



HODGEMAN COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

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Hodgeman County 4-H Day

4-H Day will be during the week again this year beginning at 6:30 pm. Be thinking of your entries for the upcoming county

We encourage you to do project or illustrated talks, demonstrations, public speaking, music, model meetings and any other entries you may have. Please mark your calendars for the following:

County 4-H Club Day
Monday, February 8, 2016
6:30 pm

Hodgeman County High School
Pizza Served to 4-H Families

See this newsletter for entry information.

Deadline to submit County 4-H Day entries to the Extension Office is Tuesday, January 26th.

**4-H Council Meeting Following
4-H Club Day**
Monday, February 8, 2016
estimate 7:30 pm
High School Auditorium

Top Blue winners from County Club Day are eligible to attend Regional 4-H Day. Please mark your calendars for this date:

Regional 4-H Club Day
Saturday, March 5, 2016
Dodge City Middle School

Market Beef Weigh-In

If you plan to sell a market steer, market heifer or a Second Year Bucket Calf at the 2016 Hodgeman County Fair, you must attend the following:

Market Beef Weigh-In
Saturday, March 12, 2016
10:00 a.m. - 11:30 am
Shriwise Feedlot - Jetmore



Photographs will NOT be accepted. All entries must be weighed and tagged by March 12, 2016. **Arrangements may be made for weigh-in prior to Fri. March 11th, but no calves will be weighed after Sat. March 12th.** Second Year Bucket Calves must have been exhibited by the same 4-Her at the 2015 Hodgeman Co. Fair. Second Year calves and other market beef must meet minimum sale weight of 1,000 pounds, to be eligible for the sale.

Tagging - Due to an increased cost, each 4-Her is allowed the following FREE ear tags:

2 FREE tags per 4-Her, per specie.

Additional tags will be sold at a cost for the following: Market Beef - \$3 each additional tag, payable to 4-H Council, due at weigh-in.

If you plan to exhibit a market animal at the Kansas State Fair or the Kansas Jr. Livestock Show, you **MUST** use electronic ear tags and complete the nomination process of DNA collection. EID tags & DNA Envelopes available at the Extension Office.

Hodgeman County 4-H Scholarship

Attention 4-H High School Seniors - Two \$150 college scholarships are being offered by the Hodgeman County 4-H Foundation. Applications may be found at www.hodgeman.ksu.edu - 4-H & Youth page under scholarships. Deadline to submit your application to the Extension Office is May 1st. Payment to students is August 30th upon proof of college enrollment.



Livestock Sales & Shows

Now is the time that several fliers concerning upcoming shows and sales are sent to the Extension Office. Flyers are forwarded via email and a folder is available for you to stop in and make copies.

Tractor Safety Operator's Course

Teenagers in need of tractor safety skills are encouraged to attend the following:



Tractor Safety Course
Saturday, April 30, 2016
8:00 a.m. Registration

Ag Tech Building
Dodge City Community College Campus
Course dismissed at 5:00 p.m.

Cost is \$15.00 per person and includes noon meal.

Registration deadline - April 22nd, by contacting the Extension Office at 620-357-8321.

Important Information for the Market Hog / Market Lamb, Market Goat & Market Beef Projects



Mandatory Weigh-In
Hog / Lamb & Meat Goat
Wednesday, May 18, 2016
Evening session - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

- **All 4-Hers selling livestock at the county fair must attend Mandatory Livestock Quality Assurance (LQA) on Wednesday, May 18th, 7:15 p.m. 4-H Building, Jetmore.**
- **Market Lambs** - must attend a weigh-in and meet scrapie tag requirements, attend LQA on May 18th.
- **Market Goats** - must attend a weigh-in and meet scrapie tag requirements, attend LQA on May 18th.
- **Market Hogs** - must attend a weigh-in & Livestock Quality Assurance on Wed. May 18th.
- **Market Beef** - exhibitors must also attend the Livestock Quality Assurance on Wed. May 18th.

Tagging - Due to an increased cost, each 4-Her is allowed the following FREE ear tags:

2 FREE tags per 4-Her, per specie.

Additional tags will be sold at a cost for the following: Steers - \$3 each additional tag
Small animals - \$3 each additional tag.
Payment to 4-H Council, is due at weigh-in for the additional tags.

EID tags must be used for KSF & KJLA market animals.

KSF/KJLS Livestock Nominations

2016 Dates: Kansas State Fair Sept 9 - 18

Kansas Jr. Livestock Show
Sept. 30 - Oct 2, 2016
Kansas State Fairgrounds,
Hutchinson

If you plan to exhibit livestock at the Kansas State Fair or the Kansas Jr. Livestock Show, you must meet deadlines to nominate your livestock.

Please visit the Youth Livestock website at www.youthlivestock.ksu.edu for the most up to date forms and information on the Nomination process.

In 2016 all animal nominations require 3 parts:

1. DNA Envelope - with exhibitor & parent signature.
(available from the Extension Office).

2. Nomination Declaration Form .

3. \$8 per head fee.
Nominations may also be confirmed on the website for more timely updates.

Nomination Deadlines

May 1st - Steers or Market Heifers

**June 15th - Commercial Breeding Heifers
Swine
Lambs
Meat Goats**

Add/Drop 4-H Project Deadline - May 1st

If you choose to add or drop a 4-H project, please contact the Extension Office by May 1st for your changes. Visit www.hodgeman.ksu.edu for complete 4-H Project materials.

Camp Wild Women

Discover the Wild Within You! Hodgeman County will host a shooting sports day camp for females, age 14 and older on Saturday, April 30, 2016 at HorseThief Reservoir. Cost is \$50 per person & includes all equipment & lunch.(under age 18 MUST be accompanied by an adult) Saturday afternoon & Sunday events are available to those age 21 or older for an additional fee of \$25 (Total fee for both days is \$75)

Registration deadline is April 4th for Hands-on workshop rotations including shotgun, rifle, archery, outdoor skills and hand gun. NO personal firearms allowed. NO Hunter Ed offered.

For complete information visit www.hodgeman.ksu.edu or stop by the Extension Office for registration forms.



**Welcome to Walk Kansas!
April 3 - May 28, 2016**

How Walk Kansas Works:

- Six people form a Walk Kansas team.
- Team members select a goal for the eight weeks.
- Team members log minutes of physical activity & cups of fruits & vegetables consumed each week.
- Team captains report team minutes to the Extension Office each Monday.
- Walk Kansas t-shirts available to purchase.

Contact the Extension Office for team packets or visit www.hodgeman.ksu.edu for complete information.

2016 Hodgeman Co. Fair Dates

Mon. July 11	Style Revue Judging
Wed. July 13	Pre Fair Clean up - 5 pm
Thurs. July 14	Horse Show -7 pm
Animal Check-In	Fri. July 15 th
4-H Premium Auction	Monday, July 18 th
Tues. July 19	Post-fair clean-up - 9 AM



2016 Kansas State Fair
Sept. 9 - 16
www.kansasstatefair.com

Discovery Days

Discovery Days Highlights
 visit www.kansas4-h.org for complete information

Dates: May 31 - June 3, 2016

Youth: Age 13 to 18 years old by January 1st.

Cost: Registration fee TBA, includes all meals, lodging, t-shirt & programs. Some classes have additional fees for supplies.

Registration: Open March 1st, Closes April 15th
 Only online registrations accepted.

www.kansas4-H.org
 click on Events & Activities, General State Events then Discovery Days.

Discovery Days in Manhattan on the K-State Campus, gives you a chance to be involved in college life by living on campus and taking classes and tours about careers, hobbies, community service and more! **Contact the Extension Office for complete information.**

**Have you turned in your
 2016 4-H Enrollment &
 Participation forms?
 Easy 4-H Enrollment also available
 online at www.kansas4-h.org**

If you enroll online, we must also have your paper forms in the office. Thank you!

Forms **MUST** be on file to participate in 4-H events.

Guidelines For 4-H Club Day

- All persons must be enrolled in 4-H for the 2015-2016 year by submitting an enrollment card & Participation Form before they may participate in County 4-H Club Day. See this newsletter for 4-H Day Event Guidelines.
- **Inform your Community 4-H Club Leader by January 25th** with your Club Day entries. It is the responsibility of the 4-Her to inform the leader.
- Age is determined by the age of the 4-H member on Jan. 1st of the current year.

Sr. Division - 12 years and older.

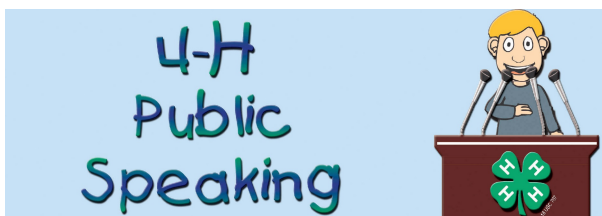
Jr. Division - 11 years or younger

Age of the oldest participant in a group will determine if the group entry is a Jr. or Sr. category.

Example: If one youth is age 12 or older, and the rest are age 11 or younger, the group will compete in the Sr. Division.

Remember: 4-Hers do not need to be from the same 4-H Club to perform as duets or groups.

- All entries will receive a blue, red or white ribbon.
- Entries earning top blue placing at the county level are eligible to compete at Regional Club Day.
- **You may participate in any of the events listed in this newsletter.**
- In addition to a blue ribbon, top blue winners will receive a dollar coin, compliments of 4-H Council.
- The Top Blue Model Meeting 4-H Club will receive a trophy.
- Pizza will be served to County 4-H Day participants, compliments of 4-H Foundation.



Shutterbugs at Botanica

What: Workshops offered at sites around Botanica. Topics include Camera Questions, Props and Costumes, Portraits and Posing, Lighting, Getting Ready for the Fair, Kaleidoscopes, Composition and Photo Scavenger Hunt. In the event of rain or snow, workshops will be held indoors. Questions? Contact Eric Otte at 316-755-2973 or 316-680-9316.

When: April 23, 2016

Where: Botanica, The Wichita Gardens, 701 Amidon, Wichita, KS

Registration: No preregistration required

Registration Fee: TBD



Shutterbugs at the Garden City Zoo

What: Workshops offered at sites around the zoo. Topics include: Costumes and Props, Frames, Kaleidoscopes, Mirrors, Making Photos Unique, a Camera Q and A Table, Photo Scavenger Hunt and more. Questions? Contact Pansy Fryman at 620-272-3012 or pbeef@wbsnet.org

When: May 7, 2016

Where: Lee Richardson Zoo, 312 E. Finnup Drive, Garden City, KS

Registration: No preregistration required

Registration Fee: TBD



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Dear 4-H Families:

Please feel free to contact the Extension Office with any questions concerning information in this newsletter. Information is also found online at www.hodgeman.ksu.edu

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