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Sedgwick County Fair

July 6 – 9, 2016

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Watch your mail for the 2016 Fair Book, and please read your Fair Book carefully when you receive it (approximately May 15). The overall schedule on pages 2, 3 and 4, general regulations on page 4 and your department (project area) are all important. Be sure to notice check in times and judging times. If they are not clear as printed, please feel free to call. Check out is 8:00 p.m., Saturday, July 9. Exhibits are not released prior to this time.

Once Again!!! Replacement Fair Books will be \$1.00 this year.

Sedgwick County Fair Helpers

Teen, parent, and adult helpers are always needed in all departments! One of the best ways to learn more about your project area is to volunteer as a clerk for a judge or assist with other Fair duties. To help please call the office, 660-0100, ext. 0115, to sign up for a department and time. We also need someone to be in charge of these departments: Educational Displays, Demonstrations and Tag a Longs.

County Fair Severe Weather Information

In case of severe weather at the Fair which requires people to take shelter, an announcement will be made over the PA system and by Patrolmen. Shelters are Cheney High School at the north end of Main Street, or St. Paul's Lutheran Church, at 639 Lincoln by the water tower (northwest part of town).

County Fair Building Helpers

Last year, each 4-H club helped to watch the 4-H Exhibit Buildings during the Fair. This really helped to keep the building looking good and keep exhibits secure. Clubs will again be assigned a time for that duty which will be listed in the Fair Book. Check with your club leader for your club's time schedule and volunteer to help your club out.

4-H Livestock Members and Parents

Volunteers are needed to help with the Livestock Sale cookout Saturday, July 9. Please contact Beth at 660-0112, drescher@ksu.edu, or Linda Ricken at 993-9581, Lindy.Ricken@gmail.com if you can help.



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REMINDER: Discovery Days Orientation

May 19, 7:00 p.m., Meadowlark Room, Sedgwick County Extension Center. All delegates should attend! Even if you've been to Discovery Days before, there are things that have changed that you need to know about. Parents welcome too.

LIVESTOCK PRE-ENTRY DEADLINES!!

ALL livestock species **must pre-register** to be eligible to show at the Fair. If you are enrolled in a livestock project you may pick up entry tags at the Extension Office.

- **May 15 - Meat Goat** pre-entry deadline. Turn in exhibitor tags to Extension Office. For questions, contact Lacy Shields at 777-0598 or Marc Yung at 570-3282.
- **May 15 - Swine** pre-entry deadline. Turn in exhibitor tags to Extension Office. For questions, contact Hope and Aaron Tjaden at htjaden@usd264.org
- **June 1 - Poultry** pre-entry deadline. Turn in exhibitor tags to Extension Office. All poultry **MUST** be tested before they can show at the county fair. The USDA free test date will be sent out by email to all poultry members. You **MUST** register to come to the test day. Call Beth at 660-0112 with your name and number of birds you are bringing. For questions about poultry call Robbie Wilkinson at 788-4212.
- **June 1 – Dairy** pre-entry deadline. Turn in exhibitor tags to Extension Office. For questions contact Bruce or Stephanie Hays at 371-4285.
- **June 1 – Beef** pre-entry deadline. Turn in exhibitor tags to Extension Office. For questions contact Bill Brand at 796-0440, Joe Simon at 531-8870, Jerry Lampe at 542-3229 or Jeff Shinkle at 253-4590.
- **June 1 - Dairy Goat** pre-entry deadline. E-mail Bruce and Stephanie Hays at 371-4285 or hayzdreams@aol.com with questions. Turn in exhibitor tags to Extension Office.
- **June 1 – Sheep** pre-entry deadline. Turn in exhibitor tags to the Extension Office. Contact: Brandon Dills at bdills@comarkcoop.com or Keri LaRosh at kerilarosh@yahoo.com.

- **June 19** – Shepherd's Lead Scripts must be turned into Barb by 5:00 pm. For questions, please contact Shelley Colborn at (620)545-7441.
- **June 25 – 4-H Horse Show County Fair** – entry deadline. Entry forms are online at www.sedgwick.ksu.edu and should be turned in to the Extension Office. Please contact Beth at 660-0112 or drescher@ksu.edu for more information.
- **July 1 - Rabbit** pre-entry deadline. Turn in rabbit show entry cards to the Extension Office. For questions contact Gary or Yvonne Michaud at garyarba@gmail.com or 661-2518.

Attention Beef, Sheep, Swine, Meat Goats and Dairy Goat Exhibitors

To keep traffic flowing smoothly when you are bringing your livestock exhibit to the Fair, please follow these instructions:

Sheep, goats and swine should come in on the east side of the livestock pavilion, proceed to the north end of the barns, unload at the north end, proceed around the west side and exit through the gate between the beef barn and livestock pavilion.

Beef, dairy and bucket calf will come in the west double gate by the open air pavilion, unload at the west end of the beef barn, and exit through the GATE at the west end of the beef/dairy barn.

If you have both beef and sheep or hogs, please load in such a way that you can unload the beef first, then exit at the beef barn and come in on the east side of the pavilion and unload at the north end of the sheep and swine barns. **We will use the gate between the livestock pavilion and beef barn as an exit gate only.**

South Central District Horse Show July 1, 2016

June 15 entry deadline!

District horse show entry forms must be completed online this year, no later than June 12. All information about show requirements, class entries and stall reservations are at <http://goo.gl/forms/OEoBPGTyKn> 4-H members competing at the District Horse Show must have completed Horse Skill Level 1 Tests. All tests must be completed no later than June 1, 2016.



Livestock Work Day

Saturday, June 18th,
8:00 a.m. – noon and
Saturday, June 25 8:00 a.m. –
noon if needed only.

Work day for livestock exhibitors. We will set up the pens, panels, exhibitor areas, paint, rake and anything else that needs to be done. Please bring your own tools. See you then!

ATTENTION HORSE PROJECT MEMBERS!

In order to participate in ANY 4-H Horse event at the county, district or state level, you **MUST** complete the appropriate Kansas Horse Skill Level test:

Ages 9 to 18 on January 1 of the current year--Level 1

The study guides are available for free at the Sedgwick County Extension Office. The tests include both written AND practical skills. To schedule your written test, please call Beth at 660-0112 or drescher@ksu.edu. The Sedgwick County horse project will sponsor a practical test day in May—watch your email and the 4-H calendar for the date and time!

**HORSE ID PAPERS ARE DUE BY 5PM,
MONDAY, MAY 2!**

FAQ for Horse IDs:

* Where are the horse ID forms located?

They are online at

<http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/bookstore/pubs/P1039.pdf>. The file prints best with Internet Explorer. If you do not have access to the internet, hard copies are available at the Extension Office.

* Can I use the same ID form as last year if I have the same horse?
YES!! Bring or send the form and photos to the Extension Office. There are spaces for 6 years' worth of signatures on the back of every ID form.

* What if the agent isn't in the office when I bring the papers?
Please leave the ID form report with the 4-H secretary or leave it on Beth's desk or chair (chair is the best). The originals will be signed and returned to you by mail within a week.

* What if I can't get to the Extension office during working hours (8am to 5pm, Monday through Friday)?
You are welcome to mail the horse ID form, photo(s) to the 4-H department OR drop them through the mail slot at the Extension office (located in the door by the flagpole) after hours. They will be signed and the originals returned to you by mail within a week after they are received.

* What happens if I don't meet the deadline?

According to Kansas 4-H rules, horses whose ID papers have not been filed by May 1 are not eligible to participate in 4-H activities

ATTENTION LIVESTOCK MEMBERS!

If you are planning to nominate any livestock for the Kansas State Fair or the Kansas Junior Livestock Show, please be aware that Beth **MUST** personally observe your animal with its Kansas 4-H ear tag in place **BEFORE** the nomination papers can be signed.

Please contact her well before the deadline at 660-0112 or drescher@ksu.edu to schedule a farm visit OR send two photos of each animal -- one head shot with the ear tag number clearly visible and one full body shot -- with the nomination papers.

All livestock entered in state 4-H contests (such as the Kansas State Fair or Kansas Junior Livestock Show) will be required to use electronic ear tags. They are available from the Sedgwick County 4-H Department.

If you have questions about either of these policies please don't hesitate to contact Beth at 660-0112 or drescher@ksu.edu.

SAVE THE DATE**General 4-H Building Set-up:**

Sunday, June 26th 3:30 – 5:00p.m.

Pizza will be served!

4-H LIVESTOCK SKILL-A-THON AT THE COUNTY FAIR

The Livestock Skill-a-Thon will be held at 10:00a.m. on Saturday morning, July 9th, at the Sedgwick County Fair. This is a great opportunity to test your knowledge of livestock, meats and animal care, or to learn something new! The rules and study guide can be found online at <http://www.sedgwick.k-state.edu/4-h-youth/project-resources/livestock-skill-a-thon.html>

Why not check it out?

If you have questions about this new event, please contact Chancie Rose at chancie_rose@cargill.com, Vonda Behrens at vonda_behrens@cargill.com or DeAnne McGinley at deannemcignley@hotmail.com.

**DRESS GUIDELINES FOR LIVESTOCK SHOWS AND SALE**

Exhibitors should wear a long or short sleeved collared shirt/blouse tucked into good, clean jeans or khaki pants, and sturdy, closed toe shoes (boots are highly recommended). They *should not* wear t-shirts, tank tops, low-cut shirts, sheer blouses, sleeveless shirts, clothing that exposes cleavage or bare midriff while standing, kneeling, or bending over animal, shorts, or sandals/flip flops. Dairy cattle and dairy goat contestants should wear white shirts and pants meeting the aforementioned guidelines. If wearing jeans/slacks goes against religious beliefs, a long knee-length skirt is acceptable instead of the jeans/slacks. *Exhibitors are encouraged to consult species superintendent(s) if further clarification is warranted.*

Livestock project member parents, YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

At 8:00 a.m., Saturday, July 9 we will be setting up the arena for the Barbecue and auction and washing and getting dishes ready for the barbecue. All beef, sheep, meat goat and swine project members are required to be there to help. Parents your help is needed also; there is a lot of lifting and moving that is much easier with adult help.

Immediately following set up, the beef members who use the tie-outs will meet to clean them out. Again if parents want to help you are more than welcome. Bring your own rake!

I am also looking for volunteers to help with the barbecue. We start moving everything from the office to the arena and setting up at 3:30 so we are ready for the food to arrive between 4:30 and 4:45. At 4:45 there is a short meeting instructing all the kids on serving etiquette and then they eat at 5:00 so they are done and ready to start serving by 5:30. I need volunteers to help serve the kids at 5:00, sell

tickets, collect the tickets, supervise the serving, condiment and drink tables, clean up dishes and go after the ice and ice cream when it is time. Please call, text or send me an email if you are willing to help. I know everyone wants to watch their child sell their animal so I'm hoping to get enough volunteers so everyone only has to work an hour or so.

After the auction is over there is still work to be done, and any 4H'er who sold an animal in the auction is again required to help and of course your help is still needed too. We have to take down the panels, tables and chairs and make sure everything is cleaned up and put away for next year.

I appreciate your help in making this event fun and successful for your 4H'er.

Thank You,
Linda Ricken
LindyRicken@gmail.com
316-993-9581

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Sedgwick County Fair Tours

Once again, Sedgwick County 4-H will be hosting several youth day camp groups at the Fair. We are looking for teens that would like to show a small group of children, aged 6-12, around the Fair for about two hours on the morning of Thursday, July 7th. Please call Beth at 660-0112, for more information.

Wool Items for Sedgwick County Fair



Be sure to mark all items made of wool! The Sunflower Sheep Company will provide a prize for the best wool item (at least 60% wool). The item to be considered will be from clothing, knitting, crochet, and art and crafts entries. Across the top of the entry tag put "Wool Entry - _____% wool". Notify the

superintendent at check-in time that you would like your entry considered for this award.

4-H Style Revue

Judging will be Thursday, June 30th, in the morning, and Public Revue will be in the evening beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Both events will be at the Sedgwick County Extension Education Center, 7001 West 21st Street North, Wichita. All 4-H'ers enrolled in clothing construction phases, buymanship, knitting and crocheting will receive entry blanks for the Style Revue in the mail. If you do not receive them by May 21, please call the Extension Office. We may need to check your 4-H Online enrollment.

Entries are due in the County Extension Office by June 17th, 5:00 p.m.
Entries received after that time will not be eligible for championships.

Life Skills Judging Contest - Double Up Day

Thursday, June 30

Do 2 life skills judging contests in 1 Day

All Age Divisions

Judging will be from 9:00 - 1:00

In 4-H Hall

In conjunction with Fashion Revue Judging and Creative Tables Contest.



Top scores from our 3 county contests will receive an award at the Awards Banquet. Top 2 intermediate will be eligible for State Fair competition.

Demonstrations and Illustrated Talks

We will offer Illustrated Talks and Demonstrations competition at the County Fair. Any 4-H member may participate. This is the last chance to compete this year. This will count as a County Demonstration



Contest towards pin applications just as it has in the past. To pre-register, return the enclosed form by June 17th.

PLEASE NOTE THAT DEMONSTRATIONS WILL BE FRIDAY, JULY 8, STARTING AT 12:30 P.M.

NOTE: Anyone who has received a purple at County Club Day for demonstrations/illustrated talks is already eligible for State Fair competition. 4-H'ers qualifying will receive information directly from our office at a later date.

**Demonstration & Illustrated Talk
Registration
Due: June 17, 2016**

Name _____

Club _____

Age _____

Presentation: _____



4-H Congratulates Scholarship Winners

4-H Advisory Council - \$500

Elaina Brownlee
Lydia Crownover
Melanie Deters
Kaci Foraker
Kyra Holmes
Anna Spexarth

Teen Council - \$200

Lydia Crownover
Kaci Foraker

Livestock Scholarship

Kaci Foraker
Jared Simon

COUNTY PROJECT NEWS

Geology Project Meeting: May 12

Don't forget the [State Geology Field Trip](#), June 10-11. More information is on the State Web site at www.kansas4h.org

Entomology May Meeting

The next meeting is May 19 in the Meadowlark Room.



Hare Raisers Monthly Meeting

The next meeting is May 12, in the Bison Room.

Shooting Sports – Archery Orientation Mtg.

Monday, May 26, 6:30 – 7:30, Bison Room, Extension Center. Bring your \$30 fee, make checks payable to Sedgwick County Extension.

Shooting Sports – Shotgun - (Watch for email for exact start date)

Starting in May, 10:00 am, Ark Valley Gun club.
Coach: Shawn Perkins
Shawn.Perkins@aeroflex.com

Horse Project Meeting

Next meeting date will be May 5, 7:00, Bison Room, Sedgwick County Extension Center.

Dog Project Meeting

Next meeting date is May 16, 7:00 p.m., Bison Room.

Dog Agility

Next meeting is May 15, 2:00 p.m.

4-H Billboards

We will not do any billboards this year. Instead, that space will be used for the "Barn Quilt" contest, sponsored by the Fair Board. This will be new and different and will draw more people to our building.

Anyone can enter.....even youth!

Go to: <https://ourcountyfair.com> for details.

Very Important News!!!!**Fair Set Up & Work Day**

Sunday, June 26th, 2015
3:30 - 5:00 pm
Fairgrounds, Cheney

Fair Take Down

Saturday, July 9, 2015
8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Exhibit Building Area
9:15 - 10:00 p.m. Livestock Exhibit Area

Sedgwick County Fair RV Sites with Electrical Hook-ups

There are twenty (20) RV/trailer sites with electrical hook-ups reserved at the County Fairgrounds for 4-H families.

Because of the limited number, they will be made available on a first paid, first reserved basis **starting May 18th** at 8:00 a.m. A reservation fee of \$45.00 must accompany the following reservation form. Your request can either be hand delivered or mailed to the office. **NO PHONE OR E-MAIL REQUESTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.** A maximum of 2 requests per person will be honored.

Sedgwick County Fair RV Site Registration

I would like a Sedgwick County Fair RV Site. Enclosed is \$45.00.



Name _____

Address _____

City _____

ZipCode _____

Phone _____

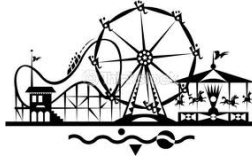
Club _____

*Come join us at the
Sedgwick County Fair!!*

FAIR QUESTIONS - Part I

Q. What's an entry tag and where do I get it?

A. Every item that you bring to the fair must have an entry tag. This is a self carboning form that includes your name, club, etc. There is one type of tag for all the non-livestock type exhibits and a different one for animals. All tags can be picked up at the Extension Office. After an item is judged, the department helpers will tear off the top copy and file that with our office. We enter the information in the computer so that we have a record of your placings, etc. The other copy is left with the exhibit so that fair go-ers will know what exhibit is yours and what you're placing was. For animal departments, the superintendents take care of turning in the necessary copies to the 4-H office for records.



Q. Can I fill them out ahead of time?

A. Absolutely!!! Tags can be picked up the end of May and you can fill them out at your convenience. Just remember where you put them – you'll need them at the fair!! We will also have them at the fair if you forget or need a few more.

Q. What is a premium? Do I get one?

A. A premium is a cash award that is earned by exhibitors at the fair. The fair board gives 4-H about \$2400 each year to use to reward 4-H members for their participation and efforts during the year. We use a system where blues/purples are worth \$1.25 each, reds are \$1.00 each and whites are .75 each. (Exceptions to this are listed in the fair book general rules). It doesn't matter whether you are exhibiting cookies, flowers or a steer; each ribbon gets the same amount of premiums. Premiums are paid out in cash the last night of the fair in the Farm Bureau 4H Exhibit Building. You can pick yours up or you can have someone pick it up for you. Whoever picks up the money must sign that they got it for you. Or you can stop by the Extension Office after the fair to claim your premiums. The last day to pick up money is August 31.

Q. I have a sports camp that same week. Does that mean I can't exhibit at the fair?

A. No. You can always make your exhibits ahead of time and ask someone from your club to take them to the fair for you. (Of course this doesn't apply to animals). And anyone can enter any project in the educational display department. You can make a poster, notebook or display about any 4-H project. That's a way to share what you learned without having to have an actual sample of a project.

Q. Do I have to take something to the fair?

A. No. Fair competition is a choice. It's not a requirement for Sedgwick County in order to complete the learning of the project skill. We do encourage you to share your project with others thru a project fair, club share, nursing home visit, school, etc. And there are many qualified people in our community that could give you feedback on your project about what you did well and what needs improvement.

More Fair FAQ's next month..... Send in a question about fair or something you think new 4-H members need to know about the fair to Jodi: besthorn@ksu.edu

REMINDERS FOR THE FAIR.....

Hand Pets will be judged at the Sedgwick County Extension Education Center on the same day as the Fashion Revue Judging, June 30. They will not be judged at the Fair out of concern for heat exhaustion for the animals.

Dog Show will be held on Saturday, July 9, at the Sedgwick County Extension Education Center as this is a larger area and more suitable surface for this project.

Herdsmanship will be judged by barn, not by club. For more information please check the county fairbook. **Livestock pre-entry** deadlines are listed in the Fair Book. Please be sure to

read the general livestock rules AND the species rules.

Fashion Revue — Both the Champion and Reserve Champion in the senior division for construction, girls buymanship, and boys buymanship will be eligible to compete at the State Fair!!

Decorated Foods Items will be judged at the County Fair, but will not be eligible for the State Fair.

Foods - No alcohol should be included as an ingredient in food entries. Entries with alcohol in the recipe will be disqualified and not be judged. (As per State Fair rules). Flavored extracts are acceptable.

Food Preservation – Colored canning jars are not acceptable.

All **Educational displays** may use the standard 3' x 4' sized trifold display boards. This is consistent with state rules.

SAVE THE DATE 4-H Night at the ZOO

July 29 – 30, 2016

6 pm to 8 am

Ages 10-12

Cost: approx. \$25

Enjoy a night a behinds the scenes adventures at the zoo and learn about leadership and opportunities in 4-H. And everyone will sleep with the animals Area! And in the morning we will get to see the animals wake up. A memorable experience! Watch for additional details and registration.

Sponsored by: Sedgwick County 4-H Ambassadors



Graduating Seniors

These last weeks of school bring lots of activities and graduations. We wish the graduating seniors good luck as you pursue the next step in life. Your achievements have been great and now your challenges will be even greater. You have “brightened” our work days as we’ve been associated with you in the 4-H program. We’d like to keep in touch, to know where you are and what you are doing. Best of luck!

Bradon Bates
Elaina Brownlee
Mariah Crenshaw
Melanie Deters
Kaci Foraker
Rachel Hays
Kyra Holmes
Leah Pilcher
Tara Schneider
Anna Spexarth
Alyssa Zimmerman

Kaitlyn Bauer
Lauren Costello
Lydia Crownover
Graham Eastburn
Kristin Hageman
Megan Holder
Mariah Jack
Ashley Pinkerton
Jared Simon
Kurt Winter

(If we have missed anyone on the list of graduates for 2016 we apologize and would ask that you please let Barb know.)

TEEN COUNCIL SUMMER EVENT

Wingnuts Game – July 25

Meet at 6:30 p.m. watch for more details in future email.



Current Calendar of Events

Check Your Fair Book for All Pre-Entry Deadlines

May	1	Discovery Days Registration due to State Office
	1	County Camp Registration due
	2	Deadline: Horse I.D. papers to Extension Office
	2	Deadline: DNA and nominations forms for market steers for State Fair and the Kansas Junior Livestock Show
	2	Deadline: All market sheep and swine should be owned by this date
	2	County Fair livestock pre-entry due for all large animals
	3	Horse Project Meeting – Countywide, Bison
	12	Hare Raisers, 7:00 p.m., Bison Room
	15	Deadline: pre-entry for county fair swine and meat goats
	21	Photography countywide project meeting, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m., Meadowlark room
	31-June 3	Discovery Days at K-state
June	1	Deadline: Pre-entry for county fair for dairy, dairy goat, beef, sheep, poultry
	3	Camp Counselors go to camp
	4-7	County 4-H Camp at Rock Springs Ranch
	9	Hare Raisers Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Bison Room
	10-12	State Geology Field Trips
	16-27	Citizenship Washington Focus Trip, Washington DC
	17	Deadline: Fashion Revue entries due
	18	Livestock workday at fair grounds, 8:00 a.m. – noon
	24	Deadline: 4-H Horse Show entries for fair due
	24-27	Campference at Rock Springs Ranch
	TBA	State Horse Judging Contest
	25	Livestock workday (only if needed)
July	26	Fair Set Up, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.
	30	Style Revue Judging and Evening Show
	1	Deadline: Pre-entry for county fair for rabbits
	1	District Horse Show, State Fair Grounds
	6-9	Sedgwick County Fair, Cheney
August	29-30	Lock-in at the Zoo
	TBA	State Dairy Show – Salina
	11	Hare Raisers Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Bison Room
	20-21	State Livestock Sweepstakes, Manhattan
	31	KAP's and all award forms due to Extension Office
September	8	Hare Raisers Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Bison Room
	9-18	Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson
	30 – October 2	Kansas Junior Livestock Show, State Fair Grounds
October	1	4-H Carnival
	4	County-wide horse project meeting
	8	48 Hrs of 4-H
	13	Hare Raisers, 7:00 p.m., Bison Room



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