March
1  Discovery Day Registration Opens
3  Ambassadors Meeting, Fairgrounds, 6:30 p.m.
9  Jr. Swine Producers Day, Manhattan, Weber Arena
11 Jr. Meat Goat Producer Early Registration DUE
19  CWF Meeting, Manhattan, 7 p.m.
24  4-H Council, Fairgrounds

April
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.
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
29-31 Discovery Days, Manhattan

Important Bits
2019 Junior Swine Producers Day will be held on March 9 in Weber Arena. Registration fee is $20. Registrations received after February 15 cannot be guaranteed a t-shirt. For more information, see the flyer attached to the newsletter.
2019 Junior Meat Goat Producer Day will be held on March 30 in Weber Arena. Early Registration due March 11, early Registration Fee - $15/person ($20 after March 11). Registrations received after March 11 cannot be guaranteed a t-shirt. The Junior Meat Goat Producer Day will be held on the same date as the K-State Sheep & Meat Goat Center Sale. They are separate events, but the schedule will accommodate families who would like to participate in both activities.

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. More information will be included in the next newsletter.

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. If you are at least 14 years old and interested in becoming a camp counselor stay tuned! Both counselor application and camper registration 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.

Canning Jars Cindy Logan of Wabaunsee County has several quart sized jars that she would like to donate to 4-Hers who are canning in the Foods Project. If you are interested please contact Cindy kaylilli@yahoo.com

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.

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.

Registration and detailed information will be the State 4-H Website in March. Register early 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.
CWF License Plate Fundraiser

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!

4-H Record Books

4-H Record Books are one of “those” things. You know the kind of “thing” that you think about all year long, during every 4-H Club meeting or event. You think about them when your 4-Her is busy looking at projects that they would like to try, you think about them when your 4-Her starts planning out the sewing projects they would like to do, you think about them as your 4-Her goes to purchase their pigs, their little bucket calf, or when they bring home a beautiful art project from school. In the busyness of life this can often seem like one of the easier tasks to scratch from your list. Or it can be the item that you intend to help your 4-Her with but the days slip past so quickly and before you know it the deadline is past and one more year has gone by without completing a record book. It’s easy in that moment to think it is not an important task to complete; and yet the 4-H Record Book is the place to “bring it all together!” The extension office has been working hard to refresh our perspective on 4-H Record Books, and bring new life to this amazing process within our county. One suggestion we had was to have an article in the monthly newsletter to highlight in a timely manner different aspects of this process. If there are topics or questions that you would like to have answered, simply reply to the email newsletter and we will start adding them to the article list! Also, attached to the newsletter is the amazing new Guide to Record Books, check it 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.

2019 Equifest Horse Judging Results

Wabaunsee County 4-H member and St. Marys high school freshman Kaylee Lukert competed at the Kansas State 4-H Horse Judging contest held in conjunction with the 2019 Kansas Horse Council Equifest in Topeka, Kansas on Friday, February 22nd. Kaylee is in her 9th year of 4-H, 9th year in the horse project and is Reporter for the Maple Hill Hustlers 4-H Club, President of the Wabaunsee County 4-H Council and Secretary for the Wabaunsee County 4-H Ambassadors. She is also the Junior FFA Vice President at St. Marys High school. Horse judging competitors observed 6 classes of horses and gave reasons over how they placed the class for 4 of those classes. Kaylee competed on a composite team consisting of members from Flint Hills and Riley County 4-H to take home 1st place Senior 4-H Horse Judging team, they were also 1st place team in placing of classes and 1st place team in reasons. Kaylee also placed 3rd in individual placings and 5th in individual reasons, bringing home 2nd place Overall Senior 4-H Horse Judging competitor honors, which qualifies her for the National 4-H Contest. Kaylee and the top four 4-H individual scorers will travel to the Western National Round Up in Denver, Colorado January 8-12 of 2020 to compete against other State 4-H horse judging teams from across the country.
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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