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.
Russell Fair Board Meeting
June 14 at 7:00pm

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

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

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

2021 RS County 4-H Council Officers
President
Kalli Pfeifer
Vice President
Emerson Nichols
Secretary
Hope Lumpkins
Treasurer
Kierra Eck
Reporter
Cheyenne Blundon

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

Be prepared for these meetings with officer and committee reports!

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

Fair Association Meeting
June 7 at 6:30pm

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

Archery Practice
Are you enrolled in the Shooting Sports Archery project?
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Wednesday, June 2, 2021
6:00pm
By the Baseball Diamonds South of Ellsworth

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
Lots of hands make the work go quickly!

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
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.

Prairiesta 1871-2021
June 11-12
11:00-4:00
Russell, Kansas
Sign up for your 15 minute slot here or call the Russell office
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.
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!

Smiling is infectious
You catch it like the flu
When someone smiled at me today
I started smiling too
I walked around the corner
And someone saw me grin
When he smiled I realised
I had passed it on to him
I thought about the smile
And then realised its worth
A single smile like mine
Could travel round the earth
So if you feel a smile begin
Don’t leave it undetected
Start an epidemic
And get the world infected.
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://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login.
Please consider this an important educational aspect of livestock projects.
Upcoming Events

If you would prefer receiving this newsletter via mail (in addition to the email and posted version), call the Extension Office at (785) 483-3157 and we will add you to the mailing list.

www.facebook.com/Midway4H
www.facebook.com/MidwayKSRE

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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/areaashows.html
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