Horticulture
Great Plains Growers Virtual Conference
Feb. 12-13, 2021
This is a great local conference for commercial fruit, vegetable, cut flower and honey bee producers from Midwest states - providing research-based information, from both vegetable research specialists and local growers, to help your farms grow and thrive!

2021 Topics include:
*Marketing in the New Normalcy  
*Tree Fruits  
*Small Fruits  
*Vegetable Production  
*Vegetable Integrated Pest Management  
*Controlled Environment Production  
*Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE) Farmer Forum

For more information and to register, go to https://www.greatplainsgrowersconference.org/

Agriculture
The 2021 Winter Ranch Management Seminar Series will be Tuesday, February 16, 2021 located at 11724 SE Beaumont Rd, in Beaumont. The Series will include presentations focused on enhancing profit in beef production and a ‘Town Hall’ question-and-answer session where producers can ask questions to local/district and state extension specialists. Producers are encouraged to bring their questions on cow-calf animal health, nutrition, genetics, reproduction and management to the session.

Please RSVP by Feb. 9th to the Butler County Extension Office at 316-321-9660. Max of 40 attendees allowed.

Family Consumer Sciences
Living Well Together – Zoom with Us on Thursday Evenings!

Living Well Together is a (virtual) series that includes topics focused on strong families, healthy food, fitness and fun. From the comfort of your home, use Zoom to connect on Thursday evenings at 6:45 p.m., for about an hour. No fee; simply register!

February topics:  Parent’s Guide to Social Media; Love Languages, Make Active Habits Stick; Living Well with Diabetes. Register: https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eFZogdZVlca9fE

Sessions are recorded and shared, along with a wonderful variety of resources. Past [recorded] sessions: Cooking Road Map (create meals from what’s on-hand); Cut the Clutter – Get Organized; Vaccination Facts; Take Care of YOU, Bond with Board Games, Baking Together.

More about Living Well Together on our KSRE Butler County Facebook: @ksrebutlerco

4-H & Youth Development
Why 4-H? Through 4-H programming we truly have an Opportunity 4 All youth! Butler County 4-H is open to all Butler County youth residents age 7-18, as of January 1, 2021. We offer hands on learning experiences lead by adult mentors and KSRE Extension staff. While this school year has looked different across Butler County, 4-H/Youth Development agents have been hard at work developing activities that youth can do to explore their interests in a wide variety of topics. Engaging with fun and interactive activities, youth can choose a topic that interests them and complete the challenge. These challenges can be found at: https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/cloverclassroom.html

New resources will be published regularly so check back for more challenges in the near future! Interested in learning more about 4-H and what our programming can offer a young person in your life, call McKenzie at 316-321-9660 or email at msmithson@ksu.edu.

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