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June 2019

# Ellis County 4-H Happenings

Hey 4-H Families!

Summer is HERE! How's your 4-H project work coming along? Camp is just around the corner and Fair isn't far off. You'll find a variety of topics dealing with Fair in this issue. Watch for another mailing with fair forms for all areas coming your way soon. **Fair entry deadline for Livestock, Horse, Small Animals and Clothing Buymanship/Fashion Revue project areas is Friday, June 28 this year ALL OTHER entries in 4-H & Open Class will need to be entered into the new system by JULY 8.** We will be using the same Fair entry process on-line this year. Watch for more info. on this process in the FAIR EDITION of the newsletter.

As always, if you have questions, don't hesitate to give us a call! Come join the fun and learning!

Yours in 4-H,

**Susan Schlichting**

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County Extension Agent – 4-H Youth Development



## Meetings Coming Your Way

**4-H Home Ec, BBQ, Foodstand** – June 3, 7:00 – Phone Meeting / June 18, 5:30 - Foodstand

**4-H Ambassadors** – June 4, 5:30 – Front Meeting Room

**4-H Council** – June 4, 6:00 – Ext. Office

Remember, **Deadlines are Deadlines** in **Ellis Co. 4-H.**

Please pay attention to and respect those deadlines so that your child doesn't miss out on an opportunity! We do offer many ways for you to contact our office. See below.

## Ways to Contact Us

- We make a drop box available in the front of the Extension Office for your convenience.
- You can reach the 4-H Office Voice Mail at (785) 628-9430 ext. 14
- Extension Office fax # is (785) 621-2002
- [sschlich@ksu.edu](mailto:sschlich@ksu.edu)

## IMPORTANT DEADLINES TO NOTE

May 31 – Teen Leadership Day Camp Registrations Due

June 6 – Photo Adventures Day Camp Registrations Due to HRC

June 6 – District Horse Show Entries Due to Ext. Office

June 15 – Youth Quality Care of Livestock Required On-line Training Due

June 15 – All Commercial Heifer, Sheep, Swine & Meat Goat nominations for KSF and KJLS are due in Manhattan.

June 21 – Register for Drone Day Camp

June 28 – Enter teams for 4-H Food Challenge

June 28 – County Fair Entry Deadline for Livestock, Fashion Revue, Horse & Small Animal Projects

June 28 – Submit Club Volunteer Lists to Ext. Office

June 28 – Sign Up for Fairgrounds Work Nite

**July 8 – 4-H and Open Exhibits Entries for Ellis Co. Fair Close**

July 12 – Vet Med ROCKS Camp Registrations close

July 15 – KSF Livestock Entries Postmarked

July 15 – Enroll in the KS 4-H Wheat Variety Plot Project

July 20 – KSF Small Animal and Indoor Exhibits Pre-entered with Ext. Office

July 24 – Register for KS 4-H Wheat Expo in Kingman

July 26 – Register KSF Horse entries with Ext. Office

## Meet the Interns

The Hays office is hosting several college interns this summer. If you see them, help us welcome them to the area!



Hey you, yeah you. Get your drone on! My name is Erik Espinosa, and I'm working with 4H, and the Dane G Hansen foundation. I'll be working throughout NW Kansas putting on day camps for communities that will teach drone safety, rules from the FAA, coding, and give you hands on experience with a drone! These day camps are open to anyone from the ages 11 and up. If you would be interested in participating in the Ellis Co. 4-H day camp contact the Extension office at (785) 628 – 9430. The Ellis 4-H Drone Day Camp is set for July 2.

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Hello, my name is Nikole Cain and I am excited to be in Northwest Kansas this summer! I call the wonderful small town of Admire, Kansas home and graduated from Mission Valley high school. I am a senior at Kansas State University, majoring in Agricultural Education with minors in Leadership Studies and Animal Science and will graduate in December. I was a 12 year 4-H'er, an active member of the Mission Valley FFA organization, and served as an East Central District FFA officer for two years. I also just completed my four-year eligibility as a Division I athlete as a member of the Kansas State University Women's Rowing team. This summer I look forward to presenting leadership workshops for the youth of Northwest Kansas! I will be located in the Cottonwood District Extension office in Hays for the summer, and will be traveling throughout the area to provide a variety of leadership learning experiences. This summer internship opportunity is available all thanks to the Dane G. Hansen Foundation. If you see me around please introduce yourself and say hi, as I am excited to meet more people in Northwest Kansas! It is going to be a great summer!

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My name is Kory Ridnour, I'm from Burlington, Colorado, where my family raised club calves. I'm currently a senior at Fort Hays State University, I plan to graduate in May 2020 with a bachelor's degree in Agricultural Business. I'm excited to have the opportunity to be an intern for the Cottonwood District here in Hays. Learning about all the aspect of extension work and helping educate the youth is part of what I get to do this summer and I can't thank the Cottonwood District enough for this opportunity. I look forward to meeting new people and making connections that will last a lifetime.

## Relay for Life Luminaries

Come join us at the railroad park in downtown Hays on Friday, June 7, 3 p.m. to help set up the luminaries for the Relay for Life that evening. It's a lot of fun to help out with this community event. You don't need to sign up, just come, ready to help a great cause!

## 4-H Knitting Project Workshops

If you would like to know how to knit, come and join the fun! June 13, 18, 27, 5:30 – 7 p.m. All meetings are at the Extension Office.



### Livestock Deadlines for Kansas State Fair and Kansas Jr. Livestock Show Participation

**June 15 – Youth Quality Care of Animals required course completed to show at KSF and KJLS**

**June 15** – All Commercial Heifer, Sheep, Swine & Meat Goat nominations for KSF and KJLS are due in Manhattan.

**July 15** – Kansas State Fair Entries Postmarked

## Don't Forget to De-Worm Livestock Projects

4-Hers if you haven't done so, I would recommend that you be sure and de-worm livestock projects for internal and external parasites. By doing this it can increase animal gains, improve hair coats and make the animals more comfortable. Swine are very prone to lice and may need treated every month, plus their housing area and bedding will need treated as well. If you need further information give us a call or your veterinarian.



**District Horse Show Entry Deadline** – June 14

**District Horse Show** – July 3 – Oakley

**Ellis County is required to provide 2 volunteers for the District Horse Show in Oakley. If you are able to help out, let the Extension Office know.**

## Poultry Testing Waived for County Fairs in 2019

You won't need to have your chickens tested for county fair this year. The state rule has been waived until October 1.

## Cat Proof of Vaccination for County Fair

Cats & kittens (over 2 months of age) shown at the Ellis Co. Fair must be current on rabies and distemper vaccinations. Be prepared to provide proof of vaccination at show check in.



**ELLIS COUNTY FAIR 2018 is set for July 13 - 20, 2019.**  
**The Theme is "Follow the Fairground Road"**

## Ellis County Fair Volunteers Needed

We have posted an on-line form that you can complete to let us know how you'd like to help. Older 4-H'ers and interested adults are encouraged to join our "team" in getting things ready for this year's Fair. [Here's the link to the on-line form.](#) Once again, all clubs will be asked to recruit volunteers to help with a variety of jobs at the Fair, as well. Watch for that listing coming your way soon.

## 4-H Fair Books

A special printed copy of the Ellis Co. fair book is provided to 4-H families by the Fairboard. These are now in the Extension Office and ready for distribution at your June club meetings. Stop by and pick your club's books. You can also view the books online at <https://cottonwood.k-state.edu/ellis-county4h/4-hevents/EllisCountyFair.html>

## Foods Judges Resources

If you're a County Fair Foods Judge or if you are interested in what judges look for when evaluating your products, check out these new resources from K-state - <http://www.rrc.k-state.edu/judging/>

**Fair Supplies** Fair stall cards and photo matte board are available for pick-up at the Extension Office. Photo Matte Board are available for \$1.50 per sheet.

## Rocket Kits for Sale

If you're not able to participate in the Rocketry class this summer, you may be interested in purchasing a kit from our office. They range from \$7.50-\$12 each and are suitable for beginner to intermediate rocketeers. We do have a few rocket engines available for purchase, as well, for a small fee. You can also check out the rocket launch systems from our office to complete your rocket launch prior to the Fair.

## 4-H Leadership Day Camp – June 6

If you are 12 – 18 and want to step up your skills, here's your chance to build your leadership skills! Our summer leadership intern will be guiding you through a variety of engaging activities filled with leadership learning and fun! Watch for more details coming your way soon and come and join us!  
<https://cottonwood.k-state.edu/ellis-county4h/4H-EllisCountyHome.html>

## Photography Adventures Day Camp – June 20

If you are 8 – 12 and want to learn more about photography, Photo Adventures Day Camp is for YOU! **Register by June 6** through Hays Rec to join the photo fun that 4-H Council has planned for you.



### **KS 4-H Insect Spectacular 2019**

**SAVE THE DATE!** June 21 & 22, 2019. The Kansas 4-H Insect Spectacular is for all youth, beginning through advanced- there will be something for all ages and experience levels. At least one parent must register and attend with child. This year's Insect Spectacular will be hosted at the Kansas Wetlands Education Center northeast of Great Bend. Visit the [Entomology event page](#) for more info.

### **National Festival of Breads in Manhattan, June 8**

Here's a great opportunity to learn tips and tricks from the best bakers in the nation! Taste test and vote for your favorites. It's FREE to participate, but they are accepting donated canned food items to give to a local cause.

### **Kansas Youth Leadership Forum Presenters Needed**

The 17th Annual Kansas Youth Leadership Forum is November 23 —24 at Rock Springs. This conference, for 14-18-year-old 4-Hers, will include speakers, workshops, consulting groups and the election of the 2019 Kansas State 4-H Youth Leadership Council. If you would like to join the Ellis Co. 4-H leadership team to plan and present a workshop for KYLF, **contact Susan by June 25.**

### **Vet Med ROCKS Summer Camps August 2 – 6 – Register by July 12**

The KSU Vet School is offering a series of Camps for youth ages 4 – 12<sup>th</sup> in August. Get a behind the scenes look at the Vet School and try out hands on activities that vets get involved in. Check it out at <https://ksre.k-state.edu/tuesday/announcement/?id=53610>



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