Regional Club Days Successful

Congratulations to all Finney County 4-Hers who participated in Regional 4-H Club Days on March 5th! Here are the results from the day:

**Music:**
- Rayenah Bergstrom: SR Instrumental BLUE
- Meara Bergstrom: JR Instrumental BLUE
- Miguel Soltero: SR Piano BLUE
- Elly Murrell: JR Piano BLUE

**Project Talks:**
- Mariah Standley: JR Project Talk BLUE
- Sunny Cook: JR Project Talk RED
- Micalla Lock: SR Public Speaking RED

**Extemporaneous:**
- Tyler Cloud: SR Extemporaneous BLUE

**Talent:**
- Wide Awake: JR Club Skit PURPLE
- Happy Hustlers: SR Club Skit PURPLE
- Elly Murrell: JR Dance PURPLE

**Readings:**
- Emma Lightner: JR Reading PURPLE
- Abby Murrell: SR Reading BLUE
- Morgan Hammond: JR Reading BLUE

**Demonstrations:**
- Andrei Norquest: JR Demonstration PURPLE
- Baylee Hutcheson: JR Demonstration PURPLE
- Cheska Prince: SR Demonstration BLUE

Congratulations to all Finney County 4-Hers who participated in Regional 4-H Club Days on March 5th! Here are the results from the day:

**Deadlines:**
Add/Drop Deadline is May 1, 2016 to enroll in all projects that will be exhibited at the Finney County Fair.

You can do this by logging into your family enrollment on 4-HOnline and making the changes yourself.

THANK YOU!! FINNEY COUNTY PARENTS, 4-H VOLUNTEERS, FINNEY COUNTY 4-H CLUBS AND MEMBERS, FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!
ATTENTION ALL 4-Hers!!

4-H Council News

Each 4-H Club should have nominated 4-H Council Representatives to attend the council meetings on a bi-monthly basis and report back to their respective 4-H Clubs. We encourage those nominated youth to be present at all meetings. 4-H Council meets on the 4th Monday in January, March, May, September, and November, unless announced otherwise.

March 4-H Council Meeting is Monday, May 23 2016, at 7PM in the 4-H Building

Cloverbud Club

If you have a child between the ages of 5 & 6 this is the time to start getting them involved in 4-H through the Cloverbud Club! Come learn about 4-H, meet some of our junior leaders, interact with other kids, participate in games/crafts, and most importantly... have fun!! Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, April 19th at 6:00PM in the 4-H Building** For more information, please feel free to contact the Extension Office at 620-272-3670, or email Tayla at tlcannel-la@ksu.edu.

Mark your calendars for May 17th for the May Cloverbud meeting!

Free Kansas Leadership Training coming to Garden City

If you are a 4-H parent, volunteer, alumni, or agent, this training is for you! Join us at the Garden City class to build your leadership skills.

Kansas Leadership Center (KLC) staff will share the KLC core curriculum that equips people with the ability to make lasting change for the common good. KLC is different in the field of leadership development with its focus on leadership as an activity, not a role or position. KLC envisions more Kansans sharing responsibility for acting together in pursuit of the common good. Come learn how these principles can help move the work of Kansas 4-H forward.

The Garden City Class will take place on April 15th at the Finney County Fairgrounds. All classes are from 10 AM to 3 PM with a break for lunch.

**Register online at [www.kansas4hfoundation.org/KLC](http://www.kansas4hfoundation.org/KLC)**

Don’t miss out on this opportunity, they will have a lot of new ideas that we could all implement in our clubs.
**2016 4-H Camps - Registration Open!**

**Discovery Days: May 31 - June 3, 2016**

Are You Ready for Discovery Days? Put May 31 - June 3, 2016 on your calendar to be in Manhattan on the K-State campus. This year’s theme is “Get a Clue and Discover YOU” Discovery Days offers classes and tours about 4-H projects, careers, hobbies, community service and more! You can also share your talents in the Talent Show. Are you ready to dance? Are you ready for some Call Hall ice cream? Are you ready for some great speakers and Discovery Days Night Live and all the other possibilities in your future? This year we will feature a mystery for all delegates to investigate and hopefully solve!

- Who: Youth who are 13-18 years old as of January 1 of 2016.
- Registration: find the registration link on www.finney.ksu.edu -> Youth Development -> Camps
- Cost: $215 base price (Many classes have additional fees)

**Wildcat Sewing Camp: May 31 - June 3, 2016**

This year's Specialty Camp is designed for youth who have mastered basic sewing skills and are ready to challenge themselves to learn new and more advanced skills. The camp offers 4-H members (ages 13-18) an opportunity to learn and build confidence in the Clothing and Textiles project. Participants should all know the basics with pattern layout/cutting and basic sewing machine operation. Participants will choose their project when they arrive on the K-State campus in Manhattan.

- Cost: $195

**Heart of Kansas Camp: June 8-11, 2016**

The Heart of Kansas camp takes place at the Rock Springs 4-H Center near Junction City. It provides youth the opportunity to take part in a great camping experience full of different activities such as swimming, fishing, crafts, horseback riding, dance, canoeing, and much more to come for this coming year. HOK is for youth ages 10-14 and counselors ages 15-18. Registration forms are available on the Finney County website www.finney.ksu.edu or at the Extension Office.

- Camper Cost: $175 4-H members, $176 non 4-H members
- Counselor Cost: $220 (counselors will arrive at Rock Springs on June 7th)

**Camp Lakeside: June 9-10, 2016**

Camp Lakeside takes place at Lake Scott State Park as a single overnight camp for youth ages 7-9 and counselors ages 15-18. Lakeside offers a variety of activities including archery, rafting, swimming, crafts, hiking, fishing, campfire, and more. Registration forms are available on the Finney County website www.finney.ksu.edu or at the Extension Office.

- Cost: $80 4-H members, $81 non 4-H members

**Camp Counselors Wanted!!**

We are looking for responsible, enthusiastic 15-18 year old members to be camp counselors for this summer’s camps; including Lakeside Camp & Heart of Kansas

If you would like to be a camp counselor, you will have to fill out an application as well as attend a one day training (depending on which camp you attend). These will be due on May 4th for Lakeside and May 1st for Heart of Kansas. Applications can be found at www.finney.ksu.edu.
Livestock Information

Deadline to acquire Livestock projects - May 1st

Finney County Pig Sale:
◊ The Finney County Pig Sale is on Saturday, April 9, 2016. Viewing begins at 10AM, sale starts at Noon. Pork Quality Assurance Training will be offered after the sale. (Other dates will be available as well)

Early Swine, Goat, Sheep, Bucket Calf Tagging AND Livestock Clinic:
◊ Early Swine, Goat, Sheep, Bucket Calf Tagging - Saturday April 16, 2016, 8AM-12PM, Finney County Fairgrounds, Show Arena
  • There will be a clinic regarding the care of your livestock and showmanship tips for all livestock species beginning at 12:30PM (after tagging). Crop Production Services (CPS) has offered to sponsor a meal to those who wish to stay for the clinic. The meal will be served at Noon.
  • The Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) Trailer will be on site for exhibitors to get their certification. Swine exhibitors are still required to complete a Pork Quality Assurance Training.

Swine, Goat, Sheep, Bucket Calf Tagging:
◊ Swine, Goat, Sheep, Bucket Calf Tagging - Monday, May 9 and Tuesday, May 10 from 5-7PM at the Finney County Fairgrounds.

♦ All Market and Breeding small animal livestock are required to be tagged, identified, and recorded by Tuesday, May 10th.
♦ All Finney County market animals need to be tagged with an Official Kansas 4-H EID Tag. These tags are needed to show at the Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show.
♦ If you have not yet filled out a Finney County Declaration Form for 4-H/FFA Livestock, please do so before or on the day of tagging.
♦ If you need to co-nominate tagged livestock, this can be done by completing a Household Nominations Form. Youth will determine which individual animal[s] they will exhibit once they submit a Finney Co. Fair Livestock entry and stall request form, by July 1st.
♦ All Market and Breeding small animal livestock are required to be tagged, identified, and recorded by Tuesday, May 10th.
♦ Tags will be $2.75/tag, so please come with exact amount cash, or preferably a check.

NEW FOR 2016: All animals must be tagged to the correct individual or family nomination at the time of tagging. Should an animal not be tagged to the correct family when entering in the county fair, they may be subject to disqualification. If an animal had been previously tagged under another family name, the animal must be re-tagged by the tagging deadline of May 10th.

(Tagging deadline subject to change depending on weather circumstances or the need for rescheduling)
Livestock Information

Mark your Calendars!!

⇒ Kansas State Fair: September 9-18, 2016, Hutchinson
⇒ Kansas Junior Livestock Show: September 30 - October 2, Hutchinson

If you would like to nominate your livestock for KSF or KJLS, we have all required declaration forms, nomination forms, and DNA envelopes at the Extension Office.

### 2016 Youth Livestock Nomination and Entry Deadlines

**Age Requirements**: Kansas State Fair: Only Kansas 4-H members who were 9 years of age but not yet 19 years of age before January 1 of the current year are eligible to compete in this division. KJLS: All Kansas 4-H members that have reached the age of 7 by January 1 of the show year will be eligible to participate at the Kansas Junior Livestock Show.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Entry</th>
<th>Required Materials for Nomination</th>
<th>Cost to Nominate</th>
<th>Nomination Declaration*</th>
<th>Nomination Deadline</th>
<th>Show Entry Deadline</th>
<th>Registration Papers</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Market Steers</td>
<td>Declaration form*, Market Beef Nomination Form*, sealed DNA Hair Sample envelope*, EID tagged, &amp; postmarked by May 2.</td>
<td>$8</td>
<td>Required every year</td>
<td>May 2</td>
<td>KSF – July 15</td>
<td>KLS – August 15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Market Heifers**</td>
<td>Declaration form*, Market Beef Nomination Form*, sealed DNA Hair Sample envelope*, EID tagged, &amp; postmarked by May 2.</td>
<td>$8</td>
<td>Required every year</td>
<td>May 2</td>
<td>KSF – July 15</td>
<td>N/A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Commercial (Crossbred) Heifers</td>
<td>Declaration form*, Commercial Heifer Nomination Form*, Permanent Tattoo, sealed DNA Hair Sample envelope*, EID tagged, &amp; postmarked by June 15.</td>
<td>$8</td>
<td>Required every year</td>
<td>June 15</td>
<td>KSF – July 15</td>
<td>KLS – August 15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Registered Breeding Heifers</td>
<td>No.</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>In exhibitor’s name by June 15.</td>
<td>N/A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Market Lambs</td>
<td>Declaration form*, Market Lamb/Commercial Ewe Nomination form*, sealed DNA Hair Sample envelope*, EID tagged, &amp; postmarked by June 15.</td>
<td>$8</td>
<td>Required every year</td>
<td>June 15</td>
<td>KSF – July 15</td>
<td>KLS – August 15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Commercial Ewes (Wether Dams)</td>
<td>Declaration form*, Market Lamb/Commercial Ewe Nomination form*, sealed DNA Hair Sample envelope*, EID tagged, &amp; postmarked by June 15.</td>
<td>$8</td>
<td>Required every year</td>
<td>June 15</td>
<td>KSF – July 15</td>
<td>KLS – August 15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Registered Breeding Ewes</td>
<td>No.</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>In exhibitor’s name by June 15.</td>
<td>N/A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>KSF Market Hogs/ KJLS Barrows*</td>
<td>Declaration form*, Swine Nomination form*, sealed DNA Hair Sample envelope*, EID tagged, Youth POA+ Certification, ear notches, &amp; postmarked by June 15.</td>
<td>$8</td>
<td>Required every year</td>
<td>June 15</td>
<td>KSF – July 15</td>
<td>KLS – August 15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Purebred/Pedigreed Breeding Gilts</td>
<td>Declaration form*, Swine Nomination form*, sealed DNA Hair Sample envelope*, EID tagged, Youth POA+ Certification, ear notches, &amp; postmarked by June 15.</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>In exhibitor’s name by June 15.</td>
<td>N/A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Commercial Breeding Gilts</td>
<td>Declaration form*, Swine Nomination form*, sealed DNA Hair Sample envelope*, EID tagged, &amp; postmarked by June 15.</td>
<td>$8</td>
<td>Required every year</td>
<td>June 15</td>
<td>KSF – July 15</td>
<td>KLS – August 15</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

* The Nomination Declaration form and species nomination forms are available at [www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu](http://www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu). Declaration Forms are due at the time of nomination. Official tags for all species, and official DNA Hair Sample Envelopes are available from KISSE Distribution.

** For pedigree market barrows, ear notches on registration papers must match the pig’s ear notches to be able to show.

*** No commercial doe show at KSF; all meat goats must be nominated (no registered doe show for KSF or KJLS).

**** Health papers are only required for KSF, for all species.

There is a one-time/year $20.00 fee if a nomination has to be returned. February 2016
Livestock Information

Livestock/Pork Quality Assurance Dates:
Each 4-H/FFA youth involved in beef, sheep, goats, and swine must participate in Livestock Quality Assurance training. Swine exhibitors MUST complete their Pork Quality Assurance. There will be several dates to complete this training and you MUST attend one or you will not be allowed to show your livestock at County Fair, Kansas State Fair, or KJLS.

- Pork Quality Assurance: Saturday, April 9, 2016: After the Finney County Pig Sale (approx. 2:15PM)
- LQA/PQA: May 2, 2016. 6PM Finney County Extension Office
- LQA/PQA: May 3, 2016: 6PM Finney County Extension Office

Finney County Spring Show
We are bringing back the Finney County Spring Show. It will now be a part of the Cimarron Valley Livestock Series. The Spring Show will be held on Friday, May 20th and Saturday, May 21st. Swine will show on Friday beginning at 6PM. Sheep, goats and beef will show on Saturday beginning at 9AM. Buckles will be awarded to overall prospect champions, jackets for reserve prospect, overall showmanship, and overall breeding, chairs for reserve showmanship and reserve breeding. Registration forms are available at the extension office or on www.finney.ksu.edu under the 4-H Youth Development tab then under events.

Horse Information

Horse ID Papers - DUE MAY 1ST
If you plan to show your horse at the Finney County Fair, we need your updated Horse Identification Papers at the Extension Office by May 1st. If you have a new horse, we will need to have you complete a new form for that horse. If you plan to show a horse that we already have papers for, they will need to be signed by an extension agent and a copy needs to be on file with the Extension Office.

Southwest District Horse Show
The Southwest District Horse Show will be held on Thursday, June 30, 2016 in Dodge City at the Western State Bank Expo Center beginning at 9AM. Registration forms are online www.finney.ksu.edu.

Southwest Spectacular Horse Show
Finney County will be hosting the Southwest Spectacular Horse Show on Saturday, July 9, 2016 at the Finney County Fairgrounds Grandstand Arena. We will notify all members in the horse project when the registration forms become available.
Finney County Fair Updates

Superintendents Wanted

If you are interested in becoming a superintendent in one or more project areas, we would love to have your leadership for this year’s Finney County Fair. 4-H and Open Class superintendent opportunities are available in the following areas:


Become a Junior Superintendent

We are currently looking for Junior Superintendents for this year’s Finney County Fair! We would like to have 4-Hers present at check-in times, during judging, and to help clean up during the Finney County Fair. For livestock projects, you would help pass out ribbons, hand out or collect cards during the show. We would advise you to become a superintendent in an area that you will not be exhibiting; this is especially true for livestock projects.

If you are interested, please contact Tayla at the Finney County Extension Office and let me know what areas you would like to help with. You may also fill out a purple sheet and return it to the Finney County Extension Office by May 31st. The phone number at the office is 620-272-3670, I will respond to texts at 719-571-0514, or email tlcannella@ksu.edu.

Project Areas Available:


Great American Foods Contest

The theme for this year’s Great American Foods Contest is “Christmas in July.” All baked goods are to be of the Christmas spirit. The Finney County 4-H Foundation will be sponsoring this contest for the 2016 Finney County Fair. There is a youth and an adult class and will be exhibited in open class. 4-Hers are welcome to participate in this contest as well.

4-H Club Fundraiser for Finney County Fair

Each 4-H Club is invited to bring a basket to the Finney County Fair. We will have a silent auction of these club baskets and all proceeds for the basket will go to the respective clubs. This will be a great way to promote our 4-H Clubs and raise some money for each club. These baskets will need to be on the fairgrounds by 5PM on Tuesday, July 26th. The winners of the silent auction will be announced at the 4-H Awards Ceremony on Sunday, July 31st. Clubs, when purchasing your baskets, please do not exceed $50. Bids will begin at $50.
Photography Camps & Workshops

**Shutterbugs at the Garden City Zoo** will be held on Saturday May 7th. Stations will begin at 9AM and end at Noon. Stations will include: Portraits for/of Mom; Kaleidoscopes; Behind the Bars; Stop the Action; Raptors (contingent on weather and staff); BIG BIG BUBBLES; Mirrors and Surprises. Pre-registration is recommended. Forms are available at the extension office or on www.finney.ksu.edu under the 4-H Youth Development tab, then in Events.

**Photography Day Camp** will be held May 23-26 from 8:30-11:30am each day. Sessions will take place primarily in the 4-H Building but will venture to different areas as well. Topics to be covered: camera menus, composition, frame ups, using flash, use of different modes, zoo shooting, and many more. Enrollment is limited to 20! Please register by May 15th. Forms are available at the extension office or on www.finney.ksu.edu under the 4-H Youth Development tab, then in Events.

Club Corner

**Beacon Boosters to Hold Food Drive!**

Beacon Boosters will be collecting non-perishable food items for Genesis Family Health (UNMAM) as part of our club project. Please support Beacon Boosters and members of the Finney County community by bringing your non-perishable food item donations to the Finney County Extension Office between April 1 and April 30.

We challenge each 4-H Club to help us, “Make the Best, Better!” Thank you in advance.

~ Beacon Boosters 4-H Club

Wide Awake

The Wide Awake 4-H club held a meeting on March 21, 2016. The roll call question was “What is your favorite project in 4-H?” The flag salute was led by Cole Leman and Brandon Springston shared a joke about Bob Marley. Cate Weise gave a current event about President Obama going to Cuba. Lauren Lightner sang “Happy Birthday” to the 4-Hers who had birthdays in March. Three project talks were presented: Chase McGraw (steer); Lauren Lightner (sewing); and Devin Doll (steer). Abby Gillen led the group in a fun Easter relay race. Upcoming special events: April 9th – Livestock Sale; April 16th – Livestock Clinic; May 20th & 21st – Spring Livestock Show.

~ Emma Lightner, Reporter
Summer Reading Petting Zoo

We need your help with the Summer Reading Program’s Annual Petting Zoo at the Finney County Public Library on Saturday, June 25, 2016. Set up will begin at 9:30AM and the petting zoo will be from 10AM - Noon. 4-Hers are encouraged to bring their goats, sheep, swine, bucket calves, rabbits or poultry for the petting zoo. We would also like to have a project fair, so bring any of your projects to display and promote 4-H. Please contact Tayla at the Extension Office if you plan on helping with this event.

Calendar of Events

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>April</th>
<th>June</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>9   Finney County Pig &amp; Goat Sale</td>
<td>7   HOK Counselors Leave for Rock Springs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pork Quality Assurance Training</td>
<td>8-11 Heart of Kansas Camp</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15  Kansas Leadership Training in Garden City</td>
<td>9-10 Lakeside Camp</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16  Early Tagging</td>
<td>25  Summer Reading Petting Zoo</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Livestock Showmanship Clinic</td>
<td>30  Southwest District Horse Show</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>19  Cloverbud Club Meeting</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>20  Earth Day at Lee Richardson Zoo</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>May</th>
<th>June</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1  Add/Drop Deadline for projects</td>
<td>7   Livestock Fair Entries Due</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Horse ID Papers Due</td>
<td>4   Independence Day - Office Closed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2  LQA/PQA Training</td>
<td>8   Photo, Foods, Arts &amp; Crafts, Rabbit,</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3  LQA/PQA Training</td>
<td>Poultry, Horse, Display Space Entries Due</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7  Shutterbugs at Garden City Zoo</td>
<td>9   Southwest Spectacular Horse Show</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9  Tagging</td>
<td>11  4-H/FFA Livestock Meeting - Auction</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10  Tagging</td>
<td>Packets Distributed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>17  Cloverbud Club Meeting</td>
<td>19  Clothing/Fiber Arts/Buymanship Judging</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>20-21 Finney County Spring Show</td>
<td>Public Fashion Revue</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23  4-H Council Meeting</td>
<td>22  Demonstrations/ILL. Talks Contest</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23-26 Photography Day Camp</td>
<td>23  4-H/Open Horse Show (Judged Events)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>30  Memorial Day - Office Closed</td>
<td>4-H /Open Pet Show</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>31 - 3 Discovery Days</td>
<td>25  Fair Set-up</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>31- 3 Sewing Camp</td>
<td>26  Foods, Photo, Arts &amp; Crafts Judging</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Livestock Weigh-in</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>27-31 Finney County Fair</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Make the 4-H Connection on the WEB

Finney Co. Extension 4-H Information
www.finney.ksu.edu

Learn more about the Kansas 4-H Adventure at
www.kansas4-H.org

Finney County K-State Research & Extension Facebook—Link

National 4-H Council
www.fourhcouncil.edu

National 4-H Volunteer Resource Site
www.4hvolunteersusa.org

Check Out Extension Facebook Page

Keep up with Finney County K-State Research & Extension Program by clicking “LIKE” and follow the programs in 4-H, Family and Consumer Science and Agriculture on our Facebook page Finney County Extension Facebook

K-State Research and Extension is an equal opportunity provider and employer. K-State Research & Extension is committed to making its services, activities, and programs accessible to all participants. If you have special requirements due to a physical, vision, hearing disability, or dietary restriction, please contact the Finney County Extension at 620-272-3670 or fi@listserv.ksu.edu

K-State Research & Extension - Finney County is the front door source to your everyday questions for information and knowledge. Every question is of value to you and us. Give us a call at 272-3670, email at fi@listserv.ksu.edu, www.finney.ksu.edu, or better, walk in our front door at 501 South 9th St, for information to help you make a better decision.

Were on the web! www.finney.ksu.edu