Golden Clover Hunt
Starting on July 8, we will once again kick off the Golden Clover Hunt in anticipation of the Riley County Fair. Each weekday a new clue will be posted to the Riley County Fair website at www.rileycountyfair.com. Clues will continue to post right up until the start of the fair or until someone finds the clover. Upon discovery, the individual or family will be showered in wonderful gifts donated by local participants. Good luck to you all!

Riley County 4-H Foundation Auction at the Fair
Riley County 4-H Foundation will be hosting a Silent Auction at the Riley County Fair, July 21-25. 100 % of the proceeds from the auction will benefit the Riley County 4-H Foundation.

The Riley County 4-H Foundation supports 4-H events and activities for local youth including 4-H awards and recognition, 4-H event scholarship, 4-H college scholarships, and funding for 4-H Ambassador, 4-H School Enrichment programs and judging contests.

You will be able to participate in the Silent Auction each day during the fair. The auction booth will be setup in Pottorf Hall and available while the building is open. Please stop by the Fair office located in Pottorf Hall and sign-up for a bid number. The bidding will close on Monday, July 25. You do not need to be present to win. Those that participate Thank you for supporting Riley County 4-H Foundation.

If you wish to donate an item for the auction, please contact the Extension Office.

See You at the Fashion Revue
Come out for the 2022 Riley County Fashion Revue and judging. This includes Clothing Construction, Buymanship and Make It With Wool for both 4-Hers and Cloverbuds. Fashion Revue will be Thursday, July 14 at St. Thomas More Catholic Church in Manhattan.

Scripts for the evening fashion revue will be due Thursday, July 7. No late scripts will be accepted. Details regarding Fashion Revue are included in the fair book. All scripts will be submitted via a Google Doc. Look for a link on our website under “Hot Topics” or click here.

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785-537-6350

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Brandy: brandymarie@ksu.edu
4-H Info: 4hinfo@rileycountyks.gov
Office Hours: Monday-Friday; 8-5 pm

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The Riley County Extension Office will be closed on July 4th in observance of the 4th of July holiday.

If you have something for the 4-H newsletter, please submit it to 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 a be a Council Representative to attend. It is open to all 4-Hers and parents.

The 4-H Council dates are ABOVE.

Fair Pop Stand Sign Up
As we make the final drive towards fair 2022, we are putting together some of the details for non-project related scheduling. As with the past couple years, we are not appointing pop stand slots for each club. Instead we are allowing individuals or families to sign up for slots that work with their schedule. Ideally four kids and one adult are about as many people you want to have in the stand at one time, but you can staff it with as few as two kids and one adult. Below is the link to the time slots, so please don’t wait to get signed up for a shift.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D44ADA72FA4FD0-4hpop

Guidelines for operating the Riley County 4-H Pop Stand

1. It is your groups responsibility to make sure someone is operating the pop stand during the assigned time.
2. One adult needs to be present when working.
3. Each group should clean throughout their scheduled time (wipe up spills, etc.)
4. The last group in the evening is responsible for cleaning up and closing.
5. If the club assigned after your club does not show up, please contact Brandy at the fair office

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 at 12:30 pm on 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 gfike@rileycountyks.gov.
County Fair Info

Questions About the Fair?
Check your fair book first. If you can’t find the answer to your question, call the Extension Office at 785-537-6350. For your convenience keep this newsletter as a reference. If you need additional information check out the fair website; www.rileycountyfair.com

Extension Office Moving
We will be moving to the Fairgrounds from July 15-25. We will reopen the office downtown on July 27.

Riley Country Fair Work Night
Work Night is Monday, July 18, beginning at 5:30 pm with supper. A meeting for all Superintendents and Junior Superintendents will begin at 5:45 pm. After the meeting, Superintendents and Junior Superintendents and other volunteers will set up their department(s) for the fair.

Say Cheese
Before or after interview judging, don’t forget to stop by our selfie station located by the northwest doors inside Pottorf Hall. This allows us to keep an up to date social media presence on all things Riley County Fair 2022.

Fair Livestock Check in
All livestock will be checked in Thursday, July 21 from 7-11 am.

Banner Intake
Just a reminder that all 4-H club banners will need to be brought into Pottorf Hall on Monday, July 18 from 8:00 am -7:00pm. Please make these arrangements as soon as possible.

Fair Check-In Table
Pottorf Hall exhibits will be checked in at an information table located inside the southwest corner of the building. Please stop here first with all of your entries at your pre-selected interview time. You will pick up your project exhibit card at that time and attach it to your project. Photo mats, photo labels, entomology/geology box labels, foods labels, food preservation labels, etc can be pick up at the Extension Office any time.

Fair Exhibit Release
The release time for exhibits is 5:00 pm on Monday, July 25. Do not remove exhibits before that time. The Riley County Fair Board has advertised that exhibits will be on display until then. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Fair Clean-Up
Help us clean the fairgrounds after the fair is over. We will be picking up trash, packing things away, taking the pop stand down, and moving items into storage. We will begin at 9:00 am on Tuesday, July 26. All help is appreciated and we’ll provide the snacks. We will be finished by 11:00 am. Please contact John Jobe at the Riley County Extension office if you are willing to assist with clean-up, 785-537-6350 or email him at jajobe@ksu.edu.
**Cloverbud Fair entries**

Cloverbuds must have pre-entered and also sign up for a judging time by **July 11**. Cloverbuds with Clothing Construction and Buymanship will bring their exhibits to judging on **Thursday, July 14**. Cloverbuds wishing to bring their pet, should do so on **Tuesday, July 19**. Foods items should be brought to Pottorf Hall on **Wednesday, July 20**. All other Cloverbuds entries should be brought to Pottorf Hall on **Tuesday, July 19**.

If you have questions, please contact the Extension Office 785-537-6350.

**Fair Judging Contests**

Join us for multiple fair judging contest. You don’t have to be enrolled in the project to participate! Each is a come and go event. Top scorers can participate on the state fair judging team. A great way to expand your 4-H participation! No previous experience is necessary.

Horticulture Judging - Saturday, July 23; 10:00 am - noon; Pottorf Hall
Family/Consumer Science Judging - Saturday, July 23; 10:00 am - noon; Pottorf Hall
Photography Judging - Saturday, July 23, 10:00 am - noon; Pottorf Hall
Livestock Judging - Sunday, July 24, 3:15 pm; Hurlburt Show Arena

**Pottorf Hall Sitter**

In order to provide added security and to keep the exhibits looking acceptable for the public, each club has been assigned a shift to work as Pottorf Hall Sitters.

During your club’s time, (2-3) 4-H members and/or parents are responsible for cleaning around and straightening exhibits, watching over exhibits and answering questions from the public. Workers will need to check in at the fair office (5 minutes prior to your shift) and pick up a badge to wear during their time slot.

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**New for 2022: “Scenes of Riley County”**

Every year a new Riley County object will be the focus of the picture. This year the Riley County Scene will be focused on “Bridges”. All pictures must be taken in Riley County and a description of the location of the scene must be included on the back of the photo. The winning photo will receive a special ribbon and will be hung in the Riley County Courthouse for one year. Only ONE entry per person. See page 78 of the fair book for more details.

**State Horticulture Judging Contest**

Consider participating in the State Horticulture Judging Contest on Saturday, August 13, 9:45 to noon in Throckmorton Hall on the KSU campus. Sign up for the state contest at the horticulture judging event at the county fair on Saturday, July 23, 10 am to noon in Pottorf Hall.

Details of the state contest are here [https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/contests/horticulture-judging/index.html](https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/contests/horticulture-judging/index.html). Contact Gregg Eyestone if you have any questions, 785-537-6350.
County Fair Info

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 19 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 as well as submit a photo to Brandy brandymarie@ksu.edu.

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 summer 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.
Volunteering with Konza Student Table in July

Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity to get involved with this summer? Check out Konza Student Table! Help serve meals to K-State students in need of a meal on Wednesday evenings. We would like to have 4-Hers 12 and older sign up to help with this great community initiative! We are asking that an adult will be present as well to help out with the process.

We could use about 10 people to sign up that evening. We are looking to help out on Wednesday, July 6. It is outdoors and will be from about 5:00 pm until 6:30 pm here in Manhattan. Please let us know if you are interested as soon as possible by emailing Megan mcdough92@ksu.edu the following information:

4-Her’s Name
Adult’s Name
Cell Phone Number
Email Address

If you are interested in volunteering for another Wednesday evening, please visit https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b4aaaa29a3fe3-konza

This could be included on your Achievement Pin application or Project Report Form application (citizenship/civic engagement section). We hope to hear from you soon!

48 Hours of 4-H 2022

We hope every extension unit will join us this fall in seeing just how much we can give back to our communities! The weekend after National 4-H Week, is the perfect opportunity to setup a service project. Invite your friends, clubs, adult volunteers, and 4-H alums too!

When: October 8-9, 2022
Who: 4-H Members, 4-H Clubs, Friends, Adult Volunteers, Parents, 4-H Alumni

It's time to make plans for your club to participate. www.Kansas4H.org/484H

Kansas 4-H Animal Science Webinar Series

Kansas 4-H'ers can learn more about the livestock industry through the Kansas 4-H Animal Science Webinar Series. The Animal Science Webinar Series is designed to give Kansas 4-H'ers an opportunity to learn more about the livestock industry, career opportunities and good animal husbandry practices.

Webinars will be hosted live the fourth Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Central Standard Time. Register in advance at https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/animal-science-webinar-series.html to receive an email with the link to join. Webinars will be recorded and made available for those wishing to view at a later date. Participants may submit questions relating to the webinar topic to klnordyke@ksu.edu until 2:00 p.m. the day of the scheduled seminar. Please include "Animal Science Webinar Question" in the subject one of your email.

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.
If you can answer “yes” to any of the following questions, you may be eligible to exhibit at the Kansas State Fair in Hutchinson. To be certain, check exhibitor age and class requirements listed in the online state fair book. If you do qualify, see the special pages in this newsletter for additional state fair information.

Did my horse entry qualify at the District Horse Show?
Did my dog and I qualify at a sanctioned show?
Did I receive purple ribbons on other fair exhibits (Except Visual Arts and Livestock)?
Did I receive champion in the fashion revue for construction or buymanship?
Did I have one of the six selected entries in the arts/crafts division at the county fair?

**Note: the visual arts division at the state fair is now for competition.**

Exhibiting at the State Fair
Age classification as listed below is based on the age a 4-H member was before January 1, 2022. All exhibits are open to 9-19 year old 4-H members.

*Rabbit Evaluation
*Fashion Revue – Sr. Division County Winners
*Crops Identification Contest

If classes are available, and exhibitor meets show and age requirements, purple ribbon winners at the county fair are eligible for competition at the Kansas State Fair.

State Fair Pre-Entries
You must have completed a pre-entry form for all exhibits and 4-H activities you wish to participate in at the state fair. Pre-entry information for the State Fair will be available in the county fair office (Clover Room in Pottorf Hall) during the county fair, or at the Extension Office beginning July 27.

You must pre-enter your exhibits! **You are not automatically pre-entered if you receive purple ribbons.** All pre-entries are due into the Extension Office by 5:00 pm Friday, August 5.

State Fair Exhibit Details
Anyone exhibiting at the state fair in the visual arts, clothing, dog, electric, entomology, fiber arts, foods, forestry, geology, home environment, horticulture, photography, shooting sports, space tech and wildlife departments have extra forms to complete. You may obtain these forms at the Riley County Fair office during the county fair or at the Extension Office after the fair. These forms must be included with your exhibit upon entering it at the state fair.
State Fair Info

Kansas State Fair September 9-18

**State Fair Livestock Entries**
State Fair livestock entries are due **July 15**. Families with nominated market animals or commercial females should receive an e-mail reminder from Lexie Hayes, state 4-H youth livestock coordinator. However, families only showing registered females will not receive that notice. Go online to [https://www.kansasstatefair.com](https://www.kansasstatefair.com)

**Teens and Adults Volunteering with State Fair**
Apply to volunteer at the Kansas State Fair. Sign up online by August 15!! You pick the project you wish to volunteer in.
Teen volunteers must be at least 13 years of age and mature enough to handle tasks without excessive supervision. A great opportunity to gain better understand in a 4-H project area. Can be included in your record book or 4-H Project Report Form.
The link to sign up was not yet available when we published this newsletter. Contact us for more information or watch your email for more details.

**Gate Tickets**
4-H families may order youth and adult gate tickets from the Extension Office. Please stop by before **August 5** to place your order. Gate tickets may also be purchased at the State Fair. In addition, there will be no premiums this year, but instead each exhibiting 4-Her will receive (2) gate tickets. You will be responsible for picking them up from the Extension office. Watch for an email.

**Parking Hang Tags**
The Extension Office must place orders for hang tags in advance. Different lots require different parking tags. Inquire at the Extension Office when making reservations for gate tickets and encampment. Orders must be placed by **August 5**.

**Exhibit Transportation**
John will transport any exhibits that are small and non-living. Large exhibits must be transported by the 4-H member. Check-in for all exhibits will be on **Wednesday, September 7**.

Please wait until **September 1** to bring in your state fair exhibits. Small exhibits, except foods and horticulture entries, must be in the Extension Office by 5:00 pm **Tuesday, September 6**. Foods and horticulture exhibits must be in the Extension Office from **7:30-8:00 am** sharp on **Wednesday, September 7**. Any late exhibits will be left in Manhattan.

Packing Instructions: Items must be securely packed in order to be transported to the Kansas State Fair safely. Clothing items should be placed in dry cleaning bags. Geology and entomology boxes should be packed in the following manner: cover the top with cardboard, foam core, carpet sample or wrap with bath towels. Secure with string. Avoid putting boxes inside another box, if at all possible. **Please label your boxes/packing material with your name.** This will help when exhibits are released. Flowers should be in disposable containers. If families are concerned that travel/ movement may damage their exhibit, I would suggest making arrangements to transport the item separately.

**Exhibit Release**
Exhibits will be released at **6:00 pm on Sunday, September 18**. John will transport exhibits back to the Extension office. Members may pick up exhibits beginning on **Wednesday, September 21 after 8:00 am**.
1. Building Creations (LEGO®, K’NEX®, toothpicks, Etc.) should be no larger than 24”(L) x 24”(W) x 60”(H). Special size accommodations can be made for larger creations with the approval of Mr. Jobe, Riley County 4-H Agent. Contact him at the Riley County Extension Office prior to entry. 785-537-6350.

2. Building Creations will be judged on theme, neatness, and creativity.

3. Creations will be judged in (4) separate age categories; Junior (ages 7-9), Intermediate (ages 10-13), Senior (14-19), and Adult (20+).

4. Group exhibits are allowed, but only one prize will be given per exhibit if winner.

5. Each builder may enter a maximum of two exhibits.

6. One prize awarded for top exhibit in each age-category.

7. All entries must be completely assembled when entered. Only minor repairs will be permitted at entry.

8. Entries will be displayed for the duration of the 2022 Riley County Fair

All entries will be brought in on Wednesday, July 20 from 3:00-5:00 pm. Entries will be judged the afternoon of Thursday, July 21. Entries must be picked up Monday, July 25 from 5:00-7:00 pm. No early release will be permitted.

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2022 Riley County 4-H Calendar

**July**
1. Fair Pre-Entries DUE
6. Volunteer with Konza Student Table
15. State Fair Livestock Entries DUE
14. Fair Fashion Review, St. Thomas Moore
16. 4-H Horse Show
18. Fair Work Night, Pottorf Hall
19. 4-H Photography Judging
19. Cloverbud Projects Judged
19. 4-H and Cloverbud Pet Show
20. 4-H and Cloverbud Foods
21. Judging/ Visual Arts
21-25. Riley County Fair, Cico Park
26. Fairground Cleanup

**August**
5. State Fair Entry Forms DUE
15. KJLS Entries DUE
13. State Horticulture Judging
20-21. State Livestock Judging
29. 4-H Council, 7 pm Pottorf Hall

**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