

July 2011 Kansas 4-H Tip Sheet

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Deadlines

- July 1** KSU Swine Classic Entries close.
- July 11** Kansas 4-H and FFA What Variety Plot Enrollments due to the Northwest Area Extension office.
- July 15** Camp Counselor Recognitions due to State 4-H office.
- July 15** Grand Drive Livestock Entries due to Kansas State Fair.
- 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** Pre-registration due for Kansas 4-H and FFA State Wheat Show.
- Aug 8** State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest; Quiz Bowl and Jr. Dairy Show Entries due to Animal Science. (Details coming soon!)
- Aug 15** NorthWest Area Youth & Leaders Forum and Day Camp Training Registration due.
- Sept 1** Shooting Sports Instructor Renewals due to State 4-H Office.
- Oct 15** Registration Deadline for Kansas 4-H Volunteer Forum.

This Month's Tip Sheet

County Fair Most Visible Time to Market 4-H

4-H Marketing Action Team members recently talked to families who aren't in 4-H, in hopes of learning how to better recruit them into the program. Our findings were alarming :

- **They truly believed that a 4-H member must have acreage and animals**
- **They had no clue how to get involved**

As a result, we're re-crafting our message and materials so that all families and children in your local community feel like they, too, can be a part of one of the most valuable youth programs around.

The County Fair is the time when 4-H is most visible to the public, and we want to use this opportunity to get the right word out about our program:

- **4-H is the network of families that grows great kids**
- **4-H is for city/town families, too**

We need your help in telling this story, and there are several things you can do:

- New 4-H Fliers -- A supply of fliers for you to use at your county fair was sent to you in the county/district mailing from distribution on June 10. Simply add the list of clubs, club leader contact information and where/when the club meets.
- New 4-H Artwork for County Fair
 - * We've created templates and artwork for you to use that reinforces this new message. These templates are available on the State 4-H website:

click on resources, then click on marketing. Templates include:

- Fair guide cover template
- Ad templates for the fair schedule and supporter appreciation

* Templates are available as Acrobat PDFs. If you (or your local paper) need the files as InDesign, Adobe Illustrator or .EPS, contact Bob Holcombe, K-State Research and Extension Graphic Designer at Holcombe@ksu.edu or call 785-532-1143.

* The K-State Research and Extension graphic design team is ready and willing to customize artwork for your county. Contact Bob to take advantage of this service.

- Conversations with Local Media

- * Set a time to talk with each of your local media to explain our new message and provide them with materials.

- Media Letter – Word document available on the State 4-H website that explains what they need to know. Use this as a conversation guide and leave-behind.
 - Ask Them to Use the New Artwork
 - Ask/Arrange For Stories About the New Message

- * Families Who Live in Town That Find Great Value in 4-H

- * 4-H as a Network of Families

Because we spend most of our budget on programming rather than marketing, your portrayal of 4-H greatly influences how people think of us. If you need more information, please contact me.

Diane Mack and 4-H Marketing Action Team Members

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

Join us on Friday, August 12th from 8:30 a.m. – 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, pre-registration 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 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 2012 Kansas 4-H and FFA Wheat Variety Plot program. The program begins fall of 2011 and goes through September 2012. The enrollment form will be on the Kansas State 4-H Website, www.Kansas4-H.org by June 15 under "What's Hot" rather than the Northwest Research Extension site. Members are asked to contact their local Extension Office by July 11 for information with enrollments due to the Northwest Area Extension Office by July 22, 2011. It is very important that we 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 9th at the 2011 Kansas State Fair.

Resource information for the wheat variety project includes: (1) Wheat Variety Plot Brochure, 4-H 565 Revised 2010, (2) Wheat Variety Plot--Youth Participant Handbook, 4-H 566, Revised 2010, and (3) 4-H Wheat Variety Plot Record, P1099, Revised 2010. To download these files, visit: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=297>. 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.

Waldren

Got Leadership?

Join Northwest 4-H at the 5rd Annual Northwest Area Youth & Leaders' Forum and Day Camp Training, Saturday, August 27, 2011, at the K-State Ag Research Center in Hays, 11:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. The 2011 NWYLF theme is "Got Leadership?" Part of the activities for the day will be to have teams participate in a "minute-to-win-it" type game. Youth participants will also pick from four workshops. Adults will have their own workshops. There will be information about the 2012 North Central 4-H Leaders' Forum in Wichita, KS, October 11-14, 2012.

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 15th. 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 15th: <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

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/Camping/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.

Van Horn

2012 4-H Journal Camping Issue

Camp Season has arrived! While you're hiking the Rock Springs' trails or swimming in the pool 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 2012 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!

Van Horn

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 highlights hands-on curricula that adapts easily for any out-of-school setting whether its an organized afterschool program, camp setting or summer recreation. Share your ideas with other youth serving professionals. For more information contact Pam Van Horn, pvanhorn@ksu.edu.

Van Horn

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 July 15, 2011 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!

Van Horn



KSU Youth Swine Classic

The 2011 Dr. Bob Hines Swine Classic is scheduled for July 8-9, 2011, at CiCo Park in Manhattan. This two-day event includes educational workshops, showmanship contest, and a prospect and market hog show. It is open to all Kansas youths ages 7 through 18 as of January 1, 2011.

This year's Classic will feature a swine photography contest along with an educational program which includes a tour of the Animal Science Department, pork meat demonstration and information on AS&I curriculum. For more information, contact Joel DeRouche (785-532-2280; jderouch@ksu.edu), Jim Nelssen (785-532-1251; jnelssen@ksu.edu), or Chelsea Tomascik (785-532-1264; tomascik@k-state.edu).

The Kansas Livestock Sweepstakes

The 2011 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 and past winners can be found at www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu. Complete information for 2011 will be available soon on the Youth Livestock Web page. Registration will be due August 1, 2011.

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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
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

CHARACTER COUNTS!

CHARACTER COUNTS! Five Birds and Good Intentions

Five birds are sitting on a telephone wire. Two decide to fly south. How many are left? Most people would say three. Actually, all five are left. You see, deciding to fly isn't the same as doing it. If a bird really wants to go somewhere, it's got to point itself in the right direction, jump off the wire, flap its wings, and keep flapping until it gets there. So it is with most things. Good intentions aren't enough. It's not what we want, say, or think that makes things happen; it's what we do. I frequently think of writing thank-you, birthday, and congratulatory notes.

Unfortunately, only a sad few of these good sentiments ever make it to paper. Still, if I don't look too closely, I can delude myself into thinking that based on my good thoughts I'm a gracious and grateful person. A truer and less admirable picture of my character is drawn by my actions. In the end, we either do or don't do. We either make the time to do the things we want to and should do or we make excuses. As Alfred Adler said, "Life happens at the level of events, not of words. Trust movement." What do you want to do? Do you want to take a course, change your job, lose weight, make new friends, or spend more time with and appreciate more the ones you have? What's stopping you from jumping off the wire and flapping your wings?

(Josephson, Michael. May 23, 2011)

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Curriculum Corner

4-H Enrollment form Revision

4-H Enrollment forms MG3 A and B will have only minor revisions and MG3 C will be the same as last year. Orders will be held by distribution until revisions are complete. New project curriculum available for:

Environmental Science

- * Exploring Your Environment - Earth's Capacity
- * Exploring Your Environment - Ecosystem Services
- * There's no New Water - (Actually new last year)

Robotics

- * Virtual Track (DVD)
- * Junk Drawer Track - Level 1, Give Robots a Hand
Level 2, Robots on the Move
Level 3, Mechantronics
- * Platform Track (DVD)

All of these materials will be posted at www.Kansas4-H.org under Project List/Kansas Curriculum Guide.

Note: Still looking for some science teachers to apply science standards to project lessons in Kansas Leader Notebooks in Dairy Cattle, Poultry, Wildlife, Dog Care and Training and Plant Science. We will facilitate documentation for CEU credits if teachers want to arrange that with their schools.

Adams



Upcoming Dairy Events

The 4-H All Breeds Junior Dairy Show, Judging Contest, and Quiz Bowl will be held in Salina August 12-13, 2011. Entries will be due August 8 via an online process to the K-State Animal Science Department. This year all 4-H members entering the show, judging contest and quiz bowl will receive a free swim at the new Salina Water Park!

Schedule:

- August 11 8:00pm - All animals checked in
August 12 8:00am - Judging Contest
1:00pm - Quiz Bowl (Skill-a-thons in study room)
3:00pm - Free Swim in new Water Park (For those in all three events)
6:30pm - Banquet
August 13 8:00am - Showmanship, Show

Kansas State Fair Show Schedule:

- Sept. 10 3-5:00pm - Holstein and Jersey check-in
Sept. 12 9:00am - Holstein and Jersey shows beginning with Showmanship
Sept. 15 6-8:00pm - Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Milking and Shorthorn Check-in
Sept. 16 8:30am - Milking Shorthorn Showmanship and Show

Sept. 17 8:30am - Ayrshire, Brown Swiss Showmanship and Shows
Adams

Healthy Living

Involve 4-H Youth in Healthy Living Now with PALA (Active Lifestyle) and ChooseMyPlate.gov

We can all join in the federal government's efforts for us to be more active and to eat more healthfully. Specifically, President Obama's physical activity challenge(PALA) for 4-Hers across the nation is still in-effect. By September 2011, National 4-H Headquarters is challenged to join the national PALA effort to have 100,000 4-H youth be more physically active. Here are the details: www.presidentschallenge.org/natl4-H/

Also, in early June, the new USDA "ChooseMyPlate.gov" graphic for our nation's dietary guidelines was revealed. The new ChooseMyPlate.gov guidance for healthy eating includes:

Enjoy your food, but eat less

- Avoid oversized portions
- Make half your plate fruits and vegetables
- Switch to fat-free or low-fat (1%) milk
- Make at least half your grains whole grains
- Compare sodium in foods like soup, bread, and frozen meals, and choose food with lower numbers
- Drink water instead of sugar details.

The "ChooseMyPlate.gov" website has some easy-to-print fact sheets, multimedia and interactive tools for your use. Check them out!

Submitted by: Elaine Johannes ejohanne@ksu.edu, Kansas 4-H Healthy Living Liaison

Horse

District Horse Show – Versatility

District Horse Shows are quickly approaching ... don't forget to select three contestants from each of the following classes to represent the district – western horsemanship; hunt seat equitation and barrels. At the conclusion of district horse shows please enter these members. Also, please remind the 4-H members they were selected and need to enter with State Fair horse entries due August 1.

Van Horn

Photography

Photography Judging Practice Kits

The 4-H Photography Action Team has developed judging practice kits using the 4-H Traveling Photo display photos. These classes are available for short term loan to counties/districts who wish to conduct training/practice for photo judging. Each kit contains six classes to judge and a problem class. The purpose of the kit is training. Please contact Norma or Rod at the Southwest Area Office to schedule this. Rbuchele@ksu.edu

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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

Positive Youth Development

Parent Dilemma – social media independence vs. social media risk

A proposed legislative bill in California would give parents legal right to see their childrens facebook accounts .The bill is called California SB 242, and if a child under the age of 18 signs up for Facebook, or any social network, that child will have to give their parents access to view their account. Also, any account of a child that is under age, the privacy level will be set to the maximum level so that other people cannot view their profiles. Some may consider this sort of legislation extreme, but it does illustrate the dilemma parents often have when they want their children to learn independence, but they also want their children to be safe online and on-text.

According to the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) in their April 2011 journal, benefits of children and adolescents using social media include:

- Opportunities for community engagement
- Enhancement of individual and collective creativity
- Growth ideas from the creation of social media products (e.g., blogs)
- Expansion of one's online connections through shared interests
- Fostering one's individual identity and social skills.

However, social media “becomes a risk to adolescents more often than most adults realize,” (AAP, pg. 801). Not only is cyberbullying and loss of privacy risks associated with social media, but “Facebook depression”, defined as depression that develops when preteens and teens spend a great deal of time on social media sites and then begin to exhibit classic symptoms of depression.

Acceptance by and contact with peers is important to adolescents. The intensity of being online can trigger depression when the teen begins to believe that they are socially at-risk (e.g., loss of Facebook “friends”) or are socially shunned (e.g., being de-Friended). AAP recommends that parents talk to their children about these very real risks, that parents supervise online activities and use of devices, and that parents become better educated about the technologies their children are exposed to at home, in school and in neighborhoods.

See AAP’s social media recommendations at:

<http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/127/4/800.full>.

For more information, contact: Elaine Johannes at ejohanne@ksu.edu.

Shooting Sports

Instructor Renewal

Instructor renewal form and letter will be sent directly to Extension 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 will be sponsored by the Kansas Association of 4-H Volunteers. It will focus on developing leadership in Kansas 4-H Volunteers. The planning committee is looking at an emphasis on communications technology. 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 2011 (E-Forum)

Be Part of the Techno Evolution November 7, 17 and 22, 2011.

The 2011 North Central Region 4-H Volunteer Forum will be an E-FORUM! This will allow greater participation by 4-H volunteers in the 12 states of the North Central Region.

Join with other 4-H Volunteers in your community to learn cutting edge information that will help you work with 4-H members. Session topics include Positive Youth Development, 4-H Program Management and New & Emerging Curriculum. More information about the location and additional details will be coming! Participation will be as simple as connecting with your local 4-H Youth Development Agent as to the location in your unit for the E Forum!

SAVE THE DATES!

Monday, November 7, Thursday, November 17 and Tuesday, November 22

Time for each session: 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Central Time (CT) 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Mountain Time (MT)

Everyone Ready, New Topic

Summer is upon us and we know it is a very busy time! Yet, it is also a good time to take a few minutes to review the Everyone Ready® Self-Instruction Guide – Just a Click Away: Making the Most of Volunteer Resources on the Web. Much has changed in just a year related to web resources on volunteerism. I think this guide will be of interest to many of our newer and more tech savvy staff. The new guide will be available June 20, 2011.

Discover the wide variety of volunteer management resources available online. Explore dozens of specific Web sites, and learn how virtual volunteering, social networking, and emerging technologies can benefit your organization's work and your own personal style of interacting with volunteers.

Learning Objectives

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

- Incorporate the Internet into your volunteer management toolbox
- Identify international volunteer leadership resources available online (most for free)

- Describe the potential of social networking sites for volunteer recruitment, exchange, and communication
- Develop ways to engage volunteers as “cyber deputies” to do Internet research for you

Volunteerism Thought for the month:

Think of Volunteers as customers, they buy our vision, paying with their time.

Buchele

World Citizenship

Incoming 4-H Exchangees Arrived in June

Kansas 4-H International Exchangees participating in the International 4-H Youth Exchange (IFYE) Representative Program arrived in Wichita June 17 along with those going to other Great Plains and Mountain states for an Orientation and Welcome Program. The Program also included five delegates from those states who were outbound on the program. June 20 the Kansas inbound exchangees headed to their first host families. Three month exchangees will have four host families ending with time at the Kansas State Fair the first weekend. Two exchangees will have three families for approximately two weeks each. The exchangees' schedules are as follows:

Johannes Carlsson (Sweden)

Jim and Dara Stambaugh, Miami County, June 21-July 9/10

Kelly and Cyndi Gernhardt, Johnson County, July 9/10-July 30/31

(Placement in Progress), Edwards County, July 30/31-August 20/21

Chris and Jeanette Jellison, Commanche County, August 20/21-September 9/10

Adrian Iten (Switzerland)

Fred and Lynn Berns, Marion County, June 20-July 9/10

John and Brenda Wray, Franklin Co., Frontier District, July 9/10-July 30/31

Dale and Deb Brobst, Rooks Co., Phillips-Rooks District, July 30/31-August 20/21

Ken and Barb Grecian, Graham County, August 20/21-September 9/10

Robin Kottsieper (Germany)

Doug and Stacey Keas, Rooks Co., Phillips-Rooks District, June 20-July 9/10

Matt and Stella Ziegelmeier, Thomas Co., July 9/10-July 30/31

Roland and Pam May, Decatur Co., Twin Creeks District, July 30/31-August 20/21

(Placement in Progress), Reno County, August 20/21-September 9/10

Klemens Wakolbinger (Austria)

Deryl Waldren, Thomas County, June 20-July 3

Scott and Jennifer Pfortmiller, Stafford County, July 3-July 16/17

Don and Renee Beesley, Stevens County, July 16/17-July 29

Shin-Yi (Vicky) Shie (Taiwan)

Brett and Melanie Melander, Saline Co., Central Kansas District, June 20-30

Doug and Becky Reid, Cowley County, June 30-July 16/17
Pam Howe, Wyandotte, July 16/17-August 2

Agents are encouraged to include them in Extension programs of interest to the exchangees conducted in their areas during their stay with a local family. Please encourage 4-H members and their families to get acquainted with these young people to help them learn about other cultures, agriculture and 4-H as well as exchanges through Kansas 4-H.

Rooks County Family Hosts Norwegian 4H Member

In addition to the IFYE exchanges Kansas arranges for 4-H alumni, our 4-H program is a collaborator with other states in the States' 4-H International Exchange Programs (States' 4-H) to which organizes exchanges for 4-H age youth. This year the Don and Sandy Benoit Family in Rooks Co., Phillips-Rooks District, will be hosting Darta Sturite, 15, a Norwegian 4H member, from June 29 to July 27. Placements for this program are assigned by States' 4-H.

Munson

Thirty Japanese to be Hosted in Four Extension Units

As in the past, groups of youth participants and chaperones representing the Labo and LEX programs in Japan are placed in Extension Districts and County units where local coordinators manage the exchange. The youth ages 12-15 will stay with one family each between July 23 and August 18. The two chaperones will each split the time between two Extension units. The Japanese will have an orientation July 21-23 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Extension units and the number of youth they will be hosting are as follows:

Barton County-7
Central Kansas District-2
Finney County-5
River Valley District-14
Munson/Scott

Outbound IFYE's Return and Go Out in June

Kansas Interntional 4-H Youth Exchange Delegate to Tasmania and Australia, Gretchen Berns, Marion County is back at home after a wonderful experience "down under". Her newsletters and a link to her blog may be found on the Kansas 4-H web page www.kansas4-h.org under Programs, World Citizenship and IFYE Participant Reports. At the end of the multi-state IFYE Orientation and Welcome Program in Wichita June 20, Kansas delegate Michelle Stork, Riley County, departed for Norway where she will be hosted by Norge 4H until August 16 on her IFYE Exchange. Her reports will be added to the IFYE Participant Reports" page on the web site when available.

Munson