Hi, Midway District! My name is Allison Lupfer, and I will be starting my summer internship in June. Growing up, I was a part of the Hodgeman County 4-H club for twelve years. In my county 4-H club, I showed pigs and cattle. My other projects included foods, photography, and the style review. I participated in 4-H Days and special projects as well. My family owns a small family-operated farm in Hanston, Kansas, where I grew up involved in several aspects of agriculture. Currently, I am a senior at Fort Hays State University, where I will be receiving my Bachelor’s degree in Elementary Education next December. During my time at Fort Hays State, I have been a member of the Fort Hays State Honor Society and have enjoyed participating in different on-campus events. I am currently employed at Roosevelt Elementary School in Hays as a 4th and 5th grade special education paraprofessional. In August, I will begin my student teaching experience at Roosevelt as my last step to becoming an educator. In my free time, I enjoy reading, spending time with my friends and family, and staying active. I look forward to working in the Midway District this summer!
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
March 15 at 7:00pm
Be prepared for these meetings with officer and committee reports!

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Russell Fair Board Meeting
March 8 at 7:00pm

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4-H Junior Leaders
March 19 at 12:00pm

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Training: June 20
Camp: June 21-24

If you are interested, get started today!

Applications are due by April 15.

https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0dBjOTWSvWyAOMu

Please allow 15 minutes to complete the application.

2021 Russell County Club Day Regional Qualifiers

Janessa Miller-Jr Reading Conner Miller-Senior Reading
Janessa Miller-Project Talk Colton Mullender-Project Talk
Kierra Eck-Sr Demonstration Hailey Gier-Sr Demonstration
Hailey Gier-Extemp. Speaking Cooper Gier-Jr Demonstration
Conner Miller-Piano Solo Conner Miller-Instru. Solo
Conner, Christian, and Janessa Miller-Instrumental Ensemble
Conner, Christian, Janessa, and Malachi Miller-Vocal Ensemble

Big Creek-Model Meeting*
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2021 Ellsworth County Club Day Regional Qualifiers

- Hannah Vague-Jr Reading
- Hadley Huseman-Dance
- Josie Norris-Jr Demonstration
- Brooklyn Thielen-Project Talk
- Anna Thielen-Public Speaking
- Abby Dlabal-Sr Demonstration
- Reece Grothusen-Instru. Solo
- Nicole Haase-ARI
- Rachel Sebasta-Extemp. Speaking
- Caleb Dlabal-Jr Demonstration
- Luke Thielen-Project Talk
- Rebekah Vague-Public Speaking
- Cade Brokes-Sr Demonstration

*Wilson Winners-Model Meeting*

*Model Meeting will not go on to Regionals but they did receive a Top Blue for their performance.*
This year, over 100 youth participated in 4-H Club Day either virtually or in person in Russell. It was a great experience, filled with various types of events: Demonstrations, Project Talks, Dance, Skits, Public Speaking, Piano, Vocal, Model Meeting and more. Club Day is a wonderful learning experience for our youth. This event gives our 4-H'ers the opportunity to showcase their talents and receive constructive comments from a judge. They learn so much about themselves through the preparation stage and final results of Club Day.
Many of the events and paperwork—most definitely the paperwork—for 4-H can be overwhelming for new 4-H families! This page will be used to highlight things that may be helpful to know in regard to upcoming events, deadlines, and necessary documents. Your Club Leader is also a great resource!

What do I need to know about camp?

*4-H Camp will be held June 21-24 at Rock Springs 4-H Center and is for 4-H youth who have completed 2nd grade through 8th grade.
*Midway District coordinates a bus to take campers to and from with pick-up/drop-off locations in Russell and Ellsworth.
*Activities include canoeing, horses, swimming, crafts, talent show, night hikes and much more!
*Registered nurses are on staff in the event of illness or injury, and to distribute medications as needed.
*The camp fee of $205 includes transportation, lodging, meals, nurse, adult supervision, and camp t-shirt. Please keep in mind that several scholarship opportunities are available.
*After registration and payment, campers will receive a “Heart of Kansas Camp Chronicle” with packing recommendations, medication instructions, and many other details.
*Registration is due April 28. Registration forms coming soon!
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 KYLIF, 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 Cloverbud leader
- Provide officers and clubs leadership updates as soon as possible to the Extension Office

YQCA Dates—We have three classes scheduled for YQCA training. If you plan to sell your livestock at the fair, you must attend one of these classes or complete the online training.

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Registration for the YQCA classes is located at: https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login

You MUST use your 4-H Online sign-in to access your records.

Completion of YQCA is required to sell an animal (including poultry and rabbits) through the county fair premium auction and to show animals at the Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show.

Please consider this an important educational aspect of livestock projects.
Small Animal Weigh in Coming in April

Small Animal Weigh-In (Sheep, Goats, Bucket Calves and Registered Heifers) is Saturday, April 24 (9:00-11:00 in Ellsworth) and Sunday, April 25 (2:00-4:00 in Russell).

Tagging Requests are due APRIL 1, 2021!!!

ALL Swine members must place tagging requests as we will not have Swine at Small Animal Weigh-In.

Please Read Carefully:
These dates are required to attend in order to participate in the project at the county fair level. This is where you will receive your tags to establish ownership. IF you have a conflict (school, family, State 4-H/FFA event) you will have the option to place a tagging request.

You must place your request by this deadline so that a tagging can be arranged PRIOR to the time of weigh-in on April 24th and April 25th. Once all requests are received you will be contacted to arrange a time to tag.

If you have not placed a request by the deadline and cannot make the weigh-in, it will be your responsibility to get your livestock TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE to have them tagged PRIOR to weigh-in date. Please note, that you will not be eligible for rate of gain contests if you do not attend the scheduled Weigh-In.

Please click on the following link if you need to make a tagging request:

https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8dC6kIDC3TRZVnT

Discovery Days
Kansas 4-H Discovery Days will be held virtually June 1-4, 2021. More information coming soon!

NW Area Space Tech Day
Saturday, March 20
More information coming soon!
UPCOMING EVENTS

March 9
YQCA Training 6:00-7:30 Russell

March 29
YQCA Training 6:00-7:30 Ellsworth

April 1
4-H Development Fund Scholarships Due
Small Animal Tagging Requests Due

April 11
YQCA Training 1:00-2:30 Ellsworth

April 15
4-H Camp Counselor Application Due

April 24
Small Animal Weigh in 10:00-12:00 Ellsworth

April 25
Small Animal Weigh in 2:00-4:00 Russell

April 28
HOK Camp Registration Due

May 1
May 1 Deadlines
Alternate Small Animal Weigh in

May 12
4-H Dev. Fund Camp Scholarship Apps Due

May 31
Memorial Day-Midway District Offices Closed

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@ksre_midway

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.

Upcoming Events: Be sure to regularly check the Midway District website for upcoming shows and clinics.
www.midway.k-state.edu/events/areashows.html
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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 Valley