

Our Shining 4-H Stars



Congrats to our 2018 High School Graduates. 4-H members graduating are: **Katelyn Reh, Kirk Reisner, Parker Smith, Hayleigh Martin and Thomas Harmon.**

Lexi Straub, Emma Mayhill, Paige Koehn, Katelyn Reh, Victoria Luttrell, Hailey Hicks and Colton McPherson will be serving as Camp Counselors at Heart of Kansas Camp. They will leave June 8th at 10:30 am. 20 campers will be attending camp at Rock Springs Ranch June 9th through the 12th.

Barton County Fair Dates

- * Dates for the fair are July 11- 15, 2018
- * Fashion Revue, Clothing Construction, Fiber Arts judging will be Thurs. July 5th
- * Dog Show - Sat. July 7th.

Fair Questions??

This newsletter will hopefully help answer some questions about the upcoming Barton County Fair and our summer activities. Please read it carefully and feel free to call if you have questions. The fair and everything that comes with it, can be confusing for first year parents, so please ask questions. No question is a silly question. Also check the fair website www.bartoncountyfair.com for the latest information on events at the Barton County Fair.

4-H Day Camp - June 21st

Cloverbuds (age 5-6) and 4-H members (7-9 years old) are invited **AND** you are encouraged to invite a friend who might want to join 4-H next year. Junior Leaders and Ambassadors are working together to make this a FUN day. Activities will include crafts, foods, Monarch butterfly activities and we will end the morning with water games!

Sign up by June 15th and join the fun!

Pre-Entry Particulars

We realize it is sometimes difficult to get to the Extension Office during regular office hours.

We will be at the office on Friday, June 15th until 6:00 pm to answer questions about fashion revue entry forms and fair pre-entries. If any 4-H leader or junior leader would like to spend an hour helping with this on June 15th please contact the office.

- ★ **Pre-entry** forms for fair entries can be turned in
- ★ **Pick up** fair labels for foods, clothing, etc.
- ★ **Purchase** photo matte boards and a plastic covering for \$1.50.
- ★ **Pick up** BBQ tickets to sell
- ★ **Photography project help** for photo project questions and directions on mounting.

4-H is more than just the Fair

The Fair will be here before we know it! As parents and leaders it's important that we remember the goal of our children's involvement in the 4-H program. We hope they gain so much more than a blue ribbon!

The county fair is an opportunity for an independent evaluation of the project skills a member learned through completing a project. This helps to maintain the focus of what we are trying to accomplish in 4-H, which is develop blue ribbon kids, not just blue ribbon projects. Find the time to visit with members about what they have learned about each of their fair entries and help them celebrate their accomplishments regardless of the color of the ribbon they receive at the fair. While entering and displaying a project at the county fair is the traditional method of public affirmation, there may be other means of exhibitions such as club tours, a visit to the older residents at a Health Care Center or even helping other members at the fair.

Thank You leaders and parents for all your work with our members! Please remind our kids it's not about the color of the ribbon but about the experience!

Dog Meetings

4-H members in the dog project do have to attend a certain number of trainings to show at the fair. Check Facebook group "Barton County 4-H Dog Club" for updates.

Scholarship Application Due Dates

4-H members who are high school graduates and have not received this scholarship before, are eligible to apply for the **4-H Holding Board Scholarship**. Applications are due **June 1st** to the Extension Office. A reference letter is required from a 4-H leader or other adult who knows your leadership skills. (Berny will not write letters for local 4-H scholarships). Print the application off at www.cottonwood.k-state.edu This scholarship must be handwritten by the member.

There is also a scholarship in memory of **Carl and Evelyn Miller**. Applicants must be a current or former Barton Co. 4-H member enrolled (or will be enrolling) as a freshman or sophomore in college. The application is due June 1st.

The Barton County Fair Association will be offered for the 21st year. This scholarship is based on volunteerism within your community and for the Barton County Fair. To get an application, email info@bartoncountyfair.com and give your name, mailing address or email address. Application should be returned to the Fair Association, P.O. Box 233, Great Bend, KS and postmarked by June 25, 2018.

Pre-Entry Forms Due June 15th

The updated fair book is online at www.bartoncountyfair.com Printed fairbooks will be available at the Extension Office soon.

You can also print out individual 4-H departments of the fair book and an entry form at www.cottonwood.ksu.edu Look under the Barton county 4-H and then under "4-H Fair Misc". You can print the entry form, find the class numbers in each department and scan and email it to bwalton@ksu.edu or drop it by the office.

Included in this newsletter is a 4-H Entry form. Please use a separate entry form (found on the fair website) for open class entries.

All 4-H projects that you plan to exhibit should be pre-entered including fashion revue, dog, horse, livestock showmanship, etc.

Pre-entries are due by June 15th. We do allow a 24-hour grace period. You can deliver them to the Extension office, place your entry form in our drop box after hours (the gold mail slot just to the left of the Extension Office front door) or email it to bwalton@ksu.edu

The online fair entry system is open and will close at midnight on June 18th. Late entries (received after June 18th) will forfeit your fair premium money for ribbon placings.

The computer generated "entry tags" will most likely be available for pick up when you bring your money for BBQ tickets back on July 2nd. The entry tag can be attached to your entries before you arrive with exhibits on entry day.

Help Needed for Fair Set-up

How many volunteers does it take to run a successful county fair? The answer is: We need **Everyone's** help! Check with other club members and make sure your club is represented.

There will be fairboard members working at the Expo grounds on Saturday the 7th to start moving large items (showcases, etc) There will also be people working on Sunday. If you can find time to help, please come out!

Everyone's help is needed on **Monday, July 9th** at 5:00 p.m. In Expo II, display cases need to be cleaned, tables need to be covered and our younger members can be involved with this. Please bring a staple gun (with your name on it!) to help cover tables and decorate.

4-H BBQ Ticket Sales

Included in this newsletter is a letter about ticket sales. Please stop by the office and pick up a packet of BBQ tickets to sell. Tickets and money must be returned to the Extension Office **by Monday, July 2nd** Your club will get credit for the tickets you sell IF they are turned in by 5 pm on July 2nd. NO grace period on this deadline!

There are three bonuses for selling tickets:

- 1) Your 4-H club will receive 50 cents for every ticket sold. Each club will decide what to do with their proceeds. (Some give camp scholarships.)
- 2) The proceeds from the BBQ helps pay for transportation to 4-H camp, Achievement night, 4-H Day expenses, and many other 4-H activities.
- 3) The top 3 sellers in the county will be recognized at the Achievement Celebration.

Sign up to Help with the BBQ

All 4-H families are asked to help make this major fund-raising activity a success. At the 4-H Council meeting we had clubs signed up to work a shift in an certain area. We do not have anyone helping clean up!! Any volunteers? If you cannot help during your club's time, please step up and help at another time.

Fashion Revue Committee

In Barton County there is a rotation of clubs to share the responsibilities of making Fashion Revue a great event. This is an opportunity for members and leaders to share their talents and put on a well planned public Fashion Revue.

The families from EH and TLC clubs who are enrolled in the Clothing Project are asked to meet June 6th at 7 pm at the Extension Office to make plans, but OTHERS are welcome to join the group.

We will also have a Fashion Show on the Free Stage on Friday, July 13th at 6:30 pm in Expo II featuring constructed or purchased garments.

Fair Schedule

All 4-H items are **entered** on the first day, Wednesday, July 11th. The Foods division and Arts and Crafts are judged on the first day and those items are actually entered as they are brought to the table and judged.

There will be a schedule sent to all foods members and the judging will begin at 8:30 a.m and depending on the number of exhibits it could run until 1 p.m. The arts and crafts judging schedule will also be sent and will begin at 10:30 a.m and will continue until about 3:00 p.m. We will plan to have the judges take a lunch break during arts and crafts judging.

We will also have the Cloverbuds exhibits judged on Wednesday at noon so the younger 4-H members do not have to wait for their ribbons.

REMEMBER: Fiber arts, which includes quilting, stitching, weaving, etc. is judged on July 5th.

Youth Rally at the Fair

The Youth Rally to be held the first night of the fair on Wednesday, July 11th, 6:30 p.m. It will be held in Expo III. Everyone is invited! All 4-H members and parents are encouraged to wear a 4-H T-shirt. This event is sponsored by the 4-H Ambassadors.

American AgCredit will be serving hamburgers and hotdogs prior to this beginning at about 5:15 or so. This is for 4-H families and all the fair helpers. Please be sure and tell them THANK YOU!

Photography Division

Photo matte board is available from the Extension Office for \$1.25 and is 11" x 12.5". If you have matte board from the past, please measure it and make sure it is the correct size.

ALSO - We have Clear Bags to fit the photo matte board available for \$.25. The bags have a place to hang it at the top and a sticky strip that will allow the bags to be sealed at the bottom.

The photos are to be mounted across the narrow (11") dimension with the top edge of the print 1" below the top of the matte. The sides of the print will be equal distance from the sides of the matte. The matting directions are the same for the photo classes that have three 4 x 6" pictures.

Leadership Opportunities

There are many opportunities for our teen leaders. Do you enjoy working with younger members? Are you creative and artistic? Do you like working with a team to make an event happen? We have something for everyone! Please call and let me know how you would like to help

- Help as a junior leader for a project - foods kids, rocketry kids and livestock kids have all asked for help. Would you help a younger 4-H member in your club?
- Help at fair set-up and fair clean-up. Get a group of friends together and have fun while you work.
- Be a junior superintendent or an assistant for one of the fair departments. It's fun and you'll learn a lot.
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Business Appreciation Breakfast

This year it will be held on THURSDAY morning, July 12th beginning at 7:30 am. Dick, Reva and Stacy Dougherty and family will provide the pancakes and sausage. 4-H and the Fairboard will help host this event through the Great Bend Area Chamber of Commerce. The Barton County Extension Council will serve.

As in the past, each club is asked to donate **three** baskets or gifts to be used as door prizes. Ideas for this could be gift baskets with homemade items, theme-related items, or some type of nice thank you gift that a business could take back to their office. Two or three families from a club may want to join together to create a nice door prize valued at \$10 - \$15.

4-H Superintendents & Committee Members Needed

The fair, the 4-H BBQ, and many other 4-H activities can not happen without the help of parents, leaders, and older youth. Please consider helping with one of the fair divisions or a committee.

We hope to have many of the same superintendents continuing and we thank them for the awesome job they all do! We would like to have every member over 12 years old help in one or more departments at the fair. This might involve taking notes about what the judges say on an entry card, placing ribbons or stickers on exhibits, recording placings or helping set up the area.

One area that needs some help is the Miscellaneous area (Notebooks, Posters, Displays and Self-determined). We definitely need help on Entry Day (Wednesday) and also on judging day (Thursday). Would you be willing to step up?

Deadlines for

State 4-H Livestock Shows

June 15- DNA for sheep, goats and swine due for the KSF and KJLS

July 15-Entry deadline for the Kansas State Fair for Beef, Sheep, Goats and Swine.

Livestock Pre-Entry Note

For the county fair, **ear tag numbers must be included on the entry form when you pre-enter.** If you plan to bring **two** of the market swine you weighed in, then please list class 2999 twice and list the **ear tag number** of each animal.

Livestock Skillathon Thursday

The Livestock Skillathon contest will be in conjunction with the Ag Challenge of Champions on Thursday July 12th from 11 am until about 2:00 pm. Stations will include livestock equipment, breed identification, quality assurance exercises, livestock feeds, and others. All livestock members are encouraged to participate.

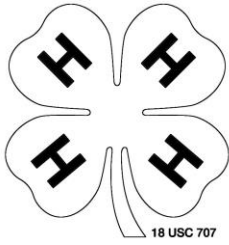
"Sale of Champion" Guidelines

In order to sell through the Sale of Champions at the Barton County fair, the 4-H member must:

- Attend Livestock Quality Assurance training. If you were not able to attend either training offered, then you need to get information from Alicia to take a PQA test online at pork.org. A 70% score is necessary to pass the test.
- Present complimentary BBQ tickets to your buyer from last year. You will receive two BBQ tickets for each animal you sold last year. These tickets were paid for with money subtracted from your 2017 check. Please visit the person who purchased your animal, thank them for their support, present them with the BBQ tickets and an invitation to the 2018 sale, and have them sign the receipt slip.
- BBQ tickets need to be delivered by June 15th! 4-H members are selling BBQ tickets and businesses need to know they are receiving tickets from you. They are to be hand delivered because they really want to see your SMILING face. Put your best foot forward and go visit them and invite them to the 2017 Sale of Champions.
- Attend at least five regular monthly 4-H club meetings during the year. The club secretary's roll call record will be checked by your Club Leader and documented on the **Eligibility requirement form** for attendance from August 2017 thru June 2018.
- Identify livestock with proper ear tags and have them weighed in on or before the official weigh-in dates. With your intent-to-sell form you must turn in a medication form for medications that have been used since the animal was purchased.
- The intent-to-sell form must be turned in with-in one hour after your last livestock show. IF you only have a market hog, the form is due by noon on Thursday. If you have market beef, your forms will be due Friday evening in the fair office.

State 4-H Wheat Expo

Join us for the annual Kansas 4-H State Wheat Expo on Thursday, August 2nd in Hutchinson, KS. The wheat show is open to all 4-H family members. Pre-registration is due by July 24th.



4-H Pre-Registration Form

Mail to:
 Barton County KSU Extension
 1800 12th St.
 Great Bend, KS 67530
 620-793-1910

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Club Name: _____

Birth date: _____

	Department	Class	Description	Ear Tag # / Tattoo
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Total Number of Entries: _____

June 2018

Have a safe & Fun Summer!
 Get your Fair Entries in by
 June 15th!
 Be sure to sign up for Day Camp by
 June 15th Too!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 <i>Return home from Discovery Days</i>	2
3 Patty Trapp - Photography Meeting from 2:00 - 3:00 @ 4-H Building	4	5 Claflin Library @ 9:30	6 Superintendent Meeting@ 6:00 p.m. --- Fashion Review Committee meets @ 7:00 p.m.	7 GB Library @ 2:00 p.m.	8 <i>Heart of Kansas Camp Counselors attend Training at RSR</i>	9 Heart of Kansas Camp—RSR Campers leave @ 10:45
10 Heart of Kansas Camp-RSR Friends of 4H Day @ RSR	11 Heart of Kansas Camp-RSR	12 Heart of Kansas Camp-RSR Campers return @ 2:30 - 3:00 p.m.	13 Fashion Revue 4-5 p.m. Script Writing	14	15 ENTRIES DUE for 4-H Division of Barton County Fair Jr Leaders & Ambassadors Meet	16
17	18	19	20	21 Day Camp @ 4H Grounds 8:00 - 12:30	22 <i>Insect Spectacular in Wichita, KS</i>	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30



June 2018

Important Dates

- June 8 - Camp Counselors to Training - Rock Springs Ranch
June 9-12 - Heart of Kansas 4-H Camp - Rock Springs Ranch
June 15 - All 4-H Fair Pre-entries Due (24 hour grace until the 18th)
Extension Office open until 6 pm to assist with fair questions
June 21 - Day Camp from 8 am - 12:30 pm at 4-H Grounds.
Sign up by June 15th please.
July 2 - 4-H BBQ Ticket Sales
Due by 5:00 pm to the Extension Office
July 4 - Independence Day - Office Closed
July 28 - Clothing, Fashion Revue and Fiber Arts Judging - 8:30 am
July 7- 4-H Dog Show at Expo III - 8 am registration
July 9 - Fair Set-up @ 5:00 p.m.

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