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# 4-H Clover Talk



## A Note from Katrina:

4-H Days is right around the corner and I am excited to see all of the talent that everyone has to offer up. It's going to be a fun day paired with an even better evening when you make your way to the Sweetheart Dance from 7:30-10:00 at the 4-H Building. Five canned items for singles, eight for couples, and ten for families is all it takes to get into this fun filled dance. Also Start thinking about our annual Justin Mooney Memorial Volleyball Tournament at Southeast High School on April 1st 2017.

-Katrina

## Upcoming Events:

- Feb 1st—County 4-H Days Registration Due
- Feb 2nd—Kids in the Kitchen 3:30-5:00
- Feb 2nd—Cloverbuds Meeting 6:00
- Feb 4th—County 4-H Days 9:00
- ♥ Feb 4th—4-H Sweetheart Dance 7:30-10
- Feb 6th—BB Gun Meeting 4-H BLDG 6:00
- Feb 6th—SVS Meeting Clubhouse 7:00
- Feb 8th—Experiences w/ Extension 3:30-5
- Feb 9th—Kids in the Kitchen 3:30-5:00
- Feb 9th—Dog Info Meeting (NO DOGS) 6:00
- Feb 12th—Glittering Stones Meeting 4:00
- Feb 13th—PDC Meeting 6:30
- Feb 14th—Lone Elm Beavers Meeting 7:00
- Feb 16th—Kids in the Kitchen 3:30-5:00
- Feb 16th—Dog Meeting 4-H BLDG 6:00
- Feb 17th—Market Calf Weigh In 5:00-7:00
- Feb 20th—OFFICE CLOSED
- Feb 20th—BB Gun Meeting 4-H BLDG 6:00
- Feb 21st—Dog Meeting 4-H BLDG 6:00
- Feb 22nd—Experiences w/ Extension 3:30-5
- Feb 23rd—Kits in the Kitchen 3:30-5:00
- Feb 23rd—KAP and Record Book Class 6:00
- Feb 27th—BB Gun Meeting 4-H BLDG 6:00
- Mar 1st—Experiences w/ Extension 3:30-5
- Mar 2nd—Cloverbud Meeting 6:00
- Mar 4th—District 4-H Days Chanute
- Mar 6th—BB Gun Meeting 4-H BLDG 6:00
- March 6th—SVS Meeting Clubhouse 7:00
- Mar 7th—Dog Meeting 4-H BLDG 6:00
- Mar 9th—Dog Meeting 4-H BLDG 6:00
- March 12th—Shamrock Meeting 5:00
- Mar 14th—Lone Elm Beavers Meeting 7:00
- Mar 15th—Fair Book Design Due
- Mar 16th—Dog Meeting 4-H BLDG 6:00
- Mar 20th—BB Gun Meeting 4-H BLDG 6:00

**4-H Enrollment for Fair Participation— MAY 1st IS THE DEADLINE FOR 4-H ONLINE REGISTRATION TO BE COMPLETE TO COMPETE IN ANY FAIR PROJECTS**

**Fair Book Cover Design— Who wants their drawing or picture to be featured as the front cover photo on the fair book. Check with me for more information about how to make this happen! 620-429-3849, or [kcurry@ksu.edu](mailto:kcurry@ksu.edu)**

## 4-H Weigh Dates

Even though it doesn't feel like summer it is time to start thinking about fair projects for the 2017 Cherokee County Fair, which will be July 25th-29th.

**Friday February 17th** – Market Calves weigh in at Columbus Veterinary Clinic from 5-7 p.m. You can weigh in heifers but they will be in the same class with the market steers, it is all going to be in one class. Maximum weight at first weigh in for steers/heifers will be 1000 lbs. Family nominations will be used again this year for all livestock and you will need to designate which animal belongs to which child at fair weigh in.

**Friday April 21st**— Feeder Calves weigh at Columbus Veterinary Clinic from 5-7 p.m.

**Saturday April 22nd**— Swine weigh at fairgrounds from 8-10 a.m.

**Monday April 24th** – Goat/Sheep weigh at fairgrounds from 5-7 p.m.

Bucket calves must be tagged by June 1 and they need to be born after Jan 1<sup>st</sup>. Can be brought to any of the weigh in dates or brought by the extension office to be tagged.

Some suggestions of the size and age of animals you should be considering purchasing for the fair.

Market Steers/Helpers – Animals must be less than 1000 lbs. Look for animals probably born in late Feb and March.

Feeder Calves – Animals must weigh between 275- 625 lbs. Must be born after Sept 1<sup>st</sup>.

Market Hogs – Ideal weights at weigh in would be 50-90 lbs. Pigs born in mid-Feb to early March should work well.

Meat Goats – Goats should be born end of Dec to early Feb. Goats need to weigh at least 50 lbs. An ideal weight would be 75 – 80 lbs at fair.

Sheep- Lambs born in Jan/Feb should be fine. Sheep need to weigh at least 90 lbs or more at fair.



### 2017 Horse Panorama Contest

This year's horse Panorama Contest has come to an end. I am EXTREMELY proud of all the kiddos that worked their tails off to be more knowledgeable about horses. Next Years practices will start mid-September, keep an eye in your newsletter for more information closer to time.



BB Gun practices have been scheduled and I know that some of you are SO ready to get started. **First off make sure that you are enrolled in 4-H Online before beginning practice.** Practices are as follows at the 4-H building at 6:00 pm: February 6th, 20th, 27th March 6th, 20th, 27th.

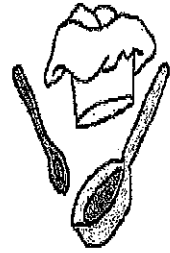
### Kids in the Kitchen Columbus Series

Thursday February 2nd 3:30-5:00

Thursday February 9th 3:30-5:00

Thursday February 16th 3:30-5:00

Thursday February 23rd 3:30-5:00



At the Extension Office in Columbus please call to get signed up 620-429-3849



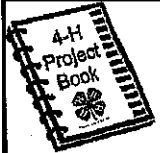
Next 4-H Council Meeting will take April 10th at 5:30 at the 4-H Building. We will be discussing upcoming fair events, as well as reflecting on some prior events and discussing their impact.



4-H Days is around the corner! It will be February 4th, at the 4-H building. Those who receive a purple at club days may advance to Regional 4-H days, which will be in Chanute on March 4th. Entries for local 4-H days are due in the office by February 1st at 5:00 p.m. Entry forms can be picked up in the office or found at the end of your January newsletter. **NO ENTRIES TAKEN OVER THE PHONE**, 4-H days is a lot of fun and is a great opportunity to showcase some of your many talents, or work on your public speaking skills. Some of the different entries you can participate in for 4-H days is project talks, demonstrations, singing, play an instrument, dance or do a skit. Feel free to call with any questions.



Put your dancing shoes on for a fun-filled night with friends. February 4th, 2017 Cherokee County 4-H will be hosting a sweetheart dance for anyone and everyone. This evening of dancing will begin at 7:30 p.m. and end at 10:00 p.m. Anyone 4-H or non 4-H is welcome to attend. Cost is going to be 5 canned food items for singles, 8 canned food items for couples, and 10 canned food items for families. We are using this dance as a community service project and will be donating the items collected to the food pantries in Cherokee County. I would like to take a moment to give a HUGE THANKS to the Underwood family for being our DJ for this fun evening, they are always willing to help us out when they are available! So come out for a fun filled evening of dancing and fun!



KAP (Kansas Award Portfolio) and Record book training will be taking place on February 23rd beginning at 6:00 p.m. This is an opportunity to learn about what a record book is, what a KAP is, and how to fill each out. We will even have a couple examples for everyone to look at! Please if you have any questions about how to fill out either of these then take time this evening to come out and see what they are all about!

### Willie & the Beanstalk Competition

Willie and the Beanstalk is a contest open to high school, middle school, 4-H, and/or FFA teams interested in the scientific principals surrounding plant growth. The challenge is to grow the largest soybean plant in a 47 day time span and document this effort. The starting date is February 29, 2016 and the Judging date is April 16th at the KSU Open House. The contest is to grow the largest soybean plant in 47 days Contact the office for more information or check out <http://www.kansas4-h.org/tipsheet/announcement.php?id=24121>



### CK CO Canine Camp

March 25th, 2017 Check in at 8:00 at the 4-H Building, workshop will fun from 8:30-4:30 and will be working on obedience, rally obedience, showmanship, and agility. We will also have a special guest speaker!

\$25.00 pre-entry cost

\$30.00 cost day of camp.

### Justin Mooney Memorial 4-H Volleyball Tournament



April 1st beginning at 100 p.m. at Southeast High School Gym you will hear a lot of cheering going on for our participants in this years Justin Mooney Memorial 4-H Volleyball Tournament. So get your practices scheduled and get your teams together for a fun. The three divisions are as follows: K-6th, 7th-12th, College—Adult and registrations with \$20.00 team fee are due by March 15th, 2017.

### Tractor Safety Training

This year we will be hosting another tractor safety training class for Wednesday, March 22nd from 9-4. Tractor Safety Training is required for 14 and 15 year olds, older youth are welcome to come and attend. Chili will be provided for lunch. If you are interested in attending Tractor Safety Training please call the extension office and let us know by March 9th. Registration will be \$10.00 to cover the cost of the training manuals.

**Kansas Junior Swine Producer Day**

**K-STATE** Research and Extension  
 March 11, 2017  
 Kansas State University  
 Weber Arena

Please join us March 11<sup>th</sup> for the Kansas Junior Swine Producers Day in Weber Arena on the K-State campus in Manhattan. This highly interactive, hands-on educational event will be a fun filled day of activities in which youth, parents, swine project leaders and adults can increase their knowledge and experience of swine production and management practices. Presentations and demonstrations will be provided by K-State faculty members and graduate students, as well as our guest speaker Wade Hummel, K-State swine specialist. The event will include a tour of the Swine Research and Education Center, a hands-on workshop for JBS (Judges) United, and a special presentation by the National Swine Registry. The event is free and open to all ages. Registration is required. All participants will receive a T-shirt, complimentary lunch, and a Meat Goat Show Guide. Participants with registrations received after February 22 cannot be guaranteed a T-shirt.

Costs \$15/person by February 22 or \$20/person after February 22  
 \*Over Price, Show Equipment & Supplies is in show copy\*

Schedule:	
8:30	Registration
9:00	Welcome and Opening Remarks
9:30	Swine Production and Management Practices
10:00	Swine Nutrition and Health
10:30	Swine Genetics and Breeding
11:00	Swine Health and Disease
11:30	Lunch
12:15	Youth FQA+ Contest/Prize Session
12:30	Early Check-in for Show Pigs
1:00	Swine Nutrition Update & Present
1:30	Swine Health and Disease
2:00	Swine Genetics and Breeding
2:30	Swine Nutrition Update & Present
3:00	Swine Health and Disease
3:30	Swine Genetics and Breeding
4:00	Swine Nutrition Update & Present
4:30	Swine Health and Disease
5:00	Swine Genetics and Breeding

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**Questions? Contact:**  
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Kansas Junior Swine Producer Day: March 11, 2017 Early Registration Due Feb. 22, 2017

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 T-Shirt Size (Circle One): Youth S YM YL YXL Adult S M L XL 2XL 3XL  
 Check Age:  13 & Under  14-18  Adult  
 Do you plan on attending the Youth FQA+ session?  Yes  No  
 \$15 Fee Enclosed:  Special Dietary or Participant Needs? \_\_\_\_\_  
 One form per participant. All attendees must register. Show must check-in on-site by 1:30 PM.  
 All check and registration to Leslie Hayes, 214 Weber Hall, 1424 Clarkin Road, Manhattan, KS 66506  
 To Register Online: <https://commerce.ksu.edu/ksu/swine>

**Kansas Junior Meat Goat Producer Day**

**K-STATE** Research and Extension  
 March 25, 2017  
 Kansas State University  
 Weber Arena

Join us for the 5<sup>th</sup> Biennial Junior Meat Goat Producers Day on March 25, 2017. This event is dedicated to meat goat production and management practices. This interactive workshop is designed for all ages and skill levels. This year, participants will learn the basics of meat goat production and management practices. Topics include nutrition, health and show ring practices. Registration will be held in the lobby area of Weber Hall with the program kicking off at 9:00 AM and continuing at 2:00 PM. Please join us for this experience to teach all ages how to properly select, breed, and care for their meat goat projects. All participants will receive a T-shirt, complimentary lunch, and a Meat Goat Show Guide. Participants with registrations received after March 3 cannot be guaranteed a T-shirt.

Costs \$15/person by March 3 or \$20/person after March 3

Schedule (Tentative):	
8:45	Registration
9:15	Welcome and Remarks
9:30	Meat/Goat Selection
10:15	Break
10:30	Meat/Goat Nutrition
11:00	Meat/Goat Management Process & Update
11:30	Lunch
12:30	Meat/Goat Nutrition
1:00	Meat/Goat Management Process & Update
2:00	Wrap-up, Open Questions, Door Prizes

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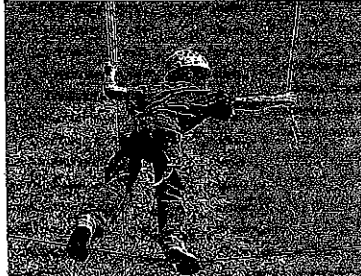
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Kansas Junior Meat Goat Producer Day: March 25, 2017 Early Registration Due March 3, 2017

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 T-Shirt Size (Circle One): Youth S YM YL YXL Adult S M L XL 2XL 3XL  
 Check Age:  13 & Under  14-18  Adult  
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**Fair book Cover Design Contest**— Draw, Color, Trace, Snap Pictures, or even use computer designing to win yourself a free armband for any night of the Cherokee County Fair July 25th—29th. The Cherokee County Fairboard wants 4-H'ers of Cherokee County to design the front cover of this year's fair book. There are no stipulations except it must represent Cherokee County in a positive manner. The prize that the fair board has selected for this years winner will be an armband for any night the carnival. For more information contact Katrina at the office. 620-429-3849 or kcurry@ksu.edu. Deadline is March 15th and must be turned into the extension office by 5:00 on this date.



**Greenbush Adventure Camp**

Greenbush Adventure camp is a camp that is open to 7-9 year old youth who are enrolled in 4-H and interested in a one

night stay at Greenbush Education Center in Girard, KS. This camp has two available dates June 6th & 7th, OR June 7th & 8th. Numerous activities such as stargazing, canoeing, fishing, archery, insect adventures, ropes course and much more. Your kiddos will come home with stories galore! Price is \$75.00 per camper, this is a great little camp for those campers (or parents) who aren't quite ready for multiple nights away from home. I am also looking for 16 year old or older 4-H'ers that would be interested in being a camp counselor for this camp. Contact the office for more information.

**Sunny Hills 4-H Camp**



Sunny Hills Rock Springs 4-H Camp is a magical place near Junction City, Kansas. Kids that attend this camp have opportunities to go horseback riding, develop leadership skills, learn about wildlife, go canoeing, and many other activities. 4-H'ers that attend Rock Springs have the opportunity to make friendships that will last a lifetime. Sunny Hills 4-H Camp is scheduled for June 24th through the 27th this year. The Sherwood 4-H Development Fund sponsors two 4-H'ers from each 4-H Club to go to this camp, so if you are interested in going then talk to your 4-H Club leader and have them recommend you. Ages for this camp are 3rd grade complete through 7th grade complete. I am also looking for counselors which must be 10th grade complete. If you would be interested in attending camp but would like more info feel free to ask your club leader, or give me a call in the office.

**Cherokee County Canine Camp March 25, 2017**  
Pre entries must be post marked by March 21, 2017

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's name \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Heights at withers \_\_\_\_\_

**Showmanship**

Pre-Junior (9 and under) \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Junior (9-13) \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Senior (14 and up) \_\_\_\_\_

Age is based on the 4-H'ers age as of January 1.

Adult Open \_\_\_\_\_

**Obedience**

Pre-Novice \_\_\_\_\_ (All Exercises done on leash.) If Adult Please Mark \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Novice \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Graduate Novice \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Open A \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*Open B \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Utility A \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*Utility B \_\_\_\_\_

If you are entering Utility A or B please bring your own equipment.

**Rally Obedience**

Level-1 \_\_\_\_\_ (on Lead) If Adult Please Mark \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Level 2 \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Level 3 \_\_\_\_\_

**Agility**

All classes will be divided into the three height divisions.

**Division I** Dogs less than 15 inches at the withers- jump 8 inches.

**Division II** Dogs 15-20 inches at the withers- jump 12 inches.

**Division III** Dogs 20 inches and over at the withers- jump 16 inches.

Pre-Agility \_\_\_\_\_ (All obstacles will be done on lead) If Adult Please Mark \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Agility I Novice \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Agility II \_\_\_\_\_

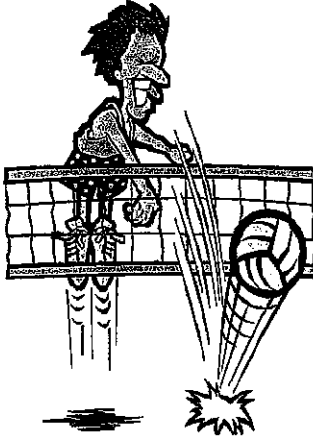
\*\*Agility III \_\_\_\_\_

All classes with "\*\*\*" are classes given at the State 4-H Dog Show.

Please enclose check made payable to Cherokee County 4-H Dog Project  
Mail or give to Anne E Sharp, 8200 SE 50<sup>th</sup>, Baxter Springs, KS 66713  
620-202-0190

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT



**WHO:** You and Your Friends

**WHAT:** Justin Mooney Memorial  
4-H Volleyball Tournament

**WHEN:** Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017

**Approximate Time:** 1:00 p.m. ----- finish

**WHERE:** Southeast High School Gymnasium

## THREE DIVISIONS

K-6th

7-12th

College- adult (not members of a regular team)

**NOTE:** Justin Mooney was a Glittering Stones 4-H member who lost his battle with a brain tumor on Jan. 1, 1996...gone, but not forgotten.

The two older divisions will play with 6 members on the court, with no more than half being male members. Grades K-6 can play with 9 members, no more than 5 boys on the court at a time.

Official KSHAA regulations will be observed.

You don't have to be 4-H member to participate -- invite all your friends!

**REGISTRATION FEE ----- \$20.00 per team**

**Make checks payable to 4-H Council and send to PO Box 148**

**Columbus, KS 66725 by March 15, 2017**

Schedules will be sent to team contact person.

Prizes will be awarded in each division.

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**Volleyball Tournament Registration - DUE March 15th, 2017**

Return to: 4-H Council

PO Box 148

Columbus, KS 66725

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Division \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Horse ID's are due in the office by **MAY 1**. If you are using the same horse you can just bring in last years ID to have it signed. If you have new horses will need new paper with photo that will need Agent signature. If you have questions contact the office. If your paper isn't signed by May 1 you can not participate in the horse project.

**FAIR Dates for 2017 are earlier this year. JULY 25-29. Mark your calendars as it will be here before you know it.**



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