New Faces in the Extension Office!
You will see two new faces in the Extension Office! We have hired two new office professionals and are excited to have them join our team.

Please welcome Mayra Vallejo, she will be helping us full-time during the summer and part-time during the year. Mayra is a student at GCCC studying Animal Science.

Also welcome Peggy Munoz, she will be helping us full-time throughout the year as our financial secretary. Peggy grew up around 4-H and Extension and is very excited to be working with us.

Please make both of these ladies in the office feel welcome. You may be receiving emails from both them at one point or another. Their emails are mayra4@ksu.edu and pmunoz@ksu.edu.

FINNEY COUNTY FAIR ENTRY FORMS!!

In order to participate in the Finney County Fair, we need ALL 4-H members to complete entry forms and turn them in by the specified date[s] for the respective projects.

Friday, July 1st is the deadline for livestock stall reservations. (4-H & Open Class). We will be collecting the livestock insurance as always. We will also be collecting a stall fee like last year, however, this will be a per pen charge instead of a per head charge like last year. Please plan on bringing exact change or checks. You will have to write the insurance to 4-H Council and the stall fee to the Fair Board. You must fill out the stall reservation form and livestock waiver.

Friday, July 8th is the deadline for entries for the following projects: photography consultation judging, food & nutrition consultation judging, clothing construction & fashion revue, horse/horse waiver, rabbits, poultry, arts & crafts consultation, demos & illustrated talks, and requests for display space.

Tayla will try to send out weekly reminders to complete these.
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.

September 4-H Council Meeting is Monday, September 26th 2016, at 7PM in the 4-H Building

Cloverbud Club

Thank you to all of the Cloverbuds who participated in meetings! We hope you enjoyed your time as a Cloverbud!

Due to the abundance of spring/summer activities, we will resume our Cloverbud meetings in October!

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.
Finney County Fair News!

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 ASAP. 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:


Superintendent’s Meeting Scheduled

Thank you to all of those who have or will be serving as a superintendent for a project area at the Finney County Fair. We have scheduled a superintendent meeting for all project areas (excluding livestock superintendents) on Monday, July 11, 2016. There will be a meal served at 6PM for all superintendents and the meeting will begin at 7PM. Please be sure to attend this very important meeting. We decided to have it earlier to give everyone more time to prepare for the county fair. Please also note that we will have fair set-up for the Exhibition Building and Grandstand Meeting Room on Saturday, July 23rd beginning at 8AM.
Finney County Fair News!

**Finney County Fair Window Painting**

4-H Clubs will have the opportunity to earn up to $50 for painting local business windows prior to the Finney County Fair. Tayla has flyers in each of the club boxes with more information. She will also send out assignments.

**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.

**Finney County Fair Books**

The 2016 fair book will be available after Monday, June 27th. They will cost $5/book again this year. The fair book will also be available online at the Finney County Fair Website www.finneycountyfair.com. Or check our Extension website: http://www.finney.ks-state.edu/county-fair/index.html

**Finney County Fair 4-H T-Shirts**

Western Motor will once again be sponsoring 4-H Shirts for all Finney County 4-H members, Clover-buds, and community club leaders. For those of you who wish to purchase a fair shirt, we need to know quantities and sizes by Friday, June 24th. Sign-up sheets should be going around at club meetings.

Sizes Available:

- Youth Small - Large $7.25/shirt
- Adult Small - X-Large $7.25/shirt
- Adult 2X $8.75
- Adult 3X $10.25
- Adult 4X $11.75
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.

Finney County Fair 4-H Concession Stand

Thank you to the support of our 4-H Council Members, we have finally secured a manager for the 4-H Concession Stand at the Finney County Fair this year. The concession stand needs the help of our 4-H Clubs! Tayla has completed a work schedule and needs each club to discuss who will work each shift. The schedule is as follows:

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Great American Foods Contest

Photography Mats Available

Photography members! We have plenty of photo mats ready to be purchased at the Extension Office. Please make sure to come in and get all that you will need in order to complete your photo entries for the Finney County Fair. They will be $1.20/mat or 5 for $6.00.

Entry Cards

Remember that you will need to complete entry cards to attach to your fair projects & entries. We will have these available at the Extension Office.
Livestock Information

Youth Livestock Meeting - July 11th

All livestock youth participating in the Premium Auction will be required to contact buyers and business inviting them to the Finney County Fair Premium Auction. Thanks to Hutcheson Realty, we sent out postcards so they could mark their calendars for our premium auction. However, we still require youth to make a personal visit to their offices and invite them out to the fair. This is extremely important to complete BEFORE the fair. After seeing this process for my first time last year, I am moving the date that the cards must be turned in to **Tuesday, July 26th**. You may turn these in when you check in your livestock, but NOT after this date.

You will receive your packets of your assigned contacts at the youth livestock meeting that will be held on Monday, July 11th. We will have a meal provided for livestock families and livestock/fair superintendents beginning at 5:30PM with the meeting beginning promptly at 6PM. This meeting is mandatory for all livestock exhibitors. If you are unavailable on this date, you must make arrangements prior to the meeting!

2016 Finney County Livestock Numbers

After all livestock have been tagged, here are the final numbers for the 2016 Finney County 4-H & FFA livestock.

- 22 Steers, 4 Heifers, 10 Bucket Calves
- 50 Sheep
- 108 Meat Goats
- 138 Swine

Our numbers continue to grow! I am very excited for this year’s county fair.

**Thank you to all of those who attended our Finney County Spring Show! We had a tremendous turnout and are very excited to bring it back again next year. Save the Date: May 19-20, 2017!**

Kansas State Fair/Kansas Junior Livestock Show Entries DUE July 15th

Entry Forms for Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show are DUE JULY 15, 2016!

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

⇒ The nominations do NOT count as an entry for KSF/KJLS!!
Horse Information

Horse Level Testing
If you plan on attending the Southwest District Horse Show or Kansas State Fair, you will need to take Level 1 of the Horse Level Testing. You must come into the Extension Office in order for the test to be administered. Study guides are available on the Kansas State 4-H website [http://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animals/horse.html](http://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animals/horse.html).

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. The Registration Forms are available online and at the Finney County Extension Office. Registration is due by July 7th.

Other Horse Show Flyers are available at the Extension Office!

County Fair Poultry Testing Scheduled
If you have poultry that you plan on bringing to the Finney County Fair, they will need to be bled and tested for a variety of poultry diseases. We have scheduled this for **Wednesday, July 6, 2016 beginning at 5:30PM until 7:00PM**. Please try to make it between those times. We will do the tests on the fairgrounds.

1. Chickens or other game birds under 16 weeks of age do not need tested.
2. Turkeys less than 12 weeks of age do not need tested
3. Ducks or other water fowl are not required to be tested either, but can be tested if requested.

County Fair Rabbit Tattooing & Informational Meeting
If you have rabbits that you plan on bringing to the Finney County Fair, they will need to be tattooed (if they do not already have one). We have not yet scheduled this tattooing and informational meeting, but we will let all enrolled rabbit project members know when this will be.
The March meeting of the Kourageous kids met at Pioneer and had their BIG project meeting sharing. Fourteen members attended and answered roll with “what project were they most excited about this year”?

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The Wide Awake 4-H club held a meeting on June 13, 2016. 4-Hers answered the roll call question: “What is your dream vacation?” Next, Lauren Lightner led the group in the flag salute. Then, Timothy Gillen shared a parliamentary tip, and Lauren Lightner and Sarah Kuhlmeier led the 4-Hers in song. The announcements reminded us of a petting zoo at the Finney County Public Library where Finney County 4-H clubs bring animals to pet on the Northeast lawn. Everyone is welcome to enjoy the animals on June 25th from 10am to 12:00 noon.

The Sherlock Strivers 4-H Club met Sunday, June 5, at Holcomb Recreation. Food project members prepared a taco meal bar for all to enjoy. After eating the meeting began. 21 members answered roll call with “what are your summer plans?” There were 13 adults present. After the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H pledge, officer reports were given. Under old business, the club discussed working on the club banner at the July meeting. The club also voted on a new club t-shirt design. Members were reminded to take part in the Summer Reading Petting Zoo at the Public Library on June 25.

The club discussed the upcoming fair livestock meeting and entry forms, dates, and t-shirts for the fair. Members were informed of a silent basket auction during the fair, in which the club can submit a basket to raise money. 4-Hers were reminded of livestock nominations for the state fair and KS Junior Livestock show. They were also reminded of District Horse Show entries. All are due June 15. District Horse show will be held June 30, in Dodge City. The Finney County Southwest Spectacular 4-H horse show will be July 9.

After adjourning, members had their club tour. Several gave project talks on what they were working on this summer, in preparation for the fair.

The next meeting will be July 10 at Holcomb Elementary.
Club Corner (cont.)

Wide Awake

The Wide Awake 4-H Club held a meeting on May 9, 2016. For roll call members each shared a U.S. national park. Then Gracie Mueller presented a devotional about trusting God. Anna Lobmeyer told the 4-Hers about the Invictus Games – Olympics for wounded Veterans. For project talks, Alya Arana told about animals; Abby Gillen - cooking; Trevor Kennington - horses; and Gracie Mueller - poultry. Emma and Lauren Lightner led the members in round of Row Your Boat and then sang Happy Birthday to the May birthdays. After that, announcements were made about the upcoming Spring Show and Beef Empire Days. Lastly, Mitchell Lehmen led the group in an egg relay game.

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