Honor Flight Fundraiser

Mark your calendars!

The 2017 Honor Flight Fundraiser will take place on Saturday, January 21st at the Finney County Fairgrounds Exhibition Building. All 4-H Clubs are invited to participate.

Each 4-H Club is to provide the following for the fundraiser:

Desserts: Four or more (4) 9x13 desserts in FOIL PAN (Cake, Brownies, Rice Krispy Bars, Bar Cookies, Cupcakes)

Bake Sale: One (1) bake sale item per 4-H family, consisting of minimum - 2 dozen cookies, whole pie, 2 dozen cinnamon rolls, cakes, fruit cobbler, cupcakes, etc.

Silent Auction: One or more donated item per 4-H Club (suggest baskets or items donated from businesses)

4-H Project Mini-Fair: Please feel free to bring projects to showcase what all 4-H has to offer.

All proceeds from this event will Fund Sending our area WWII Veterans to Washington D.C. to see their Monument at no expense to them.

4-H Clubs will be asked to work shifts for the Honor Flight Fundraiser. This information will be sent out to club leaders in early January. Please make sure to have that day available to help!
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.

January 4-H Council Meeting is Monday, January 23, 2017, 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 meeting will be Tuesday, January 17, 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 tlcannella@ksu.edu.

Mark your calendars! The February Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 21, 2017, at 6PM in the 4-H Building.

Finney County 4-H Club Days

Finney County Club Days will be held on Saturday, February 4th, 2017 at the Holcomb High School from 8 AM - 2 PM. 4-H Club Days is an opportunity for youth to showcase their talents for the public. It is a time for 4-H members to share what they know with others! Youth may take part in several different events, including public speaking, project talks, extemporaneous speaking, demonstrations, illustrated talks, digital presentations, reading, show & tell, musical events including choral, vocal, & instrumental, dance events including square & folk, and talent events such as skits and plays. Those receiving the Top Blue Awards will have the opportunity to advance to Regional Club Days that will be held in Dodge City on February 18th. We have a variety of resources available at the Extension Office to help you prepare for Club Days. They can also be found on the Finney County Website under the 4-H Youth Development tab.

Entries will be due Tuesday, January 24th. Paper entry forms are available on the Finney County Extension webpage. ONLINE ENTRIES WILL ALSO BE ACCEPTED!

http://www.finney.k-state.edu/4-h/events.html
UPCOMING EVENTS

Citizenship in Action - February 19-20, 2017

Would you like to have more influence in laws and rules that affect your life? Then you’ll want to go to Kansas 4-H Citizenship in Action! This two-day event is sponsored by the State 4-H Youth Leadership Council. The purpose of the event is for Kansas youth to learn how the state legislative process works and how their voice and participation in decision-making can make a difference in their local communities. The legislative visit will not only familiarize youth with the capitol building, but will also show them how they can affect the legislative process.

When: February 19-20, 2017  
Where: Topeka, KS  
Who: Youth 13-18 years old by January 1 of the current year  
Registration: Click Here to Register!  
Registration Fee: $170  
Registration Deadline: January 15, 2017

Citizenship Washington Focus

June 16 – June 26, 2017

Road trip across the USA stopping to see Philadelphia, Gettysburg, the Liberty Bell and more! Meet, learn, share and tour with youth from other states and respected resource people. Walk among places that have made history and places that are making news today. Visit Capitol Hill, government departments, historic sites, and memorials. Get a close-up view of political process through visits to Capitol Hill. Meet with the Kansas Congressional and Senate delegations to discuss legislative issues. Participate in workshops and assembly groups to learn life skills and discuss possible solutions to domestic and international problems. Interact with 4-H members from other states, learning and sharing about 4-H and other interests and issues.

There are 50 spaces available for this trip! There are no county quotas. Applications will be accepted until January 15, or until the 50 spaces are filled; whichever comes first.

Ages: Youth must be 15–18 years of age as of January 1, 2017.

Delegates and/or their counties are responsible for the cost of $1,850. A non-refundable deposit of $250 is due at the time of application.
Upcoming Events

SOUTHWEST 4-H YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM

January 14, 2017
Church of the Nazarene
1700 West Ross Blvd.
Dodge City, KS 67801

“LEADERSHIP WORLDWIDE”

The Southwest 4-H Youth Leadership Forum (SWYLF) is put on by the Southwest Area Representatives from the Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council. SWYLF is designed to empower young people to become leaders. This event is open to youth in grades 7 to 12.

If you’re looking for a one day leadership experience with new friends, leadership skills, and great ideas to take back to your clubs, we hope that you will join us for this year’s Southwest 4-H Youth Leadership Forum!

Cost per person is $25 and includes program materials, t-shirt, snacks and lunch.

The registration deadline is January 3, 2017. Register online through the Event Online System. You must take payment to your Local Extension Office by January 3, 2017, or your registration will be cancelled.

REGISTRATION

http://www.event.com/d/jvq4dj

Program Schedule

9:30 am  Registration/Energizers
10:00 am  Welcome & Overview of Day
10:15 am  Break Out Session 1
          • Leadership through Recreation
          • Cooking across the Cultures
          • International 4-H Foreign Youth Exchange
11:00 am  Break Out Session 2
11:45 am  Lunch
12:30 pm  Break Out Session 3
1:15 pm  Break Out Session 4
2:00 pm  Break
2:15 pm  Think Together Groups
2:45 pm  Keynote Speaker
         Marg Yaroslaski, Professor of Communication and Leadership
         Dodge City Community College
3:30 pm  Evaluations & Send Off

State & County 4-H Scholarship Opportunities

Each year, Kansas 4-H provides thousands of dollars for higher education to all Kansas 4-Hers. If you are a graduating senior with plans to attend college and are a member of 4-H, remember to fill out your application. Applications are available at the Extension Office or online at http://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-library/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html. Applications are due to the Extension Office no later than Friday, January 20, 2017.

The Finney County 4-H Foundation Offers two different scholarships for Finney County 4-H members: the Finney County 4-H Foundation Merit Scholarship as well as the Mary Jo Williams Memorial Scholarship. Those applications are available at the Extension Office or online at: http://www.finney.k-state.edu/4-h/enrollment-forms.html. Applications are due to the Extension Office no later than Wednesday, March 1, 2017.
Attention Volunteers

Southwest 4-H Volunteer Leadership Forum

January 14, 2017
Church of the Nazarene
1700 W Ross Blvd
Dodge City, KS 67801

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

9:45 am  Gathering & Refreshments
10:00 am  Welcome/Introductions
Amy Sollock, SW Area 4-H Extension Specialist
Lexi Kinston, Ford County 4-H Agent
10:30 am  The Importance of Hands on Learning
Amy Collins, Stafford County FCS Agent
11:15 am  Ages & Stages of 4-H members
Amy Sollock, SW Area 4-H Extension Specialist
12:00 pm  Lunch
1:30 pm  Parts of a 4-H Club Meeting
Crystal Bashford, Morton County FCS Agent
Lacey Nolteman, Haskell County ANR Agent
2:00 pm  The 4-H Project: More than a Fair Entry
Amy Sollock, Southwest Area 4-H Extension Specialist
2:30 pm  Round Table Program Share
• 48 Hours of 4-H/Community Service Projects
• Retaining New 4-H Members
• 4-H Club Ceremonies
3:15 pm  Evaluations & Wrap Up

Join us for a chance to meet other 4-H volunteers from Southwest Kansas!
Celebrate and share your successes, learn more about the foundations of 4-H youth development and take home new programing ideas to your local 4-H program.

The Southwest 4-H Volunteer Leadership Forum is held in conjunction with the Southwest 4-H Youth Leadership Forum at the same location for your carpooling convenience!

Please register online at http://www.cyent.com/id/vn4dli no later than Tuesday, January 3, 2017. A registration fee of $15.00 per adult will be collected. Please make your checks payable to your local 4-H Council.

Volunteers! Please also remember to complete your Volunteer Renewal forms if you have not yet turned yours into the Extension Office. These are required if you wish to continue serving as a 4-H volunteer.
Livestock Information

VERY IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT!

Please take notice that at the regular monthly meeting of the Finney County Fair Board on Monday, September 19th, upon joint recommendation of the Fair Board and Livestock Committee, the board voted to make a change/addition to the Livestock Premium Auction Rules, as follows:

**NO 4-H MEMBER SHALL BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PREMIUM AUCTION unless they have first met the requirements during the current 4-H calendar year (October 1st—September 30th):** Attend a minimum of four (4) regular 4-H club meetings AND at least one of the following:

1. Present a project talk at a 4-H Club Meeting
2. Participate in Finney County 4-H Club Days
3. Actively participate in 4-H Ambassadors or Junior Leaders
4. Hold an office in your club
5. Lead a community service project

This change/addition to the rules is to become effective beginning with the 2017 County Fair (the October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017 4-H Year). All attendance and participation requirements must be verified by the 4-H Club Leaders.

Note: This will NOT disqualify youth from showing livestock at the fair, ONLY selling an animal at the Premium Auction.

2017 TAGGING DATES:

**Beef Tagging** will take place on Saturday, March 11, 2017 from 8AM until Noon. Please note that these dates are tentative and subject to change due to scheduling conflicts or weather.

**Sheep, Swine, Goat, Bucket Calf Early Tagging** will take place on Saturday, April 22, 2017 in the Show Arena. This tagging is for members who already have all their animals purchased and/or will be participating in Spring Livestock Shows.

**Sheep, Swine, Goat, Bucket Calf Second Chance Tagging** will take place on Monday, May 8th and Tuesday, May 9th from 5-7PM in the Show Arena. This will be the absolute last chance to have your county fair animals tagged.

2017 FINNEY COUNTY SPRING SHOW

Save the date for the 2017 Finney County Spring Show! This year, the Finney County Spring Show will be held on Friday, May 19th and Saturday, May 20, 2017. Swine will show on Friday. Sheep, Goats, and Beef will show on Saturday. We will have more information as the date gets closer.
Club Corner

Sherlock Strivers

The Sherlock Strivers 4H club met Sunday, December 4, 2016 at the Holcomb Elementary Cafeteria. President, Elizabeth Mangels, called the meeting to order at 6:00. Roll call was answered by members telling what their favorite soup was. After saying the 4-H pledge and Pledge of Allegiance, officers gave their reports. Project talks for Visual Arts, Horse, Wildlife, Beef, Sheep, and Sine were given by several members.

Under Old Business, the club discussed the various monthly community service projects they are planning. Members were also reminded the get enrolled online, before December 15. The 2016 Record Book Achievement Banquet results were also brought up. Three members were recognized for their officer books. Emma Mangels for her Secretary Book, Kyle Hammond for his Treasurer Book, and Andrea Brown for her Reporters Book.

Under New Business, the club discussed the county Honor Flight Chili Feed. It will be held January 21. More to come on this at the January meeting. 4-H Club Days will be held at Holcomb High School on February 4. Members decided to plan a Club Skit.

December birthdays were recognized and Song Leaders lead the group in singing Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer.

The meeting was adjourned and members who wanted to, stayed and made ornaments to take to the nursing homes.

Next meeting is scheduled for January 8, 2017. The club will go bowling.

Finney Flyers

The Finney Flyers November meeting was called to order on the 6th at 4 p.m. by President Melana Satoe at the Finney County 4-H Building. Roll Call was answered by 12 Current Members and 1 Community Leader. The Treasurer’s Report given by Airika Frey listed the balance at $1,367.67. 4-H Officer Training is planned for November 8th at 7 p.m. and the Achievement Banquet is November 20th at 5:30 p.m. Members should RSVP to the Extension Office as soon as possible. Finney Flyers will host with Wide Awake and volunteers need to be there at 3:30 p.m. to help set up.

Council meeting will be held November 28th at 7 p.m. Finney Flyers members will be having a bowling party in March and for our August meeting, it was decided to meet immediately after the Awards Assembly on Sunday at the end of fair. “Swim Fishy Swim” recreation was led by Jarica Hutcheson and members sang Happy Birthday to the November Birthday members present.

Melana Satoe announced that the next club meeting will be held on December 4th at 4:00 p.m. at the Finney County 4-H Building. Members will be bringing finger foods to share and there will be a gift exchange with an item limit of $10. Two families volunteered to bring drinks, plates, and napkins. ~Submitted by Miles Combs
# Club Corner (con’t)

## Happy Hustlers
Happy Hustlers met Sunday, November 6th for their regular monthly meeting. The meeting was opened with the 4-H Pledge. Roll call was “What year could you run for President?” Basketball bounce was played for recreation. Members brought toiletries, snacks, soap packets, etc. to fill a stocking for the troops for the T. Bachman Memorial Christmas Stocking Drive. 4-Hers met December 4 to decorate the float for the 2016 Christmas Parade. They dressed as Whos as Whoville was the name of the float.

## Happy Holidays from the Extension Office!!
The Extension Office will be closed for the holidays from December 23rd until January 2nd. The office will re-open on Tuesday, January 3rd at 8 AM. We hope everyone has a happy and safe holiday season.

## Calendar of Events

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www.finney.ksu.edu

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