2019 National 4-H Congress
Delegate Erik Dallman: Clinton Eagles 4-H Club

For one hundred years, National 4-H Congress has been a premiere nation-wide opportunity for 4-H members. I felt honored to be selected to attend this awesome event. I was chosen to represent Kansas at the National 4-H Congress opening ceremony. It was held in November in Atlanta, Georgia.

Congress is a five-day event where 4-H members are engaged in leadership, networking, civic activities, global awareness, and workshops. My favorite part about Congress was the local activity where everyone in attendance was assigned a community service project. My project was at an elementary school, where I helped the robotics team with their Lego Robotics.

I had the opportunity to meet with and talk to some amazing motivational world-renowned speakers at the event who shared excellent messages.

At Congress there was also an international night where they had food and dancers from many different cultures.

I learned a lot of history on our tour of Atlanta and we experienced many landmarks such as, Martin Luther King Jr’s eternal flame, the CNN Center, and the Coca-Cola and Olympic museums. It was truly an amazing experience and the best thing I have ever done in 4-H.

2020 Citizenship In Action

Douglas County youth enjoyed a two day hands-on learning experience at our state capitol. They learned how the state legislative process works and how their voice and participation in decision-making can make a difference in their local communities. The legislative visit also familiarized youth with the capitol building, and how they can affect the legislative process.
January was a very busy and successful month for members of the Douglas County 4-H Horse Project Club!

Claire Wilson, a member of the Douglas County 4-H Horse Club and the Jayhawk 4-H Club, competed at the National Western Round-up in Denver, Colorado in January. Claire represented Kansas in the Horse Public Speaking contest with her speech "HYPP: HyperHyperkalemic Periodic Paralysis" and was named reserve champion. She earned the trip by winning the Senior Public Speaking competition at the 2019 Kansas 4-H Horse Panorama held at Rocks Springs.

Twelve club members recently attended the 2020 Horse Panorama and they brought home many awards.

Champion Senior Quiz Bowl - Claire Wilson, Lakyn Roehrich, Paige Soper, Raelynn Keefer, Kassidy Schumann
Champion Senior Hippology - Claire Wilson, Lakyn Roehrich, Paige Soper, Kassidy Schumann
Individual Senior Hippology – Claire Wilson 1st, Paige Soper 2nd, Kassidy Schumann 3rd, Lakyn Roehrich 4th
Open Hippology 4th Place Team - Raelynn Keefer, Avery Bergan, Kianna Roehrich, Mackenzie Reynolds
Individual Open Hippology - Raelynn Keefer 9th
Senior Public Speaking - Lakyn Roehrich 3rd (Equine Assisted Therapy), Kassidy Schumann 4th (Gastric Ulcers), Paige Soper 5th (Becoming an Equine Veterinarian)
Intermediate Project Talk - Kianna Roehrich 2nd (The Tennessee Walker), Avery Bergan 3rd (Equine Cancers), Kendall Craig 4th (The Friesian)
Senior Poster - Kassidy Schumann 3rd (Gastric Ulcers), Lakyn Roehrich 4th (Equine Assisted Therapy)
Intermediate Poster - Kelsey Reynolds Champion (Parts of a Western Saddle), Mackenzie Reynolds Reserve Champion (Barrel Racing), Danica Peterson 5th (How to Clean a Western Saddle)
Ad Layout - Lakyn Roehrich Champion
Intermediate Photo - Kelsey Reynolds Champion
Model Horse Show - Avery Bergan, Participant

Brooklyn Enright, Kelsey Reynolds, Danica Peterson and Kendall Craig made up a second Open Hippology Team and all compete on randomly assigned Open Quiz Bowl teams.

Claire, Kassidy, Lakyn and Paige will represent the state of Kansas at the 2021 National Western Round-up in Denver next January. We can only enter one national contest a year and they have chosen to go in the Hippology contest. They will continue to get together to study and prepare throughout the next year with the goal of winning a national championship.

Our next competition will be the State 4-H Horse Judging Contest in Salina on March 5th. The contest is held during Equifest, a three-day convention filled with horses, shopping and presentations on a wide variety of horse topics.

The horse club is open to any Douglas County 4-H member who is currently enrolled in the Horse or Horseless Horse projects.

A business meeting is held the third Tuesday of each month from October through April. Weekly ride nights will begin in May and run through the week of the County Fair Horse Show. These nights are dedicated to learning basic horsemanship skills and safety practices with each session covering a specific horse show event or skill.

If you have a horse crazy 4-H member, please feel free to reach out to project club leader, Bobbie Hinds at 515-480-3533 or bobbiehinds@yahoo.com
2020 Fantastic 4-H Camp

It’s time to sign up for our overnight 4-H camp! Registration is now open for our Fantastic 4-H Camp. Camp will be held June 19-22 at the Rock Springs 4-H Center. Ages 7-12 (age is determined by January 1) are welcome. Camp is $190 for 4-H members and $290 for non-4-H’ers. Thanks to the generosity of our 4-H County Council, Douglas County 4-H Foundation and Bromelsick Fund we are able to offer camp at a significantly discounted rate for Douglas County 4-H members.

We are utilizing the same registration system which was introduced in 2019 again this year. If you went to camp in 2019, you will use the same e-mail and password to log into your camp profile. If you have forgotten your password, you can select “I forgot my password” and the system will send you a temporary password. The system will collect payment, contact and health information at the time of online registration. Registration will close at 11:59 pm on Friday, May 1.

To register visit: https://app.campdoc.com/register/fantastic4hcamp

We have step by step instructions for how to sign up available at: https://www.douglas.k-state.edu/docs/4h/camp/howtoregister2020.pdf

Our 4-H County Council has a scholarship program to help 4-H’ers attend 4-H Camp. Please note scholarship applications are due to the Extension office by 5 pm on April 15. The scholarship is a reimbursement for the camp fee. Families are asked to pay the full fee upfront. Once 4-H Council decides on the scholarship amounts, we will send scholarship checks to the families accordingly. The application can be found at: https://www.douglas.k-state.edu/docs/4h/scholarshipinfo/douglascocouncil%20scholarship.pdf

Questions about 4-H camp can be directed toward Kaitlyn Peine, at kpeine@ksu.edu or Nickie Harding at nharding@ksu.edu.

Camp Counselors for Fantastic 4-H Camp

We are seeking responsible and energetic teen and adult volunteers to serve as camp counselors.

A complete volunteer screening application is required for adult camp counselors. Teen volunteers should be at least 15 years old.

New this year, all camp counselors are expected to attend camp counselor training, which will be held at Rock Springs 4-H Center on Thursday, June 18, starting at 4:00 p.m.

Camp counselor registration and application will be done through the same registration process as 4-H campers. If you were a counselor in 2019, you will use the same e-mail and password to log into your profile. If you have forgotten your password, you can select “I forgot my password” and the system will send you a temporary password. The system will collect contact and health information at the time of online registration.

Registration will close at 11:59 pm on Friday, May 1. If you have already registered a youth for 4-H camp, you will use the same CampDoc account that has been established and add yourself as a camp counselor.

We have step by step instructions for how to sign up available at: https://www.douglas.k-state.edu/docs/4h/camp/howtoregister2020.pdf

To register visit: https://app.campdoc.com/register/fantastic4hcamp

Applications and a current Volunteer Screening are due by May 1, 2020.

Questions? Contact either Kaitlyn Peine, 4-H Youth Development Agent or Nickie Harding, 4-H Program Assistant at 785-843-7058 or kpeine@ksu.edu or nharding@ksu.edu
Geology Project Members and Leaders

The Association of Earth Science Clubs of Greater Kansas City is sponsoring their annual gem and mineral show on March 13 – 15, 2020 at the KCI Expo Center. There will be educational displays and demonstrations as well as rock materials for sale.

Additional information and a one dollar off coupon can be found at http://www.kcgemshow.org/index.htm

2020 Kansas Junior Sheep Producer Day

The 2020 Kansas Junior Sheep Producer Day is scheduled for Saturday, March 14 in Weber Hall on the Kansas State University campus. This event will be an educational day of activities in which youth, parents, sheep project leaders, and adults can increase their knowledge and experience of sheep production and management. This educational event will provide a foundation for the management and care of youth sheep projects. A few topics that will be covered include project selection, nutrition, equipment and facilities, sheep health, wellness, and diseases, showmanship, and Youth for the Quality Care of Animals certification. A complimentary lunch and t-shirt will be provided for participants.

Early Registration is due by February 21, and is $15/person. Registrations received after February 21 cannot be guaranteed a t-shirt and will be $20/person.

More information, a promotional flyer, and registration information may be found at https://www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/ under Kansas Junior Producer Days.

Participants may register online at https://commerce.cashnet.com/cashneti/selfserve/Catalog.aspx.

County Wide 4-H Poultry Meeting

A county-wide 4-H poultry meeting will be held on Sunday, March 29th at 2:00 p.m. in the Dreher Family 4-H Building located on the Douglas County Fairgrounds. This meeting will be a YQCA certification training opportunity, which all poultry exhibitors for the 2020 Douglas County Fair are required to do. If you have not already obtained your YQCA certification this is an excellent opportunity to do so.

Youth may complete the online training for $12/child or attend and complete one in-person training for $3/child. Any 4-H’er who is seven years old (4-H age) must attend an in-person training. A young person’s YQCA certification is valid for one year. Participants will receive a completion certificate which is necessary for county fair pre-entries.

Participants must register for this training.

For more information and to register go to https://www.douglas.k-state.edu/crops-livestock/youth-livestock/YQCA.html

Get your Creative Hats On

The Pesticide Safety and Integrated Pest Management Program is hosting an insect-themed art contest for Kansas 4-H’ers and art students. The artwork created by Kansas youth will be used to create an “Old Maid” style card game and distributed to Kansas schools. The program encourages youth to get your creative hats on and create an entry before the April 3, 2020 deadline. Entries must feature an insect as the central focus of the art. More information on the rules and how to submit an entry can be found at: https://www.ksre.k-state.edu/pesticides-ipm/ or you can e-mail fmiller@ksu.edu to have the rules e-mailed to you.
New for the 2020 Douglas County Fair, all 4-H’ers exhibiting a food producing animal will be required to complete the YQCA training. Food producing animals include: beef (including bucket calf), swine, sheep, meat & dairy goats, dairy cattle, poultry, and all rabbits. YQCA is designed as an educational tool and certification program focused on food safety, animal well-being and character development for youth ages 7–18. As a result of this program, we hope youth leave with a better understanding of their livestock project and how to produce a healthy and safe food product.

Youth may complete the online training for $12/child or attend and complete one in-person training for $3/child. **Any 4-H’er who is seven years old (4-H age) must attend an in-person training.** A young person’s YQCA certification is valid for one year. Participants will receive a completion certificate which is necessary for county fair pre-entries.

The Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and KJLS will require all exhibitors to complete YQCA to be eligible to exhibit in the 2020 livestock shows.

For more information and registration go to [https://www.douglas.k-state.edu/crops-livestock/youth-livestock/YQCA.html](https://www.douglas.k-state.edu/crops-livestock/youth-livestock/YQCA.html)

For questions regarding YQCA contact Mallory Meek at mgmeek@ksu.edu

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**Spring Livestock Expo**

The Douglas County 4-H Spring Livestock Expo is scheduled for **April 25** at the Douglas County Fairgrounds. Questions? Contact Mallory at mgmeek@ksu.edu or 785-843-7058. For information and registration go to [https://www.douglas.k-state.edu/crops-livestock/youth-livestock/2020ExpoFlyer.pdf](https://www.douglas.k-state.edu/crops-livestock/youth-livestock/2020ExpoFlyer.pdf)

We are looking for volunteers to help the day of the Expo. This is a great opportunity for any 4-H’er to gain leadership and community service experience.

If you are interested in helping or have questions contact Mallory at mgmeek@ksu.edu

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**Weigh-In and Tagging for Sheep, Swine and Goats**

**April 25** during check-in for the Expo and **May 20** from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

**The Details**

All market lambs, hogs and goats intended to be shown at the county fair must be tagged by May 20. Each 4-H member can tag up to 5 market animals per specie for the Douglas County Fair. All livestock will be tagged with 4-H EID Tags. The tags will be $4 each.

**Make an Appointment**

On Saturday April 25, livestock will be weighed and tagged during the appropriate check-in times.

Appointments are required for Wednesday, May 20. To schedule an appointment call the Extension office at 785-843-7058.
RV Reservation Information for 2020 Douglas County Fair

Thank you for your interest concerning RV reservations for the 2020 Douglas County Free Fair!

Please follow the steps below if interested in reserving a spot for the 2020 County Fair:
- Send an email to cflory@douglascountyks.org with 2020 Fair RV in the subject line.
- Add your name, phone number, email address and spot # if known.
- You will receive an e-mail confirmation with reservation forms to be completed.

Names will be taken until June 30th. On July 1, names will be drawn and spots assigned. On July 1, Douglas County Fairgrounds Reservations will send an EMAIL to the winning families along with instruction for payment.

If payment is not received by July 14th your spot will be forfeited without notice and another name drawn.

Fees are $105 for the week. All RVs and campers should be brought in on Sunday, July 26th and left in place until August 2nd to avoid traffic and safety concerns during the county fair.

For questions, contact Clint Flory at cflory@douglascountyks.org

4-H Project Add/Drop and Enrollment Deadline- May 1

All 4-H’ers must establish project enrollment by 11:59 pm, May 1, to be eligible to exhibit in those project areas at the Douglas County Fair. This deadline is for all 4-H members.

4-H membership is open all year however, after May 1, 4-H’ers who join or have an enrollment status that is still pending will not be eligible to exhibit in the 4-H division at the 2020 Douglas County Fair.

To make changes to your 4-H enrollment visit https://www.ks.4honline.com.

Questions about enrollment can be directed to either Kaitlyn or Nickie at 785-843-7058.

Horse ID Papers Due

Horse ID papers are due to the Douglas County Extension Office by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 1, 2020.

Any 4-H’er planning to show their horse at the Douglas County 4-H Horse Show and/or the District 4-H Horse show is required to ID their horse(s).

The 4-H Horse ID Form can be found at http://www.douglas.k-state.edu/4-h/forms.html

Questions? Contact Kaitlyn Peine, 4-H Youth Development Agent at 785-843-7058 or kpeine@ksu.edu.

Bromelsick Memorial

Each year, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and 4-H join together to remember Alfred Bromelsick. Mr. Bromelsick graciously designated Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and 4-H to be the beneficiaries of his estate. Bromelsick funds are used throughout the year to help defray the cost of 4-H Camp, leadership conferences, volunteer training and much more.

The Bromelsick Memorial service is scheduled for 10 am on Saturday, May 23 at the Oak Hill Cemetery. All 4-H’ers are welcome and encouraged to attend!
2020 Discovery Days

Are You Ready for Discovery Days? Put May 27 - May 29, on your calendar to be in Manhattan on the K-State campus. Discovery Days offers classes and tours about 4-H projects, careers, hobbies, community service and more! You can also share your talents in the talent show. Are you ready to dance? Are you ready for some Call Hall ice cream? Are you ready for some great speakers and Discovery Days Night Live and all the other possibilities in your future?

Discovery Days is a two night, three day overnight camp May 27 - May 29. Youth who are at least 13 as of January 1, 2020 are eligible to attend. Delegates experience the dorms on campus, attend workshops, gain leadership skills, and make new friends. Registration is posted at http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html and click on Discovery Days.

Registration begins March 16 and will close on April 15.

Payment is due to the Douglas County Extension Office by April 15. Please make checks payable to the Douglas County Extension Council.

2020 Campference

The Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council is excited to host 4-H Campference!!! This event is focused on "betweenagers," youth ages 12-14 (as of January 1, 2020), and will be June 22-25 at Rock Springs 4-H Center.

Participants will experience the feel of a conference, while enjoying the "camp" activities Rock Springs 4-H Center has to offer. Campference will feature workshops about opportunities in the 4-H program, becoming a leader, activities to energize youth while learning healthy living skills, and how to better interact with others. Participants will meet other youth from around the state.

Families can visit http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html for details and registration.

Call for Toilet Paper and Paper Towel Rolls!

If anyone has or may be interested in collecting toilet paper and paper towel rolls, the Extension office will gladly accept them through mid June!

KAP Tip of the Month

The 4-H Leadership and Citizenship Experiences is Section 3 in the Intermediate KAP and Section 4 in the Senior KAP. This section should only include leadership and citizenship activities, meetings, committees, and offices that relate to the specific project. The documentation you kept for Section 2 will help you with this section also. Identify all the activities that involved leadership and/or citizenship and flag them for this section. Remember, leadership is teaching another person or group skills or information and includes organizing or coordinating an activity, event, or meeting; selecting and preparing materials and selecting presenters. Citizenship is helping in your community and serving others without compensation. Some activities may fit into both categories.

When listing the items in the section use strong verbs to explain exactly what your role was in the event/activity. Did you demonstrate? Did you organize? Did you prepare? Did you assist? If you collected and donated food items for a food pantry, that’s citizenship. If you organized the food drive for the food pantry, that’s leadership. Each item listed should be identified with the level of participation, the number of hours, and the audience (number of people reached). Even though this section is project specific and only for one year, both leadership and citizenship activities should be included.
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