

4-H UPDATE



Midway District 4-H Newsletter

MIDWAY DISTRICT 4-H PROGRAM represents
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Serving as a Kansas 4-H Intern for Midway District this summer is Kylie Rahmeier. Kylie will be a Senior at Kansas State University in the fall majoring in Agriculture Education with a minor in Animal Science. In her free time, she enjoys going to the lake, helping on her family farm, and spending time with her nieces and nephews. Kylie is looking forward to providing opportunities to the youth within the area to enhance the 4-H program! If you have youth interested in attending Kylie's summer events, be sure to call the office for details at 785-483-3157 or 785-472-4442.



Serving as the Midway District summer assistant is Lexie West. Lexie is going to be a Junior at Ellsworth High School next year. She is the daughter of Monte and Heather West. She has a twin brother and two younger twin brothers. Her favorite activities are softball, basketball, volleyball, and being on the farm with her family. Lexie is excited for this summer opportunity and is looking forward to meeting new people and gaining new experiences.



Russell Report



2022 RS County 4-H Council Officers

President
Kierra Eck

Vice President
Hope Lumpkins

Secretary
Teagen Pfeifer

Treasurer
Conner Miller

Reporter
Emma Karst

4-H Council Meeting
August 1 at 7:00pm

Be prepared for these
meetings with officer and
committee reports!

Russell Fair Board Meeting
June 13 at 7:00pm

4-H Junior Leaders
June 27 at 6:00pm

Midway District Ambassadors are doing a Kiss the Pig contest/fundraiser. The piggy banks are at the 4-H office. Come put money in the bank of the person you think should kiss the pig at the county fair. The community members that might kiss the pig are Tiffinie Mai, Marcia Gier, and Mike McKenna.



Russell County Fair Dates

The fair kicks off on Sunday, July 17 with the Fashion Revue. The Dog Show is Wednesday, July 20. Friday, July 22 will be judging contests and visual arts judging. The rest of the fair begins on Monday, July 25 and goes through Friday, July 30.

Fair Set Up/Clean Up

Everyone needs to plan to help!

Set-Up

Wednesday, July 20 at 6:00pm

Clean-up

Saturday, July 30 at 10:00am

Lots of hands make the work go quickly!

2022 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



2022 EW County 4-H Council Officers

President
Rebekah Vague

Vice President
Trenton Hays

Secretary
Brelyn Zier

Treasurer
Sam Thielen





Reporter
Abby Dlabal

4-H Council Meeting
June 27 at 6:30pm

Be prepared for these meetings
with officer and committee
reports!

Fair Association Meeting
June 6 at 6:30pm

4-H Junior Leaders
TBD

Junior Leaders Day Camp '22

"Living History"
This year's Day Camp is going to be fun-filled and informative! You will get to see how people lived in the old days, and will even get to do some of the things they did in their every day lives!

June 8
For Ages
2nd-6th
Grade

Activities May Include

- Leather Work/Saddle Making
- Milk & Cream Separating
- Hunting & Trapping
- Edible/Non-Edible Plants

Time
1p - 5p

Location
104 W. South Main St
Ellsworth, KS 67439
(EW Co. Hist. Soc. Museum)

RSVP By June 2
785-472-4442 or kmaul@ksu.edu

Fair Set Up/Clean Up

Everyone needs to plan to help!

Set-Up

Sunday, July 17 at 6:30pm

Clean-up

Sunday, July 24 at 4:00pm

Lots of hands make the work go quickly!

2022 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



Members of the Lone Star 4-H Club received interview packets at their March meeting and worked on their resumes during the month of April. For the May meeting, each participating member was required to complete a resume, then interview. The younger members interviewed to be taste-testers at an ice cream shop and the older members interviewed to be trampoline designers for a new trampoline park. The interviewers were former 4-Her's and shared with the kids interviewing tips and explained that every single day they are preparing for interviews through greeting individuals and the importance of eye contact when socializing or replying to their teachers.



This year for a community service project, the Sunflower 4-H Club wanted to lend a hand. They donated approximately 1500 candy filled Easter eggs to the 2022 Kiwanis Easter Egg Hunt in Russell County. On the day of the Easter Egg Hunt, the Sunflower 4-H club members gathered at the Lincoln Park to assist the Kiwanis. The members of the Sunflower 4-H club greatly enjoyed the community service project. They enjoyed hiding the eggs and assisting with the children prior to the hunt.





4-H in the News



Midway District Shooting Sports News

- Congrats to the following youth who qualified for the State BB Gun Shooting Sports match this year!

Beckim Neidenthal
Ty Cook
Trenton Hays
Tacy Schepmann
Teagon Schepmann
Elena Jundt.

Trenton got 5th in standing position, The team was also asked to go to Daisy Nationals, but declined due to lack of numbers able to participate.

- If you are interested in shotgun or archery, contact Tim Hays. Practices will be starting soon.
- Shooting sports will have a concession stand at Legionfest on June 11, 2022.

For the 15th year, Lone Star 4-H Club handed out chapstick to the riders participating in Run for the Wall. They fuel up at Bunker Hill which allows for the 4-Her's to interact with the veterans. It's always a very powerful experience.



Last month the County Liners 4-H Club served supper at the 102nd Geneseo Alumni Banquet.





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: ERIN OWENS/KEEPING IT REAL THROUGH THE LENS OF A FARM GIRL

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.



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

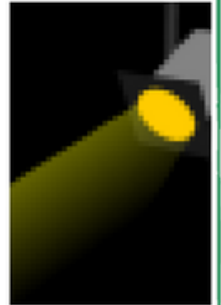
- 4-H members: ask a friend to attend meetings
- Encourage current 4-H members to review and complete applications for KYLF, Citizenship in Action, Citizenship Washington Focus
- Remind all 4-H members and parents who are volunteers to enroll via 4-H Online
- The Extension Office has a copy of the Cloverbud 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.

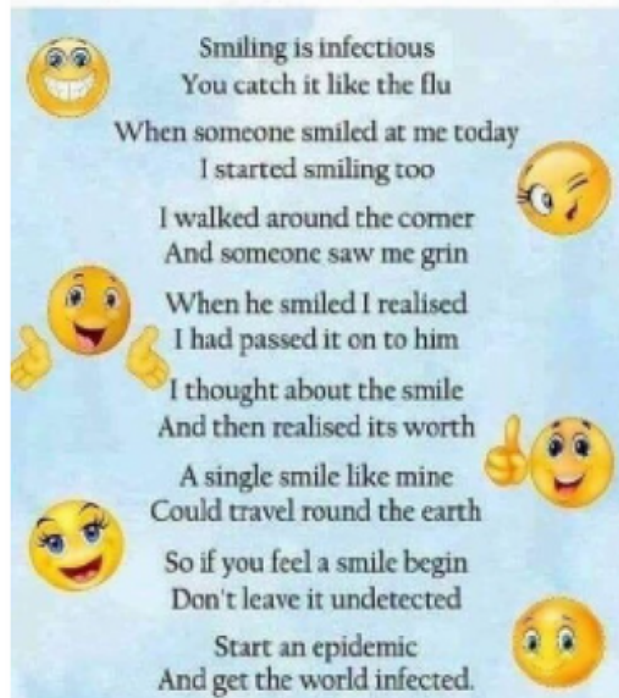
In **Focus on Photography**, youth will focus on equipment basics, taking pictures, the concept of lighting & flash.



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.



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://yqcaprogram.org/>

Please consider this an important educational aspect of livestock projects.



The Kansas 4-H Sportfishing Tournament is available for youth in the Wildlife Sportfishing project. This is something that can be done at their own pace throughout the year, helping engage them in project learning. The contest will end September 15, 2022. Details and entry forms are available on the webpage.



Upcoming Events



June 8

EW Jr. Leaders Day Camp

June 12-15

RSR 4-H Camp

July 1

LOTS of fair paper work due
(see emails for details)

July 17-22

Ellsworth County Fair

July 23-29

Russell County Fair

August 5

KS State Fair Entry Forms
due to the office

September 9-18

Kansas State Fair

September 21

Project Records/Record
Books Due



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@ksre_midway

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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 2022

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

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

July 2022

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17 Club Meetings: AC/WW/FC/SF EW Jr. Leaders EW CO FAIR	18 Club Meetings: CL Club Meeting EW CO FAIR	19 EW CO FAIR	20 EW CO FAIR	21 EW CO FAIR	22	23
24 Club Meetings: TT/EH	25 Club Meetings: RS Council RS CO FAIR	26 RS CO FAIR	27 RS CO FAIR	28 RS CO FAIR	29 RS CO FAIR	30
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