Upcoming Events

- County Club Day
  February 24 — Entries Due
  February 12
- Horse 101
  February 12, 6:30 P.M.
- Citizenship In Action
  February 18-19
- Market Beef Tagging Appointment Deadline
  February 23
- 4-H Council Meeting February 26, 7:00 P.M.
- Regional Club Day March 17, RSVP by March 2
- Soup Supper & Auction
  March 24, Sharon KS
- Shooting Sports Instructor Training @ RSR April 6-8,
  RSVP March 9
- 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 @ Rock Springs June 9-12,
  Registration Due May 1 with 1/2 payment.
- Barber County Fair
  July 26-29

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.

Entries are due to the Extension Office by Monday, February 12th.

Regional Club Day will be held on Saturday, March 17, at Pratt Community College. Entries will be due on Friday, March 2nd for those that receive a Top Blue at County Club Day.

There will NOT be a Family and Consumer Science Judging Contest held on that day.

We will have Photography Judging Contest for that day instead. It will include 6 classes for placing.

The contest will be set up as a come and go activity as your schedule allows.

4-H SOUP SUPPER AND AUCTION

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.

We will be giving each family 4 personal invitations to invite guests to come and join us. These will be mailed to your house by the end of February. Plan on delivering them the first week of March.

The work schedule for preparing the soups and setting up will also be in the mailing with the initiations. If you are unable to work your assigned time, you must find somebody to fill it and let Robin know what you have arranged.

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.
LIVESTOCK MORTALITY INSURANCE

Did you know that you can purchase Animal Mortality insurance for your show and fair animals? Farm Bureau knows that you put a lot of time and energy into raising livestock. That's why they would like to help you protect your investment. The policy is tailored to short term livestock ownership for each animal that covers its cost or value in the event of an unexpected death. For more information contact Corona Hoch or any Farm Bureau agent and they will help you.

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.

SWYLF

On Saturday, January 27, 2018, Easton Rector and Cash Tomberlin represented Barber County at the Southwest Youth Leadership Forum in Dodge City, KS.

The boys met other teen leaders from the southwestern corner of the state in an event put on by the members representing us on the State 4-H Youth Council.

The boys took part in four classes and had fun learning some new leadership skills along with some fancy new dance moves.

At the end of the day, they had to pick a word to focus on to develop more leadership skills. Visit with them about their trip.
**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.

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**4-H CAMP AT ROCK SPRINGS RANCH**

Camp is scheduled for June 9 to 12. We will ride a bus out of Kingman to camp together with Pratt and Kingman Counties. Everybody will get to do horses, canoes and swimming. The last night will still include a talent show, movie and dance.

Housing is split into 3 groups based on age. This is a great thing because the older groups will get more advanced options. For example, everybody will do Archery. The youngest campers will do traditional camp archery; the middle age group will have 3D targets; and the oldest group will have aerial targets. All campers will receive a t-shirt.

Camp is $180 plus the bus fee. The bus fee will be $20 per camper. So Camp will cost $200 for each Barber County Camper.

Remember the Barber County 4-H Foundation offers $50 camp scholarships. They have budgeted to support 6 campers. To apply all you have to do is write a letter about why you want to go to 4-H Camp and turn it in with your camp form.

Camp forms will be sent out in the April Newsletter. They are due into the office on May 1 with a $100 deposit. The remaining $100 will be due June 1. Remember that the Barber County 4-H Foundation Scholarships are paid after you return from Camp.

Camp Counselor Applications are now available. They are also due on May 1st.

Counselors do not have to pay for camp, but they are getting an experience of a lifetime. Their fees ($220) are paid by 4-H Council through funds raised at the Soup Supper and Auction. If you sign up to be a counselor and then cancel, you will be responsible for this $220 fee.

We wanted to share this information with you now, so you could start saving and planning to attend an amazing 4-H Camp experience. If you have questions about Camp contact Robin at the Extension Office at 886-3971.