



March

- 8 **Registration for Barn Quilt Class DUE**
- 10 **Greensing Scholarship Applications due for PPP 4-H Camp**
- 11 Kansas Junior Swine Producer Day, Weber Arena, Manhattan
- 12 4-H Council Meeting, Eskridge, 6:30 p.m.
- 12 Barn Quilt Class
- 19 “Ingredients for Photo Success”, Auburn Community Center, 1:00 p.m.
- 25 Kansas Junior Meat Goat Producer Day, Weber Arena, Manhattan
- 26 Ambassadors, Fairgrounds, 6 p.m.
- 31 4-H Unmanned Ariel Experience

April

- 17 **4-H Judges Workshop Registration Deadline**
- 25 4-H Judges Workshop, Hutchinson
- 29 Livestock Tagging (morning)
- 29 Spring Livestock Day

May

- 1 **Project Add/Drop DEADLINE**
- 1 **Horse IDs DUE**
- 1 **4-H Online Enrollment CLOSSES**

10 **PPP 4-H Camp Registration/ Counselor Applications DUE**

Notes from the Office

The Extension Office is beginning to get into the spring swing of 4-H Life! Please make sure to pay attention to this newsletter as we have started to add the need to know information to help you navigate smoothly through all the upcoming events.

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Important Bits

Purple Power Pack 4-H Camp Registration forms and Camp Counselor Applications are online and attached to this email! All 4-H members in grades 2-7 are invited to attend 4-H Camp, June 4-7. If you are at least 14 years old and interested in becoming a camp counselor please fill out the attached form and return to our office. Registration for campers and application for camp counselors are due on **May 10**. Greensing Scholarship applications for 4-H Camp will be due **March 10**. Click [here](#) for more information.

Wabaunsee County Fair Dates are **July 28 – August 1.**

2017 Fair Theme is “**Going Green in 2017.**” This theme was decided on at the January 4-H Council meeting. 4-H Council will select artwork during their March Meeting.

Project Add/Drop DEADLINE All 4-H families have access to their 4-Hers project lists on 4HOnline. You are able to see which projects you are enrolled in by signing into your 4HOnline account. **Please check each 4-Hers account prior to May 1!** The deadline to add or drop a project is **May 1.** If you are not enrolled in your project by **May 1,** you will not be able to exhibit in the 4-H division in that project at the Fair. If you have concerns please contact the Extension Office **BEFORE May 1.**

New 4-H Family Notebooks are available to new families who would like to become involved in 4-H.

Animal Mortality Insurance Did you know your 4-H member can recover costs due to the death of their livestock? Click [here](#) for more information.

Enrollment and Re-enrollment If you have not enrolled do so **NOW** as we need to insure that all participating 4-Hers are enrolled! Click [here](#) for enrollment instructions. Click [here](#) for re-enrollment instructions. Click [here](#) for 4HOnline. Families that are not enrolled in 4HOnline will be removed from the mailing list and will not receive updates and news from the Extension Office.

Volunteer Renewals were due to the Extension Office by **December 1.** Renewal Forms are available at the Extension Office. Please contact us if you have any questions or would like us to email you the form. Community Leaders and Project Leaders will be contacted directly for additional requirements.

4HOnline Feedback is needed! During your enrollment or re-enrollment on 4HOnline we would love to hear from you. Please let us know if you come across anything that holds up the process or seems just amazing!

Permanent Record Carpe diem, “seize the day.” Now is a great time to start filling out your Permanent Record. By updating your Permanent Record monthly, it will be easy to fill out your record book at the end of the 4-H Year. Permanent Record forms are available digitally on our website [here](#).

Spring Livestock Day will be on **April 29** at the Wabaunsee County Fairgrounds. Sheep, goats and beef will be shown. This is a great event to help prepare for the county fair.

Spring Swine Show is on **June 3** at the Wabaunsee County Fairgrounds. Mark your calendar now!

On a Silly Note

St. Patrick’s Day is a celebration of the Roman Catholic feast day of the patron Saint of Ireland. On a silly note, did you know that St. Patrick was not Irish? Check out other fun facts about St. Patrick’s Day [here](#).

Kansas Junior Swine & Meat Goat Producer Days

Kansas Junior Swine Producer Day – Saturday, March 11, 2017

Weber Arena, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS

Early Registration Due – February 22, 2017

Early Registration Fee - \$15/person (\$20 after February 22nd)

Kansas Junior Meat Goat Producer Day – Saturday, March 25, 2017

Weber Arena, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS

Early Registration Due – March 3, 2017

Early Registration Fee - \$15/person (\$20 after March 3rd)

Online registration

link: <https://commerce.cashnet.com/KSUASIND>

Barn Quilt Class

A barn quilt class will be held on **Sunday, March 12** from 12:30-5:30 p.m. Snacks will be available. This is a fundraiser for Wabaunsee County 4-H Ambassadors. The class will take place at the Alma Fair Barn (400 E. 9th Street, Alma). Supplies are included in the prices listed: 2x2 Barn Quilt - \$45; 3x3 Barn Quilt - \$60. Please RSVP by **March 8** to reserve your spot. Call or text 785-249-0870.

Kansas 4-H Foundation Leadership Development Workshops 2017

Kansas 4-H Foundation Leadership Development is open to alumni, 4-H volunteers and prespective volunteers. You are invited to attend one or more of the trainings with no charge. Registration is available: <https://kansas4hfoundation.org/klc/>

Leadership: A Framework for Making Progress

March 10 – Wichita, Kansas Leadership Center

April 8 – Emporia, Clint Boyer Building, Lyon County Fairgrounds

October 20 – Rock Springs 4-H Center

Leadership As Behavior – Not Position

April 7 – Hays, Ellis County Extension Office

March 4 – Lawrence, Douglas County Fairgrounds

October 13 – Garden City, Southwest Research – Extension Center

Teaching Leadership

April 6 – Hays, Ellis County Extension Office

October 27 – Rock Springs 4-H Center

4-H Judges Workshop

A 4-H Judges Workshop will be held in Hutchinson at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 407 East 12th St, on **Tuesday, April 25**. Registration will be 3:30-4:00 p.m. with two sessions offered (Session I, 4:00-5:30 p.m.; Session II, 6:30-8:00 p.m.). Sessions will be offered on Foods, Photography, Posters & Displays, Crops & Flowers, Art & Crafts, Talk & Demonstrations, and Horticulture & Herbs. Cost is \$14 if postmarked by **April 17**; \$20 if postmarked after. Meal and all handouts are included in the registration cost. For registration information click [here](#).

K-State Animal Sciences Leadership Academy

The 9th annual K-State Animal Sciences Leadership Academy is hosted by the Department of Animal Sciences and Industry's Youth Livestock Program and sponsored by the Livestock and Meat Industry Council. Leadership skills are essential for young people interested in advancing the animal science industry. The intensive four day educational experience will focus on increasing the participant's knowledge of a dynamic and sustainable livestock industry and its importance to a global food system. Students will learn valuable leadership skills and enhance their personal development. Selection is limited to 20 students per session ensuring ample personalized instruction and interaction with counselors, professors and livestock industry leaders. Applications are available on the website and due **April 1**: <http://bit.ly/KSUASILeadershipAcademy>

4-H Unmanned Aerial Systems Experience

The Kansas 4-H SpaceTech Program and the Kansas Cosmosphere are teaming up to provide fun, hands-on and science-based programming for Kansas 4-H Youth Development. The experience will begin **Friday, March 31**, at 4 p.m., and will end on **Saturday, April 1**, 4 p.m. Cost will be \$110 for youth between 9-18-years old and \$110 for all adult participants. All youth must have a designated chaperone to attend. Parents, grandparents, other relatives, and guardians may chaperone their own children/relatives. They may not chaperone other non-family members. Adult chaperones will be responsible for their children overnight.

Program topics include: a UAS flying challenge inside the Cosmosphere, an outside UAS demonstration (weather permitting), FAA regulations and compliance of registering private and commercial UAS's, guest speakers, UAS applications in agriculture, military and commercial uses, fixed and rotor wings UAS's, remote control basics, plus much more.

This Cosmosphere collaboration is designed to be an adult-child experience, where 4-H members and adults can interact and learn from these fun and educational experiences. The program will include overnight indoor camping at the Cosmosphere located in Hutchinson, KS, (bring your own sleeping bag, air mattress, pillow, towel and toiletry items). The experience is open to 4-H members, parents, grandparents, volunteer 4-H leaders, and KSRE staff.

The CVent registration system is now accepting registrations, visit: <http://www.kansas4h.org/events/index.html>. Registration will close **March 16**, 11:59 p.m. There will be a minimum number required or the Unmanned Aerial Systems experience will be cancelled. The program is limited to the first 60 who register on a first-come, first-serve basis to ensure that it remains fun and hands-on for everyone. For more information, contact Deryl Waldren, dwaldren@ksu.edu, or call 785-462-6281.