Camp! Camp! Camp!

I’m extremely excited to announce our camp dates for 2020. ‘Purple Power Pack’ will camp from **Wednesday, June 10 – Saturday, June 13**, with counselor training **Tuesday, June 9**. Summer camp at Rock Springs offers youth 2nd through 7th grade (coming out of) a unique camping experience filled with endless fun and engaging activities. 4-Hers are encouraged to bring their friends and help spread the word about the 4-H Camp 2020. Further details, including camping fees will be provided to campers and parents when registration officially opens in March.

**Influence a Life**

Do you have what it takes to become a camp counselor? Camp counselors are the backbone of the summer camping experience and must be willing to take on the challenge of working with a co-counselor to get 8 youth to and from different activity locations. If this sounds like you, please apply to become a Purple Power Pack camp counselor for 4-H summer camp 2020, **June 10–13**, with counselor training **Tuesday, June 9**. **Applications will post in March**. To be considered counselor applicants must be 14 years old by the time we leave for camp.

**Riley County Fair Theme Contest**

All 4-H members are invited to submit entries for the fair theme contest! Entries **must** be easy to incorporate into a float, banner and other promotional products; not be specific to 4-H and attract all types of visitors to the fair. Submit your theme words and artwork (optional) to members of your club attending 4-H Council on Monday, March 2nd.

**Longest Cucumber Contest**

Join us as we start the charge for the 2020 Riley County Fair ‘Longest Cucumber’ competition. **Free seeds are available now at the Riley County Extension Office, 110 Courthouse Plaza Rm. B220.**
4-H Council Dates for 2019-2020

Monday, March 2, 7:00 pm Pottorf Hall, Leaders meeting at 6:00 pm

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-Her’s and parents.

The 4-H Council dates are ABOVE.

Discovery Days 2020

What: Are You Ready for Discovery Days? Put May 27 - May 29, 2020 on your calendar to be in Manhattan on the K-State campus. Discovery Days offers classes and tours about 4-H projects, careers, hobbies, community service and more! You can also share your talents in the Talent Show. Are you ready to dance? Are you ready for some Call Hall ice cream? Are you ready for some great speakers and Discovery Days Night Live and all the other possibilities in your future? Join us now to enjoy this event this summer!

When: May 27 - May 29, 2020

Where: Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas

Who: Youth who are 13-18 years old as of January 1 of 2020.

Registration: Click Here to Register (Registration opens on March 16)

Registration Fee: TBD (Many classes have additional fees)

Registration Deadline: April 15, 2020 at 11:59PM

2020 Riley County 4-H STEM Club Meetings Resume

Interested in challenging yourself? Come check out the Riley County 4-H STEM Club. All STEM sessions will take place at Pottorf Hall in Cico Park. Each session is FREE, but requires participants to register online at www.riley.ksu.edu prior to attending. This is a wonderful opportunity for 4-Hers to invite non-4 Hers to get involved in our local programming.

Upcoming Dates:
Thursday, March 26
5:30-7:00 pm
Pottorf Hall in Cico Park
Campference 2020

4-H Campference is for youth ages 12-14 (before January 1, 2020), and will be held June 22-25 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Participants will experience the feel of a conference, while enjoying the ‘camp’ activities Rock Springs 4-H Center has to offer. This is a great transitional opportunity, as these tweens go from being a camper to attending educational conferences. 4-H Campference will feature workshops about opportunities in the 4-H program and how to better interact with others. Participants will meet other youth from around the state of Kansas.

Registration and detailed information will be on State 4-H website in March. Register early as the space will fill on a first come basis, and Campference was full the last 6 years! Register online by May 15 (or earlier, it will close when it is full) and payment must be in the local Extension Offices by May 15.

Interested in Assisting a Dept. Chair at the Fair?

We are currently looking for individuals willing to assist our department chairs at the 2020 Riley County Fair. If this is something you would be interested in please contact Lynne Berry via email at lberry@rileycountyks.gov or call the Extension Office at 785-537-6350.

Youth Quality Assurance Training

Wednesday, March 11 – 2:00-4:00 pm -- Clover Room of Pottorf Hall

Thursday, April 2 – 6:00-8:00 pm -- Clover Room of Pottorf Hall

Who needs to attend? – All Riley County 4-H members exhibiting market livestock (beef, sheep, swine, goats) at the county fair are required to attend a quality assurance training. All beef exhibitors will be required to attend annually to meet quality assurance training guidelines set forth by the packer purchasing our steers and market heifers. Some swine exhibitors who tested out previously will be allowed to skip this year’s training, but most will need to attend. Requirements for sheep and goat exhibitors are less stringent (so far)

For this year, sheep and goat exhibitors need to have attended a quality assurance training at least once before age 12, then re-certify at age 12 and again at age 15. All State Fair and KJLS livestock exhibitors must re-certify annually.

Registration Process – All attendees will be required to register online. The training was a new program in 2018. It is called Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) and there is a fee to participate. The fee to attend one of the live trainings is $3. Online training is available, but the fee is $12 online. Here are the instructions to sign up for either option – online or in person.

Go to: https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login and sign in through 4-H online (don’t create a new account)

Choose a course from the Course List (click on your 4-H age).

After clicking on your age you will be instructed to choose either Web-Based Training ($12) or Instructor-Led Training ($3).
Join the Riley County 4-H Poultry Project

We would like to invite anyone interested or enrolled in the Poultry project to join us for project meetings this year. We will be learning about choosing the right bird for the class, poultry care and disease prevention, showmanship, and the new changes to the project. We look forward to seeing you there!

What: Poultry Project Meeting
Who: Anyone 4-Her interested in poultry
When:
   March 24 @7:00 pm
   May 19 @ 7pm
   July: TBA
Where: Pottorf Hall

Questions about the meetings or getting involved? Contact the Riley County 4-H Poultry Superintendents
Kristie Anderson   Sabrina Scheerer
kanderson@twinvalley.net   sabrinascheerer@gmail.com

Riley County Poultry Project Proudly Announces

March 24th
7:00 PM
Pottorf Hall; Riley County Fairgrounds
Topics include: Showmanship and Fitting

Blake Bell

Blake is the Youth Director for the North American Waterfowl Association. He has been showing exhibition and showmanship on the professional circuit since the age of 8. He has also judged county fairs for the last three years, and showmanship classes at larger professional shows for two years.

Don’t miss your chance to learn from one of the best!
Leaders and Parents

Consider in March

- Check your club mailbox
- Consider hosting a club project meeting
- Have club members give feedback from CIA 2020
- Encourage Discovery Days 2020
- Remind Families of the May 1 enrollment deadline for dropping/adding projects
- Encourage members to apply for fair royalty
- Encourage 4-Hers old enough to join the CWF initiative for 2022

Encouraging Fair Participation

As we ride out these winter 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 2020 Riley County fair. Alternatively, make sure your club families are aware of the monthly project meeting taking place here in our area. Keep in mind that it is the “doing” that makes 4-H great. Getting active allows for our 4-H youth to work alongside knowledgeable adults in completing a project or task.

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 2019-2020 4-H year, please do so ASAP.

Meet with Mr. Jobe

If you have an hour to meet with Mr. Jobe this winter/spring, it would be much appreciated. Meetings can take place anywhere and are simply aimed at seeing how things are going within your club. Please encourage upcoming leaders and parents to attend these meetings as well.

Red Wheel Fundraising

Riley County 4-H is selling Red Wheel as a fundraiser for clubs. All funds raised will be used to support club activities. There are frozen foods, kitchen items, flower seeds and more

If you club is participating, packets are available now. If your club is not participating, but you are interested in learning more, stop by the Extension Office.

You may purchase items in person or order online and have them shipped to family and friends. If you wish to make an online purchase, visit:  
http://rileyco4h.fundraisingwebstore.com

Send friends and family a text  If they text rileyco4h to 855-859-2288 it will send them the link to the online store.
Free Youth Lawn Mowing Clinic

Thursday, March 5
4:30 - 6:45 p.m.

Pottorf Hall - CiCo Park
1710 Avery Avenue
Manhattan, KS

Open to any youth in grades 4-6 who would like to learn more about lawn mowing, mower safety, and the business of lawn care.

Sponsored by:
Manhattan Breakfast Optimist Club
K-State Research & Extension - Riley County

Pre-registration required - Free supper is provided
You may register on-line at www.riley.ksu.edu or

Clip and Return by March 2

Student Name:__________________________________________________________

Email:______________________________ Phone: ______________________

Return this form by March 2 to the Riley County Extension Office: 110 Courthouse Plaza Rm. B220, Manhattan, KS 66502 or by fax at 537-5353.

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HUGE Selection
SHOP TIL’ YOU DROP...or Donate
Riley • Wabaunsee • Pott 4-H Fundraiser
Wreath Barn in Cico Park • North of Pottorf Hall
Garage Sale

Drop Off Items on Location: Thursday, April 30th, Noon-8:00 pm/ Friday, May 1st 9:00 am -5:00 pm
Garage Sale: Friday, May 1st, 6:00-8:00 pm/ Saturday, May 2nd, 7:30-Noon

We’re looking for a huge selection of items to be donated including:

- Men’s Clothing
- Women’s Clothing
- Children’s Clothing
- Baby Items
- Working electronics
- Working power tools
- Household items
- Tools
- Furniture
- Shoes
- Toys
- Winter Coats
- Jackets
- Books
- Movies
- Games
- Sports Equipment
- Holiday Decor
- Bike, Scooters, and Trikes
- Blankets
- Antiques
- Collectables
- Pet Items
- Accessories

No TVs

Contact 4-H Agent John Jobe at the Riley County Extension Office with garage sale related questions (785) 537-6350
# 2020 Riley County 4-H Calendar

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**Early April**
- Red Wheel DUE to Club Leaders
- Fair Royalty Applications DUE
- YQCA, Training; 6-8 pm, Clover Room
- Dog Rally-O-Workshop & Competition
- State Shooting Sports Match
- Red Wheel Product Pick-Up, Pottorf Hall
- CWF Garage Sale; RL Co. Fairgrounds
- TBA Discovery Days Registration DUE

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Dates subject to change. Read the 4-H Newsletter or check [www.riley.ksu.edu](http://www.riley.ksu.edu) for additions/changes and details. **1/02/2020**