other benefits in the long run
- Identify the most appropriate tasks to delegate (not just the ones you don't like!) to truly save time
- Delegate "sideways" and "upwards" with grace

For more information, to log in or register at: <http://www.4-h.org/volunteerism>

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National 4-H 4-H Volunteer Marketing Survey

Kansas (along with all other states) has been asked to provide email addresses for 15% of our 4-H Volunteers to be placed in a pool for a random sample to complete a survey to help focus new 4-H Volunteer Recruitment resources to be developed by National 4-H Council.

"The National 4-H Council and 4-H National Headquarters at USDA are embarking on a comprehensive marketing research project. This project will help us understand our current and

potential volunteer base. As a result, we will be able to determine what motivates volunteers so that we can grow and retain our volunteer force with people of like-minded values. In response, we will develop a new 4-H Volunteer recruitment campaign that will be provided to all states and territories.”

The list we will be providing is the one drawn for the Volunteer Impact survey spring 2008. This is currently the only list Kansas has (as we do not have a statewide list of local volunteers). Kansas Extension staff were notified of this request May 24th and given the option to exclude their volunteers from the list. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me.

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Wheat

2010 Kansas 4-H & FFA State Wheat Show in Larned

Don't miss out on this exciting free Kansas 4-H and FFA State Wheat Show. Join us in Larned on Friday, August 6th from 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at the J. A. Haas Building on the Pawnee County Fairgrounds. 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. There are nine divisions of classes to enter wheat and wheat-related products. Register by clicking on “4-H Events Registration”, and then “Wheat Show.” For those with no computer connections, contact Rod Wallace in Pawnee County Extension for a food count by July 30th at 620-285-6901. 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 2011 Kansas 4-H and FFA Wheat Variety Plot program. The program begins fall of 2010 and goes through September 2011. The enrollment form and information is on the Kansas State 4-H

Website. Visit: <http://www.kansas4h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=297>. Members are asked to contact their local Extension Office by July 9 for information with enrollments due to the Northwest Area Extension Office by July 23, 2010. 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. Returning members will receive updated peel-off signs to change the wheat varieties. These will be distributed on Friday, September 10th at the 2010 Kansas State Fair.

Resource information for the wheat variety project includes: (1) Wheat Variety Plot Brochure, 4-H 565 Rev., April 2000, (2) Wheat Variety Plot--Youth Participant Handbook, 4-H 566, Aug. 1996, and (3) 4-H Wheat Variety Plot Record, P1099. They are available to download at the above web site. 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 Delegates Head Abroad on Exchanges

Beginning June 10 nine Kansas delegates are headed abroad on 4-H sponsored international exchanges for 2010. The delegates, their Extension Units, country destinations and dates of travel are as follows:

Samantha Gompf, Johnson Co., Japan, June 10-August 5
Rachelle Roth, Cherokee Co., Australia, June 16-July 15
Chelsy Coen, Franklin Co. Sweden, June 17-August 14
Amy Sents, McPherson Co., Germany & Switzerland, June 18- December 7
Hannah Davidson, Leavenworth Co., Costa Rica, June 19-July 17
Stetson Honig, Stevens Co., Costa Rica, June 19-July 17
Destiny Wendland, Stafford Co., Costa Rica, June 19-July 17
Carley Melander, Central Kansas (Saline) Dist., June 30-August 2
Jaylon Burch, River Valley (Clay) Dist., July 7-August 5

They will be available for presentations later this summer and fall.

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Kansas Families Hosting Inbounds on International Exchanges

The first of over 60 families will begin hosting international exchange participants June 20 with a teen from Cost Rica for one month. The rest will take in exchangees for two-four weeks this summer and fall. Nearly all have been placed, but two families for Swedish exchangees in November are still needed as of this writing. Those arriving in June and July will be hosted in the following Extension Units:

Bryan Arias, Costa Rica: June 20- July 21 in Wabaunsee Co.

Ying-Yu Chen, Taiwan: June 20-23 Orientation in Thomas Co.; June 23- July 7 in Finney Co.; July 7-July 21 in Marian Co.; July 21-August 3 in McPherson Co.

Matthias Gfeller, Switzerland: June 20-23 Orientation in Thomas Co.; June 23-July 14 in Meade Co.; July 14-August 4 in Ellis Co.; August 4-25 in McPherson Co.; August 25-September 18 in Geary Co.

Christina Altenhofer, Austria: June 29-30 Orientation in Kansas City area; June 30-July 25/26 in Walnut Creek (Rush) Dist.; June 25/26-August 13 in Cherokee Co.

Elizabeth Långlacher, Austria: June 29-30 Orientation in Kansas City area; June 30- July 11 in Central Kansas (Saline) Dist.; June 11-22 in Geary County 1st family; July 22-August 6 in Geary Co. 2nd family

31 Japanese: July 21-23 Orientation at Rock Springs; July 23-August 18 in host families coordinated by Butler Co., Central Kansas Dist., Finney Co., Marian Co., Miami Co., River Valley Dist. and Phillips-Rooks Dist.; August 18-19 Debriefing, Rock Springs

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