

WEST PLAINS DISTRICT

EXTENSION NEWSLETTER



SCOTT COUNTY 4-H COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT (PHOTO CREDIT : JANET HARKNESS)

WEST PLAINS DISTRICT
OFFICE HOURS
MONDAY - FRIDAY
8 AM - 5 PM

LUNCH HOURS EXCLUDED AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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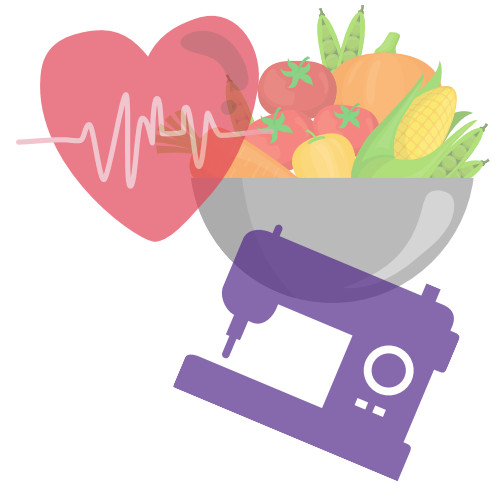
DATES TO KNOW: JUNE 2021

- **June 2nd:** K-State Garden Hour Webinar: Effective Irrigation
- **June 3rd:** Tractor Safety Training, Wm. Carpenter Building (Scott City) from 8:30AM - 4PM
- **June 9th:** Offices Closed, Camp Lakeside
- **June 10th:** Offices Closed, Camp Lakeside
- **June 16th:** K-State Garden Hour Webinar: Native Plants to Support Native Bees

DATES TO KNOW: JULY 2021

- **July 5th:** Offices Closed in Observance of Independence Day
- **July 12th-17th:** Scott County Free Fair, Scott County Fairgrounds (Scott City)
- **July 21st-24th:** Finney County Fair, Finney County Fairgrounds (Garden City)

WE'RE HIRING



OFFICE PROFESSIONALS

TWO POSITIONS

SCOTT & FINNEY COUNTY OFFICES

40 HOURS/WEEK

8AM-5PM

\$15+ /HR

12 VACATION DAYS, 12 SICK DAYS, NATIONAL HOLIDAYS

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Greetings everyone! I hope everyone had a great Memorial Day honoring all those who have gone before us. I love going to the cemetery and putting flowers on my family's graves, and seeing how pretty it is. I would like to thank all those who served in our military, who we are honoring this holiday. Your sacrifice does not go without appreciation and gratitude.

In this newsletter, I would like to take the time to brag on the Extension Agents in the **West Plains Extension District**. They are working really hard to provide our district timely and relevant information on topics that range from crop management, to soil temperatures for gardens, to healthy lifestyles.

With the June 1st date, agents really start gearing up for the summer activities. Tractor Safety is one activity that will be offered in June, hosted by our Ag agent **Renee Tuttle**. This activity allows young adults the ability to work for farmers who are not their family.

We also have several 4-H camps that are held in June of each year. We host a camp for our younger 4-Hers, ages 7-9 at the United Methodist Church Camp located near the Historical Lake Scott State Park. This two-day, 1-night, camp is a great introduction for the younger 4-Hers to become acquainted with camp before leaving for a much longer, busier camp. We offer fishing, swimming, hiking, crafts, archery, games, cooking, and rafting at this camp.

The "big kid" camp is located at Rock Springs Ranch, the state 4-H camp located south of Junction City. There are some big changes coming next year to Rock Springs to make it an even more exciting experience. If you would like to sign your child up for 4-H, our agent **Janet Harkness** is always available to answer any questions you may have.

Did you know that you can get your canning gauges checked at the West Plains Extension Offices? It's important to know that those gauges are reading accurately. If they are off then you could be under-processing your canned items which can lead to the deadly bacteria Botulism. If you are over processing, your foods will not be the best of quality. This is a simple, free, service that takes just minutes to do, so come see us to make sure your gauges are correct as **Jennifer LaSalle** or myself can perform these checks. And don't forget, inspect your rubber seals and replace them if dry, cracked, or broken.

Tree care in Western Kansas is a constant battle between drought and disease, but our Horticulture Agent, **Anthony Reardon**, can help you figure out what is going on and the best practice to help them. His services are free, but there could be a small charge for a test should a sample need to be sent to the lab at K-State. This cost, however, is typically minimal.

The next time you hear from us, we will be all but ready for fair in each county. Watch our website for updated fair schedules for Finney and Scott counties!

Carol Ann 



THE OPIOID CRISIS IN AMERICA: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

KEY FACTS

- Opioids are a class of drugs that include powerful prescription pain relievers - such as oxycodone, codeine, morphine, and fentanyl - and the illegal drug heroin.
- Prescription opioids can be an important part of treatment but carry significant risks for addiction and overdoses because of the addictive euphoria they create and the tolerance that occurs after repetitive dosing.
- **If or someone you know is abusing opioids, seek help NOW. If you suspect someone is experiencing an overdose, call 911.**

The misuse of opioids is a serious national crisis that is putting millions of lives at risk. If steps are not taken to curb the crisis, more lives will be lost, life expectancy will continue to decrease, and the burden of addiction will be placed upon future generations. Take a proactive role against the opioid crisis by seeking help if you are addicted, becoming trained in CPR, properly storing and disposing of medications, and mobilizing your community to take action. For more information on opioids or learn how to get involved in combating the epidemic, contact the Extension office.



WHAT ARE THE SIGNS OF OPIOID ADDICTION?

Some addicts will show few or no outward signs of addiction and will continue to live seemingly normal lives. However, there are some signs to watch out for if you think someone might have an addiction to opioids:

- Small, pinpoint pupils
- Appearing tired or drowsy, or nodding off during conversations
- Slurred speech
- Warm flushing and/or itchy skin
- Constipation (the individual might try to acquire laxatives)
- Nausea, vomiting, or failure to eat
- Excess pill bottles and medications around their home, purse, car or workplace
- Seeking and/or obtaining multiple prescriptions from multiple providers and pharmacies

Many people will also exhibit changes in their behaviors, such as having a lack of hygiene, changes in exercise habits, loss of relationships, or even stealing. As someone continues to struggle with their addiction, more telling signs can develop.

WHAT ARE THE SIGNS OF OPIOID OVERDOSE?

Due to the current opioid epidemic, it has become increasingly important to recognize and understand the signs and symptoms of opioid overdoses, as well as what to do until emergency services arrive. The primary indication that someone has overdosed is reduced or stopped breathing. Opioids depress breathing rates, especially if taken in large quantities. Reduced or stopped breathing might look like:

- Shallow breathing
- Pale skin
- Gasping for air
- Having blue lips or fingertips

WHERE DO YOU GO FOR HELP?

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) offers online and over the phone assistance 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This hotline is a confidential, free source of information (in English and Spanish) for individuals and family members facing mental and/or substance abuse disorders. This service provides referrals to local treatment facilities, support groups, and community-based organizations.



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TANK MIX ORDER MATTERS



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As weeds become harder to control, tank mixes have become more and more important. Whether you are loading a commercial sprayer setting out to spray several thousand acres of corn, or you are loading a backpack sprayer to kill nuisance weeds in your backyard, tank mix compatibility and order is integral to the success of your herbicide program.

Below is a simple method to follow in order to be sure that your tank mix order is appropriate based on the pesticides that you are using. This is not a substitute for a product label. Be sure to read the product label before making any tank mixes or applications.



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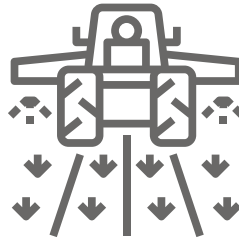
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Dry formulations should be added to the tank first, such as: wettable powders (WP/W), water dispersible granules (WDG), water soluble packets (WSP), dry flowable (DF). Be sure dry products are thoroughly dissolved prior to adding other products.

Agitation should be continuous and provide enough action to "roll" the surface of the carrier.

Add liquid (L), flowable (F), soluble concentrate (SC) formulations next.



Emulsifiable Concentrates (EC) should be added next. Micro-encapsulated (ME) formulations should be added after the EC product.

Add surfactants and other adjuvants last. This includes crop oils, drift control agents etc. Final step is to fill the tank with the remainder of the needed carrier and continue agitation.

For more information and a complete guide to tank mixes, reference "Avoid Tank Mix Errors", Purdue Extension Publication # PPP-122.

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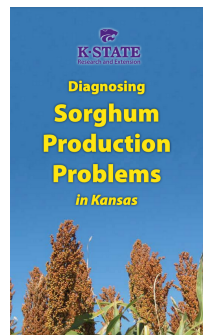
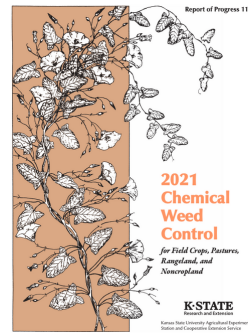
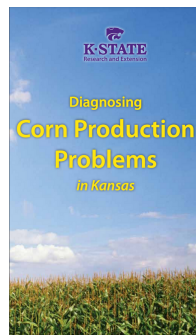
ADVICE FROM A COW

- Be outstanding in your field.
- Eat plenty of greens.
- Take time to ruminate
- Know when to hoof it.
- Swing your tail.
- It's ok to be a little moo-dy.
- Be udderly brilliant!



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HELPFUL PUBLICATIONS FOR THE GROWING SEASON AVAILABLE ONLINE OR AT THE EXTENSION OFFICE





AT THE HEART OF HARVEST

Wheat Harvest Safety

Wheat harvest is right around the corner! Running straight from corn and milo planting to wheat harvest, multiple pieces of farm equipment are working simultaneously in the field to get the job done.

During harvest, the most important piece of equipment is the combine and the safe operation of the combine starts with the operator. Kent McGuire, OSU Ag Safety and Health Coordinator, put together the following reminders to consider during harvest:

- Follow the procedures in the operator's manual for safe operation, maintenance, dealing with blockages and other problems.
- Check all guards are in position and correctly fitted before starting work. Do not run the combine with the guards raised or removed.
- Keep equipment properly maintained and insure equipment has adequate lighting for working in low light conditions.
- Reduce the risk of falls by ensuring access ladders, steps, or standing platforms are clean and free of mud or debris.
- Never carry passengers on the combine unless seated in a passenger seat and do not mount or dismount the combine when it is moving.
- Make sure to keep cab windows clean and mirrors are properly adjusted. Operator vision to the rear may be poor so be particularly careful when reversing.
- Keep the cab door shut to keep out dust and reduce noise. Ensure any pedestrians are clear of the combine before moving.
- Be alert to your surroundings. Know where other equipment is being positioned and be observant to individuals who may be walking around equipment. Maintain eye contact and communicate your intentions with the other person.
- When unloading the combine on the move, you will need to plan and coordinate your movements carefully to match the tractor/grain cart working with you.
- Do not operate the machine beyond its capacity or overload it.
- Regularly clean straw deposits from the engine compartment and around belts or pulleys to reduce risk of fire.
- Carry suitable fire extinguishers. These should be regularly checked and properly maintained/serviced.
- Pre-plan road travel to account for potential problems with automobile traffic. Utilize escort vehicles when needed.



Crops cannot be harvested without the health and safety of the operator. Farm Bureau shares these tips for farmer health:

- ✓ Don't skip meals!
- ✓ Eat healthy snacks!
- ✓ Stay hydrated!
- ✓ Get enough sleep!
- ✓ Take frequent breaks!
- ✓ Wear proper protection!
- ✓ Schedule a check-up!
- ✓ Check Exposed Skin!
- ✓ Run safety checks!
- ✓ Return home safe to your family!



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Take these steps to keep your harvest meals safe from food borne illnesses.

Wash Hands

Take 20

- Use soap and water to wash all parts of the hands and wrist for at least 20 seconds.

Handwashing in the Field

- If a portable handwashing station is not available where food will be delivered, bring thermos of warm water, soap, and paper towels for makeshift handwashing.
- Or bring moist towelettes and alcohol-based hand sanitizer. Hand sanitizer does not work effectively on dirty or soiled hands, so use the moist towelette first.

Traveling with Food

Keep Hot Food Hot

- Once fully cooked and packed for deliver, move hot foods into insulated containers, such as coolers packed with clean, heavy towels.

Keep Cold Food Cold

- Pack cold foods in insulated containers with ice and ice packs.

Temperatures for Delivery

- If driving longer than 30 minutes, pack hot and cold foods as described above.
- Keep hot foods at 140F or hotter and cold foods at 40F or colder.

Start the Countdown

Eat Soon after Delivery

- To keep everyone safe, farmers and workers need to eat meals as soon as possible after being delivered to the field.

Food Safety

- Throw out perishable food left at room temperature after 2 hours.
- Temperatures that rise above 90F, throw out perishable foods left at room temperature after 1 hour.

Packing an Insulated Container

Cold Foods

- Cool the container before filling, such as with cold water or ice
- Chill or freeze foods and drinks before adding to cooler.
- Fill the container full. Full containers stay colder longer
- Use large ice packs or ice blocks.
- Wash and sanitize milk jugs, fill with water and freeze. They make great ice pack. When ice melts you have cold water.

Preparing Nutritious Meals

Guidelines

- Follow MyPlate guidelines
- Aim to include 3 to 5 food groups
- Add variety and color
- Choose foods with less sodium, added sugars and more fiber

Sourced from Illinois Extension: University of Illinois

Healthy Cooking with Herbs

Do you want to spice up your cooking? How about cooking with herbs. Adding herbs to your cooking is a quick way to change ordinary meals into extraordinary meals. Herbs not only add flavor to foods, but they also have health benefits of their own. Researchers are finding that many herbs have antioxidants that may help protect against such diseases as cancer and heart disease.



SUBSTITUTING FRESH HERBS FOR DRIED HERBS

When using fresh herbs in a recipe, use 3 times as much as you would use of a dried herb. When substituting, you will be more successful substituting fresh herbs for dried herbs, rather than the other way around.

STORING FRESH HERBS

Fresh herbs can be stored in an open or perforated plastic bag in your refrigerator crisper drawer for a few days. If you don't have access to commercial perforated bags, use a knife or scissors to make several small holes in a regular plastic bag. To extend the freshness of herbs, snip off the ends of the stems on the diagonal. Place herbs in a tall glass with an inch of water. Cover loosely with a plastic bag to allow for air circulation. Place in the refrigerator and change the water daily.



PREPARING HERBS FOR COOKING

Wash herbs thoroughly under running water. Shake off moisture or spin dry in a salad spinner and pat off any remaining moisture with clean paper towels. Most recipes suggest mincing herbs into tiny pieces. Chop with a knife on a cutting board or snip with a kitchen scissors. For sturdier herbs such as rosemary, oregano, sage and thyme, run fingers down the top of the stem to bottom to strip off leaves. For herbs with tender stems, such as parsley and cilantro, snip the stem in with the leaves.

ADDING HERBS DURING FOOD PREPARATION

Unlike dried herbs, fresh herbs are usually added toward the end in cooked dishes to preserve their flavor. Add the more delicate herbs (basil, chives, cilantro, dill leaves, parsley, marjoram and mint) a minute or two before the end of cooking or sprinkle them on the food before it is served. The less delicate herbs (dill seed, oregano, rosemary, tarragon and thyme) can be added about the last 20 minutes of cooking. Using fresh herbs instead of salt can give foods a burst of flavor. Dill, basil, and coriander are among a few herbs found to be the most effective when replacing salt.

HERB/FOOD COMBINATIONS

- **Basil:** tomatoes, fresh pesto, pasta sauce, peas, zucchini
- **Chives:** dips, potatoes, tomatoes
- **Cilantro:** Mexican, Asian and Caribbean cooking, salsas, tomatoes
- **Dill:** carrots, cottage cheese, fish, green beans, potatoes, tomatoes
- **Mint:** carrots, fruit salads, peas, tea
- **Oregano:** peppers, tomatoes
- **Parsley:** used with a wide variety of foods
- **Rosemary:** chicken, fish, lamb, pork, roasted potatoes, soups, stew, tomatoes
- **Thyme:** eggs, lima beans, potatoes, poultry, summer squash, tomatoes

Sources: Colorado State University and Oklahoma State University

THE HERBALIST IN YOU



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Hypertension,
cholesterol, vascular
aging, arteriosclerosis

GINGER

Gastrointestinal
complaints, motion
sickness, boosts immune
system

MULLEIN

Cold and flu

MARSH
MALLOW

Cough, bronchitis

PURSLANE

Omega-3 fatty acids,
magnesium, potassium,
iron

ELDERBERRY

Cold and flu

ONION

Appetite loss,
arteriosclerosis, fever and
colds, coughs, bronchitis,
hypertension, tendency
to infection, common cold

ADZUKI BEAN

Body strengthening,
diabetes

PEPPERMINT

Liver, gallbladder,
stomach complaints

GERMAN
CHAMOMILE

Gastrointestinal
inflammation, upper-
respiratory irritation, skin
inflammation, gingivitis

RED
RASPBERRY

Intestines, respiratory
tract, cardiovascular
system, mouth and
throat, indigestion

LICORICE

Cough, bronchitis,
gastritis

ECHINACEA

Cold, cough, bronchitis,
fever, urinary infection,
mouth and throat,
infection, wounds and
burns

CATNIP

Can be used like mint

RED CLOVER

Cough, respiratory
conditions, psoriasis,
eczema

LEMON BALM

Nervousness, insomnia



PLANTAGO

Common cold, cough,
bronchitis, fever,
inflammation

SAGE

Loss of appetite,
inflammation of the
mouth, excessive
perspiration, mouth and
throat injuries

DANDELION

Upset stomach, urinary
infections, liver and
gallbladder problems

MONARDA

The distinctive flavor in
Earl Grey tea

For full information on these herbs and how they are used, please visit the publication, "Growing Herbs for Home Use," by Rhonda Janke from the KSRE Bookstore.

MADE IN THE SHADE

Sunrises. Sunsets. Sunflowers. Describing Kansas, one will rapidly devise a list that holds a clear, universal, theme... the sun. It is plentiful here in Kansas, and even more so in Western Kansas, where trees are as few and far between as cloud cover is. The need for full-sun plants here is highly pertinent, and yet, it isn't always the case. What if you do happen to have a lot of trees in your yard? Maybe there's a tall building right next to your home, shielding light from your precious garden. Perhaps that awning of yours sits just over the spot where you'd like to have some plants. Sun be gone, **there are still options for planting a shade garden in western Kansas**, and no, they aren't all Hostas.

One of the first aspects to keep in mind when planting a shade garden is the need to recognize that not all shade is created equal. Exactly how much shade do you have? Is it **dense** shade, where little to no light perforates through? How about **full** shade, where you receive less than one hour of light per day? There's also **partial** shade, where you receive less than 2 hours of direct sun. And then, there is even **light** shade -three to five hours of sunlight throughout the day.



Knowing the type of shade that you have will help you in recognizing which plants you are more likely to get away with trying over others. Many full sun plants available will actually be labeled for part shade as well as full sun, vastly increasing your landscaping options over the areas where you are dealing with purely full shade. And for those areas where it is full shade, there are still options.

Perhaps **investigate** redbuds for a heart-shaped leaf texture worked into your understory, or serviceberry for a floriferous early spring. Consider an oakleaf hydrangea for huge oak-like leaves, long panicle flowers, and vibrant fall foliage. Even a redbud dogwood will provide a pop of color for you, especially during the winter months. Many evergreen shrubs are **an easy way to work greenspace in**, including holly, boxwood, yew, and leatherleaf viburnum. Even sedge grass is an option, if looking to incorporate a wispy texture into your landscape.

GET ACQUAINTED WITH YOUR SOIL

Your soil is going to be pivotal when it comes to the success of any shade plant that you try and, if you're willing to do some amending, **you may even be able to get away with more types of shade plants than otherwise**. Many of the shade plants that will live in eastern Kansas will not survive in western Kansas, and this is specifically due to the fact that there is a very high soil pH here. Repeated applications of soil amendments, specifically 90% Sulfur over the course of several years, can gradually lower your soil's pH. If you can gradually get the **acidity down to a 6.0-6.5 range**, or quickly do it in a raised bed or pot, you will be much better off to accommodate many plants.

The numerous types of hostas aside (the variety count is well above 2000), **many other perennial plants** can also be considered. Heuchera, bleeding heart, wild geranium, columbine, helleborus, Vinca minor, English ivy, Boston Ivy, and lirioppe are all plants to be considered, with varying colors and textures and sizes to be utilized. **Even annuals** such as ageratium, coleus, impatiens, lobelia, pansy, and begonia would be solid choices for a temporary pot or landscape, many of which have vibrant coloring –an aspect that can lack in shade plantings.

Whatever direction you go with you plant selection, be sure to pay attention to the area that you are trying to incorporate the plants. Many shade areas being just below trees, you're likely to run into a root (or twenty) in your planting process –and **damaging the wrong roots can quickly turn your full-shade spot, to full sun**. Leave major roots alone and try to plant around them. Avoid tilling the area, as this will likely cause too much root damage. And refrain from burying any exposed roots, or changing the grade of the soil, as this too can cause damage. Any uneven areas can then be leveled off with mulch or compost. Soon enough, you'll have a shade garden putting those full-sun beds to shame.





4-H DISTRICT ROUNDUP

GETTING READY FOR FAIR!



June and July are a bustle of activity as 4-Hers, leaders and parents prepare for the county fair! No matter if you are a seasoned pro or a newbie to county fair, there are always so many things to remember and do!

To keep on top of everything fair, here is a handy check list:

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- Stay up to date on dates, deadlines and everything fair by reading your weekly West Plains 4-H Happenings email, check out our 4-H Facebook pages and contact your agents with any questions.
- The fairbook – the fair schedule, rules and classes all in one place! You can find the fairbook online or email Janet for a copy. Not all events are guaranteed to happen the same way/time as previous years.
- Read each section you intend to enter thoroughly. Different sections require different information and/or packaging requirements when entering. Make sure your project fits the class you are entering it in.
- Help with paperwork and/or online entries is only a phone call, email or text away!
- Plan your show supply list now to make sure you have everything packed and ready to go or that you leave enough time to order and receive your show supplies.
- Plan your project supply list to make sure that you have all of the ingredients, craft supplies, sewing notions, mats and frames needed to complete your projects without having to make multiple trips to the store.
- Contact your club or project leader to help you finalize projects, get the perfect show clip and complete entry paperwork.
- Plan for herdsmanship, use the fair theme to help you plan and decorate your display area.
- Leave yourself enough time to do your best when completing your projects. We want the glue to be dry and the cookies not to be undercooked at judging!!!



Lake Wide Awake honoring the Carpenter's on Memorial Day

ACTIVITY SPOTLIGHT

Finney County 4-H Cloverbud Meeting



Scott County 4-H Country Cousins club meeting

Livestock Judging Practice



Scott County 4-H Country Cousins club meeting



DISTRICT 4-H HAPPENINGS

JUNE

- **Mondays:** Meats Judging, John Collins Bldg. (GCCC) @ 6PM
- **Tuesdays:** Livestock Judging @ 6:30PM
- **June 9-10th:** Camp Lakeside
- **June 15th:** SW District 4-H Horse Show Entries Due
- **June 16th:** STEM Lab, Scott City (Cost \$5)
- **June 21-24th:** Heart of Kansas Camp
- **June 30th:** Pollorum & AI Testing, Fi. Co. Fairgrounds from 5-7PM



JULY

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- **Tuesdays:** Livestock Judging @ 6:30PM
- **July 12-17th:** Scott County Free Fair
- **July 21-24th:** Finney County Fair

FINNEY COUNTY 4-H HAPPENINGS

JUNE

- **June 2nd, 3rd & 4th:** 4-H Quilting Class
- **June 4th:** Animal Day & Garden City Library 10AM-2PM
- **June 15th, 16th & 17th:** 4-H Foods Project Meeting
- **June 26th:** 4-H Open Horse Riding, Finney County Fairgrounds
- **June 27th:** 4-H Ambassadors Meeting, Finney County Extension Office @ 4:30PM

JULY

- **July 21-24th:** Finney County Fair

SCOTT COUNTY 4-H HAPPENINGS

JUNE

- **June 1st, 3rd, & 4th:** 4-H Quilting Class
- **June 16th:** 4-H STEM Lab, Wm. Carpenter Building from 6-8PM

JULY

- **July 12-17th:** Scott County Free Fair

STATE 4-H HAPPENINGS

Look for the Friday "West Plains 4-H Happenings" e-mail for more details on upcoming events! Not receiving the "West Plains 4-H Happenings" e-mails? Contact Janet (jlp27@ksu.edu) today to be added to the list.

4-H LIVESTOCK ROUNDUP



FINNEY COUNTY
4-H

Please e-mail or drop off a copy of your YQCA certificate to the 4-H Office ASAP! This is a requirement in Finney Co. to participate in the fair.

FINNEY COUNTY
4-H

You should have received an invoice via e-mail from Renee for your **2021 4-H Livestock Tags**. If you did not receive the e-mail or notice any discrepancies, please let the office know.

Invoices are due no later than June 30th.

Please make checks payable to the Finney County 4-H Council.



POLLORUM TESTING

All poultry, except pigeons and waterfowl, need to be pollorum and AI tested for fair.



Testing is scheduled for **June 30, 5-7pm**, at the Finney County Fairgrounds.

LIVESTOCK AUCTION PARTICIPANT MEETINGS

Scott County
July 1, 12pm
Wm. Carpenter Bldg.

Finney County
July 7, 7pm
4-H Building

Both agendas will address auction logistics. Buyers packets will be available.

STATE NOMINATION DEADLINE

» JUNE 15TH «

MARKET SWINE, COMMERCIAL GILT
MARKET LAMB, COMMERCIAL EWE
ALL MEAT GOAT
COMMERCIAL HEIFER

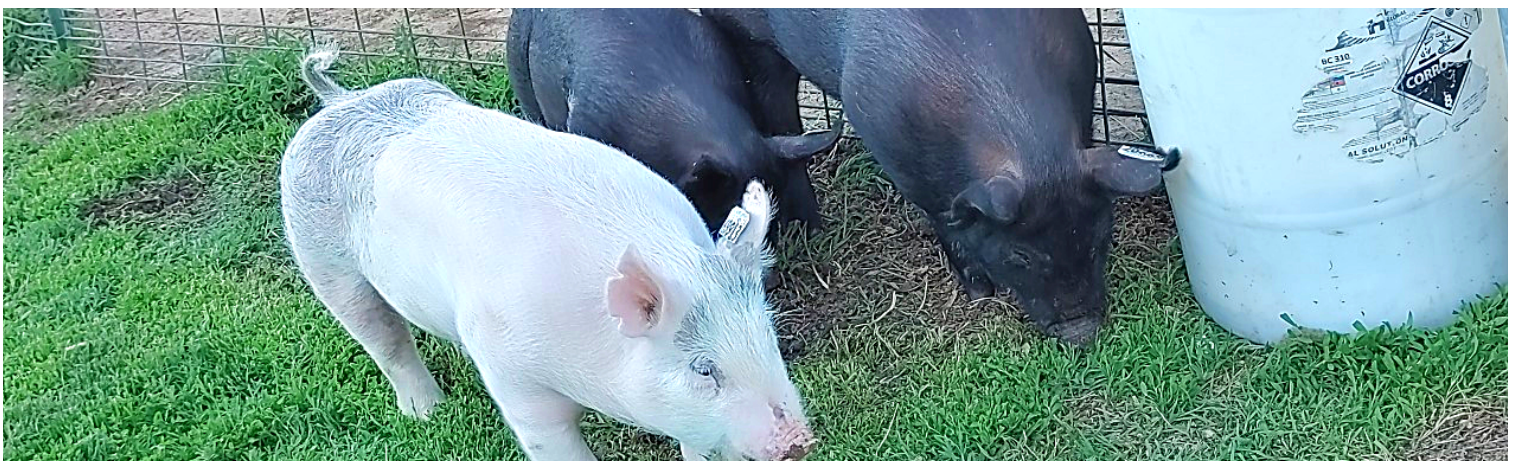
BUCKET CALVE TAGGING



The due date for tagging bucket calves is **July 1.**



(PHOTO CREDIT : JANET HARKNESS)



2021

SCOTT COUNTY FREE FAIR~~~July 13-17

Fair Book Available @ www.scottcofreefair.com



Scott County 4-Hers and adult volunteers painting the playground at Patton Park

Sunday, March 28

4-H BB/AirRifle Shoot, SC Comm Center

TBA

4-H Shooting Sports~Archery Fair Shoot

Thursdays, July 1

Deadline: All 4-H consultation entries

Tuesday, July 6

6:30 p.m. 4-H & Open Dog Show

6:30 p.m. Hand Pet/Cat Show

Wednesday, July 7

Deadline: 4-H Horse entries

Thursday, July 8

2:00 p.m. 4-H Fashion Revue Judging,
Methodist Church

7:00p.m. Public Fashion Show,
Baker Hall Methodist Church

Saturday, July 10

10:00 a.m. Parade, Main Street

Sunday, July 11

10 a.m. Prairie Land Church
Fair grounds awning pavilion
Fellowship lunch to follow

Monday, July 12

8:00 a.m.-8 p.m. Booth Construction

9:00 am. 4-H Consultation Judging:
Foods, Clothing Construction, Visual Arts,
Space Tech, Entomology, Photography,
Electricity, Geology, Woodworking
Wm. Carpenter 4-H Building

6-8:00 p.m. Weigh in livestock:
6-7 pm Sheep, goats, hogs
7-8 pm cattle

7:00 p.m. Fair Set-up for superintendents

Tuesday, July 13

7:30-10:00 a.m. Enter exhibits

8:00 a.m. 4-H Horse Show

10:00 a.m. Judging of exhibits

6:30 p.m. Scott County Barrel Race,
Followed by Scott Co Roping

Wednesday, July 14

8:30-10:00 a.m. Flower Show Entries

8:30 a.m. Poultry Show

9 am -9:30 p.m. Exhibit Buildings Hours

10:30 a.m. Sheep Judging

4:00 p.m. Beef Judging

5:30-8:00 p.m. Face Painting

7:00 p.m. Figure 8 Race, Grandstand

Featuring Kids Power Wheels Derby
and Lawn Mower Races

Beer Garden

Thursday, July 15

8:00 a.m. Swine Judging

9 am -9:30 p.m. Exhibit Buildings Hours

3:00 p.m. Goat Judging

5:30-8:00 p.m. Face Painting

6:00 p.m. Beefiesta BBQ

6:00 p.m. American AgCredit Watermelon Feed

6:00 p.m. Benish & Kisner- Free Concert

6:30 p.m. Grand Drive

8:00 p.m. Ranch Rodeo, Grandstand Arena

Beer Garden

Friday, July 16

9 am -9:30 p.m. Exhibit Buildings Hours

9:00 a.m. Round Robin Showmanship

5:30-8:00 p.m. Face Painting

6:00 p.m. 4-H Auction:
Livestock & Champion Foods

7:30 p.m. Power Tractor Pull, Grandstand

Beer Garden

Saturday, July 17

9 am -4:00 p.m. Exhibit Buildings Hours

9:00 am Kids Day/Ping Pong Ball Drop

Turtle Races

1:00 p.m. Kids Pedal Tractor Pull

4-5:00 p.m. Release All Exhibits, tear down

5:30-8:00 p.m. Face Painting

7:30 p.m. KPRA Rodeo, Grandstand Arena
Performance by:

American Freedom Riders Drill Team

9:00p.m.-12:00 a.m. Fair Dance

music by Benish & Kisner

Beer Garden



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Schedule Subject to Change



2021 Finney County Fair

Saturday, July 10

5:00pm Livestock Barns Setup

Tuesday, July 13

8:00am Buymanship Judging, 4-H Bldg, Lg Side

1-3:00pm Clothing Construction & Fiber Arts
Judging, 4-H Bldg, Lg Side

Thursday, July 15

Home Environment Class Tours (if any)

Friday, July 16

1:30pm Demonstration/Illustrated Talks/Project
Talks Judging, 4-H Bldg

Saturday, July 17

7:30am Horse Show Registration, North Concession
Stand

8:00am Horse Show Speed Events: Flags, Poles
& Barrels, Grandstand Area

2:00pm 4-H & Open Pet Show Check In, 4-H Bldg, Lg
Side

2:30pm 4-H Pet Show, to be followed by Open
Pet Show, 4-H Bldg, Lg Side

Monday, July 19

8-11:00am 4-H & Open Static Exhibits Check-In for
Judging

8-1:00pm 4-H & Open Foods Judging, 4-H Bldg, Lg
Side

4-H & Open Photography Judging, 4-H
Bldg, Sm Side

4-H & Open Visual Arts Judging, Grand
Stand Rm

Open Clothing & Textiles Judging,
Grandstand Rm

4-H & Open Judging for: shooting sports,
electricity/electronics, shop
exhibits, small engines, space tech,
forestry, educational displays,
wildlife/sportfishing,
woodworking; West Pavilion

Boys Scouts & Girls Scouts, West Pavilion

9-12:00pm 4-H & Open Flowers & Gardening, 4-H
Bldg, Lg side

Tuesday, July 20

1-4:00pm Bucket Calf Consultation, by appt, West
Pavilion

Rabbit & Poultry Check-In, Rabbit & Poultry
Bldg

4-5:00pm Sheep Check-In & Weigh-In, SW corner
wash rack. Vet pass required

4-6:00pm Beef Check-In & Weigh-In, Barn A/B

6:00pm Bucket Calf & Beef Shows, Showing

Wednesday, July 21

8:00am Sheep Show, Show ring

9:00am Poultry Show, Rabbit & Poultry Bldg

10:00am Rabbit Show, Rabbit & Poultry Bldg

5-7:00pm Goat Check-In & Weigh-In

Thursday, July 22

8:00am Goat Show, Showing

6-8:00pm Swine Check-In & Weigh-In

Friday, July 23

8:00am Swine Show, Showing

6:30pm 4-H Fashion Review, Exhibition Bldg

8:00pm Diamonds & Whiskey, Exhibition Bldg

Saturday, July 24

7:30am Buyer's Breakfast, Exhibition Stage

8:00am Premium Auction, Exhibition Stage

9:30am BBQ Contest Registration

10:00am BBQ Contest Cooking Begins

12:30pm Antique Tractor Pull Check-In, Grandstand

2:00pm Antique Tractor Pulls, Grandstand

2:00pm Turtle Race Check-In, sponsored by 4-H
Ambassadors Club, Plaza

3:00pm Turtle Races, Plaza

7:00pm That 80's Band, Exhibition Bldg

7-9:00pm 4-H Dance, Arena

Quilts of Valor Presentation, Exhibition
Stage

All Day Book Walk

All Day Dairy Cow Milking Station

Sunday, July 25

9:00am 4-H Sunday Service

10:00am 4-H Awards Ceremony

****SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE****



WIDE AWAKE

The April 12, 2021 meeting of the Wide Awake 4H Club was called to order at 7:00 PM at the Grandstand Meeting Room.

The roll call was who is your hero? There were 3 leaders, 4 adults, and 34 members present. Jaylee Speer read the minutes. Mitchell Lehman read the treasurer's report. The reporters report was turned in. Cort Baker read the parliamentary tip. Committee report was on YQCA training on April 19th. On May 1st is the deadline for tagging your animals. July 20-24 are the fair dates. BR program is in Scott City. The 4H app good for keeping track of animal information. No new or old business was discussed. There was no devotion. There was no current event. The song was led by Gentry Hands and Ben Price. Project talks were presented by Katie Heiman on her pig project. Paxton White on his goat project. Harper Sowers on her pig project. The recreation was led by Lauren Lightner. The next meeting is May 10, 2021. The meeting was adjourned. Wide Awake 4H Club, Secretary Jaylee Speer



FINNEY FLYERS

The Finney Flyers met May 2 at 4PM. Four members answered roll call with their favorite sport. The Treasurer's Report was also given after the flag salute and 4-H Pledge. There were no presentations. There was no new business. It was announced the next meeting is June 6 at 4PM. Travis moved to adjourn the meeting. Kayson seconded the motion which passed. Members present were: Travis, Aleah, Kason and Kennedy. One member was ill and others may have been at a hog show.



SHERLOCK STRIVERS

The April meeting of the Sherlock Strivers 4-H Club held April 11, 2021 at 6 pm at Holcomb Elementary School. The meeting was called to order by acting President Abby Elam.

Club members recited the Pledge of Allegiance lead by Jake Knoll and the 4-H Pledge lead by Taylor Knoll. Club members were reminded that 4-H requirements for exhibiting at the county fair started over in October. Aria Smith gave a project talk on rats. Kason Robinson did a project talk on wrapping lamb's legs. Cleaning guns was the topic for Brayden Robinson's project talk. Announcements included Livestock Judging Practice on Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm. Camp Lakeside and Heart of Kansas Camp dates. Meeting was adjourned. Submitted by Kayla George, Reporter

The May meeting of the Sherlock Strivers 4-H Club held May 2, 2021 at 6 pm at Holcomb Elementary School. The meeting was called to order by President Adison George. Roll call was answered with "Are you ready for summer?"

Club members recited the Pledge of Allegiance lead by Jake Knoll and the 4-H Pledge lead by Taylor Knoll.

SHERLOCK STRIVERS

Club members were reminded that 4-H requirements for exhibiting at the county fair started over in October. For new business members discussed what they want to do for the June meeting which is usually the Club Tour. Members decided to try to schedule a tour at a dairy followed by a swim party at the Holcomb Pool. Abby Elam will schedule the tour with the dairy. Paislea Cogan did a project talk on baking Chocolate Chip Cookies. Announcements included Livestock Judging Practice on Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm. Camp Lakeside and Heart of Kansas Camp dates. Meeting was adjourned. Submitted by Kayla George, Reporter



BEACON BOOSTERS

The April 11, 2021 Beacon Boosters Business Meeting was called to order at 5:00PM at Hard Rock Lanes by President Baylee Hutcheson of the Beacon Boosters and Ellie Murrell of Happy Hustlers. Roll call was name your sport. Those in attendance were Adam Cook, Maggie Deal, Baylee Hutcheson, Kiley Kilgore, Kaylei Marez, Jarica Hutcheson was excused.

There were 4 parents present. The flag salute and 4-H Pledge were led by Ellie Murrell. Recreation was a game of bowling at Hard Rock Lanes. The March 2021 Meeting Minutes were read and approved as read. Treasurer Report: Brogan shared the Treasurer's Report for both February and March, in February we had an ending balance of \$1456.77, in March we also had an ending balance of \$1456.77. Reporter's Report: The Reporter's Report was submitted to the GC Telegram, the Extension Office, and posted on Facebook by Kiley Kilgore.

Parliamentarian Report Jarica Hutcheson discussed if a member could change their vote after making it. Finney County Council: The council members discussed the budget for 4-H. Jr. Leader's/Ambassador's Report: There has been no meeting yet. Community Leaders Report: Tammy Hutcheson talked to the kids about their record books and adding projects for the fair with a deadline of May 1st. Committee Report: There was no committee report. Old Business: There was no old business at this month's meeting. New Business: There was no new business discussed at this month's meeting. The gavel was passed, the program was a reading by Rustin Sperry "Thelma the Unicorn" and Brogan Sperry discussed the breeding process of pigeons. Sperrys were thanked for being the host this month. The next Beacon Boosters meeting will be May 24th 2021 at approximately 6:00PM starting at the Sperry's house for a club tour then finishing at the Hutcheson house.

There was a motion to adjourn meeting at 5:33 by Rustin Sperry and seconded by Kiley Kilgore. Respectfully submitted, Kiley Kilgore (Secretary) and Baylee Hutcheson (President).