



RENO COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2022



EXECUTIVE TEAM MEETING

April 18, 2022 @ 6pm

Reno County Extension
Office west meeting room
All 4-H Council Officers are
required to attend.

4-H COUNCIL DATE

April 18, 2022 @ 7pm

Reno County Extension
Office west meeting room

THE 2022 RENO COUNTY FAIR DATES

July 16th Dog Show

**July 19th Fashion Review
County Fair**

July 20th thru July 25th

It is that time of your
when I start begging for
help for county fair. We
are needing
superintendents for the
following departments.

Small Engine

Entomology/Geology

Pets, Ag Mechanics,

Shooting Sports, Plant

Science, Leadership

Challenge, 2 people for

Workbooks, Displays &

Banners, Heritage Fiber

Arts, Cloverbuds and 2

people for Photography.

If you are interested
please contact Donna at
dp96929@ksu.edu

Attention in the barns

If you are needing small animals tagged
(sheep, goat, swine and bucket calves) please
email Donna at dp96929@ksu.edu by April
29th with the **EXACT** number of each
species you will be needing tagged on May
7st from 8 to 10 behind the extension office.
Tags will be \$3.50 each. When you get to the
office you will pick up your packet of tags
and pay for them. Then you will move on to
the next station and have your animals
tagged. All animals must be tagged before
leaving the grounds.

Heads up for anyone showing at KJLS or the State Fair

This year DNA Envelopes for state livestock
nominations need to be ordered in advance
through the ShoWorks online
system: <https://kansasnom.fairwire.com/> . The
deadline to order envelopes for market beef is
April 24, with small livestock being June 8.

Attention everyone enrolled in the sewing project.

IT'S TIME TO START SEWING!!!!

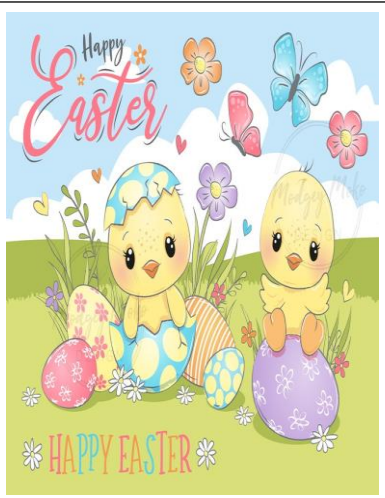
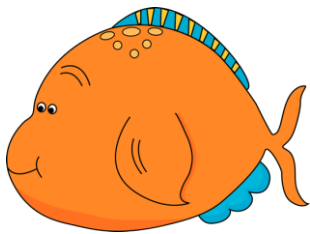
County-wide sewing project leader Kathy Zonger will be
hosting a meeting April 2 from 10 to 12 in the west meeting
room at the Extension Office.

Please bring sewing equipment and a one-pound bag of
rice. If you have any questions please contact Kathy at
620-543-2767



**DO YOU ENJOY
FISHING? YOU NEED
TO CHECK OUT THIS
CONTEST**

The Kansas 4-H Sportfishing Tournament is available for youth in the Wildlife: Sportfishing project. This is something that can be done at their own pace throughout the year, helping engage them in project learning. The contest will end September 15, 2022. *Do you enjoy the outdoors? Looking for an activity that can be done at your own pace throughout the year? The Kansas 4-H Sportfishing Tournament is open to all 4-H members! 🍀* The contest runs throughout the year and ends September 15, 2022. Participants can enter in any species/categories that they catch fish – go fishing and have fun!! Find more information at <https://bit.ly/3HF0bcJ>



**COUNTY LEADER
RESOURCES**



If you have any questions about the dog project please contact Melaney Dick at 620-728-9743 or melrussdick@gmail.com



If you have any questions about shooting sports, please call Ray Bartholomew at (620) 200-8253



If you have any questions about photography, contact Karolyn Kellogg Howey at (620)663-5731 ext. 344.



If you have any questions about the clothing project, contact Kathy Zongker at (620) 543-2767.

If you have questions about Ambassadors contact Karolyn Howey at 620-663-5731 ext. 344 or Meghan Miller at 620-200-2544.

If you have any questions about Junior Leaders contact: Kim Griffith at : 620-899-9453 kimberlygriffith27@yahoo.com

If you have the skill and the time to be a county wide project leader please contact Adam or Donna at 620-662-2371 for more information.

**It is time to meet our new horse leader
Hannah Crenshaw
Sunday April 3rd @ 2:00
At the Extension Office west meeting room
If you are not enrolled in horse but have thought about it this is the meeting to attend
We will be talking about the upcoming year and adventures**

**Save the dates!
Insect
Spectacular 2022**

The Kansas 4-H Insect Spectacular, a two-day state-wide entomology workshop, will be held in person this year! It will be held June 17-18 in Chanute, Kansas. Classes will include basic pinning, basic and advanced identification, insect photography, invasive species, pollinator gardens and more. A parent or legal guardian must attend with their 4-H'er. Registration, proposed schedule, and full information will be posted [here](#) around May 1. Stay tuned!

SENIORS HERE IS GREAT INFORMATION ABOUT SCHOLARSHIPS

The Kansas State Fair is now accepting applications for their Grand Drive Scholarship program. The link is provided below. Applications are due April 15, 2022.

<https://www.kansasstatefair.com/p/participate/grand-drive-scholarships1?fbclid=IwAR1PuZMW2aXUktTG12MuSfJ9f2Lv3r0iIIRdXHyDH20It7nC9Vx6mN6CLDs>
Please contact the Kansas State Fair directly with any questions regarding the application process.

Reporter Nora Busenbark gives us the hot news from the Buhler 4-H Club

The Buhler 4H Club met for their monthly meeting on March 13th, 2022 at 10:30 at the Trinity United Methodist Church for 4H Sunday. They sat through the service together, shared a potluck, and then began their meeting. After the meeting they filled Easter Eggs for the Buhler Community Easter Egg Hunt. 4H'rs got to fill the eggs with seven different types of candy! The Easter Egg Hunt will be on April 9th in Buhler, everyone is welcome! The next meeting will be held on Monday, April 11th, 2022 at 6:30 at the Buhler Mennonite Church.



**NOW
THAT'S A
LOT OF
EGGS!!!!
GREAT JOB
BUHLER
4-HER'S**

YQCA Platform Transition Approaching

The YQCA program did not renew the contract with their current provider and will be transitioning to a new platform on March 23. Everyone, including youth and instructors, needs to download and print their current certificate by March 22. Once the transition occurs, users will lose access to their current account, including certificates. Families need to cancel registrations for any course scheduled after March 22 in order to receive a refund. Youth who have begun, but not completed, the web-based course need to do so immediately. It must be completed prior to March 22 for them to receive their certificate.

This also means that YQCA user accounts and certification will no longer be connected to 4HOnline. They will be independent. Additionally, coupons purchased through the original platform will expire with the transition.

YQCA will release more details as the transition approaches. The new platform will launch on March 23. The website is live and may be found here: <http://yqcaprogram.org/>.

https://www.kansas4-h.org/docs/YQCA_MEMO_PlatformTransition_ParentsYouth_March2022.pdf

2022 State Livestock Nomination Information Released

The state livestock nomination process is transitioning to an online system this year! This will require families to plan ahead in order to successfully complete their nominations. Moving to an online system will streamline the process from nomination, to show entry, through participating in the state shows. The deadlines have not changed.

The new process includes four (4) primary steps:

- 1.) Purchasing Official DNA Envelopes in Advance through ShoWorks
- 2.) Submitting Animal & Exhibitor Information Online
- 3.) Mailing DNA Envelopes with Submission Receipt
- 4.) Extension Agents & FFA Advisors Approving Nominations Online

Families will need to purchase an official DNA envelope for each animal by the order deadline, which is one (1) week prior to the nomination deadline. This will be April 24 for market beef and June 8 for small livestock and commercial heifers. Old envelopes will not be accepted.

Exhibitors will be prompted to unload their family's 2022 Declaration Form and current YQCA certificate during the online submission process. A child's certificate needs to be good through 10/2/2022 to be valid.

Families are encouraged to send their nominations via certified mail. The deadlines have not changed. Market Beef nominations are due May 1. The Small Livestock and Commercial Heifer Deadline is June 15. These dates include submitting the information online through ShoWorks and postmarking the appropriate DNA sample(s). Late nominations will not be accepted.

Information and resources regarding the state livestock nominations process maybe found here: <http://bit.ly/ksunomination>. All families, regardless of experience level, are encouraged to read through the Rookie Guide and use the other resources available in 2022!

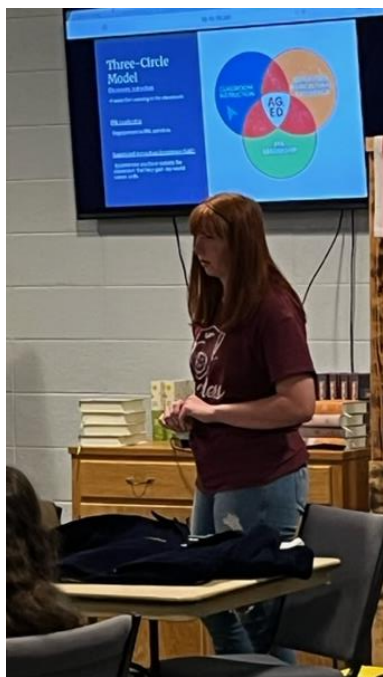
Kansas 4-H Seeking Summer Interns

Kansas 4-H Youth Development is seeking multiple Summer Interns to provide high quality local and regional 4-H programming to Kansas youth. This is a paid position with numerous locations available throughout the state.

Hired individuals will be responsible for planning, organizing, and facilitating lessons to youth with research-based curriculum provided by Extension. This full-time, twelve week internship will run approximately May 23, 2022 – August 12, 2022. Interns will know their selected sites by May 1, 2022.

Interested applicants should apply by April 8 for best consideration. Learn more and apply through the K-State Careers webpage, at <https://careers.pageuppeople.com/742/cw/en-us/job/512492/summer-intern-4h-youth-development>

Lots of learning at the Thomadora 4-H club. Presentations were given on golf, tennis, livestock and FFA. Great job by everyone.



Austyn Bland who is in the Thomadora 4-H club competed at the Kansas Junior High School Rodeo Association Border Bash in Guthrie, Oklahoma, in conjunction with the Oklahoma Junior High School Rodeo Association this weekend. Although not KSHSAA sanctioned they follow the rules of KSHSAA for athletes and Austyn registers as a student at Prairie Hills Middle School. It was a huge event with over 60 contestants in the girl's side of the junior high rodeo. Keep up the great work Austyn.





WE ARE CLOSING THE DOORS TO THE ALLEY

SOOOOOOOOOOOO...

LET THE FUN BEGIN FOR ALL 4-H YOUTH & ADULTS!

WHERE: AT THE ALLEY 1221 EAST 23RD HUTCHINSON

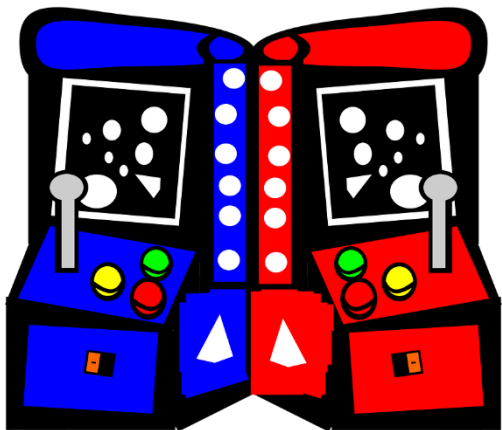
WHEN: APRIL 10 FROM 2 TO 5 PM

IT'S ALL FREE, FREE, FREE!

**COME SPEND SOMETIME BOWLING, LASER TAG, BUMPER
CARS ALONG WITH ALL THE ARCADE GAMES**

DID I SAY IT IS ALL FREE?

DON'T FORGET TO BRING A FRIEND!



PHOTOGRAPHY NEWS

Shutterbug events are photography workshops put on across the state by the Kansas State 4-H Photography Action Team. Workshops are typically scheduled as a morning session and concentrate on a variety of aspects of composition. The events typically end around Noon. Examples of sessions include: Portfolio, I have a camera-now what?, Panning, Close-ups, Aperture Settings & Kaleidoscopes/Reflections.

2022 Events:

1. **Botanica**

Please note: \$9 entry fee per person for all-day pass to Botanica

1. Where: Botanica Gardens, Wichita, KS
2. When: April 23, 2022
3. Registration begins at 9:00 AM

2. **Shutterbugs at the Zoo**

members of a family. Children 5 and under are free.

Please note: \$5 registration fee for each of the first five

1. Where: Lee Richardson Zoo, Garden City, KS
2. When: May 7, 2022
3. Registration begins 8:30 AM

3. **Shutterbugs at Big Creek**

1. Where: Agricultural Research Center, Hays, KS
2. When: TBD
3. Registration begins at 8:30 AM

4. **Shutterbugs at Old Jefferson Town**

1. Where: Oskaloosa, KS
2. When: TBD
3. Registration begins at 8:30 AM

Attention those enrolled in the horse & dog projects

Dog & horse identification paperwork must be turned into the office by May 1st to be eligible to show at fair. Also, if you need to add or drop a project you must either call or email Donna at the Extension Office by May 1st. The Extension Office phone number is

620-662-2371 or Donna's email address is dp96929@ksu.edu.

The Outdoor Communicators of Kansas group is proud to offer the Steve Harper Scholarship

This \$1,000 scholarship (paid at \$500 a semester) is presented to Kansas youth pursuing wildlife or nature-based careers at Kansas colleges, with Kansas-based career goals. The scholarship is sponsored and funded by the Kansas Wildscape Foundation and the Outdoor Communicators of Kansas - a group of assorted journalists, photographers and artists dedicated to sharing the greatness of the Kansas outdoors through print, broadcast and online markets. For more information on the group, visit their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ksoutdoorcommunicators To learn more about the scholarship and apply, visit: <https://www.kansaswildscape.org/Programs/Outdoor-Communicators-of-KS-Scholarship>

Deadline to Apply: April 15, 2022

Dear 4-H Horse Members,

Traditionally our Extension Unit is a part of the South Central District Horse Show. This is a show opportunity where you can qualify for the State Fair with blue or purple ribbon results. The past several years have seen dramatic downfall in attendance to the show as well as financial loss to the group. In hopes of improving the horse project and increase confidence and skill for future opportunities, the South Central committee is excited to host a clinic for 2022.

What does this mean for me?

1. This clinic will be open to ALL 4-H members of all ages across the state! Details are forthcoming but save the date for June 27. We will plan to learn together across several disciplines during the sessions!
- 2.
3. If you are interested in qualifying to show at the Kansas State Fair- you WILL still need to show at a Kansas District Horse Show and receive qualifying ribbons (blue or purple). Participants typically showing with South Central (previous several years in Hutchinson) will need to attend a different district show. Find a list of district horse shows and their dates below. More information on dates and registration will be posted here: [District Horse Shows \(kansas4-h.org\)](https://www.kansas4-h.org) You will be able to pick two district shows to register and attend for qualification in 2022.

District show dates and locations are as follows:

Southwest (Dodge City)- June 23

Southeast (Parsons)- June 28

Northeast (Topeka)- June 29

Northwest (Norton)- July 7

North Central (Salina)- June 22

Start planning your riding, learning and showing opportunities now! We will be into summer before we know it. Remember to complete a Horse ID for each of your project horses prior to May 1!



Kansas Grazing Lands Coalition



Kansas Range Youth Camp
June 14-17, 2022
Camp Mennoscah - Murdock, KS



**Kansas Range Youth Camp has been educating
Kansas youth for over 50 years!**

If you know an eligible student interested in ranching, natural resources, or wildlife, share this information with them to attend an educational event like no other in Kansas!

Coming up this June 14th through 17th at Camp Mennoscah in Kingman County.

Upcoming sophomore, junior and senior high school students are eligible to attend and learn range plant identification, plant growth, stocking rate determinations, livestock nutrition, rangeland wildlife management, and much more!



Special items include field trips, a steak dinner, and various activities such as swimming, canoeing, fishing, and hiking.

Interested students should contact their local Conservation District, Extension Office, Farm Bureau Office, Livestock Association, and/or other local businesses for possible financial assistance.

This great event is sponsored by the Kansas Section Society for Range Management.



**Let's all go to
THE BARN**

Monday April 4th from 4 to 9

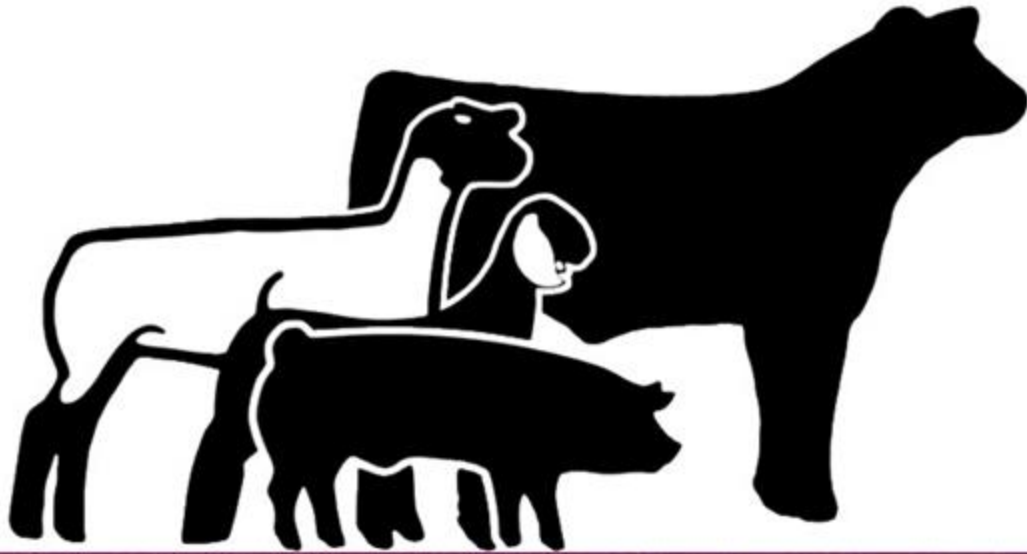
307 West Dean Street Burrton Kansas

10% of the total sales will go to help fund

The Reno County 4-H Council

**Tell your family tell your friends we are eating
good April 4th**





LIVESTOCK JUDGING PRACTICE

April 23rd

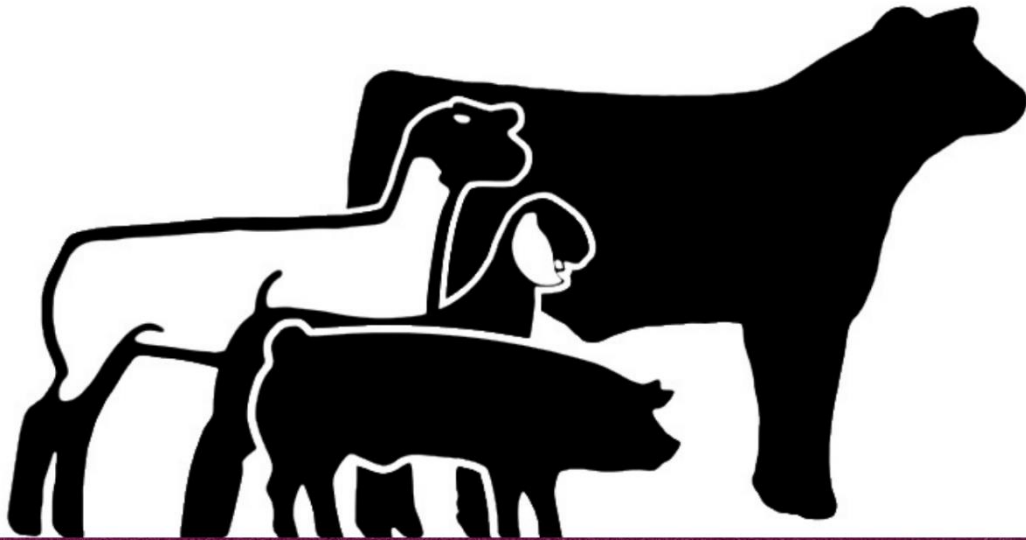
10:00AM

Basement of Extension Office

620-662-2371

marcus46@ksu.edu

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YQCA TRAININIGS

Jr/Intermediate - April 19th @
5:30PM

Seniors - April 21st @ 5:30PM

Everyone - April 23rd @ 9:00AM

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Please RSVP by April 18th

620-662-2371

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Also available online at YQCA.org

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APRIL CALENDER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
					DEADLINE TO SIGN UP FOR 4-H DAYS	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
HORSE MEETING 2:00 EXTENSION OFFICE	THE BARN FUNDRAISER		FAIRBOARD MEETING			4-H DAYS
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
THOMADORA UNION VALLEY WRC NINNESCAH THE ALLEY FUN DAY	BUHLER					
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
HAVEN NICKERSON MITCHELL TRAILBLAZERS	4-H COUNCIL MEETING 7PM EXTENSION OFFICE			YQCA SENIOR TRAINING		LIVESTOCK JUDGING YQCA TRAINING
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
					DEADLINE FOR SMALL ANIMAL TAGGING NUMBERS	

Reno County Extension Office Phone # 620-662-2371

All articles/pictures for the newsletter are due to the Extension office by the 20th of the month.

PLEASE EMAIL DONNA AT dp96929@ksu.edu