Upcoming Events

- 4-H Council May 22, 7 pm Peoples Bank
- Dog Meeting May 24, 7-8:30 pm Fair Grounds
- Horse Meeting May 27, 1-4 PM Location TBD
- PQA Certification Class June 5, 2pm Courthouse
- Dog Meeting June 6, 7-8:30 PM Fair Grounds
- County Camp @ RSR June 7-10, Final payment due June 1.
- State Geology Trip June 9-11, Registration due May 21.
- Day Camp June 12, Register by June 1
- June 15, Nomination deadlines for KJLS & KSF Heifers, Lambs, Meat Goats, & Swine
- Insect Spectacular June 23-24, Registration due May 30
- Dog Meeting June 26, 7-8:30 pm Fair Grounds
- Barber County Fair July 27-30

4-H COUNCIL MEETING

The Barber County 4-H Council will hold it’s next meeting on Monday, May 22, at 7:00 P.M. at the Peoples Bank in Medicine Lodge. All clubs need to attend.

PQA PLUS TRAINING

Swine exhibitors that want to show at the Kansas State Fair or Kansas Junior Livestock Show must have a Pork Quality Assurance Certification number. Tim Marshall will be teaching a class at the Courthouse on Monday, June 5th at 2:00 P.M. Please RSVP by May 27th at 620-886-3971 or contact Tim at tmarshal@ksu.edu

DAY CAMP

Day Camp for K-5th graders at Comanche County Fair Grounds will be Monday, June 12, 2017, 8:30 A.M.-2:30 P.M. The theme is “Safari Adventure”. Tanganika will be bringing some of their animals. Cost is $10 with registration cue by June 1st. We also need counselors. If you are interested, please let Robin know by June 1.

STATE GEOLOGY FIELD TRIP 2017

Attention all 4-H members in the Geology Project! The state 4-H Field Trip will be June 9-11 in Tecumseh, KS. Join us as we learn more about the geology project, collect specimens, and participate in quiz bowls and judging contest. Headquarters for the trip will be at the Shawnee Heights Middle School. For more info go to www.kansas4-h.org. Cost is $12 and registration is due by May 21st.
KSF SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

The Kansas State Fair is challenging all youth to read or be read to this summer. You must read 8 books, fill out the questions on the reading journal enclosed in this newsletter and mail form into the State Fair by August 15. All entries will receive a KSF fun pack which includes a special ribbon and fun Kansas agriculture information. Your name will also be put into a drawing for a free Kids Club ticket package to attend the 2017 Kansas State Fair.

4-H PROGRAMMING FEE

As some of you may know, Kansas 4-H has been looking at ways of securing strong and stable sources of funding so that we can continue to provide positive educational experiences to young people across Kansas. We remain committed to teaching life skills so all youth can reach their full potential. While we continue to celebrate – and appreciate – the dollars that are entrusted to Kansas 4-H, declining state funding for K-State Research and Extension and 4-H makes it difficult to create and sustain high quality and relevant 4-H youth development programs.

Beginning October 2, 2017, an annual K-State Research and Extension 4-H program fee of $15 per member will be collected. Funds generated will strengthen our program priorities of volunteer development, project support and program enhancement. We understand you will have questions about methods of payments, how and when to pay, and we encourage you to read the “Investing in the Future of Kansas 4-H: a Guide to the 4-H Program Fee.” We feel this guide will be most helpful in answering many of your questions. This guide will be posted or the website at www.barber.ksu.edu.

Our #1 goal is for Kansas 4-H to continue to enrich the lives of its youth members, families and adult volunteers. There will be options for securing sponsorships, applying for waivers or allowing clubs to pay the fee. Details are still being worked out on how this will be handled.

Please read your newsletters and emails as we continue to roll out information regarding the enrollment process for 2017.
2017 INSECT SPECTACULAR

It is time for the 25th Annual Insect Spectacular! The Saten Entomology Workshop will be held Friday and Saturday June 23 and 24. We will be hosted by the Sternberg Museum at 3000 Sternberg Drive, Hays, Kansas.

The workshop is open to anyone interested in insects. You will be collecting insects, helping identify insects and equipment and books for sale.

Registration fee is $65 per person by May 30. Cloverbuds and young siblings are $20 which includes, supper on Friday, lunch Saturday, snacks, bottled water, class materials, a T-Shirt and handouts. Late entries are accepted with a higher fee and no shirt.

On Friday morning there will be a two hour class to train judges or potential judges. This will include the new guidelines and will be a hands-on class. Cost to attend this class is $10 and may be combined with the workshop or this can be a stand alone event.

Full information and sign up sheets can be obtained from the Extension Office or online at www.kansas4h.org/projects/agriculture-and-natural-resources/docs/Insect%20Spectacular.pdf

4-H SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

We would like to congratulate Dale Hoch and Cade Lonker for each winning a $300 4-H scholarship from the Barber County 4-H Foundation. Dale will be attending Kansas State University in Manhattan and Cade is going to Fort Hays State University in Hays.

Congratulations to all of our graduating seniors of 2017!

Fair Change for 2017

The weight for market lambs has been changed to 90 pounds to 170 pounds maximum weight to be in the grand drive.
Kansas State Fair
2017 Summer Reading Challenge

Reading Journal

A book is a magical thing. Once you open one up and start to read, you can find yourself transported to any place in the world, any time in history, or any fantasy your imagination can envision. The best part is that you can reach the most exciting destinations without ever leaving home. Books can be fun and educational! The Kansas State Fair wants to encourage students to read over the summer and learn more about agriculture. Simply read eight qualifying books this summer and record them on the back side of this page. Books read aloud by an adult can also be counted. Bring or mail your completed journal to the Kansas State Fair by August 15 to receive your KSF reading fun pack which includes a special ribbon & fun Kansas agriculture information. Your name will also be put into a drawing for a free Kids Club ticket package to attend the 2017 Kansas State Fair.

This Reading Journal belongs to:
Name:__________________________________________________________

School:________________________________________________________ 2017/2018 Grade:_______

Mailing Address:________________________________________________

Email or Phone:________________________________________________
Book 1: Read a fiction or nonfiction book about a fair or carnival
Title/Author: ____________________________
Favorite part of book: ____________________

Book 2: Read a fiction or nonfiction book about a farm or farmer
Title/Author: ____________________________
Favorite part of book: ____________________

Book 3: Read a nonfiction book about Kansas
Title/Author: ____________________________
Something you learned: ____________________

Book 4: Read a fiction or nonfiction book about an entertainer (tv star, singer, clown, etc.)
Title/Author: ____________________________
Favorite part of book: ____________________

Book 5: Read a fiction book about an animal
Title/Author: ____________________________
Favorite part of book: ____________________

Book 6: Read a nonfiction book about an animal that you can see at the Kansas State Fair
Title/Author: ____________________________
Something you learned: ____________________

Book 7: Read a fiction or nonfiction book about the arts (painting, music, quilting, etc.)
Title/Author: ____________________________
Favorite part of book: ____________________

Book 8: Read a fiction or nonfiction book about food (eating, growing, baking, or cooking)
Title/Author: ____________________________
Favorite part of book: ____________________

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