



# BARBER COUNTY 4-H FEBRUARY 2016



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## 4-H Council

The next 4-H Council meeting will be Monday, February 22, 2016, 7:00 P.M. at the Peoples Bank in Medicine Lodge. Each club is asked to send two members. Be sure and let your representatives know of any items you would like discussed.

## 4-H Club Day

Entry forms for 4-H Club Day are due to the Extension Office on Tuesday, February 16, 2016. The office will be closed on Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, for Presidents Day. County Club Day is February 27<sup>th</sup> at South Barber High School beginning at 9:00 A.M.

Regional Club Day will be on Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at Pratt Community College.

## Horse Panorama



Five members of the 4-H Horse Team attended Horse Panorama at Rock Springs Ranch on January 29-31, 2016. Logan Dirks was our senior member with Jaycee Patton, Chambrey Ward, Briar Bodemann and Belle Burden as the junior team.

Saturday was spent testing the member's knowledge and participating in quiz bowls. The evening was very enjoyable listening to a guest speaker and then dancing and making friends. On Sunday, Logan Dirks gave a demonstration on the importance of using safety boots. Results are not available at this printing, but we know the youth did well.

## Livestock Tagging

Market Beef tagging will be done by appointment and at individual farms for safety concerns. Appointments must be made by February 26, 2016, with tags in place by March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

All other Market Species and Breeding Animals will be tagged at the Barber County Fairgrounds on May 7<sup>th</sup>. If you cannot make this date and need Tim to come to your farm, there will be a \$10 charge. Appointments must be made by April 29<sup>th</sup>. Call 620-886-3971 or email Tim at [tmarshal@ksu.edu](mailto:tmarshal@ksu.edu) to set up your appointment.

## FCS Judging at Club Days

This year, there will be a new format for the FCS Judging. It is designed to reflect the state level contests. All ages will do a photo matching contest. There will be 4 topic areas and they will select a photo that fits the area and give 2 reasons for their selection.

Seniors will have the chance to draw a FCS Topic with questions and prepare a speech within 15 minutes. The speeches should answer the questions and draw on their personal experience. The expectation is that it would last 1 to 4 minutes. (At the State Contest, this is done in teams but to work with the Club Days scheduling we are doing individuals.)

To qualify for the State Senior Team (14 and over age group), participation in the speech section is required. The State contest will be during Discovery Days that is May 31st to June 3rd. You can compete in the State contest without attending Discovery Days.

The Intermediate Contest will be at the State Fair in September. A second judging opportunity will be held at the Barber County Fair. The team will be selected from youth competing in both contests.

If you have any questions, contact Robin.

## **Tractor Safety Training**

If you are 14 or 15 years old, planning on doing farm work for someone other than a parent or legal guardian, you must take a Tractor Safety Course according to the U.S. Department of Labor requirements.

Barber County along with Pratt, Stafford, Kiowa and Kingman counties will be offering a training on Saturday, April 30, 2016 at the Pratt County Fairgrounds from 7:30 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Pre-registration is required by April 15<sup>th</sup> and we are limited on the number of participants so sign up early. Fee is \$20.00 and due at registration. Forms are available at the Extension Office.

## **Kansas Junior Producer Days**

Species producer days are held to provide educational material and hands-on experiences for youth, parents, leaders, and extension agents. Various speakers share information on topics such as selection, nutrition, showmanship, fitting, reproduction, feeding, and disease control. Talks, demonstrations, hands-on activities, and door prizes are present at all events. Beef and Sheep days are held in the even years and Swine and Goat days are held in the odd years.

**Junior Beef Production Day** is Saturday, March 5, 2016 with registration due February 10, 2016.

**Junior Sheep Production Day** is Saturday, March 19, 2016 with registration due February 24, 2016. Register at [http://www.asi.k-state.edu / students-and-programs/youth-programs](http://www.asi.k-state.edu/students-and-programs/youth-programs)

## **Horse Judging Practices**

Kristi Patton will be leading the horse judging practices, getting ready for the first contest of the year on Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at Equifest in Topeka, KS. Practices will be held in Kristi's classroom at the Medicine Lodge High School on Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 3:00-4:30 P.M., Sunday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 3:00-4:30 P.M. and Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, 3:00-4:30 P.M. Please let Kristi know if you are interested in judging and will be at practices at 620-886-1562.

## **Congrats To Garrett and Nicole**

At the Southwest Area KAP screening, Garrett Burden and Nicole Blick each qualified to send a KAP on to State Judging.

Garrett won County Champion in Entomology. Nicole won in Health and Wellness. They both worked to improve their applications before sending them on to Area Judging. Two applications in each project area are sent on to the State Competition. This means their applications are among the top 8 in the state right now.

State winners are selected in March. They are recognized at the Emerald Circle Banquet in late May. They also represent the state at National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Georgia. Wish Garrett and Nicole luck as they continue to improve their applications before state judging.

## **Animal Sciences Leadership Academy**

Applications are now being accepted for the 2016 K-State Animal Sciences Leadership Academy! The deadline to apply is **April 1, 2016**.

The Kansas State University Animal Sciences Leadership Academy is an intensive four-day educational experience designed to enhance the leadership skills and animal science knowledge of students in 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades. Hosted by the K-State Department of Animal Sciences and Industry and sponsored by the Livestock and Meat Industry Council, the academy's goal is to develop young leaders within the livestock industry and prepare them for a successful future in this field. Two sessions will be offered again this year and are scheduled to take place June 8-11 and June 29-July 2 in Manhattan. Students may apply for one or both dates as their schedule allows.

Applications may be found at <http://bit.ly/KSUASILeadershipAcademy>

## Soup Supper & Auction

Thank you to everyone who donated, purchased and ate at our bi-annual fundraiser. We were given \$768.00 for the supper and raised \$4,543.00 at the auction.



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## 4-H CALENDAR

### FEBRUARY

- 6<sup>th</sup> – Dog Meeting @ fairgrounds 2 P.M.
- 13<sup>th</sup> – Dog Meeting @ fairgrounds 2 P.M.
- 15<sup>th</sup> – Office Closed for President's Day
- 16<sup>th</sup> - Club Day Entries due
- 22<sup>nd</sup> - Barber County 4-H Council, 7 P.M.  
Peoples Bank
- 24<sup>th</sup> – South Barber Livestock Judging Contest
- 26<sup>th</sup> - Market Beef Tagging Apts Made
- 26<sup>th</sup> – Horse Judging @ Equifest
- 27<sup>st</sup> – Club Day @ SBHS**

### MARCH

- 3<sup>rd</sup> – All market beef tags in place
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Jr Beef Producer Day @ KSU
- 19<sup>th</sup> – Regional Club Day @ PCC
- 19<sup>th</sup> – Jr Sheep Producer Day @ KSU

### APRIL

- 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> – Shooting Sports Training

### MAY

- 1<sup>st</sup> – RSVP for County Camp
- 1<sup>st</sup> – Last Day for Project Changes
- 7<sup>th</sup> – Spring Tagging Day
- 31<sup>st</sup>-June 3<sup>rd</sup> – Discovery Days

### JUNE

- 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> – County Camp @ RSR
- 16<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> – CWF Trip to Washington D.C.
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### JULY

- 28<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> – Barber County Fair