

WEST PLAINS DISTRICT

EXTENSION NEWSLETTER



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OFFICE HOURS
MONDAY - FRIDAY
8 AM - 5 PM

LUNCH HOURS EXCLUDED AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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Autumn at a Glance

DATES TO KNOW: ONGOING

- **September 1st-December 15th:** Extension Master Gardener Training. Thursdays. 1:00pm-4:00pm.
- **September 12th-November 2nd:** "Stay Strong, Stay Healthy" Classes. Mondays and Wednesdays. 10:00am.
- **October 3rd-November 7th:** Powerful Tools for Caregivers. Finney County Extension Office. Mondays.

DATES TO KNOW: SEPTEMBER 2022

- **September 1st:** 4-H Pumpkin and Untamed Veggie Class. Finney County Extension Office. 6:00-8:00pm.
- **September 5th: Offices Closed for Labor Day**
- **September 7th:** State Fair 4-H Projects Due to Offices by 5:00pm
- **September 7th:** K-State Garden Hour Webinar: Recommended Trees for Kansas
- **September 9th-18th:** Kansas State Fair in Hutchinson, Ks
- **September 13th: Offices Closed. Staff at KSRE State Fair Booth**
- **September 19th:** State Fair 4-H Project Pick-Up at Offices
- **September 22nd:** 4-H Pumpkin and Untamed Veggie Class. Finney County Extension Office. 6:00-8:00pm.
- **September 24th:** 4-H Apple Picking. Plains, Ks. 8:00am-2:00pm.

DATES TO KNOW: OCTOBER 2022

- **October 1st:** New 4-H Year and Re-Enrollment Opens!
- **October 2nd-8th:** National 4-H Week
- **October 8th: 4-H Pumpkin Festival! FREE 4-H Family Event**
Join us for carnival games and prizes, grilled hamburgers and hotdogs, and recognition of the Pumpkin and Untamed Veggie Project 4-H'ers. Finney County Extension Office Yard. 5:00pm until dark.
- **October 8th-9th:** 48Hrs of 4-H Community Service
- **October 4th:** Scott 4-H Record Books & Award Applications Due by 5:00pm.
- **October 5th:** K-State Garden Hour Webinar: Improving Soil Health in the Landscape and Garden
- **October 6th:** Scott 4-H Record Book Judging
- **October 10th:** 4-H Ambassador Applications Due
- **October 10th: Offices Closed for Columbus Day**
- **October 11th:** Finney Co. 4-H Record Books & Awards Applications Due by 5:00pm.
- **October 13th:** Finney Co. 4-H Record Book Judging
- **October 14th:** Youth Sewing Class
- **October 18th-21st:** Agents Away at Annual Conference
- **October 29th:** Barn Quilt Class. Finney County Fairgrounds. Grandstand Meeting Room. 10:00am.
- **October 30th:** Scott County 4-H Achievement Banquet

DATES TO KNOW: NOVEMBER 2022

- **November 2nd:** K-State Garden Hour: Wildlife Damage Prevention and Control in the Lawn and Garden
- **November 6th:** Finney Co. 4-H Achievement Banquet
- **November 8th-29th:** Adult Sewing Class. Finney County Fairgrounds. Grandstand Meeting Room. 6:30pm-8:00pm.
- **November 11th: Offices Closed in Observance of Veteran's Day**
- **November 24th-25th: Offices Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday**

K-State Research and Extension is committed to providing equal opportunity for participation in all programs, services and activities. Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested by contacting the event contact two weeks prior to the start of the event at 620-272-3670. Requests received after the two week prior limit will be honored when it is feasible to do so.



4-H FALL Festival

OCTOBER 8TH, 2022 5:00PM

FREE ENTRY | ACTIVE AND PROSPECTIVE WEST PLAINS 4-H FAMILIES WELCOME
FESTIVAL BOOTHS, GAMES, AND PRIZES | FREE HAMBURGERS AND HOTDOGS
RECOGNITION OF PUMPKIN & VEGGIE PROJECT 4-H'ERS

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FROM THE DESK OF THE *Director*



Hey Hey Friends of Extension. It's hard to believe that the "summer" months are past us, and our youth are back in school.

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With those changes, several of us in Extension swap out our 4-H hats and switch gears towards offering programs that are more tuned to our other disciplines.

Did you know that **our agents in the West Plains Extension District also provide programming in health, home environments, landscape wellness, Ag. resources, or youth opportunities? We do!**

Do you need help with a meal plan, we can help! Need help with conducting an in-home radon test? We can help! Have a question on transplanting you outdoor plants for the winter? We can help! You get the idea of what we can do. We might not know all the questions that you have but we have people that can help too!

Extension service is free to anyone although there might be some cost associated with a test or participating in a program. These are normally kept to a minimum, but our researched based advice and recommendations are free. So, give us a call and let us know how we can help you live the best life that you can for your family and yourself.

I just want to mention that we will be hosting several programs this fall. One being a Care giving class, a health and wellness class, and a Master Gardner's class. Our Youth Development agent will also be offering many STEM programs for youth to participate in as well. For more information, please contact us at either county office.



Carol Ann

The West Plains Extension Office would like to say **THANK YOU** to all the West Plains and County Fair Board members, Superintendents, Volunteers, 4-H members, Leaders and Parents for the time and dedication that you have applied towards making our 2022 county fairs a success. Your tireless efforts, hours and willingness to "Make the Best Better" does not go unnoticed by the agents and office professionals. Again , we appreciate all that you do! Here is to a even better 2023 4-H year!



Powerful Tools for Caregivers

Upcoming program, hold these dates!

Powerful Tools for Caregivers

Mondays Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 and Nov. 7.

Registration Deadline will be Sept. 29.

Two Options:

Virtual from 1:30pm-3:00pm

Or

In person from 5:30pm-7:00pm



In person will be held at the West Plains Extension Office, Finney Co. Ks. 501 S. 9th Street, Garden City, KS 67846

Cost is \$5.00. Can drop payment off or can mail check to address above.

This fee covers cost of class, snacks and the Powerful Tools for Caregivers Help book.

Powerful Tools for Caregivers is an educational program designed to help family caregivers. This program will help you take care of yourself while caring for a relative or friend. You will benefit from this class whether you are helping a parent, spouse, child, friend at home, in a long term care facility, or across the country.





SEPTEMBER IS FOOD SAFETY MONTH

September is National Food Safety Education Month, an annual observance to focus attention on the importance of safe food handling and preparation in both home and commercial kitchens. As the Family and Community Wellness Agent it is my responsibility to educate the community about wellness which involves food safety. This month's newsletter is devoted to **'FOOD SAFETY'** According to the U.S. Food & Drug Administration there are about **48 million cases of food borne illnesses annually which is about 1 in 6 Americans each year.** Each year, these illnesses result in an **estimated 128,000 hospitalizations and 3,000 deaths.** So, do we need to know about Food Safety? Definitely YES.

The easiest way to prevent food borne illness in the home is to:



CLEAN, SEPARATE, COOK, and CHILL

1. CLEAN: Everything that touches food should be clean. Cleanliness is a major factor in preventing food borne illness.

2. SEPARATE: Cross contamination is the transfer of harmful bacteria to food from other foods, cutting boards, and utensils. An example of cross-contamination is cutting raw meat, poultry, or fish on a cutting board and then slicing salad vegetables on the same cutting board without washing the cutting board between uses.

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3. COOK: Using a food thermometer is the only way to tell if food has reached a high enough temperature to destroy harmful micro-organisms. Use a food thermometer to measure the internal temperature of foods to ensure that a safe temperature is reached.

- Remember these three temperatures:
- 145 F for steaks, roasts, chops, fish
- 160 F for ground meat, egg recipes
- 165 F for all poultry, reheating leftovers, casseroles



4. CHILL: Make sure the temperature in the refrigerator is 40 F or below and 0 F or below in the freezer. Use a refrigerator/freezer thermometer to check the temperature. Harmful bacteria grow most rapidly in the Danger Zone (unsafe temperatures between 40 and 140 F). Refrigerate or freeze perishables, prepared food, and leftovers within 2 hours of purchase or preparation, or within 1 hour if the temperatures above 90 F.

For several years, September has been designated as Food Safety Education Month. But, in reality, food safety is important every day of every month. What are you doing to keep food safe? **Many resources for safe food handling can be found at www.ksre.k-state.edu/foodsafety/topics/index.html.**

WASHING HANDS; IMPORTANT IN FOOD SAFETY

Food safety is in your hands and your home! Every consumer has a role in how safe food is prepared, handled, and consumed. Your hands touch many items and surfaces throughout the day, so **taking 20 seconds to wash them is the first step in keeping food safe.** Our hands also pass food from one person to another, whether at the dinner table or delivering food to a family member or neighbor. **Along with handwashing, fingernail hygiene is equally important.** Fingernails can hide dirt and bacteria. They can contribute to infections such as from pin worms. This particular infection is the most common worm infection in the U.S. Because of this, it is important to always wash your hands, and clean under your fingernails.

When should you wash your hands?

- Before, during, and after handling food
- Before eating at home or at a restaurant
- Before and after caring for someone who is ill or touching an open wound
- After using the restroom or changing a diaper
- After blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing
- After handling animals, animal waste or animal food
- After taking out the garbage



Learn the high-speed handwashing technique at www.youtube.com/embed/n-lyf5eqqik.

CANNING TOMATOES



Are your tomato plants full of tomatoes? Are you anxious to preserve those tomatoes? If so, keep the following information in mind and please remember to use researched tested recipes. Recipes from pinterest and other social media sites are not reliable recipes. **“So Easy to Preserve” 6th addition and K-State Research and Extension are great resources for canning tomatoes and other foods safely.**

Tomatoes may have that tasty zing that makes them tart and tasty, but in reality, they are not as acidic as they seem, especially when canning tomatoes.

It is important and a requirement to add acid to home canned tomatoes. This is for water bath AND pressure canned tomatoes. Why you ask?

Tomatoes can have a natural pH value around 4.6 (at least up to 4.8) which makes them unsafe to can by themselves. All tomatoes must be acidified with either citric acid, bottled lemon juice, or vinegar with 5% acidity in both water bath and pressure canning processing. Tomatoes that are acidified for canning are done so to prevent botulism poisoning and other bacterial concerns by a combination of acid and heat. The prevention control in vegetables, meat, and other naturally low-acid foods is by heat alone.

When canning tomatoes and other foods, it is also important to play close attention to the head space in the canning jar. Leaving the specified amount of headspace in a jar is important to assure a vacuum seal. If too little headspace is allowed, the food may expand and bubble out when air is forced out from under the lid during processing. The bubbling food may leave a deposit on the rim of the jar or the seal of the lid and prevent the jar from sealing properly. If too much headspace is allowed, the food at the top is likely to discolor.

Reliable recipes will specify the amount of headspace needed for that product. In general, some tomato products are 1/2 inch.

Since it is National Food Safety Education Month we must remember to preserve it fresh and preserve it safe. If you have canning question please contact the West Plains Extension District.

THE IMPORTANCE OF STRENGTH TRAINING



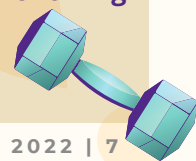
Strength training is a great way to get stronger, leaner and healthier and it's not for only the young.

Strength training has been scientifically proven to be safe and effective for both men and women at any age. While aerobic exercise, such as walking, jogging, or swimming, has many excellent health benefits, it maintains the heart and lungs and increases cardiovascular fitness and endurance, it does not make your muscles strong. Strength training does.

Strength training can be very effective in reducing the risk factors for many chronic conditions and diseases three times a week increases strength by building muscle mass and bone density. Strength training, particularly in conjunction with regular aerobic exercise, can also have a profound impact on a person's mental and emotional health.

If weight training is something you are interested in, join the Stay Strong Stay Healthy program. You may be asking What is Stay Strong Stay Healthy? **Stay Strong Stay Healthy is an evidence-based, eight-week exercise program for older and sedentary, middle aged adults. SSSH meets the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommendation for healthy muscle strengthening activities.** Its customized strength training routine provides documented health benefits that help participants live independently longer. The goal of the program is to improve health and quality of life. The hour-long sessions meet twice each week. They include warm-up exercises, strengthening exercises with or without weights, and cool down stretches. Over the eight weeks, participants learn the exercises and begin to improve strength and balance.

Does this sound like a program for you? I hope so. **Join me on Monday and Wednesday at 9:00 am-10:00 am starting Sept. 12-Nov.2, 2022.** The program will be at the Finney County 4-H Building and the cost is only \$5.00. **Register by contacting Jennifer LaSalle at jlasalle@ksu.edu or call 620-272-3670 or 620-872-2930 or register at the following link <https://forms.gle/PWHTZUT8pp7L8ACC6>**





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AUTUMN TO-DO'S



September here, you may be about ready to be done with anything plant related at the moment. **2022 has not been a hospitable year for vegetable garden production, for tree health, or even for lawn viability with the excessive drought and heat that has accompanied the year.** And yet, the maintenance season still is not quite over. Fall gardening tasks are just around the corner, and winter is looming.

One fall task to be tackled soon includes the **planting or overseeding of cool season lawns.** With soil still warm in September, and the days still mild, this part of the **growing season boasts the perfect growing conditions for cool season grasses like bluegrass, fescue, and ryegrass** to be established. And it does so with just enough time left for the grass to be able to survive winter.

Planting cool season grass, there are a few factors you will want to keep in mind:

Be sure to keep an eye on soil fertility. Use a soil test to know exactly what nutrients and pH you are working with, and which ones you should be aiming for with amendments.

When you spread your seed, make sure that seed-to-soil contact happens, to prevent your money invested from washing or blowing away. This can be done by lightly combing over the seed with a leaf rake after spreading. Then watering the seed in will then help with binding it to the soil.

Be sure to keep adequate soil moisture on grass as it starts to grow. **Watering a newly planted lawn frequently and lightly will be the most beneficial for grass during its early growing stages.** On hot days, a new lawn may need watered as many as three times a day, keeping the soil consistently moist but not waterlogged. Cooler time spans will then require less watering, sometimes spaced out between a matter of every couple of days.

Preparing plants for winter at this time of year is going to be exceptionally important for their survival. Fall is typically the time of year when plants should be given extra water, to help boost carb (energy) storage in their roots before they go dormant. **With the environment barely allowing for normal-season growth this year, that need is only going to be intensified.**

Watering your plants to prepare for winter, you will want to be sure the entire soil profile within their "drip line" is being saturated. Thus, two feet down, and half the width of the plant, in all directions.

Slow, infrequent, watering will be more beneficial to your plants right now than quick and frequent. A hose set to a soaking trickle will give plants the right amount of time needed to absorb the water that's being supplied. Use a soil probe or ¼" rod to ensure water is penetrating the ground deeply enough.



Now is also the time to consider dividing many of the perennials in your garden. Daylily, peony, iris, hosta, liriope, aster, and yarrow are all plants that can benefit from being divided every few years.

To divide, be sure to dig up the entire root ball of your plants, sparing as many roots as possible from damage. Shake the soil loose and use a gardening knife to create 4"x4" plant sections to be replanted. Space out these new sections as you would any new plant being put into your garden.

AUTUMN TO-DO'S CONT.



And don't forget about bi-annual garden mulching. In general, mulch will always help with cooling off soil, retaining soil moisture, and adding much-needed organic matter to your soil. **These benefits will be especially helpful as gardens prepare themselves for winter, and will even assist in keeping them healthy through the winter.** All-in-all, these few fall tasks are just the beginning of a long list of autumn projects, but they very well may be some of the more important ones to start your spring garden display off right.



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CORN HARVEST EFFICIENCY: ADJUSTING COMBINE SETTINGS

Corn has been growing in a hot and dry summer, which will certainly limit grain yield in 2022. Thus, adjusting combine settings can be very helpful in reducing yield loss during harvest operations.

Combine Settings

Ground speed is one of the most important factors that a combine operator can control to improve harvest efficiency. By matching combine ground speed to crop throughout and harvest conditions, the operator can improve harvest efficiency. Excessive ground speed results in greater losses at almost all stages of the harvesting operation. Ground speed that is too slow may fail to keep the combine operating at full capacity, decreasing the threshing efficiency, and increasing the specific fuel consumption (gallons/bu).

Header Loss

Header loss occurs when kernels do not make it to the machine. Both biological and mechanical factors contribute to header loss. Corn that has lodged or is too dry may shatter, causing whole ears to be lost. Deck plates that are set too widely may cause excessive butt shelling of the ears. Adjusting both the header speed and relative ground speed can reduce header loss; slower may be better.



To measure header loss, harvest a portion of the field and then place a marker toward the rear of the combine and in front of the tailings discharge. Back the machine up so that the front of the header is even with the marker. Grain on the ground in the area between the header and unharvested portion of the field is due to header loss. To determine the loss per acre, count the number of kernels or ears on the ground between the front of the combine and the unharvested corn and estimate the yield loss.

Adjustments to minimize header loss

- Adjust the gathering snouts so that the center snout is just touching the ground when the gathering chains are 2 inches above the ground. Working out from the center, each successive snout should be about 1 inch lower than the adjacent snout. Drive with the center snout just touching the ground. This will ensure that all snouts float at ground level when combining over rough ground.
- Gathering chains should extend at least ¼ inch beyond the snapping plate when measured at the front of the plate. Control chain speed so that stalks are guided into the rolls without uprooting.
- Snapping rolls should be set according to stalk thickness with speed correlated closely to ground speed so that the ear is snapped in the upper third of the roll. This helps reduce ear loss.
- Deck plates should be set as wide as possible without losing ears or shelling corn off the ear. This reduces the amount of trash taken into the machine. The spacing between the plates should be 1/8 to 3/16 inch tighter at the front of the plates than at the rear. In highly variable crop conditions, paying close attention to deck plate spacing has one of the largest potentials for payback. Newer headers with automatic or hydraulically actuated deck plates have the potential to significantly reduce header losses.
- Trash knives should usually be set as close to the rolls as possible to prevent wrapping.

Threshing loss and kernel damage

As with most other crops, cylinder or rotor adjustment has a great effect on corn quality. As much as 80% of corn kernel damage occurs during the shelling process, so careful management at this point will produce dividends throughout storage and drying. Moisture content has a large effect on the amount of damage, with fines increasing rapidly at high moisture. If possible, delay harvest until moisture is between 20-25%.



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Threshing loss and kernel damage...continued

Concave clearance and cylinder or rotor speed require careful adjustment, and although a great variation in hybrids exists, a few rules of thumb have been developed. Over-shelling the grain (by having the cylinder or rotor speed too high, or the clearance too tight) not only produces excess fines but also consumes excessive power and fuel. A good way to adjust the cylinder or rotor is to begin with the clearance and speed recommended by the manufacturer (or in the middle of the suggested range), then make small changes after checking the discharge of the machine.

Adjustments to minimize threshing loss and damage

- **Concave clearance should be set so that cobs fracture into halves or pie-shaped segments.** If the cobs are broken into smaller halves or quartered pieces, higher cylinder or rotor speeds will be necessary to remove the grain, which in turn can contribute to grain damage, loss, and decreased sample quality.
- Reduce cylinder or rotor speed to the point that an occasional kernel is left on the cob. Several studies have shown that the **best compromise between unshelled grain and excessive kernel damage occurs when about 0.2% of the kernels remain on the cob.**

Keep in mind that the most significant contributing factor to grain damage is cylinder or rotor speed. In addition to grain damage, excessive cylinder or rotor speed can lead to increased levels of foreign material in the grain sample.

Sieve and chaffer settings

Machinery settings can affect grain losses at the sieve and chaffer. Grain losses may be reduced by adjusting fan speed. If there is too much trash, the kernels stay in the trash through the straw walkers in a conventional combine or over the cleaning shoe in a rotary design. The kernels are then thrown out of the machine in the tailings. This can result in a windrow effect when the corn kernels germinate.

Careful adjustment of the combine can improve this. If the air speed is too high, too many kernels are lost. Conversely, if air speed is too low, unnecessary foreign material is retained in the grain resulting in quality dockage at the point of delivery. Adjust chaffer and sieve to minimize grain losses in the tailings. Yield losses from cleaning operations can be measured by counting kernels behind the combine. Especially look for windrowing effects if an adequate spreader is not used.

Now is the time to prepare for harvest by getting equipment in optimal operating conditions. In addition to the combine losses described here, additional losses can occur during transfer events. While this may look substantial, it is usually not very high across the entire field.

A final consideration is to examine the efficiency of all crop harvesting operations. Because we have a long period of warm temperatures and the possibility of adequate fall rain, we could see the corn harvest losses as volunteer corn. Similar losses can occur during wheat and soybean harvests. However, these losses are often not as apparent as the losses during corn harvest. Improving crop harvest efficiency means more grain in the bin and less on the ground.

2022 MARKET WHEAT SHOW RESULTS



Finney County Results

Grand Champion: Brayden Robinson (Variety: LCS Mint)

Reserve Grand Champion: Brandon Robinson (Variety: LCS Mint)

Scott County Results

Grand Champion: Ashgrove Farms/Rich Randall (Variety: T-158)

Reserve Grand Champion: Ashgrove Farms (Variety: SY Wolverine)





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4-H DISTRICT ROUNDUP

4-H is getting ready to celebrate a new 4-H year and we invite you to join us to experience all that 4-H has to offer, first hand! The beginning of a **new 4-H year on October 1 is your way to find out why 4-H is known for being "from cows to plows to WOW!"**.

4-H programs across the country will celebrate year-end and the beginning of the 2022-23 4-H year during **National 4-H Week, October 2-8**. 4-H'ers will paint their communities green and white, with the 4-leaf 4-H Clover, highlighting their involvement in and appreciation for community support. **4-H is America's largest youth development organization—empowering nearly six million young people across the U.S. and over 74,000 youth in Kansas with the skills to lead for a lifetime.**

Join us for **4-H Fall Fest on October 8, at the Finney County Extension Office** to find out more about what 4-H has to offer, meet our agents and volunteers, and find out more about joining 4-H in either Finney or Scott Counties.

This FREE event will have games, prizes, educational stations, and a hamburger/hot dog feed courtesy of the Finney County Farm Bureau, William Carpenter 4-H Foundation, and Western State Bank.

Check out West Plains 4-H online to see all of the good things going on as "4-H Grows Here"!

We would love to talk to you at anytime about our program and have you join us!

- Janet 

Kansas 4-H Animal Science Webinar Series



The Animal Science Webinar Series is designed to give Kansas 4-H'ers an opportunity to learn more about the livestock industry, career opportunities and good animal husbandry practices.

Webinars will be hosted live the fourth Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Central Standard Time. Register in advance to receive an email with the link to join. Webinars will be recorded and made available for those wishing to view at a later date.

Participants may submit questions relating to the webinar topic to knordyke@ksu.edu until 2:00 p.m. the day of the scheduled webinar. Please include "Animal Science Webinar Question" in the subject one of your email. Register here: <https://bit.ly/3AN2vhK>

West Plains 4-H, lets show everyone that 4-H Grows Here!

Promote 4-H during National 4-H Week, October 2-8, 2022! We challenge all 4-H'ers and volunteers to promote 4-H and all the good that we do in the West Plains District! Take photos, write social media, wear green, post lawn signs, decorate club member's lockers, whatever it takes to let everyone know that you belong to 4-H!

Some ideas to "get 4-H out there":

Decorate windows downtown, highlighting your club

Attend your local city/town/county Board meeting and thank elected officials for supporting 4-H. (Bring 4-H Clover cookies too!)

Create a positive 4-H social media video, share widely and tag the district program.

Hold a community service event during National 4-H Week and invite the media to attend.

Contact the 4-H Office to find out who in your community is a local 4-H sponsor and do something special for that individual or business.

Ask local businesses to put 4-H Grows Here on their signs during the week.

Add a 4-H Week message to every email, text, twitter, Facebook, Instagram post during the week.

Answer the phone with "Happy 4-H Week!"

We're so sure that you can come up with more positive ways to promote 4-H that we're having a contest to see which club or family is able to do the most! Track your club or family participation on the form below and return to Janet by Oct. 15, 2022.

Winners will receive a club party pack!!!

4-H Record Book

Help Sessions

September 20 & 22, 2022

	Need help with
✓	4-H Record Books?
✓	Drop in at the Extension Office, 8am-6pm, to visit with Janet to have your questions answered!

Sept. 20th- Scott County

Sept. 22nd- Finney County





EVENT ROUNDUP



CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to all West Plains 4-H'ers who participated in the 2022 Junior Sweepstakes Competitions in Manhattan, Aug. 20-22. Great job done by all and by our coaches: Rylan Laudan and Skyler Glenn! Our 4-H'ers competed against 300 youth from across Kansas.

Meats Judging

Senior Team: Aaron Morales, Adi George, Kayla George - 8th Overall Team
Aaron Morales - 3rd Overall, 3rd Reasons, 3rd Retail ID. Will compete for a spot on the Kansas All-Star Team!

Adi George - 30th Overall

Kayla George - 48th Overall



Intermediate Team: Kealie Bryant, Braeden Boyd, Macy Hands - 4th Overall Intermediate Team

Kealie Bryant - 4th Overall, 1st ID

Braeden Boyd - 14th Overall

Macy Hands - 19th Overall



Livestock Judging

Intermediate Team: Grady Vance, Kennan Murrell, Macy Hands, Gentry Hands - 35th of 108 total teams



GO DEEP WITH 4-H!

EXPLORERS OF THE



4-H STEM CHALLENGE



THE ADVENTURE BEGINS:

SEPTEMBER 19- SCOTT COUNTY, 7:00PM

SEPTEMBER 28 - FINNEY COUNTY, 6:30PM

Meade County 4- H Horse Project Presents: Fall FUN Horse Shows

*Sept.18 @ 10:00am (also Tack Sale)

*Oct.23 @ 10:00am

*Nov.20 @ 10:00am

*Dec.11 @ 10:00am

Bring your horse, and your friends and join us for a low-key, inexpensive day of showing at Meade Co. Fairgrounds. On Sept.18 bring any new/used tack/show clothes and sell them!



Classes:

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| 1. Leadline | 9. W/T Ranch Trail |
| 2. Showmanship | 10. Ranch Trail |
| 3. Walk/Whoa | 11. Ranch Rail |
| 4. Walk/Trot Western Pleasure | 12. Working Ranch Horse |
| 5. Western Pleasure | 13. Pole Bending |
| 6. Walk/Trot Horsemanship | 14. Key Hole |
| 7. Horsemanship | 15. Barrel Racing |
| 8. Monthly FUN Class | 16. Flag Race |

Age Divisions: Peewee (6 & Under), 7-9, 10-13, 14-17, 18 & Over
All runs will be timed, performance classes will be judged.

Cost: \$30.00 per rider for the day or \$3.00/class
Multiple entries per age division allowed.

PRIZES at the end of the show!

Questions? Call Karrie Miller @ 620-873-9392 Pre Entries Welcome!

Proceeds go to benefit Meade Co. 4-H Horse Project





WIDE AWAKE

The July meeting of the Wide Awake 4-H Club was called to order at 7:00pm at the 4-H building on July 11th. There were 29 members present. The roll call was big summer thing. Reyce Frick gave the pledges. Every member gave a project talk for the roster tour. Shortly presenting what they have been/are doing for 4-H. The meeting was moved and adjourned by Lauren Lightner and Gentry Hands. The August meeting of the Wide Awake 4-H Club was held on July 24th after 4-H Sunday at the 31 Building. There were 30 members present in attendance. Meeting was adjourned.



FINNEY FLYERS

The Finney Flyers met August 7th at the 4-H Building. Six members answered roll call of "what grade will you be going into this fall." Members did the flag salute and the 4-H Pledge. Last months minutes were read. Kyson moved to approve the minutes. Motion passed. Treasurer's report was \$2556.09. There was no reporter's report. Connie read the list of meetings the fairgrounds sent out. Perry moved to change the January meeting from Jan 2nd to Jan 8th. Bethany seconded and the motion passed. There was no presentations. Kyson moved to adjourn the meeting . Perry seconded and the motion passed. The next meeting is Sept. 4th.

BEACON BOOSTERS

The beacon boosters July meeting was held at the fairgrounds on the 25th and began at 6:31 p.m. The minutes, treasurers report, and junior leaders report were read and the community leaders report mentioned that a possibility for the club exchange could be bowling. The sweet corn will be prepared for picking and selling on time and the meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

The Beacon Boosters August meeting took place at the Lee Richardson Zoo on the 22 and began at 7:25 p.m. The minutes, treasurers report, Parliamentarian report, Council representatives report, Junior leaders report, ambassadors report, and community leaders report were read. The club banner won grand champion at the fair and record books are due on October 11th. The attempt at growing pumpkins for the Giant Pumpkin Contest was unsuccessful and the pumpkins will be scrapped. A motion was made to collectively make a gift basket full of gift cards for Shane Knoll and Gary Millershaski as appreciation for providing the seed and growing the sweet corn for the club fundraiser. The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m and the September meeting will be on the 26th at 6:30 p.m.



Cloverbud Club
is on:
Finney Co. - Sept 26
Scott Co. - Sept 27

Don't forget to tell your kiddos!

6-7PM - FINNEY
4-5PM - SCOTT

4-H BUILDDINGS ON THE FAIRGROUNDS





LIVESTOCK SHOW SCHEDULE

THE GRAND DRIVE

THURSDAY, SEPT. 8

8:00 AM Barns Open for Stalling

FRIDAY, SEPT. 9

8:00 AM All Goats on grounds

8:00 AM Goats Check In - Vet Check

9:00 AM Cattle Check In (until 12 pm)

9:00 AM All Swine on grounds

9:00 AM Swine Check in

9:00 AM All Sheep on grounds

9:00 AM Sheep Check In - Vet Check

10:30 AM Goat Exhibitor Meeting

11:00 AM Goat Showmanship

11:00 AM All Cattle on Grounds

12:30 PM Cattle Exhibitor Meeting

1:30 PM Special Olympic Showmanship -
Prairie Pavilion

1:30 PM Swine Exhibitor Meeting

2:00 PM Swine Showmanship

2:30 PM Sheep Exhibitor Meeting

3:00 PM Sheep Showmanship

3:30 PM Cattle Showmanship

SATURDAY, SEPT. 10

8:00 AM Swine Market Show

8:00 AM Goat Market Show

8:00 AM Cattle Market Show

8:00 AM Sheep Market Show

1:00 PM Legislative Showmanship

2:30 PM Cattle Breeding Show

6:00 PM Grand Drive Event - Prairie Pavilion

6:00 PM Grand Drive Gala - Oz Gallery

SUNDAY, SEPT 11

8:00 AM Cattle Breeding Show

8:00 AM Sheep Breeding Show

8:00 AM Swine Breeding Show

8:00 AM Goat Breeding Show

OPEN LIVESTOCK

THURSDAY, SEPT. 8

12:00 PM Rabbit Check In (until 8 pm)

12:00 PM Poultry Check In (until 8 pm)

12:00 PM Barns Open - Dairy Cattle 1st show

FRIDAY, SEPT. 9

6:00 AM Rabbit Check In (until 9 am)

6:00 AM Poultry Check In (until 9 am)

12:00 PM Dairy Cattle Check In (until 5 pm)

SATURDAY, SEPT. 10

8:00 AM Rabbit Show

8:00 AM Poultry Show

SUNDAY, SEPT. 11

8:00 AM Rabbit Show

8:00 AM Poultry Show

5:30 PM Dairy Cattle 1st Show

MONDAY, SEPT. 12

12:00 PM Dairy Cattle Released

12:00 PM Barns Open - Boer Goat Show

5:00 PM Boer Goat Vet Check (ends at 6 pm)

TUESDAY, SEPT. 13

8:00 AM Barns Open - Sheep Show

9:00 AM Sheep Check In (until 7 pm)

9:30 AM Boer Goat Open Show - released after

2:00 PM Cattle Barns Open

7:00 PM Sheep Vet Check (until 8 pm)

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 14

7:30 AM Super Cow Calf Check In (until 11 am)

10:00 AM Sheep Open Show

12:00 PM Dairy Barn Opens - 2nd Shows

1:00 PM Super Cow Calf Show

THURSDAY, SEPT. 15

8:00 AM Barns Open for Watusi

8:00 AM Swine Barn Open (check in til 7 pm)

9:00 AM Beef Cattle Shows

9:00 AM Sheep Show - released after

FRIDAY, SEPT. 16

8:00 AM Dairy Goat Barn Open

8:30 AM Beef Cattle Shows

9:30 AM Swine Weigh In

9:00 AM Dairy Goat Check In (until 8 pm)

12:30 PM Dairy Cattle - 2nd Shows

1:00 PM Swine Show

6:00 PM Dairy Goat Vet Check (until 8 pm)

7:00 PM Dairy Cattle - Milking Shorthorn

SATURDAY, SEPT. 17

9:00 AM Beef Cattle Shows

9:00 AM Swine Show - released after

11:00 AM Watusi Show

2:00 PM Dairy Goat Show

6:30 PM Supreme Drive

SUNDAY, SEPT. 18

8:00 AM Dairy Goat Show

EXPO SHOWS

STALLING OFFICE CLOSSES at 10 PM

THURSDAY, SEPT. 8

8:00 AM Equitation Stalls Open

12:00 PM Draft Stalls Open

FRIDAY, SEPT. 9

8:00 AM Equitation Show

12:00 PM Draft Horse Show

SATURDAY, SEPT. 10

8:00 AM Equitation Show

10:00 AM Draft Show

2:00 PM Versatility Stalls Open - closed from
6 pm to 8 pm

4:00 PM Draft Team Pull

6:30 PM Draft 6 Horse Hitch

SUNDAY, SEPT. 11

10:00 AM Draft Horse Show

1:00 PM Quarter Horse Versatility Show

MONDAY, SEPT. 12

8:00 AM Miniature Horse Stalls Open

9:00 AM Mounted Shooting Demos Start

9:00 AM Quarter Horse Versatility Show

4:00 PM Mounted Shooting Competition

TUESDAY, SEPT. 13

9:00 AM Miniature Horse Show

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 14

7:00 AM Barn Open for Dog Demo Set Up

9:00 AM Dog Demo Days

10:00 AM American Freedom Riders Demos

THURSDAY, SEPT. 15

8:00 AM 4-H Horse Barns Open

8:00 AM 4-H Horse Vet Check (until 12 PM)

2:00 PM 4-H Horse Show

5:00 PM 4-H Stall Open - Vet Check til 8 PM

10:00 PM Stalling office closed

FRIDAY, SEPT. 16

7:00 AM 4-H stalls Open

7:00 AM 4-H Horse Vet Check (until 9 AM)

8:00 AM Llama stalls Open

8:00 AM 4-H Horse Show

6:00 PM Mustang Vet Check (until 8:00 pm)

6:00 PM 4-H Stall Open - Vet Check til 9 PM

10:00 PM Stalling office closed

SATURDAY, SEPT. 17

7:00 AM 4-H Horse Vet Check (until 9:00 am)

7:00 AM Mustang Vet Check (until 9:00 am)

8:00 AM 4-H Horse Show

1:00 PM Llama Show

3:00 PM Mustang Show

SUNDAY, SEPT. 18

8:00 AM Mustang Show

8:00 AM Llama Show



2022 GRAND DRIVE SHOW SCHEDULE

FRIDAY

SEPT. 9

11 A.M. **Goat Showmanship**

Special Olympics
1:30 P.M. **Showmanship**

2 P.M. **Swine Showmanship**

3 P.M. **Sheep Showmanship**

3:30 P.M. **Beef Showmanship**

SATURDAY

SEPT. 10

8 A.M. **Swine Market Show**

8 A.M. **Meat Goat Market Show**

8 A.M. **Beef Market Show**

8 A.M. **Sheep Market Show**

6 P.M. **Grand Drive & Gala**

SUNDAY

SEPT. 11

8 A.M. **Breeding Gilt Show**

8 A.M. **Breeding Ewe Show**

8 A.M. **Breeding Heifer Show**

(Commercial Heifers will show following Legislative Showmanship on Saturday)

8 A.M. **Breeding Doe Show**



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- Beef Showmanship** - Katy Satee-Rucker, KS
- Sheep Showmanship** - Glenn Alan Phillips, TX
- Swine Showmanship** - Jenna Siegel, IL
- Meat Goat Showmanship** - Jade Jenkins, MO

- Beef Market & Breeding** - Tim Fitzgerald, IN
- Sheep Market & Breeding** - Jordan Amburgey, KY
- Swine Market & Breeding** - Brad Mortensen, MI
- Meat Goat Market & Breeding** - Glenn Alan Phillips, TX