



## JANUARY 2018

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### Upcoming Events

- Citizenship In Action Registration Deadline January 15
- County Club Day February 24 — Entries Due February 12
- Horse 101 February 12, 6:30 P.M.
- Market Beef Tagging Appointment Deadline February 23
- 4-H Council Meeting February 26, 7:00 P.M.
- Project Change Deadline May 1
- Tag-In Day May 5
- Tractor Safety May 5
- Discovery Days May 29 – June 1, Registration opens March 1
- County Camp @ RSR June 9-12, Registration Due May 1 with 1/2 payment.
- Barber County Fair July 26-29

### SEARCHING FOR NEW AGENT

The search as began for an Ag Agent for Barber County. You may have read in the September Newsletter that we thanked Tim Marshall for his years of service. Without a doubt, he has left an impact on Barber County Extension.

For a variety of reasons, the Barber County Extension Board decided to delay the search until the start of 2018. On January 2, the job was listed on [www.ksre.ksu.edu/jobs](http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/jobs). Soon it will be

listed in the local papers. Applications are due by January 30.

One of the requirements is a Bachelor's degree in agriculture and/or professional experience. The job responsibilities include 4-H and Agriculture Programming. The Extension Office also partners with a variety of organizations including the Barber County Fair-board and Barber County Cattlemen's Association.

Extension Agents are employees of

Kansas State University and eligible for state benefits including insurance. However, the local Barber County Extension Board shares in the supervision of agents.

If you would like more information about the position follow the link included above. A print copy of the job description is available at the Barber County Extension Office. Robin is also available to answer questions at 620-886-3971.

### 4-H CLUB DAY

The Barber County 4-H Club Day will be held on Saturday, February 24, 2018 at the South Barber High School in Kiowa. The day will begin at 1:00 P.M. The 4-H Council will be sponsoring a concession stand

with snacks and drinks. Sign-up sheets have been sent to your leaders and first year families have been sent a booklet with all events and rules explained. Re-enrolling families were sent this booklet in the past, so be sure and



check your files. We have also put this online at [www.barber.ksu.edu](http://www.barber.ksu.edu) with the newsletters.

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### KANSAS JUNIOR PRODUCER DAYS

Specie 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 Sheep Production Day** is Saturday, March 17, 2018 with registration due February 23, 2018.

**Junior Beef Production Day** is Saturday, March 24, 2018 with registration due March 2, 2018. Register at [http://www.asi.k-state.edu / youth-programs](http://www.asi.k-state.edu/youth-programs)

**County Camp will be June 9-12, 2018. More details later.**

### MARKET BEEF TAGGING

Market Beef tagging arrangements must be made with Robin Eubank-Callis by February 23, 2018. All market beef must have tags in place by March 2, 2018. Market beef can be tagged any time before that date.

All breeding animals, bucket calves and the rest of the market animals must be tagged by May 5, 2018, the tagging deadline.

The Bi-Annual Soup Supper and Auction to benefit the Barber County 4-H Council will be held on Saturday, March 24, 2018, at the Sharon Parish Center in Sharon, KS. We will be giving each family personal invitations to invite guests to come and join us.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

Seniors don't forget the 4-H and Cattlemen's Scholarships are due to our office by February 1st.

If you would like your 4-H scholarship to be considered for a state scholarship, it needs to be in our office by January 29<sup>th</sup>.

### 4-H COUNCIL MEETING

The next 4-H Council meeting will be held on Monday, February 26, 2018, at 7:00 P.M. at the Peoples Bank in Medicine Lodge.

## CITIZENSHIP IN ACTION

There is still time to sign up for Citizenship In Action to be held in Topeka, KS on February 18-19, 2018. Registration deadline is January 15th. We have one signed up so far and she

has already been awarded a scholarship of \$100. Go to [www.kansas4-h.org](http://www.kansas4-h.org) for all the details and to register and apply for a scholarship.

## 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, May 5, 2018 at the Pratt County Fairgrounds from 7:30 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Pre-registration is required by April 20 and we are limited on the number of participants so sign up early. Fee is \$30.00 and due at registration. Forms are available at the Extension Office.

Is your family interested in hosting a youth or young adult from another country next summer? Now is time to start the application process. Typical stays are 3-4 weeks. Visit [www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/global-citizenship](http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/global-citizenship) for more information.



## FAMILY FUN NIGHT

4-H Council voted to hold Family Fun Night last November for this spring. A formal date has not been set at this time. However we are asking for volunteers and older 4-H members for ideas for classes and to vol-

unteer to teach. The 4-H Council committee will meet in February to make plans for the evening. If you would like to help or just have an idea that you would like to see taught. Please let the Extension Office know at 620-886-3971.