



**COTTONWOOD DISTRICT – BARTON  
4-H NEWSLETTER  
April-May 2023**

It feels like Spring today and I am ready for it!

We have exciting news to share that Camille Dolechek will be working as our Cottonwood-Barton Program Assistant this summer. Camille is from Hoisington and was in 4-H for several years. She is currently at K-State studying Elementary Education. Additionally, Jay Harris started mid-March as the new Community Vitality agent and serves as the Cottonwood director. He is looking forward to meeting 4-H families and interacting at a variety of events. Be sure to give them both a warm welcome!

You should have received a survey link via email on Wed, March 29, which needs to be completed by midnight on March 31. This is a very short turn-around but we need to make some serious decisions about our primary fundraiser for the year. Please complete one survey per family; the link is [https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_3lr8EYt6lYg2Y3l](https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3lr8EYt6lYg2Y3l)

Schedules are CRAZY between now and the fair so please watch for emails (update email address in 4-H Online if yours has changed!), Facebook updates, and the June/July newsletter which will have LOTS of information!

Life is a Grand Adventure – Make every day count!



# Family Resource Page



- Apr 4 4-H Livestock Meeting at 6:30
- Apr 14 DEADLINE to schedule small animal tagging with Alicia
- Apr 16-22 National Volunteer Week
- May 1 Last day to change/add projects  
Beef Nominations DUE
- May 15 Junior Leaders/4-H Council
- May 25 YQCA classes (3:30; or 5:30—*you must pre-register and complete the pre-test*)
- May 31 Junior Leaders Day Camp—watch for more details!
- Jun 1 Horse ID DUE
- Jun 7-9 Discovery Days (registration information will be out soon)
- Jun 15 Fair entries DUE  
YQCA DUE (must be complete by midnight to participate in the fair auction)  
Small animal/commercial heifer nominations DUE
- Jun 16-17 Insect Spectacular
- Jun 29 Fashion Revue, Clothing Construction, Fiber Arts, BANNERS judging
- Jul 3 FAIR SET UP - ALL HELPERS NEEDED!
- Jul 5-9 Barton County Fair—Country Pride County Wide!
- Jul 9/10 FAIR CLEAN UP—ALL HELPERS NEEDED!

## Regional Club Day Results

Congratulations to everyone who participated in Regional Club Day! You were great representatives of the Cottonwood-Barton 4-H program.

Samantha Negaard	Project Talk	P
Everett Negaard	Project Talk	B
Ema Debes	Demonstration	P
Shae Hoskins	Demonstration	R
Jonas Kern	Demonstration	B
Ailey Williams	Extemporaneous	R
Parker Dicks	Public Speaking	P
Ellinwood Energizers	Skit	B
Kaisha Woydziak	Reading	P
Ailey Williams	Reading	B
Jasper Pawlowski	Piano Solo	B
Kendra Scheideman	Instrumental Solo	B



## 4-H Project Record resources

Goal Setting—goal setting is an important part of project learning. Goals should be SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Timely). Winning a purple ribbon isn't a SMART Goal; think about the things you need to learn and practice to help you win a ribbon—those are the goals!

<https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/4H1132.pdf>

<https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/4H1100.pdf>

Project Selection Guide

<https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/4H1065.pdf>

Project Records—NOW is a great time to begin your project record! Keep track of activities and events that relate to a specific project.

<https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/docs/projectrecordsandawards/2021-2022%20Project%20Award%20Categories.pdf>

<https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/LocalRecordKeeping.html>

\*\*\*The Extension Office has curriculum for nearly every project area available for check out!

## Fair Clean-up and Set-up

We appreciate all of the work that happens in Expo III before and after the fair. We need to model that same drive and work ethic in Expo II!

Michelle is working with the Barton County Fair Association for a better list of tasks and timelines so that we can efficiently prepare and clean up this building!

Even if you help in Expo III, we would ask that you check in for Expo II. Additionally, for families who do not exhibit in Expo III, we really need your help to get the building cleaned up and items stored.

**MORE TO COME—STAY TUNED!**

## Record Books—please review! SECOND NOTICE!!!

NOW is the time to update project records and review goals <https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/4H1100.pdf>

### \*\*\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\*\*\*\*

We are making a few changes to the Record Book/Project Record Process for 2022-2023!

- 1) Each project record will need to be in a separate notebook (you can simply photo-copy the Personal Page and Permanent Record for each)
- 2) Each age division will need to use a specific color of 3-ring binder for their Project Record
  - \*Juniors (age 7-9) - WHITE binder
  - \*Intermediate (age 10-13) - BLUE binder
  - \*Senior (age 14-18) - BLACK binder

While this might seem silly, it makes managing 40-60 Project Records much more efficient.

- 3) Each 4-H member will still need to complete a 4-H Book for a pin application and this can be in the GREEN 4-H folders and the pin application can be tucked into the front of this book.

There is a difference between a Project (Clothing and Textiles) and an Exhibit (Buymanship, sewn item). As such, you would complete a single Project Record and note all of your Clothing and Textiles activities and entries within the one record. Please let Michelle know if you need clarification on this.

For the 2021-2022 4-H year, the attached list shows the Project Award categories: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/docs/projectrecordsandawards/2021-2022%20Project%20Award%20Categories.pdf>

For an overview of the process and handy tips for success, check out <https://cottonwood.k-state.edu/barton-county4h/Master%20Guide%20to%20KS%204-H%20Project%20Recognition%20System.pdf>

Recognition Check Sheet—this is a GREAT resource and should be included in the front of your Project Record! <https://cottonwood.k-state.edu/barton-county4h/Check%20Sheet.pdf>

Continue to think about upcoming activities and when/where you need to be involved and capture moments for pin applications and Project Records.

# LEADERS' CORNER



**\*\*4-H Council**—please remember the responsibility and expectations of serving as a Council representative. This is the opportunity to share information at Council with your club and bring information back from Council to each club meeting. We did not have a quorum at our March meeting which meant that we could not vote on any items.



**Club Resources**—are you stretched finding new ways to engage 4-H members at meetings? Check out these great resources!! <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/leader-resources/clubcorner/index.html>



**As a 4-H Club**, work to keep the business portion of the meeting to less than 30 minutes. Having a project-related theme for the whole meeting can be a fun way to feature different projects and provide project learning in an informal setting.

**Think about Horticulture:** roll call could be answered by your favorite flower; snack could be a variety of fruits or vegetables to try; demo/illustrated talk could be about planting herbs; recreation could be making May baskets, coloring plant-related placemats for a senior center or planting a small item for members to take home.



**CLUB LEADERS**—It is very important that you set up a Volunteer Profile in 4-H Online and verify that you have completed the volunteer training in 4-H Online! This helps us manage volunteer resources, training, and certification. Please remember that in order for a 4-H Club to be in good standing you must have TWO leaders who have current 4-H volunteer certification.



# Choose Your Own Gun

(or Bow, or Ammo)



## Raffle

**A Fundraiser to support Jayla Wyant's travels to Japan  
with 4H Exchange Program**

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize is \$1000 gift certificate**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize is a \$500 gift certificate**

**For P & S Security**

**Tickets are \$20/each  
Only 250 tickets sold**

**Drawing will be at P & S on Saturday May 13th at 10 AM**

**Winner does not need to be present to win**

**Contact Aimee Wyant at (620) 617-6009**

**Or [jawyant29@gmail.com](mailto:jawyant29@gmail.com) for tickets**





## Barton County Fair Association

### Yoder Pie's Sale

Looking for a Great Tasting Pie for  
the 4<sup>th</sup> of July??



Pie Orders are needed by June 16<sup>th</sup>

Pies will be Delivered July 3<sup>rd</sup>, Pick up location to be announced.

Please make check payable to Barton County Fair Association

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Sold By: \_\_\_\_\_

Total:\$ \_\_\_\_\_

#### Cream Pies-\$15

- \_\_\_ Banana Cream
- \_\_\_ Chocolate Cream
- \_\_\_ Chocolate P.B. Cream
- \_\_\_ Coconut Cream
- \_\_\_ Peanut Butter Pie
- \_\_\_ Sour Cream Raisin

#### Fruit Pies-\$15

- \_\_\_ Apple
- \_\_\_ Blackberry
- \_\_\_ Blueberry
- \_\_\_ Dutch Apple (Crumb Top)
- \_\_\_ Peach
- \_\_\_ Peach Pecan (Crumb Top)

#### Specialty Pies-\$15

- \_\_\_ Pecan
- \_\_\_ Pumpkin
- \_\_\_ Toll House

#### Cream Cheese Pies-\$15

- \_\_\_ Chocolate P.B. Cream Cheese
- \_\_\_ Lemon Cream Cheese
- \_\_\_ Snicker Bar Cream Cheese
- \_\_\_ Strawberry Cream Cheese

#### No Sugar Added Pies-\$15

- \_\_\_ Apple
- \_\_\_ Chocolate
- \_\_\_ Coconut



**Junior Leaders**

**May 15**

**6 pm**

**4-H Council**

**May 15**

**7:30 pm**

**Council committees meet before the meeting or at 7 pm on meeting nights**

**Meetings are held at the 4-H Education Building (Hwy 281) OR Zoom Conference Call**



**RESPONSIBILITY  
GROWS HERE.**

Kansas 4-H programs help kids grow into confident, capable and caring adults. Give your child the skills to lead for a lifetime.

Visit [www.Kansas4-H.org](http://www.Kansas4-H.org)

**K-STATE**  
Research and Extension



**Stay in touch with Cottonwood Extension District—Barton 4-H**

[www.cottonwood.ksu.edu](http://www.cottonwood.ksu.edu)

620-793-1910



Instagram

Cottonwood 4H-Barton County



K-State Research and Extension—Cottonwood Extension District

Barton County 4-H Members