April
1    Campference Registration OPEN
4    BINGO 4-H Camp Fundraiser, Fairgrounds, 6 p.m.
10   Grensing Scholarship applications for 4-H Camp are DUE
14   CWF Meeting, Manhattan, 7 p.m.
15   Discovery Days Registration DUE
15   Vanier Family Scholarship Application & References DUE
22   SLD Deadline
26-27 CWF Garage Sale, Manhattan
27   Livestock Tagging (morning)
27   Spring Livestock Day

May
1    Project Add/Drop DEADLINE
1    Horse IDs DUE
1    4HOnline Enrollment Closes
7    PPP 4-H Camp Registration/Counselor Applications DUE
15   Campference Registration and Payment DUE
27   Extension Office Closed for Memorial Day
29   SSS Deadline
29-31 Discovery Days, Manhattan
31   Baby Sitter Clinic, Wamego

Important Bits
Bingo Night on April 6 at 6 p.m. at the fairgrounds. The 4-H Ambassadors are hosting a BINGO NIGHT to help raise funds for 4-H camp! Flyer attached!

Spring Livestock Day will be on April 27 at the Wabaunsee County Fairgrounds. Sheep, goats and beef will be shown. Flyer attached to email. Wabaunsee County 4-Hers use Wabaunsee County Registration form for discounted entry fees.
Spring Swine Show is on June 1 at the Wabaunsee County Fairgrounds. Mark your calendar now!

Purple Power Pack 4-H Camp is right around the corner! All 4-H members in grades 2-7 are invited to attend 4-H Camp, June 8-11, camp registration attached! If you are at least 14 years old and interested in becoming a camp counselor stay tuned your application will be available soon. Both will be due May 7. Grensing Scholarship applications for 4-H Camp are due April 10.

Wabaunsee County Fair Dates are July 26-30.

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.

Junior Superintendents for County Fair if you are interested in helping with any project area as a Junior Superintendent at the County Fair, we would love to have you! Contact the office and let us know!

Record Book information has been updated on our website. Intermediate Project Pages have all been changed, all other forms remain the same.

4-H Enrollment Fee Reimbursement 4-H Council will be reimbursing enrollment fees for the 2018-2019 4-H year with completion of the form (and requirements) attached to the newsletter. It is due to the Extension Office the First Monday in October (2019). Form is available online here.

Volunteer Renewals are due. Please click here to find more information. If you are an Episodic Volunteer, please only fill out the volunteer service application on Qualtrics.

4HOnline Family Resources This is a wonderful resource to use for basic “How To” needs within 4HOnline. Click here to view the resource first hand.

New 4-H Family Notebooks are available to new families who would like to become involved in 4-H! This will help guide you thru your “Rookie” year of 4-H.

Best Choice Labels remember to save your Best Choice Labels and drop them by the Extension Office as a fundraiser method for our CWF delegates.
Grensing Memorial Scholarship
This scholarship fund provides scholarships to 4-H members and leaders in Wabaunsee County to attend 4-H camps, conferences, or other leadership enhancing opportunities. The Grensing Application is attached to this newsletter and available on our website. The application for 4-H Camp will be due on April 10.

Discovery Days
Discovery Days will be held at Kansas State University’s campus in Manhattan from May 29-31. The theme this year is, “Discover Your Spotlight,” the classes that will be offered will be about 4-H projects, careers, hobbies, community service and more! You can also share your talents in the Talent Show. Are you ready to dance? Have some Call Hall ice cream? Are you ready for some great speakers and Discovery Days Night Live and all the other possibilities in your future? Registration opens March 1, click here to register, register early as classes fill up QUICKLY! Registration fee will be coming soon! Registration deadline is April 15 at 11:59 p.m. For more information about Discovery Days 2019, click here.

2019-2020 Vanier Family 4-H Scholarship Information
The Vanier Family Scholarship Program was established to enhance the strong leadership skills already exhibited by 4-H members. This program invests in the educational endeavors of young people who have overcome challenges in their lives to pursue their educational goals. Scholarship recipients will be recognized leaders and role models within their home communities who have balanced “greater than usual” demands and contributed in positive ways as a 4-H member and citizen.

Students will receive scholarships in the amount of $7,000/year for use at community or technical institutions and $12,000/year for use at baccalaureate institutions. Recipients will receive half of the scholarship for the fall semester and the remaining half in the spring.

ELIGIBILITY for NEW 2019-20 applicants:

1. Current or former Kansas 4-H member for 3 or more years
2. Entering college for the first time as a full-time undergraduate student for the 2019-20 academic year
3. Plans to enroll full-time in an accredited post-secondary institution for the 2019-20 academic year
4. Extensive 4-H leadership at the local and county levels and/or Key Award winner
5. Demonstrated problem-solving and leadership capabilities

Application links can be found by clicking here.
**Campference 2019**

4-H Campference is for youth ages 12-14 (before January 1, 2019), and will be held **June 23-26** at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Participants will experience the feel of a conference, while enjoying the 'camp' activities Rock Springs 4-H Center has to offer. This is a great transitional opportunity, as tweens go from being a camper to attending educational conferences. 4-H Campference will feature workshops about opportunities in the 4-H program and how to better interact with others.

Register NOW as the space will fill on a first come basis, and Campference was full the last five years! Register online by **May 15** (or earlier, it will close when it is full) and payment must be in the local Extension Offices by **May 15**.

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**CWF License Plate Fundraiser**

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Citizenship Washington Focus Delegates are selling 4-H Grown License Plates for $10 each. The plates are Kelly Green and are metal. Please stop by the Extension Office to get yours!

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**Raise Your Hand for Your State Youth!**

Win $20,000 and bring 4-H programs to more kids in your community! The "Raise Your Hand" initiative is a nationwide call-to-action for 4-H alumni, supporters, and friends to vote to win funding for their 4-H state program. This funding helps more kids in their communities benefit from the hands-on learning programs 4-H offers, helping kids serve their community and build critical life skills needed to thrive. Vote for your state and the three states with the highest ratio of hands raised to total state population will win $20,000, $10,000 and $5,000 to bring local 4-H programs to more kids. Vote HERE!!!
4-H Record Books –Permanent Record

Let’s start off by going over keeping track of the Permanent Record (don’t let it scare you, we are here to help). At this point in the 4-H year we have been busy with meetings and activities for six months! If your 4-Her has not been keeping track of their activities at this point it is not too late! One suggestion would be to give your 4-Hers a little calendar. In this little calendar they can write out all of their meetings and activities that they participate in throughout the year, by month and date. This was suggested to me by a 4-H mom and it worked well for us. If you are just now starting to mark these activities and meetings down, that is okay! Just remember to go back to October 1 and try your hardest to mark everything that they have done. Work together as a team with your 4-Hers, but remember that our goal is not for a perfect record book but one that is providing a learning opportunity for our 4-Hers to enhance their recordkeeping skillset. Keep having them track these activities as they go through the remainder of the year. Remember, it is not just 4-H activities that should be tracked, but community activities, church activities and school activities. Within the 4-H Record Book there are areas for tracking ALL of these details! If you chose to track by the calendar, remember to put all of the details into the Permanent Record Fillable pdf or word doc that we have online. This can be done in late August, to help keep their Record Book on track. The benefit of entering these details into the word doc would be that you can SAVE THEM! Another quick tip, we have a few 4-H families that like to save these in their Google Docs. This has helped when grandparents or two household families are very active in the 4-H activities, and can help the 4-Her and their parents keep the Permanent Record up to date. If you would rather have your 4-Her track these details throughout the year within their Permanent Record document, that is fine. Remember to hit SAVE a lot! This part of the process needs to work well for your family! There is no right or wrong way to keep track of the details!

If you have any tips or suggestions that have helped your 4-Her with their Permanent Record, please share them with us! We want to share as many ideas with our 4-H family as possible, what works for you just might help another family out!

4-H Cloverbuds
Ages 5-6

Come and GROW with us, as we have fun building social skills, creativity and teamwork! Cloverbuds meetings are held during local 4-H monthly meetings. Please come for a visit in the Alma area at Happy Valley 4-H Club, Paxico/Maple Hill Area at Newbury 4-H Club and Maple Hill Hustlers 4-H Club, and Eskridge/Harveyville area at Friendly Farmers 4-H Club! All club contact information is available on our website.
Notes from the Office
PPP 4-H Camp registration is attached to this month’s newsletter. What a great opportunity for our 4-H youth to grow in character and knowledge, as the venture away from their families for adventure. Camps and conferences are a great way to meet others from across the state and network too! If you have any questions about IF your 4-Her is ready to give camp a try, call us!!

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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