



RILEY COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

March 2022

2022 Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council Officers

The Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council elected officers during their January retreat.

Officers serving for 2022 are as follows:

- President - Annika, Riley County
- Vice President - Sukesh, Kingman County
- Secretary - Katrina, Sedgwick County
- Public Relations Chair - Hannah, Rolling Prairie District



Congratulations to our very own Annika Wiebers!!!!

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.

Fair Royalty Program

Please encourage older 4-H members to apply! Applications are available NOW. Fill one out today by visiting www.riley.ksu.edu (4-H → Forms/Resources → Other Resources). Contact the office if you have any questions. **Applications are due back to the Extension office by Friday, April 1, 2022 with interviews on May 18.**

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 2020-2021 4-H year, please do so ASAP. To add 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 or call the Extension Office at 785-537-6350.

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

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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.

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 If a family applies to host and does not get a placement, the family will be contacted about other options including Japan and IFYE.

Seeking Ag. Innovators

We're excited to get things rolling with Ag Innovators and excited to be working with a 4-H'er from your Extension unit. We have learned that it is helpful to have more than one teen/unit working as an Ag Innovator. Would you help us recruit more leaders? We are looking for at least 4 more teens to help share the message of agriculture technology and promote ag literacy in Kansas.

Candidates may include 4-H'ers who:

Are looking for leadership and/or citizenship opportunities for the project award book.

Are looking at growing in their leadership skills.

Want to know more about agriculture.

Are leaders, but need to be encouraged to step outside of their comfort zone.

Like to teach others.

Would be willing to help your unit reach more additional youth and help grow your youth development program.

The application link can be found here: (https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_a4Y6anfesosmLG6i)

Contact Kelsey or Janet with any questions; Kelsey- 620-222-1311, klnordyke@ksu.edu/ Janet- 620-872-2930, jlp27@ksu.edu

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

Consider in March

- Check your club mailbox
- Consider hosting a club project meeting
- Have club members give feedback from CIA 2022
- Encourage Discovery Days 2022
- Remind Families of the May 1 enrollment deadline for dropping/ adding projects
- Encourage members to apply for fair royalty
- Horse ID papers are due May 1 for all horses being exhibited at the Riley County Fair

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 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.

Welcoming New Families

As new families come into your club, please make sure you have assigned someone to greet these families and make them feel welcome. Feeling welcome can be the difference between a family staying with the 4-H program for years to come, or dropping out after a few meetings. New Family Handbooks are available at the Extension Office to share with your new families.

Online Record Keeping with ZBooks

After a successful 2 year pilot program, we are excited to launch the online ZBooks 4-H record keeping software state-wide for the new 2021/2022 program year. Pilot units found that ZBooks is extremely easy to navigate and user friendly. This online record keeping software is identical to the new Project Report Form pdfs- meaning 4-H'ers and families now have the option to choose which format they feel more comfortable using. Families can continue to fill out the form-fillable pdf version of Project Report Forms or they may opt to keep their records online with ZBooks. Both are evaluated using the same rubric and the same set of standards.

Some features of ZBooks include:

- Mobile friendly- jot down notes, weights, ear tags, expenses, etc on the spot!
- Internet based- you can work on them from any device that is connected to the internet.
- Unlimited amount of entries until final report is submitted- youth select the allowed number of entries to print on final report, allowing them to prioritize, summarize, etc.
- Permanent Record is also included.

Stay tuned for more information regarding available training resources, and check out the [ZBooks resource page](#).



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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2021-2022 Riley County 4-H Calendar

March

- 1 State Scholarships and KAPs DUE
- 1 Red Wheel Sales Begin
- 7 4-H Council, 7 pm Pottorf Hall
- 12 Dog Rally-O-Workshop & Competition
- 16 YQCA 2-4 pm, Clover Room
- 19 Shooting Sports Match
- 30 YQCA, 6 pm, Clover Room

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 9-9:30 am
- 23 State Shooting Sports Match
- TBA Discovery Days Registration DUE

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
- 18 Fair Royalty Interview; Pottorf Hall
- 30 Memorial Day, Extension office closed
- TBA Emerald Circle Banquet

June

- 1-3 Discovery Days, KSU Campus
- 4 Dog Agility Workshop and Competition
- 4 Dog Agility & Rally-O, Pottorf Hall
- 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 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

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



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