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4-H Newsletter

Wild West District #18

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January

Welcome Jade!

Jade Greene has joined the Wild West District team as the Ag and Natural Resources Agent. Jade is a native of Southwest Kansas growing up in Rolla and being a member of Morton County 4-H. Jade's primary office will be in Liberal. Please welcome her when you see her around.

NEW DISTRICT WIDE RULE TO SELL YOUR ANIMALS!

To be considered a **4-Her in good standing** and be **able to sell at your county fair's livestock sale**, a **4-Her must attend over half of their club's regular meetings, from October thru July**. This includes any and all 4-H clubs in the Wild West Extension District.

SEWARD COUNTY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHANGES

There have been some slight changes to the senior scholarship application.

The new application can be found at:

<https://wildwest.k-state.edu/4-h/forms.html>



HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN FLU INFORMATION

There is new information available about this flu strain that affects both domestic & wild breeds.



<https://wildwest.k-state.edu/Livestock.html>

HORSE PROJECT CHANGES!

If you are enrolled in the Horse project please use the following link to review the updated rules.



<https://wildwest.k-state.edu/4-h/General%20Wild%20West%20District.html>

CLOVERBUDS

Cloverbuds is an introduction to 4-H for children aged 5-6 years old as of January 1, 2023. If you know of anyone that could be interested, please reach out to your local extension office. Or sign up online at <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-up>

HASKELL: Our next meeting is on **December 14th at 4:00 pm at the Extension Office**. We will be meeting on the second Wednesday of the month from 4:00 - 4:45 pm.



SEWARD: Our next meeting will be on **December 20th at 4:00 pm at the Extension Office**. We will meet on the fourth Wednesday of the month from 4:00 - 4:45 pm.

Contact **Kylee Harrison** for more info at kharrison@ksu.edu or 620-624-5604

STEVENS: Our next meeting is on **December 6th at 4:00 pm at the Extension Office**. Contact **Kendra Hermreck** at khermreck07@gmail.com OR **Nancy Honig** @ nhonig@ksu.edu

SEWARD COUNTY 4-H CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS GIFT BOXES

Seward County 4-H'ers are going to donate Christmas Boxes to each Elementary School in the County. ***Items are due to the Extension Office by December 5th** One boy and one girl box will be distributed per school to kids age Kindergarten-2nd Grade: 12 total boxes total - Box sizes will be 12.5 x 7 x 4"

**Please make sure items will fit.

Personal Care Items
(Dental Items already donated)
Washcloths
Combs/Hairbrush
Soap

School Supplies
Pens, pencils, sharpeners
Crayons, Markers
Notebooks

Accessories
Socks
Sunglasses
Flashlights



Non-Perishable Snacks
Fruit Snacks
Gum
Individually Wrapped Candy

STEVENS COUNTY PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Stevens County 4-H Council is going to donate a 4-H Calendar to every family in the county for the 2023-2024 4-H year. We will be having a competition to choose the photos that will be featured in the calendar.

So start snapping photos now to have photos of all seasons! This is open to all Stevens County 4-H'ers. Selection of top photos from a panel of impartial judges.



Deadline for photos is August 4th, 2023.

HASKELL COUNTY SHOOTING SPORTS

To participate in practices, you must be enrolled in shooting sports online.

Practices will be December 6th & 20th
5:30 pm - 1st flight
7:00 pm - 2nd flight



We will practice every 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the each month through March 2023.

Youth wanting to participate must be enrolled in the project and approved before your first practice due to liability insurance.

ARE YOU STRIVING FOR STATE 4-H PROJECT AWARDS?

Any and all District Youth who are wanting to achieve a State 4-H Project Award are invited to meet on **Monday, December 12th at 6:30 pm** at the Stevens County Extension Office.

There will be discussions, ideas and training on how you can accomplish this goal. We will have different educators available!

HASKELL COUNTY RABBIT PROJECT MEETING

We will be meeting at the Haskell Township Library meeting room on the following dates:

Dec. 16th, 2022 - 4:00 pm

**before the game!

Jan. 15, 2023 - 2:00 pm

Feb. 12, 2023 - 2:00 pm

March 22, 2023 - 7:00 pm

April 19, 2023 - 7:00 pm

May 18, 2023 - 7:00 pm.

June 15, 2023 - 5:00 pm

**making signs for fair

July 20, 2023 TBA

**finishing signs for fair if needed

Rabbit Show will be January 28th

More information to come.



STEVENS COUNTY HIPPOLOGY

Our next practice will be **Sunday, December 11th at 12:30 pm** at First Christian Church in Hugoton. **Feel free to bring your lunch.**

Scheduled upcoming practices:
January 8th, 15th, 22nd



*please use packets to study

Horse Bowl/Hippology Contest

Will be held on **Sunday, January 15, 2023 from 1:00 - 4:00 pm** at the First Christian Church in Hugoton. This is a District Quiz Bowl contest and it is open to everyone, you do not have to be enrolled in the Horse Project.

*More information to come.



STEVENS COUNTY 9-11 YR OLD FOODS MEETING

Our first meeting will be on **January 7, 2023 from 2:00 - 3:30 pm** at the **4-H Building**. Please RSVP to (620)391-0607 by January 2nd.

The following meeting will be **January 21st from 2:00 - 3:30 pm**. Please RSVP by January 16th.

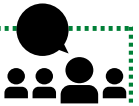
*Please bring \$5 to each meeting



SEWARD COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL MEMBERS

Attention: The NEWLY elected council members will meet at the **4-H Building** on **Wednesday, December 7th at 6:00 pm** to pack the Christmas Boxes.

4-H COUNCIL MEETINGS



Haskell: 4-H Council & 4-H Ambassadors Eat and Meet will be on **Sunday, January 8, 2023, at 5:30 pm in the fairgrounds meeting room.** Please make plans to attend as we will be planning activities & discussing the Livestock Show. Please RSVP to Judy Parsons with your favorite pizza topping at (620)453-0732.

Seward: Our next meeting will be on **January 23rd at 6:00 pm at the 4-H Building.**

Stevens: **January 16th, 7:00 pm at the Extension Office** hope to see you there!

STEVENS COUNTY JUNIOR LEADERSHIP MEETING

Our next meeting will be on **January 16th at 7:45 pm at the Extension Office.**



SENIORS!

Do you need help perfecting your resume?
Are you stumped on your personal essay?

Contact Kylee Harrison at kharrison@ksu.edu to assist with any of these areas. Schedule your one-on-one consultation soon!

STEVENS COUNTY SEWING PROJECT

Are you interested in learning how to sew? If so contact Nancy Honig at the Extension office (620)544-4359 to set up some sessions! You will learn the basics about using a machine and using patterns.

*You will complete at least one item that can be entered into the fair.

****If you don't have a machine, we have sewing machines in the office.**

LIVESTOCK JUDGING

If you are interested in helping lead Livestock Judging practices or would like to participate in livestock judging, please contact Judy Parsons.

HASKELL COUNTY CLUB DAYS

Join us on **January 22nd at 2:00 pm**

Where: Sublette High School
Registration Due January 17th

Here is our link to register:

<https://wildwest.k-state.edu/-haskell/4-h/Regirstation%20for%20County%20Club%20Days-HS.pdf>

STEVENS COUNTY CLUB DAYS

Mark your calendars for **February 4th.** Download the club days application by following the link or scan the code. Email to nhonig@ksu.edu

Club Days application

<https://wildwest.k-state.edu/4-h/stevens%20county%204h.html>



You can also sign up by calling the Extension Office at (620)544-4359.

REGIONAL RECORD BOOKS

Record books going on the Regional Competition are due to your local County Extension Offices by **Tuesday, January 10, 2023.** Regional Judging is on Thursday, January 19, 2023.

If you need help with your record book or have any questions, please contact your Extension Office Agents.



SARA LEE AND E. BUDD ANDERSON YOUTH GRANT

The Anderson grant was established for Stevens County Youth to improve their community through leadership projects either done individually, as a small group, or as a club. The grant money, up to \$1,000 is to be used to fulfill a community need. The application form is on the Wild West Website under 4-H/Steven County and is due January 2023. Last year the grant was used for the Superstar Livestock Show for special needs youth in the community. If you have questions about the grant contact Nancy Honig at (620) 544-4359.



STEVENS COUNTY T-SHIRT DESIGN



2023 Fair theme is **Fiesta at the Stevens County Fair!** We will be having a competition to choose our t-shirt design. The deadline to submit your design(s) is **March 1st, 2023**. All 4-H'ers in the county will receive a free shirt to wear during the fair. The winner will not only see their design come to life but they will get a \$25 gift card!

STEVENS COUNTY 4-H BUILDING DISPLAY

Clubs are in charge of the display in the 4-H building for their assigned two months. Clubs might want to consider making this a committee.

November/December - **Buffalo Boosters**
January/February - **Cloverleaf Cowboys**
March/April - **Heartland**
May/June - **Wranglers**
July/August - **4-H Council**
September/October - **Extension Office**

STATE 4-H HORSE PANORAMA

The State 4-H Horse Panorama will be on **Saturday, January 28, 2023 at the K-State Salina Campus.**



The Horse Panorama will have all the contests in one day. We will need to travel and stay overnight Friday. There will be **some contests online.** This contest is for youth 9 and over.

Registration deadline will be January 11th.

Please contact Judy Parsons for registration details before entering. at (620)453-0732.

K-STATE JUNIOR SWINE PRODUCER DAY

Date – Saturday, March 11, 2023
Registration Deadline – February 15
Cost - \$20/person by February 15
(\$25/person after February 15)

*Registration must be RECEIVED by February 15 to receive a t-shirt.

****Both youth and adults attending need to register.**



Online Registration -

<https://commerce.cashnet.com/KSUASIND>

SOUTHWEST SHOOTOUT

Join us on **Saturday, February 11, 2023** starting at 8:00 am in Sublette. This contest is for BB guns, Air Rifle & Air Pistol. More information to come.

SEWARD COUNTY CLUB DAYS

Mark your calendars for **February 11th from 9:00-10:30 am.** We will be at the Seward County Activity Center. **Registration is due by February 3rd.** To register either call the Extension Office at (620) 624-5604 or use the link.

<https://wildwest.k-state.edu/4-H/Seward%20County%204-H.html>

Open the registration document, fill it out, save to your computer then email to alwettst@ksu.edu.



STEVENS COUNTY SHOOTING SPORTS

BB guns, Air Rifle & Air Pistol

Must be enrolled in disciplines to attend.

Practice Dates:

January 3rd, 5th, 24th & 26th
February 7th, 9th, 13th & 24th
6:00 - 8:00pm at the 4-H Building

K-STATE JUNIOR MEAT GOAT PRODUCER DAY

Date – Saturday, March 18, 2023
Registration Deadline – February 22
Cost - \$20/person by February 22
(\$25/person after February 22)

*Registration must be RECEIVED by February 22 to receive a t-shirt.

****Both youth and adults attending need to register.**



Online Registration -



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