



# RILEY COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

## April 2022

### Grow Green Match Day

The 10th Annual Grow Green Match Day on Friday, April 22 holds incredible opportunity for the Riley County 4-H Foundation. On that day, the Greater Manhattan Community Foundation will match donations made to our endowment fund—our long-term savings—and we could potentially receive up to a \$10,000 match. **Please watch your email for more information later this month.**

### Dropping and Adding Projects

Please remember that **May 1** is the last date to drop or add projects via your 4-H Online account. If you have not gotten around to enrolling for the 2021-2022 4-H year, please do so ASAP. To add a project contact Brandy

### Interested in Assisting a Dept. Chair at the Fair?

We are currently looking for individuals willing to assist our department chairs at the 2022 Riley County Fair. If this is something you would be interested in please contact Lynne Berry via email at [lberry@rileycountyks.gov](mailto:lberry@rileycountyks.gov) or call the Extension Office at 785-537-6350.

### Discovery Days 2022

Kansas 4-H Discovery Days is scheduled for June 1-3, 2022! Youth age 13-18, before January 1, 2022 are invited to register. More information coming soon.

### Newsletter Worthy

I would love to highlight some of the wonderful activities and people who are currently active in our Riley County 4-H program. If you would like to let everyone know about something your 4-Hers have accomplished or honor a volunteer please email me the details and I will put it in the next newsletter. Also, if any of our young people deserve recognition for something they have done outside of 4-H let me know and we will recognize them.



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Remember to enroll in Riley County 4-H by **May 1!**

<https://v2.4honline.com/>



If you have something for the 4-H newsletter, please submit it to [jajobe@ksu.edu](mailto:jajobe@ksu.edu) by the 10 of the month.

## 4-H Council Dates for 2021-2022

**Monday, November 1, 2021; Monday, January 3, 2022; Monday, March 7, 2022; Monday, May 2, 2022; Monday, June 27, 2022; Monday, August 29, 2022.**

Each club is allowed to have 5 voting representatives: 3 youth and 2 adults.

## Importance of attending 4-H Council

Our Riley County 4-H Council serves as a vital component to our month-to-month programming here in our area, but also allows club representative to take vital information back and report to their club. 4-H Council plans and implements county-wide events, oversees funding request, and votes to make necessary changes to our program as they see fit. Each club is allowed to have (5) voting representatives (3) youth and (2) adults. I would strongly encourage you to exercise that right throughout the year. You don't have to be a Council Representative to attend. It is open to all 4-Hers and parents.

The 4-H Council dates are **ABOVE**.

## Applications Due for Summer Inbound Exchanges

Families wishing to host students from Costa Rica, South Korea, Taiwan and Japan. These youth are ages 12-18, depending on the exchange program. The placements for families to host students from Japan will be managed within Kansas by Pam Van Horn, State Coordinator. Placements for students for Costa Rica, South Korea and Taiwan are managed by Mary Kay Munson. Families should submit online applications to States' 4-H International Exchange Programs. The same application can be used for all of these exchanges.

The link to the application is found on the Kansas 4-H web page at: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/global-citizenship/index.html>.

Contact Mary Kay Munson for more information on one-month States' 4-H exchanges other than Japan. [munson@ksbroadband.net](mailto:munson@ksbroadband.net) If a family applies to host and does not get a placement, the family will be contacted about other options including Japan and IFYE.

## Livestock Skillathon 2022

The 4-H youth livestock skillathon contest is designed to promote understanding of management and care of livestock, and is focused on the following species: cattle, swine, sheep, and goats. Contest stations can include any or all of the following areas: feed ID/use, breed identification/characteristics, animal anatomy, meat cut ID, livestock equipment ID/ use, animal health management, and livestock quality assurance. There is no team competition; 4-Hers will compete as individuals. Awards will be presented to the top individual in each age division (Junior, Intermediate, Senior). After winning a division, the individual will need to compete in the next older age division in following years. Individuals are eligible to compete in the senior division multiple years, but may only receive an award once per age division.

The contest will be held on the afternoon of Monday, July 25, and you will sign up for the contest at the fair; no fair pre-entry is required. It will be held in the open air tent north of Pottorf Hall. Belt buckles will be given to each division winner. All 4-Hers may compete in the contest; you do not have to be enrolled in a livestock project to compete. Questions, contact Gary Fike [glike@rileycountyks.gov](mailto:glike@rileycountyks.gov)

## Save the dates! Insect Spectacular 2022

The Kansas 4-H Insect Spectacular, a two-day state-wide entomology workshop, will be held in person this year! It will be held June 17-18 in Chanute, Kansas. Classes will include basic pinning, basic and advanced identification, insect photography, invasive species, pollinator gardens and more. A parent or legal guardian must attend with their 4-H'er. Registration, proposed schedule, and full information will be posted [here](#) around May 1. Stay tuned!

# Leaders and Parents

## 2022 Riley County Fair Theme

At the March 4-H Council meeting, club representatives voted a good number of fair theme ideas down to three options. At the March Riley County Fair board meeting, board members voted to use '**Bright Lights & Summer Nights**' as the 2022 Riley County Fair theme. This theme will be represented in club banners, window decorations, and on the cover of the 2022 fair book.

## 4-H Club Window Decorations 2022

Each club will have the option to decorate a window in a local business or office in their local community. Window designs will be judged on **Tuesday, July 12** prior to the start of the fair. Photos of the window and ribbon placings will be on display in Pottorf Hall during the fair.

### Below are the parameters:

Each club must secure their own window, making arrangements for painting as well as cleaning the window within a week following the fair.

Clubs CAN decorate more than one window, but can only submit one for judging.

Fair window will need to be decorated by Monday, July 11.

Each club must notify the Extension office by Monday July 11 as to the location of their clubs window .

Each window should include the fair dates as well as the wording "Riley County Fair 2022" somewhere in the design.

Designs are not required to follow the fair theme.

Judging criteria will be based on 1) Creativity 2) Fair Marketing Value/ Location.

## Encouraging Fair Participation

As we enjoy these warmer spring months, think about what you can do to get your club active. Perhaps set a date aside from the monthly club meetings as a fun "project day" where each 4-Her walks away with a completed project they can display at the 2022 Riley County fair. Alternatively, make sure your club families are aware of the monthly project meetings taking place here in our area. Keep in mind that it is the "doing" that makes 4-H great. Getting active also allows for our 4-H youth to work alongside knowledgeable adults in completing a project or task.

## Red Wheel Delivery

If your families sold Red Wheel, please plan to be at Pottorf Hall on **Saturday, April 23** to pick up items. Pick up will be from **9:00-9:30 am**.

Please bring coolers to keep frozen items cold, along with a copy of your order sheet. Adults and older 4-Hers will be needed to help unload the truck beginning at 9:00 am.



**4-H Garage Sale**  
**April 8-9**  
**Wreath Barn, Cico Park, Manhattan**

**We are looking for a huge selection of items  
to be donated.**

**We do not accept TVs of any kind.**

**Proceeds benefit 4-H members in Pottawatomie, Riley,  
& Wabaunsee Counties**

**Drop Off Items on Location**

**Wednesday, April 6, 5-8 PM**

**Thursday, April 7, 10 AM - 8 PM**

**Garage Sale**

**Friday, April 8, 9 AM - 8 PM**

**Saturday, April 9, 8 AM - Noon**

**Questions: Call John Jobe, 785-537-6350**

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# Brick Masters

**Come Build with Us**

**Team-based brick creation activity**

**All ages welcome**

**(ages 9 and under need to be accompanied by an adult)**

**6:30–8:00 pm**

**Tuesday, April 26**

**Pottorf Hall, Cico Park**

**Register for free at <https://bit.ly/3qaSqp9>**

**Call John with any questions 785-537-6350**

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# 2021-2022 Riley County 4-H Calendar

## April

- Early April Red Wheel DUE to Club Leaders  
 1 Fair Royalty Applications DUE  
 8-9 CWF Garage Sale; RL Co. Fairgrounds  
 23 Red Wheel Pick-up, Pottorf Hall 9:00-9:30 am  
 23 State Shooting Sports Match  
 TBA Discovery Days Registration DUE

## September

- 5 Labor Day, Extension Office Closed  
 TBA State Fair Project DUE to Extension Office  
 9-18 Kansas State Fair  
 TBA Project Reports & Awards DUE  
 30 KJLS

## May

- 1 Project Add/ Drop Deadline  
 2 Horse ID Papers DUE  
 2 Sheep & Goat Weigh-In/ Tagging,  
 Hurlburt Arena, 5-7 pm  
 2 4-H Council, 7 pm Pottorf Hall  
 14 Dog Agility Workshop and Competition  
 14 Dog Agility & Rally-O, Pottorf Hall  
 18 Fair Royalty Interview; Pottorf Hall  
 30 Memorial Day, Extension office closed  
 TBA Emerald Circle Banquet

## June

- 1-3 Discovery Days, KSU Campus  
 9 State Horse Judging  
 20 Juneteenth, Extension office closed  
 TBA Campference, Rock Springs  
 25 Dog Showmanship & Obedience, Pottorf  
 27 4-H Council Meeting, Pottorf Hall  
 TBA State Geology Field Trip

## July

- 1 Fair Pre-Entries DUE  
 4 Independence Day, Ext Off. Closed  
 15 State Fair Livestock Entries DUE  
 14 Fair Fashion Review  
 16 4-H Horse Show  
 18 Fair Work Night, Pottorf Hall  
 19 4-H Photography Judging  
 19 4-H and Cloverbud Pet Show  
 20 4-H and Cloverbud Foods Judging/ Visual Arts  
 21-25 Riley County Fair, Cico Park  
 26 Fairground Cleanup

## August

- 5 State Fair Entry Forms DUE  
 15 KJLS Entries DUE  
 TBA State Horticulture & Livestock Judging  
 29 4-H Council, 7 pm Pottorf Hall



**10TH ANNUAL  
GROW GREEN  
MATCH DAY**

FRIDAY, APRIL 22ND  
7 AM - 6 PM  
555 POYNITZ AVENUE  
COLONY SQUARE ATRIUM

ONLINE GIVING OPEN  
12 AM TO 11:59 PM

50% MATCH ON GIFTS BETWEEN  
\$25 AND \$1,000

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