

4-H UPDATE

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Midway District 4-H Newsletter

MIDWAY DISTRICT 4-H PROGRAM represents
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My name is Richelle (Shelly) Twenter, I am the new office professional at Midway Extension District in Russell, KS. I was born and reared in Russell and will always call Russell my home.

Although not new to this area, most of the local citizens know me from my former position for more than a decade at the news office, so if you miss chatting, you can always check out the vast knowledge and information the Extension Office has to offer and I will be ready to greet you and answer any questions or find the person with information for you. It has truly been

a change and I look forward to the new learning experience and working with exceptional people who provide such needed services in so many areas. My husband Jeff and I have three grown children, two of which live in Russell with their families and one lives in Booneville, Mo., six grandchildren and waiting the arrival of a granddaughter in June. We have many interests outside of the working environment but truly enjoy spending our time with our children and grandchildren.



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Russell Report



2021 RS County 4-H Council Officers

President
Kalli Pfeifer

Vice President
Emerson Nichols

Secretary
Hope Lumpkins

Treasurer
Kierra Eck

Reporter
Cheyenne Blundon

4-H Council Meeting
July 26 at 7:00pm

Be prepared for these
meetings with officer and
committee reports!

Russell Fair Board Meeting
June 14 at 7:00pm

4-H Junior Leaders
June 28 at 6:00pm

Archery Practice
Are you enrolled in the Shooting Sports
Archery project?
If so, join the team at the first practice
of the season!

Wednesday, June 2, 2021
6:00pm

By the Baseball Diamonds South of Ellsworth

Fair Set Up/Clean Up

Everyone needs to plan to help!

Set-Up

Thursday, July 15 at 6:00pm

Clean-up

Saturday, July 24 at 10:00am

Lots of hands make the work go quickly!

2021 Fair

All needed documents will be posted on the Midway
District website

<https://www.midway.k-state.edu/4-h/events/fairs/rscountyfair.html>

Ellsworth Events

2021 EW County 4-H Council Officers

President
Trenton Hays

Vice President
Ashlyn Schwerdtfeger

Secretary
Josie Kueser

Treasurer
Monica Short

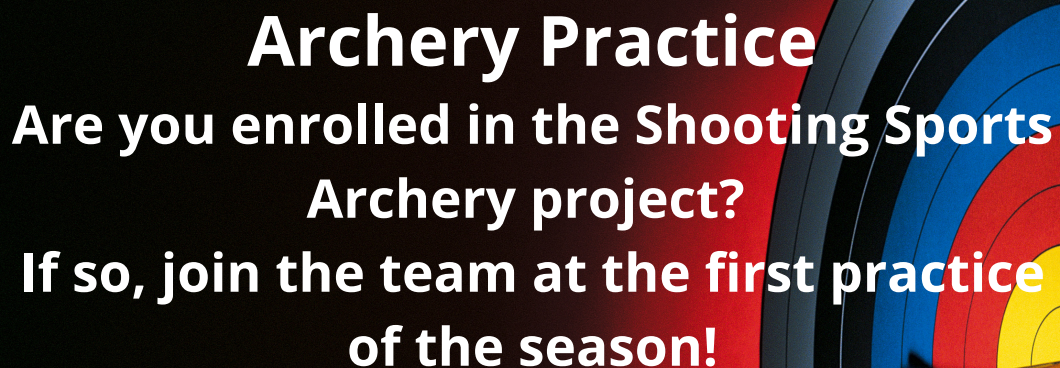
Reporter
Cade Brokes

4-H Council Meeting
June 28 at 6:30pm

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reports!

Fair Association Meeting
June 7 at 6:30pm

4-H Junior Leaders
June 20 at 4:00pm



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4-H Livestock Families

Remember that everyone needs to help clean up the livestock areas!
On Thursday, July 22, evening, be sure to clean out your own stalls
whether you will be at clean-up on Sunday, July 25, or not!

Fair Set Up/Clean Up

Everyone needs to plan to help!

Set-Up

Sunday, July 18 at 6:30pm

Clean-up

Sunday, July 25 at 4:00pm

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2021 Fair

All needed documents, including instructions for Fair
Entry, will be posted on the Midway District website
<https://www.midway.k-state.edu/4-h/events/fairs/ewcountyfair.html>



4-H in the News



- for all ages -

This event will be held outside the Russell Public Library. The Russell 4-H members will be showcasing a variety of animals.

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Russell Public Library
126 E. Wisconsin Street
Russell, Kansas 67665/ 785-483-2724
www.russellpubliclibrary.org

Join us at the Russell Public Library on June 15 to learn all about livestock from our very own 4-Hers! If you are interested in exhibiting your livestock at this event, please contact Marcia at marciagier@ksu.edu.

Prairiesta Heritage Hall Presentations

Have you done a presentation or Project Talk at Club Day or at your club meeting in the past? If you answered yes to this question, WE NEED YOU!

Sign up to give this presentation (or a new one) at Prairiesta 2021.



June 11-12

11:00-4:00

Russell, Kansas

Sign up for your 15 minute slot [here](#) or call the Russell office



Family Resource Page



Cloverbud Guidelines for the Fair!

Cloverbud 4-H is a non-competitive learning experience for youth ages 5-6 years old. Cloverbud 4-H members receive participation ribbons, feedback from the judge, but do not receive premiums or participate in the premium auction.

Livestock Sale Participants

NOW is the time to start visiting with supporters for the Premium Auction at the fair. Be sure to thank them for previous support and ask for their continued support of 4-H members' projects.

Brain-storm with your parents—who does your family do business with? Think about your bank, parents' employers, local or regional businesses. If they cannot commit to supporting the auction (or they are providing support in another way at the fair), remember to politely thank them for consideration.

Having an “elevator speech” ready about WHY 4-H is important and HOW it has impacted you are crucial pieces of these conversations.

Additionally, begin thinking about lining up processing slots depending on your species as we don't always have a floor for some areas.

**4-H ISN'T JUST ABOUT
SHOWING LIVESTOCK.
IT'S ABOUT KIDS LEARNING TO
BECOME SELF-SUFFICIENT,
TO GROW INTO TOMORROW'S
LEADERS. LETTING THIS
PROGRAM FAIL
WOULD BE LETTING YOURSELF DOWN.**
CREATED BY: JENI CHILLYKESKING IT REAL... THROUGH THE LENS OF A FARM GIRL



Learning Center



LEADERS.... DID YOU...

REVIEW

- 4-H Update Important Dates/Deadlines (Calendar)

TO DO

- Check mailbox at the Extension Office
- Report from 4-H Council Meetings
- Provide any leadership changes to the Extension Office ASAP
- Update Volunteer Renewal information

PROMOTE/RECRUIT

- 4-H members: ask a friend to attend meetings
- Encourage current 4-H members to review and complete applications for KYLF, Citizenship in Action, Citizenship Washington Focus
- Remind all 4-H members and parents who are volunteers to enroll via 4-H Online
- The Extension Office has a copy of the Cloverbud handbook for each club-please provide this resource to your club Cloverbuds
- Provide officers and clubs leadership updates as soon as possible to the Extension Office

Curriculum Spotlight

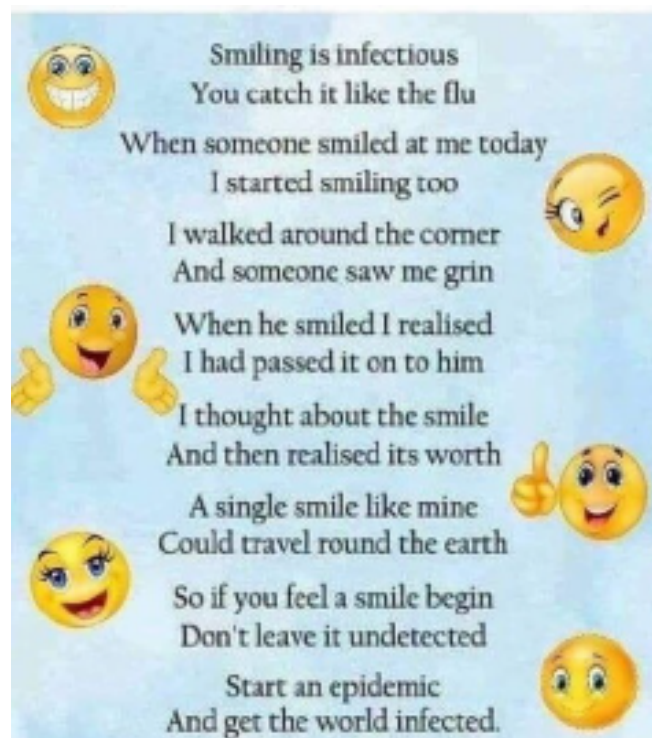
The Photography curriculum set includes three 80 page books covering a range of topics.

In **Focus on Photography**, youth will focus on equipment basics, taking pictures, the concept of lighting & flash.

In **Controlling the Image**, youth will explore depth of field, aperture and shutter speeds, hard and soft lighting, silos, and flash techniques.

In **Mastering Photography**, youth will gain insight on the use of wide-angle and telephoto lenses, filters and special film, light meters, and shooting photos with different light sources.

Don't forget that this curriculum and curriculum for many other project areas are available to check out from the extension office.



It's easy to lose sight of kindness when we are in the stressful situation of preparing for the fair.

Keep this little poem in mind as you navigate through the coming fair season! A smile goes a long way!



4-H Happenings



Livestock Exhibitors!

As a reminder for Registered Breeding livestock, including cattle and dairy goats—All entries must be registered in the 4-H member's name BY June 15 of the current year and proof of registration (copy of papers on file) is DUE to the Extension Office BY July 1. If paperwork is not on file and the animal was not tagged during spring weigh-in, the animal will not be allowed to show.



Volunteers Needed!

What: 2021 National 4-H Western Heritage Conference and Invitational Shoot

When: August 2-6

Both morning and afternoon sessions are needed

Tasks needed:

Helping haul/set up materials

Helping tear down

Offering range help

Contact Tim Hays for more information or to volunteer
785-531-1712

For more information about the event, please visit:

<http://www.4-hwesternheritageproject.org/2021-conference-page.html>

As a reminder, completion of YQCA is required by July 1 of the current year to sell an animal (including poultry and rabbits) through the livestock auction and to show at the Kansas State Fair and the Kansas Junior Livestock Show.

Registration is required via

<https://ygca.learn-grow.io/Account/Login>.

Please consider this an important educational aspect of livestock projects.





Upcoming Events



June 9

EW Junior Leaders Day Camp

June 21-24

Heart of Kansas Camp

July 1

Several deadlines
(check emails/fair books)

July 11

RS County Style Revue

July 14

RS County Dog Show

July 16

RS County Judging Contest
RS County Visual Arts Judging

July 17

EW County Dog Show
EW County Horse Show

July 18

RS County 4-H/Open Horse Show
EW County Fashion Revue

July 19-22

EW County Fair

July 20-23

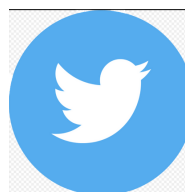
RS County Fair

August 6

KSF Entries Due



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Upcoming Events: Be sure to regularly check the Midway District website for upcoming shows and clinics.

www.midway.k-state.edu/events/areashows.html

June 2021

AC-Ash Creek, BC-Big Creek, CL-County Liners, EH-Elkhorn,
FC-Fossil Creek, LS-Lonestar, SF-Sunflower, SS-Shooting Sports,
TT-Trying Tomatoes, WW-Wilson Winners, WCV-Wolf Creek Valley

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6 Club Meetings: BC/LS	7 Club Meetings: ECFA Meetings	8	9	10 Extension Board Meeting - EW	11	12
13 Club Meetings: SS / WCV	14 Flag Day Club Meetings: RS Fairboard	15	16	17	18	19
20 Father's Day Club Meetings: AC/WW/FC/SF	21 Club Meetings: CL Club Meeting HOK Camp	22 HOK Camp	23 HOK Camp	24 HOK Camp	25	26
27 Club Meetings: TT/EH	28 Club Meetings: EW Council/ RS Jr. Leaders	29	30			

July 2021

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25 Club Meetings: TT/EH	26 Club Meetings: RS Council	27	28	29	30	31