

2019 KANSAS 4-H INSECT SPECTACULAR

Beetles, bugs, dragonflies and more! It's time to get registered for the 27th Kansas 4-H Insect Spectacular, which will be held Friday, June 21st and Saturday, June 22nd. We will be hosted by the [Kansas Wetlands Education Center](#), located northeast of Great Bend on Highway 156. The event is open to all youth and adult volunteers interested in 4-H entomology! **One parent from each family must register and attend with children.**

Learn about collecting, storing, identifying, and pinning your insects for exhibit. All levels of experience are encouraged to attend, from beginning to advanced. This is a fun event, designed to encourage curiosity and the sharing of knowledge. This year's event will feature several sessions specifically on aquatic insects!

Participants need to wear comfortable clothes and shoes – no sandals or flip-flops please. If you wear shorts, please bring long pants for the collection and photo trips. You will be wading in shallow water for one of the classes. Boots and/or waders will be provided. Items that you want to bring:

- ☘ Pair of shoes that can get muddy
- ☘ Spare set of clothes (just in case)
- ☘ insect/tick repellent
- ☘ sunscreen
- ☘ Collecting & pinning supplies (nets, killing jar, etc.)
- ☘ lots of specimen containers
- ☘ camera for the photography class
- ☘ Laptop or tablet for the identification class
- ☘ swimsuit and towel
- ☘ insects or insect pictures you need help identifying

There will be some insect equipment and available for purchase at the workshop. We hope to have a few exhibit boxes without plexiglass lids available for purchase for \$40 each, payable at the time of purchase. All boxes will be sold on a first come-first serve basis at the workshop.

Registration fee includes Friday supper, lunch and snack Saturday, bottled water, class materials, t-shirt and handouts. Younger siblings under 4-H age, spouses, etc. that may be coming along, but not participating in the classes will need to pay a fee of \$25.00. This will pay for the meal and snack Saturday, but does not include a shirt.

*If you are attending as a Scouting group, please contact Vicky or Amy on special guidelines on adult supervision.

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2019 KANSAS 4-H INSECT SPECTACULAR SCHEDULE
(Subject to Change)

Friday June 21, 2019

- 11:30 am Check-In
Noon Welcome & Mixer
12:30 p.m. Aquatic Insect Study - Mandy Kern (Group A)
OR
Aquatic Insects - Matt Hamblin and Rachel Wilkens (Group B); then
1:30 p.m. Judging Contest
2:00 p.m. Snack Break
2:15 p.m. Aquatic Insect Study - Mandy Kern (Group B)
OR
Aquatic Insects - Matt Hamblin and Rachel Wilkens (Group A); then
3:15 p.m. Judging Contest
3:45 p.m. "Teaming With Insects" - Amy Sollock
4:45 p.m. Monarch on the Move - Barton County 4-H
OR
Pollinators - Pam Martin
6:00 p.m. Supper **(on site) (parents check in at motels)**
6:45 p.m. Insect Jeopardy - Vicky Wallace
7:45 p.m. Beginning Identification - Sharon Dobesh
OR
Something Old Something New - Educational Displays
8:45 p.m. Insects on Stage (Extemporaneous Speaking Contest) - Weishaar Family
9:45 p.m. Night Collecting
11:30 p.m. Adjourn for evening

Saturday June 22, 2019

- 9:00 a.m. Ag Innovators - Native Bee Challenge - Dickinson County 4-H
10:00 a.m. Collection/Photography Trip
12:15 p.m. Lunch **(provided on site)**
1:00 p.m. Beginning Pinning - Cassia Williams
OR
Insect Photography - Isiah Boutz
2:00 p.m. Are You Smarter Than a Fifth Grader? Insect Edition
3:00 p.m. Identification Sources (including www.bugguide.net) - David Williams
4:00 p.m. Questions & Wrap Up

Should you have questions, please contact:
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HOTEL INFORMATION

A block of 20 rooms with double beds has been reserved at the [Best Western-Angus Inn](#). Please call before June 6 to get the special rate. Mention group name: KS 4-H Insect Spectacular.

Phone: 316-773-1700

Double (2 beds no smoking) - \$79.95 plus tax includes breakfast in lobby (small offering of muffins and fruit)

Double (2 beds no smoking)- \$91.95 plus tax if you want a food voucher for breakfast at Perkins restaurant.

A block of 10 rooms with double beds has also been reserved at the [Super 8 in Great Bend](#). Please call before June 6 to get special rate. Mention Group name "KS 4-H Insect Spectacular." Cost is \$70.99 + tax for two double beds. They offer complimentary soup in evenings and breakfast in morning.

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Both room blocks start on 6/20 and can be extended for 3 nights till 6/23. They understand that most people would not check in until 6/21 and would probably stay for just one night.