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4-H Clover Talk



A Note from Katrina:

Summertime is quick approaching and is probably already on the minds of numerous 4-H members as they have started their summer break. This is a time for 4-H members and families to get together with others to discuss different 4-H projects, have BBQ's, collaborate on upcoming fair events, and planning for your week of fun at the Cherokee County Fair. Fair books are available in the office, as well as fair tickets. So stop by the office and come say hello.

Upcoming Events:

- June 1st—Cloverbuds Meeting 6:00
- June 1st—Horse Practice Angie's 6:00
- June 1st—Dog Practice 6:30
- June 3rd—Invitational Dog Show 8:30
- June 4th—Shamrock Meeting 5:00
- June 4th—Archery Practice Shanks 1:00
- June 5th—Kids in the Kitchen Riverton 3:30-5
- June 5th—SVS Meeting Clubhouse 7:00
- June 6-7th—Greenbush Adventure Camp
- June 6th—Horse Practice Arena 6:00
- June 7-8th—Greenbush Adventure Camp
- June 8th—Horse Practice Angie's 6:00
- June 8th—Dog Practice 6:30
- June 10th—Shotgun Practice Shawnee 10:00
- June 11th—Lone Elm Beaver Major's Home 5:30
- June 11th—Pat's Posse Benefit 10:30-2:00**
- June 11th—Archery Practice Shanks 1:00
- June 12th—Kids in the Kitchen Riverton 3:30-5
- June 12th—Dog Practice 6:30
- June 13th—Horse Practice Arena 6:00
- June 15th—Horse Practice Angie's 6:00
- June 15th—Style Revue Meeting 4-H BLD 6:00
- June 17th—Shotgun Practice Shawnee 10:00
- June 19th—Kids in the Kitchen Riverton 3:30-5
- June 19th—Dog Practice 6:30
- June 20th—Horse Practice Arena 6:00
- June 22nd—Horse Practice Angie's 6:00
- June 24th-27th—Sunny Hills Rock Springs Camp
- June 26th—Kids in the Kitchen Riverton 3:30-5
- June 26th - Dog Practice 6:30
- June 27th—Horse Practice Arena 6:00
- June 29th—Horse Practice Angie's 6:00
- June 30th—Camping Spaces Sale Starts 9:00
- July 3rd—Pre-Fair Entries Due 5:00
- July 3rd—SVS Meeting Clubhouse 7:00
- July 6th—SE District Horse Show

KANSAS STATE RESEARCH & EXTENSION HAS VOTED TO START CHARGING 4-H'ERS A PROGRAM FEE OF \$15 BEING IMPLEMENTED BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2017. THIS FEE WILL BE PER 4-H'ER BUT CHEROKEE COUNTY 4-H IS CURRENTLY DISCUSSING OPTIONS TO RAISE FUNDS TO COVER THE COST OF 4-H'ERS WITHIN THE COUNTY.

Pat's Posse



There is an Honorary Dinner & Silent Auction being hosted in Pat Starkweather Smith's name to help with her medical/travel expenses. This honorary dinner will be on June 11th from 10:30-2:00 at the 4-H Building. The menu will be pulled pork sandwich, potato salad or cole slaw, baked beans, dessert, and a drink. Cost for the meal will be by donation only. Come out and help support this wonderful woman, who has supported Cherokee County 4-H for almost 30 years.



Pre-Fair Judging

*July 15th—Style Revue starting at 9:00 with the public revue beginning at 2:30. Location is TBA due to Calvary Baptist Church having Saturday services now.

*July 17th—Foods Judging starting at noon at the 4-H building.

*July 19th—Arts & Crafts, Woodworking, Photography, and Electricity judging beginning at 9:00 at the 4-H Building.

No schedules for the 17th or 19th, just show up, check in, and be directed to the next available judge. If you have questions contact the office at 620-429-3849.

If you have livestock that you plan to show at KJLS or the Kansas State Fair the DNA envelopes and the forms for breeding heifers and all other livestock is due by June 15th. DNA envelopes can be picked up here in the office.

Fair books (and tickets) are here at the office and organized alphabetically by name. It will be the families responsibility to pick up their fair book this year to try to eliminate the unnecessary running of club leaders. Fair pre-entries will be **due July 3rd by 5:00 p.m.** and **late fair pre-entries are due by July 7th at 5:00 p.m. with a \$25 dollar late fee.** After the 7th we will not accept any late fair entries.

Camping Spots will go on sale June 30th at 9:00 a.m.



Horse Project

Horse Practices are every Tuesday at the Saddle Club Arena Nancy will try to be there by 5:30. Practice at Angie's arena will be every Thursday starting at 6:00. Come when you can. The first few sessions will be shorter to not interfere with school. District horse show is scheduled for July 6th and pre entries are due June 15th Any questions, call Nancy, at 620-249-2322 or Angie 620-762-0068.



Kickin' Chicken Meeting Sunday June 4th at the fair barns starting at 4:00 p.m.

MANDATORY POLLORUM TESTING THURSDAY JULY 6TH 7:00 AT COLUMBUS VET



Style Revue Meeting to be held June 15th at 6:00 at the 4-H building. We will be discussing and demonstrating how to walk your pattern.



Rabbit Project Meeting May 12th at the 4-H Building, basics of starting out with rabbit project as well as Q&A session by rabbit leader.

Dog Project Meetings



Dog Project Meetings will be held in the the fair barn show arena weather depending (watch face book for cancellations) . Meetings are scheduled at 6:00 June 1st, 8th, 12th, 19th, and 26th. Invitational Dog show will be June 3rd with registration at 8:30 show starts at 9:00. Classes will be Showmanship, Obedience, Rally Obedience, and Agility. **THIS SHOW IS A STATE QUALIFIER.**

If you have an interest in plants, livestock, or wildlife, attend an educational event like no other in Kansas then this camp is where you will want to be!

Participants: Upcoming High School Sophomores, Juniors, & Seniors

Location: Camp Mennoscah, Murdock, KS

Learning: Range Plant ID, Plant Growth, Stocking Rate, Livestock Nutrition, Rangeland Wildlife Management, and much more!

Special Items : Field trips, steak dinner

Activities: Swimming, canoeing, fishing, and hiking.

Tuition: \$250 per participant

Cherokee County Fair July 24th—29th 2017

The more families that show up to help the less time it will take to get all this done.

SET-UP AND TAKE-DOWN SCHEDULE FOR FAIR

Set-up Monday July 17th 5:30 p.m.

Spring Valley Sparklers (58)
Shamrock (49)

Take-Down Monday July 31st 5:00 p.m.

Lone Elm Beavers (43)
Glittering Stones (39)
Prairie Ramblers (19)

Fair King and Queen tickets can be picked up at the Extension office when you come and pick up your fair books. The winners of the ticket prizes will be drawn Saturday night of the fair after the Premium Sale and will be notified. (Winners need not be present to win) Tickets (those sold and those left over) and money must be turned into the office by 5:00 p.m. on July 24th. This is a fundraiser that we do for Cherokee County 4-H Council and helps to maintain our building and will help to pay for 4-H enrollment fees in the near future.



Shotgun practices have been scheduled and I'm excited to see everyone get started. **First things first, make sure that you are enrolled on the 4-H online system, in the shotgun discipline of shooting sports before you shoot at any of the practices.** Practices are as follows at the Shawnee Creek Preserve at 10:00 a.m.: April 14th & 22nd, May 20th & 27th, June 10th & 17th, July 8th & 22nd, August 12th—State Qualifier, August 26th, September 9th, and September 23&24th—State Shotgun Match.



The weather has began to warm up and archery practices have been scheduled. **Along with the other disciplines, please make sure that you are enrolled in 4-H online under the archery discipline before participating in practices.** Practices are as follows at Bob Shanks' Farm at 1:00 p.m.: April 2nd & 23rd, May 7th & 21st, June 4th & 11th, July 16th, August 13th & 20th, September 10th, and September 16th—State Archery Match.

Cherokee County Fair July 24th—July 29th 2017

WORK SCHEDULE FOR FAIR WEEK

Once again your cooperation is critical as 4-H clubs take their turn monitoring the 4-H building during fair week. (Duties also include check/stock/clean the outside restrooms.) At least one person must be in the 4-H Building at all times from 10:00 a.m.—10:00 p.m. Pick up the key from the Extension Office each morning; unlock all the doors (except on the south side); turn on lights and fans. Take phone messages, answer visitors questions to the best of your ability. Remember—you are representing Cherokee County 4-H. Put a smile on your leaders' face and be the first family to call and sign up for your times (some club families may need to do more than one shift). Due to the small number of clubs each club will need to fill an entire day. Maybe you can work out something to get some help from some of the larger clubs for part of the day. Thanks everyone for your cooperation.

We have started doing a rotation yearly of who works what day to keep it fair to all clubs.



July 25th—Tuesday 12:00-10:00 —Spring Valley Sparklers

July 26th—Wednesday 10:00—10:00—Prairie Ramblers

July 27th—Thursday 10:00—10:00—Glittering Stones

July 28th—Friday 10:00—10:00—Lone Elm Beavers

July 29th—Saturday 10:00—10:00—Shamrock



Please make a list (with phone numbers) of who is working when and turn it into the office.

Buyer's Dinner— The Sherwood board will be sponsoring a buyer's dinner on Saturday evening July 29th beginning at 5:30 p.m. (before the livestock auction). They will furnish the main meal and request that 4-H families provide desserts for the meal. Invite your livestock buyers from 2016, trophy sponsors, etc. to come and enjoy an excellent meal. Please participate in this event as they work really hard to get this all put together and want to help 4-H'ers to show their appreciation to the buyers and sponsors.

It is recommended that animals be brought to the fair grounds between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Tuesday July 25th but we do realize that this will not work for everyone because of people's work schedules, as well as rabbit show. If you feel the need to bring your animals Monday evening then you may do so, but they will be your responsibility and security will not be provided that evening. Sorry again for the inconvenience this may cause anyone just trying our best to keep everything running smoothly and effortlessly as possible.

Lastly don't forget about the dessert auction that will be held on Wednesday evening of the fair, July 26th, following the coronation of Fair Royalty and the Herding Hero's sheep and goat show. We ask families to donate one dessert for the auction. Then stick around after the dessert auction for the Ice Cream Social and Barn Dance. The Ice cream social is a chance to relax and visit with other families. We also like to try everyone's favorite flavor of Ice Cream, maybe you make a mean peach ice cream, or your favorite is store bought cookies and cream. Don't be afraid to share the love by bringing your favorite for everyone else to try.



Here is the link for the 4-H informational page for the Kansas State Fair,

*Pre entries for the State 4-H Horse Show must be made on the www.kansasstatefair.fairentry.com web site on or before August 1. To complete the entry, a fee of \$5 per class must be sent to the State 4-H Office before August 1 to cover show expenses.

State Fair Entries are due in the extension office by August 9th