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Making a Difference



Hello June!! Hello heat!!! Summer is here and the rain has arrived! I always like the saying, better late than never!

The past couple of months I started talking about the *Seven Keys to Consider: Exceeding Family Expectation in 4-H Clubs* and this was based on: "*Inside the Magic Kingdom: Seven Keys to Disney's Success*" written by Tom Connellan. In this issue, I am going to touch on Lesson 7—Everyone makes a difference.

Many of you are likely aware by now that 4-H Camp was not smooth sailing this year. While a lot of good happened at camp, there were also moments that left the agents asking why. Despite the why's, I truly believe that there is a silver lining to less than stellar things that happen. Sometimes it takes awhile to see those, but good will come out.

Every person has a role in the 4-H program; from the agents, to the parents, to the youth, to every volunteer in between. Each and everyone of us is equally important to the overall experience that we take from whatever activity we or our child chooses to participate in. We all know when someone is missing or something has

happened that affects the entire group. What role we take and how we chose to handle a situation affects the overall experience.

As adults, we have an impact on our 4-H member's. From the one who holds the door for them, to the one that calls/emails and reminds them of meetings, to the project leaders that are teaching them new skills or the ones that encourage them to go to camp or participate in activities. What they learn, how they handle situations, and the life experiences they take with them each and every step they take as the move through their activities and events. What impact, what lesson, what example are we setting for our youth?

I challenge you, the adults, the leaders, the teen leaders, the Ambassadors, and the volunteers to take those extra steps. After attending 4-H camp, there are youth who need that extra bit of guidance, that extra step of kindness, that extra step of someone holding the door for them, that extra step of friendly reminders on manners, and that extra step of knowing that someone cares about them. We all make a difference, and that positive impact makes all the difference in the world!

~Charlene

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Leader's Lounge

Oh My—Only 4 months are left in this 4-H Year!

Review

- ____ 4-H Forecaster for important dates
- ____ Review information with your club

To-Do

- ____ Watch for the Special Fair Edition of the newsletter
- ____ Start preparing for fair: club displays, banners, etc.
- ____ Work with youth to update pin apps & KAP if already started
- ____ Project Leaders conducting meetings
- ____ Check club mail-box at Extension Office
- ____ Check club's progress toward club goals.

If your Club is wanting to have a bake sale fundraiser, please contact our office prior to doing so!

Promote/Recruit

- ____ Promote District Horse Show. It will be held in July
- ____ Parent's committee recruitment started for the next 4-H year (Oct. 1)

It's All in the Details!!!

Please encourage your families to read the Fairbook CAREFULLY. There's lots of information and details in there. This is the one stop shop for the majority of the information families need. If they have specific questions, reference the Fair Book first, then help them and if you are unable to answer the questions, please have them contact us. Please promote responsibility and organization!!



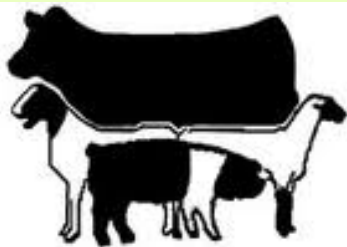
Mini-Fair Recap

Thank you to everyone who turned out and made Mini-Fair a success! Numbers were very close to what they were last year! What a wonderful group of parents, volunteers, Ambassador's and 4-H'ers we have!



4-H Camp Pics





REMINDER— Tagging of commercial breeding animals must be done by a project leader by June 15th.

Also, all commercial breeding

Youth Livestock

ewes and does and market swine, sheep, and meat goats must be nominated by June 15 to be eligible to show at the state fair and/or Kansas Junior Livestock shows. Nomination forms, DNA envelopes and other information is available at our office. If your animal was not tagged at the

county tagging, you will need to make arrangements with Charlene or Dave to see the tag in the animal at our office prior to us signing the forms. Call Dave if you have any questions. Information is on our web site at the link below:

<http://www.butler.ksu.edu/p.aspx?tabid=85>

Important News and Deadlines

June 15—Commercial Heifer, Commercial/Market Swine, Sheep, and Goat nominations Due

June 15—Tagging deadline for Commercial Heifers

June 15—Dairy Heifer or Cows must have registration or transfer papers dated before this date. And turned into the Extension Office

June 23rd—Ambassador Day Camp for 5-9 year olds. Be watching for more information.

June 27th—Bird counts due for the pullorum-typhoid blood test for county fair. (See July 9th below)

June 27th—Pre-Entries due to the Extension office for Fashion

Review and Horse Show

June 27th—Camper Registration with Fees due

July 7th—District Horse Show, Kingman Co.

July 9th—Poultry Testing (pullorum-typhoid) for the County Fair. This test is required for to participate in the county Fair. Will be held at the Fairgrounds from 4:00 pm—6:00 pm.

July 11th— Pre-entries due for beef, bucket calves, club banners, demonstrations and/or illustrated talks contest, goats—dairy and meat, pigeon, poultry, rabbits, sheep, Space Tech: Robotics ONLY, Swine, Table Displays (Only Class 237 in Div. N).

July 12—Co. Fair Horse Show

July 14—Supporter's Picnic

July 19—Fashion Review

July 26-31—County Fair

August—4-H Livestock Sweepstakes in Manhattan

September 5—14—Kansas State Fair

September 19-22—Kansas Junior Livestock Show



Fair and Fair Book

By now, I hope that each and everyone of you have your Fair Book. Please read and review it CAREFULLY. This is a one-stop shop for all of your information on Fair. If you have specific questions that is not addressed in the Fair Book, please check with your community leader, project leader, or our office. We will be publishing a special edition newsletter just for the fair the end of June. Please be watching for that as we recap some of the changes!

In the mean time....

Poultry Testing

The annual poultry testing will be held on Wednesday, July 9th from 4:00 pm—6:00 pm. This pullorum-typhoid test is required if you will be exhibiting poultry at the county fair. The number of birds you need tested is due into our office by June 27th, 5:00 pm. Make sure and save the date. If you do not attend the Butler County testing,



you will be required to make arrangements on your own and bring proof with you to the county fair.

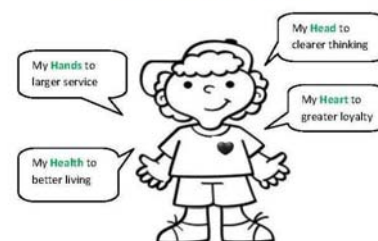
Entries

We are trying a new system to make entries via email. We are hoping to get a good number of exhibitors (families) to pre-enter this way. Each member of the family can make their pre-entries on this form. All information will be included. You will be able to save a copy for your family. The first step is to send your family email address to bucofair@gmail.com. This email address is listed on page 9 of the Fair Book. When you send an email to bucofair@gmail.com, please put your family name in the Subject line and the email address you want the information sent to in the body of the email. We will then send an email back to you and it will take you through entering your pre-entries. **PLEASE NOTE**—this is only for those that require pre-entries that are due on Friday, July 11th at 5:00 p.m. Also, you are not required to utilize the email method, but are encouraged to!

WHO'S IN CHARGE

Please remember the Fair is NOT an event that is the responsibility of the 4-H Council or Butler County Extension. In fact, there is an incorporated group known as the Butler County Fair Association who is responsible for the Fair. Should have any questions or issues regarding the fair, please contact Fair Board President Darren Jack or Fair Board Secretary Connie Chilcott at 620-394-2487 or any Fair Board member.

WHAT DOES THE 4-H'ER SAY?



BUTLER COUNTY



JULY 26-31, 2014

Supporter's Picnic

Mark your Calendar's! the Supporter's Picnic will be on Monday, July 14 at the 4-H Building in El Dorado. This is a special party and event for our 4-H Supporters and your way of showing your thanks for all they do to help support the Butler County Fair and 4-H Program. Invitations will be available at our office on July 1st. Please use these invitations to personally invite those (individuals, businesses, etc), that have supported your club, the fair and the 4-H program. Don't forget to let them know that door prizes, prepared by the 4-H clubs, will be given away!

The Red Devil Chefs will be cooking hamburgers (provided by 4-H Council), and the cheese, condiments, iced tea and pickles will also be provided. Although the picnic begins at 7:00 PM, you should plan

to arrive at 6:30 PM, and your family should bring the following items (enough for your family plus six other people):

- hamburger buns (1 package)
- 2 side dishes
- 1 dessert (pie or cake preferred)

Door Prizes: Each club is to provide at least one door prize and not more than two. The door prizes should be something that is made by the 4-H'er, Project Group or Leader. Door prizes should be brought to the picnic by 6:30 p.m.

Supporter's Picnic Work Committees

Head Table Decorations - El Dorado Boosters

Name Tags and Registration Helpers - 4-H Ambassadors

Placement of Food - Benton Busy Bees, Cassoday Boosters, and Towanda Rustlers

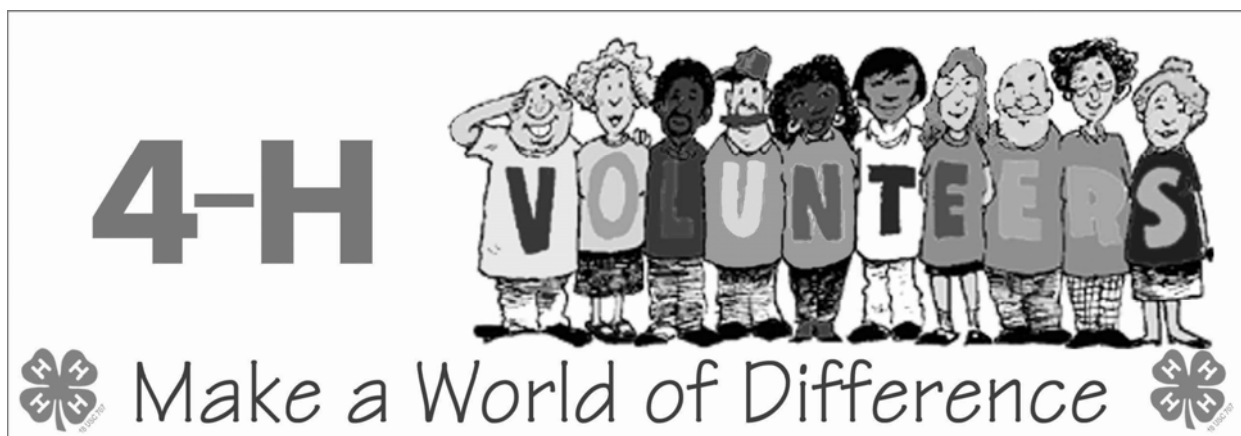
Drinks (in charge) – Heartland

Drinks (helpers) - Purple Hearts and Rose Hill Rustlers

Serve Hamburgers from Grill to Food Table - North Butler

Dessert Servers – Flint Hills, Lily Lake and Hickory Helpers

Clean-up – EVERYONE!!!



Mini Fair Judging Contest -- Family Consumer Sciences

"I LOVE salad!" The Salads Demo was a new feature of the Family Consumer Sciences Judging Contest at Mini Fair this year. We heard some great comments as people enjoyed tasting the "greens" and trying the homemade salad dressings.

Four "greens" were used in the demonstration.

Three of these greens were grown in the Extension Demonstration Garden: Spinach, Red Sails Lettuce, and Butter Crunch Lettuce. We purchased the Kale from the grocery store.

Nutrients: Kale is a powerhouse green that contains anti-oxidants as well as some calcium and vitamin K. All greens are good sources of vitamin A and C, and contain some fiber and iron.

Fresh greens should be washed very well under running water to remove dirt and bugs.

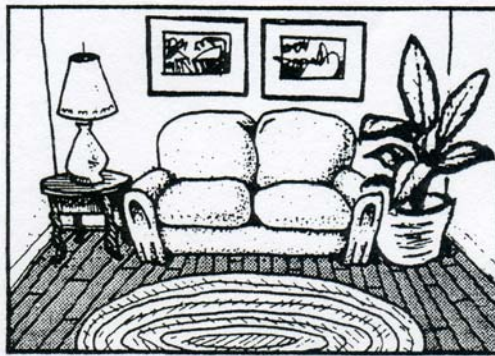
Pat dry with paper towels or clean cloth towel. Store in plastic bag in refrigerator up to 1 week.

Always wash YOUR hands prior to handling food!

Other topics that were part of the FCS Contest –

Design: Here are some things to think about when arranging a room:

- Lamp – The table provides a base for the lamp. The size of the shade fits the lamp.
- Plant – The plant is a good height for the planter and the sofa.
- Pictures – Both pictures that are in balance and placed over the center of the sofa.



Jelly-Making:

- **Recipes:** Instructions for home canning (i.e. recipes) -- the recently published booklets prepared by the Cooperative Extension Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, major manufacturers of home canning equipment or other reliable professionals.
- **Water-bath canning** is the recommended method for jelly-making. The processing time must be adjusted for elevation (where you live).
- **ALWAYS use standard canning jars**, new lids, and rust-free rings when you do food preservation. **¼-inch is the recommended headspace** for jellies.

Are you wondering about....a tested recipe? Elevation? Headspace? Water-bath or pressure canning method?

We have recipes and brochures in the Extension Office. We can also connect you with a couple of trusted web sites that have wonderful information on canning, freezing, dehydrating, and other methods of food preservation. We can help you with elevation and correct processing time.

Use the latest publications based on the latest research.

Be safe, and produce a high-quality, tasty product!!

FCS Judging Scores – 250 points possible
Intermediates and Seniors – Thanks to all of you who participated!

Taylor Barlett	234
Amanda Becker	245
Jacquelyn Bogner	238
Jeffrey Garcia	187
Trena Garcia	230
Renata Goossen	225
Lauren Mandina	226 est
Lindsey Mandina	241 est
Cally Miller	245
Brandy Rigg	236
Cailan Steward	240
Gavin Strawn	224
Jessica Strawn	240
Shelby Varner	226

Thanks to Kylee Barlett, Cami Miller, and Casey for judging the Junior classes – you all got the MyPlate Matching answers correct!

Wednesday, June 18th – 4-H/Community Building

Family Consumer Sciences Judging – 3:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Horticulture Judging – 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Join us in the 4-H/Community Building in El Dorado on Wednesday afternoon and practice your judging skills!

Come in during the times listed above.

If you've never done judging before, we'll be there to get you started and answer questions.

Once you've completed the contest, you'll receive the answers.

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2014 Butler County Fair Camping Unit Registration Form

(Due Friday, JUNE 27 in the Extension Office)

Over Night Stay Superintendent: Scott and Michelle Chilcott 316-619-5492
Roger and Karen Hinnen 316-992-4290



Due to limited amount of camping space, reserved space will be assigned by the camping superintendents according to the following criteria:

- (1) those exhibiting animals which are housed on the fairgrounds and
- (2) farthest travel distance from home to the fairgrounds.



A \$40 fee must be paid to the Butler County Fair Board with the camper pre-entry. No fee required is you are using a generator.

Checks should be made payable to the Butler County Fair Association. This fee entitles you to use the electricity for the duration of the fair.

(AN ADULT MUST BE STAYING. NO EXCEPTIONS!)

Name of 4-H Club _____

Primary Contact _____

Please list a cell phone number that Superintendents can reach you in case of an emergency.

Cell Phone: _____ Additional Contact Phone: _____

List names of **ALL** people that will be staying in the Camper/Tent.

Adults

4-H'ers

This camper will be used for:

- Sleeping at Night
- Daytime Use Only

Check the nights that people will stay in your unit:

- Saturday
- Sunday
- Monday
- Tuesday
- Wednesday

Type of Camping Unit: Camper
 Tent



Size of Camper/Tent: _____

CAMPER ONLY: Electricity Hook-Up Yes No
Generator Used Yes No

No fee required if you are using a generator.

If the \$40 electricity deposit is paid and a space is not available, the deposit will be refunded to you. A deposit is not required to use a generator.

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SECTION II- OVERNIGHT STAY ON FAIRGROUNDS

CO- SUPERINTENDENTS: Scott and Michelle Chilcott / Roger and Karen Hinnen

1. A **camper registration form must be completed** for each sleeping unit and turned into the Extension Office by June 27. A \$40 fee must be paid to the Butler County Fair Board with the camper pre-entry. Checks should be made payable to the Butler County Fair Association. This fee entitles you to use the electricity for the duration of the fair. Campers may use their own generator but still must register with the Extension Office and must follow times for running generators (see rule #12).
2. A 10 gauge cord (as printed on cord) must be used to connect the camper to the hookup receptacle since the receptacles are on 30 amp breakers. Any cord smaller than 10 gauge will not be allowed to use this service. If a smaller cord is found connected to the service, the owner of the camper will be notified and the cord will be disconnected and removed.
3. There will be no extension cords run into tents.
4. No electric cords may be plugged into the outlets for the barns or cattle grooming area.
5. A sleeping unit must be a camper, tent, or other enclosed camping unit.
6. All sleeping units will be parked in the designated camping area. You must check-in with the Superintendent before parking or setting up your unit. Due to limited amount of camping space, reserved space will be assigned by the camping superintendents according to the following criteria: Those exhibiting animals which are housed on the fairgrounds and farthest travel distance from home to the fairgrounds. These rules will apply to camping units wanting to hook up to electricity as well as those wanting to use generators. The \$40 fee will be returned if space is not available.
7. Campers and other enclosed camping units (excluding tents) will only be allowed into the camping area for setup between **6:00 PM and 8:00 PM on Friday, July 25**. Check with Superintendents for tent set-up time. Specific camping areas will be assigned to each camping unit by Superintendents prior to fair date and will be given to camper upon arrival.
8. No vehicles, except those carrying campers may park in the camping area.
9. NO PETS are allowed in the camping area. This includes inside camping units.
10. The camping area is for the overnight stay of 4-H members, families, leaders, and fair officials. **NO 4-H MEMBER MAY STAY OVERNIGHT WITHOUT AN ADULT** responsible for them also staying in the camper area. Those staying must be pre-registered. (See rule #1)
11. The camper area is city property and using it is a privilege, not a right. In case of rain, the Superintendent can close the area and no vehicles or campers will enter or leave.
12. No generators can be used between the hours of 11:00 PM and 6:00 AM.
13. Tennis Court lights will be turned off at 11:00 PM every night.
14. All Butler County Fairground rules apply to the camping area. **NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OR FIREARMS ON THE PREMISES.**
15. Campers are checked-in on Friday evening, but no one will be allowed to stay on Friday evening. Security will be on the grounds.