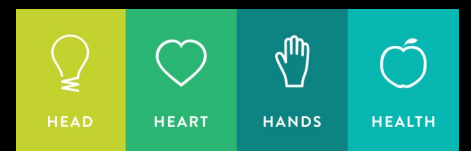


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**Extension Offices
will be closed:**
January 1
January 18

New Year, New Newsletter

Welcome to the new Flint Hills District 4-H Newsletter! We have decided to join Morris County and Chase County together in one combined newsletter. Our layout will be all district 4-H information at the beginning, followed by Chase County designated information and calendar and ending with Morris County information and calendar. Morris County families have already shared preferences for receiving the newsletter. For Chase County families, the first month's issue will be sent by mail and email. Please let us know which you prefer so we may update our mailing list for future newsletters. If at any time you have an article you would like added to the newsletter, please notify us by the 20th of the month so that we may include it.

2021 Kansas 4-H Scholarship

The Kansas 4-H Scholarship is available now on our website in a fillable form. Applications are also available in the Extension Office. Youth who should be applying for this scholarship should be in their senior year of high school OR OLDER. All instructions are on the first page of the application. Scholarship selection is 90% based on 4-H merit of leadership, citizenship. Community service, participation, recognition, and 10% on non-4-H related experiences. Completed applications need to be submitted to the Extension Office no later than March 1. <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-library/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html>

Record Keeping Forms

A big thanks to those who joined in for the virtual workshop on December 17. Look for the recording in your email soon. In the future, all forms can be found at: <https://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/>. Currently, there is a glitch in the website due to an update. All new record keeping forms can be found at the state website <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-library/awards-and-recognition/ProjectRecognition.html>. Both Morris and Chase Counties will use the state pin applications. Members in Chase County who were ready for the teen leader pins will still have the opportunity to complete those. Chase County members should look for an updated check sheet in January. See Shandi's tip of the month for more details.

4-H ACTIVITIES AND TRAINING

YQCA Training Sessions

Mark your calendars! Shannon will be hosting two training sessions for those needing to become YQCA certified! YQCA stands for Youth for the Quality Care of Animals. Any individual that plans to show market animals, commercial breeding females, and/or purebred breeding females at the 2021 Kansas State Fair or Kansas Junior Livestock Show must be YQCA certified to participate. However, anyone is welcome to attend a training session to become certified. Each session will be held in the Morris County Community Building at the Fairgrounds. The dates are: March 28 and April 25, both starting at 1 pm. Use the following link to register online for which training you would like to attend, <https://yqca.learn-grow.io/Account/Login>. The cost of the training is \$3 which you will pay online when you register. Please use your 4-H Online login information for the sign-up.

2021 Horse Panorama

Due to Rock Spring's current closure, the Horse Panorama will not be held in January. Instead, the Horse Action Team will host Hippology, Public Speaking, Demonstrations/Talks, Photography, Logo, Poster, PowerPoint, Ad Layout, and Model Horse Show virtually in 2021. The exact dates are yet to be determined.

Citizenship In Action (CIA)

Citizenship in Action will be a virtual event in 2021. Plans are being made for programming on February 14 and 15. The current plan is a community conversation, including deliberating and finding common ground on Sunday afternoon (tentatively 1p.m. to 5:30 p.m.) The Sunday afternoon session could potentially (depending on Covid-19 Restrictions) be a local "watch party" where you have your own conversation as a community of 4-H members. On Monday the program will begin after lunch and be an opportunity to hear how others decided to make a difference and make a plan to do the same. Tentatively 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Registration should open in early January and will be due Monday, February 1. More information will be available soon.

Shooting Sports

Virtual Safety Day was rescheduled for December 20. When details have been finalized for practices to resume, members will receive an update.

Kansas Junior Producer Days

The 2021 KSU Junior Producer Days will be hosted virtually as week-long educational events this year. Kansas Junior Swine Producer Week will be February 15-20, 2021, with Kansas Junior Meat Goat Producer Week being March 15-20. There will be a few presentations throughout the week, with each of the programs wrapping up on Saturday morning. A tentative agenda is included on the flyers, which are attached. All of the sessions will be recorded and shared with those who register, so families may participate at their own pace and as their schedule allows.

The junior day events will be free this year, thanks to our gracious sponsors, but all participants will still need to register. This includes both youth and adults. Families also need to use an email address someone from the household checks on a regular basis, as that is the method of communication we will use to share links and specific details with attendees. Participants will need to register by February 8 and March 8, respectively, to receive the appropriate information. Here are the registration links:

Swine: <https://bit.ly/KSUJrSwineWeek>

Meat Goat: <https://bit.ly/KSUJrMeatGoatWeek>

District Club Day

We recognize that 2021 will not look the same as years past for many reasons. Please understand that part of our Club Day plan needs to be embraced with flexibility. We are going to use this time to transition to a district Club Day. A registration form has been included with this newsletter. We encourage families to take the time to complete your registration and begin work on your entries. Specific details for the event are still being finalized. Some details will be impacted by COVID-19 protocols and recommendations. Please hold Saturday, **March 6** in your calendar for Flint Hills District Club Days. Our hope is to have all details finalized for the February newsletter. All entries will be due **February 19** by 5 pm and will be accepted at either Extension Office or electronically.

Regional Club Day

The date for regional club days has been set for March 20, 2021 and will be held in Burlington this year.

Agent's Tip of the Month



Change is never easy! As a kid/teen, two of my favorite sayings were:

"Attitude is a little thing that makes a big difference" and "YOGOWYPI - You Only Get Out What You Put In"

Change happens for many reasons. Sometimes change happens because of circumstances, often it happens when trying to improve, sometimes change is the routine (i.e. every year has a new theme, etc.) and once in a while it is just because of a need for change. How we

approach change is what matters. I do believe it is important to reflect on the path taken and traditions before determining the direction of change.

Among other changes, our record keeping forms will change for the 2020-21 4-H year. The meeting was recorded on the cloud, but I haven't received the link yet. When I have it, it will be emailed out to all families.

A few highlights from the zoom meeting are listed below.

- Permanent record page has been updated for usability not content - you are welcome to start recording on the new one, but do not have to transfer data over from your old one. You can also continue to use the old one if you wish.
- Personal page has been updated as PDF fillable and will accept a digital photo. All content is the same.
- A record book check sheet was developed to help assure all components are turned in for each level of evaluation.
- Project record keeping forms - there are three levels (JR, INT, SR) and two types of forms (General and Animal). You will choose the appropriate form by age and project. These forms are designed to be completed as the year progresses to record your project activities. If a section does not apply to your project, leave it blank (i.e. you will not calculate rate of gain on your dog)

A few general notes:

- Morris and Chase Counties will use the State format of the pin applications (these are currently on the Morris County 4-H page of the website and will be moved over to the District Record Book page when the glitch is fixed)
- Chase County members ready for any level of the Teen Leader Pins can still receive those. After this group is through those, they will be phased out. The pin application will be uploaded onto the website for easy access.
- Morris County Seal Check Sheet (the green sheet) will still be utilized.
- Chase County Seal Check Sheet is under revision and will be available in January.

I appreciate all of your efforts to "Make the Best Better!"
Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Shandi

Using Old Garden Seed

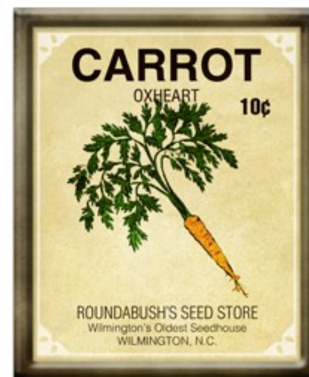


Garden catalogs seem to come earlier each year. Since new seed can be expensive, you may want to consider using seed bought in previous years.

We normally consider seed will remain viable for about 3 years under cool, dark, dry, conditions though there are exceptions. For example, members of the carrot family (carrots, parsnips and parsley) are short-lived and are usually good for only 1 to 2 years.

If you are unsure of viability and have plenty of seed, there is an easy method of determining how good your seed is. Place 10 seeds on a paper towel moistened with warm water and cover with a second moistened towel. Roll up the towels and place inside a plastic bag with enough holes for air exchange but not so many that the towels dry quickly. Place the bag in a warm place such as the top of a refrigerator. Remoisten towels with warm water as needed. After the first week, check for germination. Remove sprouted seed and check again after another week. Add these numbers together to determine the percent germination.

(Ward Upham)



Shannon



Maesea Dold
 Lakoddah Downes
 Nolan Effland
 Hadden Giger
 Harrison Giger

Mason Goeckel
 Scott Hinkson
 Clark Miller
 Lilliana Stilwell
 Evelyn White

A Flashback in 4-H History



Vintage 4-H ads from the 1960's

Flint Hills District Club Day—Entry Guidelines

All score sheets can be found on the Flint Hills District webpage:

<https://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/district-club-days/districtclubdays.html>

Illustrated Talk

- 10 minutes, maximum time of 15 minutes includes set up & presentation
- Must be on a project in which the member is enrolled in
- An illustrated talk is talking and telling how to do something by using pictures, charts, models, equipment and other types of visual aids

Public Presentations

Show n' Share

- Is a beginning 4-H talk
- Only 3 minutes in length
- The reward is a participation ribbon
- This talk can be about the 4-H'ers projects, a pet, a favorite activity or a 4-H experience
- The purpose is to give the new 4-H'er the experience of talking before an audience

Project Talk

- Jr Division 7- 13 years, 2-7 min
- This is a talk about one of the projects in which you are enrolled in and familiar with. It tells about your project
- No questions are asked at the end of a project talk

Purpose is to inform

Visuals are optional

Demonstration

- 10 minutes, maximum time of 15 minutes includes set up & presentation
- Must be on a project in which the member is enrolled in.
- A demonstration is simply showing (and telling) how to do something. The purpose is to teach and shows how.
- Most demonstrations incorporate an introduction, a body which is the "show & tell" part, and a summary to stress the important part of your demonstration.

Public speaking

- An original presentation, Members may speak on any topic of interest
- Sr. Division: 14 and older
- 15 minutes maximum
- Must give outline to judge, 1-2 notecards are suggested
- No questions are asked at the end of the speech
- Visuals are optional

Talent Events

Reading

- This is an individual activity
- Open to any age
- Not exceed 5 minutes
- Readings should not be memorized. It can be poetry or prose
- A script is required

Novelty

- 5 minute limit, 1 number
- Any size of group and any age group or individual can present

4-H Council

Plans are underway for the first 4-H Council meeting of the year. Please look for an email in January with complete details.

EID Tags

We will be using EID tags for all livestock animals in 2021. Tags will cost \$3.25 each. The livestock sale committee will purchase tags for this first year. They will pay for up to 2 tags per specie for each 4-Her. Any additional tags will be the 4-Her's expense for this year. Look for tagging dates in the February newsletter.



Achievement Recognition

Congratulations to all record book winners! Since the achievement banquet had to be cancelled, all achievements have been included in this newsletter. Pins can be picked up at the office. Congratulations on your accomplishments!

Attachments

For your reference, we have attached a project goals worksheet that might be beneficial as you set new goals for the 4-H year. Also attached is a 4-H calendar with yearly dates to help your planning in the months ahead.

Project Meetings

Project Leaders, please let the Extension Office know any updates you would like included in future newsletters. If you are in need of a zoom link set up to hold a virtual project meeting, please let us know.

Wishing Mike Warm Retirement Wishes

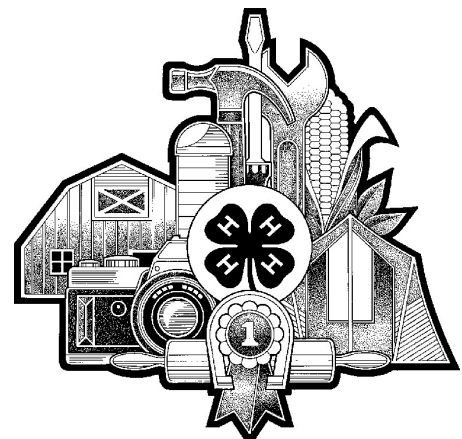
Mike Holder retired from his position as Extension Agent/District Extension Director on Friday, November 20, 2020 after serving over 47 years with Extension. A big thanks to his dedication, time, energy and efforts he has put in to the Chase County 4-H Program through the years!!!

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic a face-to-face reception will not be held until the spring of 2021. If you missed the notice in the paper, please take the opportunity to send Mike a card with your good wishes to:

Mike Holder
PO Box 382
Strong City, KS 66869

COVID Protocols

COVID protocols have been put in place at the State level which requires any Face-to-Face events to be approved by the Extension office and state office. We have been encouraged to have virtual meetings whenever possible and Face-to-Face events only when it is necessary. If you have a 4-H event that needs to occur in face-to-face format, please email a request to Shandi and Betty Ann so a request can be submitted to the state level. A response can be expected within 24-48 hours. Submitting these requests at least 2 weeks in advance will help the process move smoothly on our part. If your club needs a zoom meeting set up, please let us know. We would be happy to set up a virtual meeting space for you to be able to use.



CHASE CO ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS 2020

Beef

Maddie Dold CC
Sadie Mushrush S
Chaz Smith S
Lilly Hinkson S
Jake Sollner B
Rhett Reyer B
Masen Scott B
Harrison Giger B
Henry Giger B
Heath Giger B
Trenna Dold B

Bucket Calf

Makayla Matile CC
Bella Mushrush S
Dominic Barrett S

Goat

Maddie Dold CC
Makayla Matile S
Kassidy Budke S
Kailyn Budke B

Dog

Karlie Gibb CC
Kassidy Budke S
Makayla Matile B
Kailyn Budke B
Connor Jahnke B

Horse

Makayla Matile CC
Sadie Mushrush S

Pets/Cat

Kassidy Budke CC
Makayla Matile B

Poultry

Kailyn Budke CC
Connor Jahnke S
Laura Koch B

Rabbits

Kinslea Glanville CC

Sheep

Karlie Gibb CC
Kailyn Budke S
Julia Filinger S
Lydia Peters B
Bethany Peters B
Tate Gibb B
Vincent Hodges B
Archer Hodges B
Kassidy Budke B
Kinslea Glanville B
Reece Budke B
Sophia Glanville B
Lydia Filinger B

Swine

Maddie Dold CC
Karlie Gibb S
Sophia Glanville S
Sadie Mushrush B
Bella Mushrush B
Chaz Smith B
Tate Gibb B
Makayla Matile B

Jake Sollner B
Colton Kewley B
Kassidy Budke B
Kailyn Budke B
Masen Scott B
Kinslea Glanville B
Lexi Monihen B
Trenna Dold B

Constructed Clothing

Laura Koch CC
Bethany Peters S
Lydia Peters B

Purchased Clothing

Julia Filinger CC
Josepha Inlow S
Makayla Matile S
Kinslea Glanville S

Foods

Sophia Glanville CC
Lydia Peters S
Vincent Hodges S
Rebekah Peters B
Josiah Peters B
Bethany Peters B
Mayah Dorsey B
Sadie Mushrush B
Enley Lauer B
Archer Hodges B
Makayla Matile B
Colton Kewley B
Laura Koch B
Britney Schroer B
Trenna Dold B

Citizenship

Josepha Inlow CC
Clark Miller S

Visual Arts

Lydia Filinger CC
Enley Lauer S
Bryson Koch S
Josepha Inlow B
Jerit Inlow B
Carter Mann B
Clark Miller B
Ralissa Smith B
Lane Gilbreath B
Maesea Dold B
Trenna Dold B

Home Environment

Sophia Glanville CC

Reading

Enley Lauer CC
Josepha Inlow B

Leadership

Sophia Glanville CC
Lane Gilbreath S
Rhett Reyer B
Lydia Peters B
Bethany Peters B
Jake Sollner B
Laura Koch B
Lexi Monihen B
Clay Dold B
Maddie Dold B
Julia Filinger B

CHASE CO ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS 2020

Photography

Lydia Filing CC
Vincent Hodges S
Sophia Glanville S
Mayah Dorsey B
Josepha Inlow B
Bella Mushrush B
Makayla Matile B
Alexys Miller B
Dominic Barrett B
Lilly Hinkson B
Lexi Monihen B
Paden Jahnke B

Self Determined - Welding

Cooper Schroer CC
Clark Miller S
Harrison Giger S
Jake Sollner B
Masen Scott B
Maesea Dold B

Wildlife

Bryson Koch CC
Jerit Inlow B

Plant Science/ Horticulture

Kinslea Glanville CC
Makayla Matile B
Connor Jahnke B

Field Crop

Guthrie Danford S

Electric

Kailyn Budke S

Space Tech

Clark Miller S

Woodwork

Paden Jahnke CC
Bryson Koch S
Carter Mann B
Drewe Morgan B
Henry Giger B
Heath Giger B
Carson Schroer B

Secretary

Josepha Inlow CC
Jake Sollner S
Cooper Schroer S

Treasurer

Kinslea Glanville CC
Clay Dold S
Mayah Dorsey B

Historian

Rinn Schechter & Maddie Dold CC
Bethany Peters S
Jones Family B

Reporter

Lydia Filing & Aiden Eidman CC
Sadie Mushrush S

Achievement

Josepha Inlow CC
Karlle Gibb CC
Laura Koch CC
Julia Filing CC

Tate Gibb B
Sophia Glanville B
Kinslea Glanville B
Maddie Dold B
Lane Gilbreath B
Lydia Filing B

Best Record Book

Makayla Matile CC
Sophia Glanville CC
Julia Filing CC
Tate Gibb B
Karlle Gibb B
Vincent Hodges B
Archer Hodges B
Enley Lauer B
Clark Miller B
Laura Koch B
Kassidy Budke B
Kailyn Budke B
Masen Scott B
Harrison Giger B
Heath Giger B
Lane Gilbreath B

Agriculture

Makayla Matile CC
Kinslea Glanville CC

Livestock

Sadie Mushrush CC
Karlle Gibb CC
Sophia Glanville CC
Maddie Dold CC
Chaz Smith B
Makayla Matile B
Rhett Reyer B
Kailyn Budke B

Kassidy Budke B
Kinslea Glanville B
Masen Scott B
Trenna Dold B

FCS

Lydia Peters CC
Makayla Matile CC
Sophia Glanville CC
Bethany Peters B
Laura Koch B

Key Awards

Maddie Dold
Owen Eidman
Julia Filing
Lane Gilbreath

Leader's Choice Award

Maddie Dold

2020 Friends of 4-H

Chris Dold
Nicol Dold
Brian Filing
Kelly Glanville
Randy Glanville
Loni Heinen
Jessica Inlow
Susan Koch
Christine Mushrush
Lana Reyer



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Important Dates

Fair Board Meeting
Wednesday, January 13

4-H Council Meeting
Monday, January 18

Ambassador Meeting
Monday, January 18

Project Meetings

Project Leaders, please let the Extension Office know any updates you would like included in future newsletters. If you are in need of a zoom link set up to hold a virtual project meeting, please let us know.

KAP's For Area Screening

4-Hers who were named a Senior County Project Award winner and who have passed their 14th birthday BEFORE January 1, 2020, but NOT their 19th birthday before January 1, 2021 are eligible to participate in the Northeast Area KAP Screening.

4-Hers may submit a KAP for each project in which they were named a champion. KAPs need to be turned into the Extension Office by **January 14 at 5 pm**. Please make sure you have used the senior KAP forms that have a revised date of September 15, 2014. Before you turn in your KAP book, you are also encouraged to make revisions and/or improvements to your book, especially the suggested changes that were mentioned on your score card. 4-Hers who are eligible to participate in the Area KAP screening are listed below by project:

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|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Beef - Samuel Barr | Leadership - Anna Schrader |
| Dairy Goat - Sierra Meade | Photography - Rylee Powell |
| Dog - Sierra Meade | Plant Science - Mark Andres |
| Foods - Mark Andres | Swine - Chase Bacon |
| Horse - Mandy Wainwright | Visual Arts - Hayvin Thornhill |



Project Day

Project Day will be February 21, 2021. Any project leaders interested in holding a meeting on that day, please let the Extension Office know. This event will happen, whether it is a face-to-face or virtual format. We hope to have this determined for the February newsletter.

Ambassador Training

All county/district 4-H Ambassadors, Ambassador Advisors, Chaperones and KSRE Staff are invited to register for Kansas 4-H Ambassador Training. Stay tuned for 2021 plans for this event!

Weigh-In and Scales

Beef weigh-in and tagging will take place on March 9 at Derek Schrader's (16333 Hwy 177, Alta Vista) from 6-8 pm. Then, small animal weigh-in and tagging will be from 2-4 pm on May 2 at the Morris County Fairgrounds.

4-H Lock-In

Plans are still being made for the 4-H Lock-In. This is an item on the agenda for the 4-H Council meeting in January. Look for more details once they are finalized.

COVID Protocols

COVID protocols have been put in place at the State level which requires any Face-to-Face events to be approved by the Extension office and state office. We have been encouraged to have virtual meetings whenever possible and Face-to-Face events only when it is necessary. At this time, Morris County still has a mass gathering limit of 10, which means that all 4-H meetings should be taking place in a virtual format. If/when that gathering limit is increased or lifted, if you have a 4-H event that needs to occur in face-to-face format, please email a request to our office so a request can be submitted to the state level. A response can be expected within 24-48 hours. Submitting these requests at least 2 weeks in advance will help the process move smoothly on our part. If your club needs a zoom meeting set up, please let us know. We would be happy to set up a virtual meeting space for you to be able to use. These protocols will be in place through at least March 31.

DISTRICT 4-H DATES

December

23-25 - Office's Closed

31 - Office's Closed

January

1 - Office's closed (New Year's Day)

14 - KAP's due for Area Screening

18 - Extension Office's closed

18 - Record Keeping Workshop - 6pm on zoom

18 - Morris County 4-H Council meeting

18 - Morris County Ambassador meeting

TBD - Chase County 4-H Council meeting

February

1- Citizenship in Action (CIA) registration due

14-15 - CIA

15 - Morris County 4-H Council meeting

15 - Morris County Ambassador meeting

15-20 - Junior Swine Producer Day

21 - Morris County Project Day

March

5-6 - Equifest

TBD - State Horse Judging

6 - District Club Days

9 - Morris County beef weigh-in and tagging

15 - Morris County Ambassador meeting

15-20 - Junior Meat Goat Producer Day

20 - Regional Club Day at Burlington

28 - YQCA Training

April

25 - YQCA Training

Looking Ahead...

June 14-15 - Camp Counselor Training

June 15-18 - Sunny Hills 4-H Camp

June 27-30 - Campference

July 9-11 - Tri-County Fair for Morris County 4-Her's

July 17-26 - Morris County Fair

25-29 - Chase County Fair

September 10-19 - Kansas State Fair

***Sunny Hills 4-H Camp Update ***

Face-to-face camp is being planned. Capacity numbers will be determined in March. Registration will be open March 15-May 1. Camp Counselor applications will be included in the February newsletter.



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