September 2018

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Marais des Cygnes District

MARAIS DES CYGNES EXTENSION DISTRICT

# 4-H Newsletter

## District-wide Cloverbuds

The Sunshine Makers Cloverbud Club will meet September 13th (Always the 2nd Thursday of the month) at the Paola Office from 5:30-6:30pm. Any Cloverbud is welcome to come. Cloverbuds must be 5-6 years old by Jan. 1, 2018.

## Jr. Leaders Meetings

The next Miami County Jr. Leader Meeting will be September 10th at 7pm at the Paola Office.
The next Linn County Jr. Leader Meeting will be September 16th at 4:00 pm at the Linn County 4-H Bldg.

## 4-H Councils

The next Miami County 4-H Council Meeting will be September 10th at 8pm at the Paola Office.
The next Linn County 4-H Council Meeting will be September 26th at 7pm at Linn County 4-H Building.

## Thank You to All Fair Volunteers

Thank you to all the Superintendents, Assistant Superintendents, Fair Board Members and Volunteers who helped make the Linn County and Miami County Fairs happen. We really appreciate all your work for our Marais des Cygnes District 4-H'ers.

## Record Book Info

**Record Books Due September 10th. The District is using all 3 age divisions of the KAP Forms this year and they are available on the website. 4**-H Clubs may have earlier deadlines, so make sure you have your record book completed and turned in to your club leader. **Cloverbuds do not need to complete any records or pin applications. County Project Awards must have a separate notebook or folder with prongs for each project**. Attached is the Record Book Requirements to explain all the guidelines for County Project Awards and Member Achievement Pins.

**Reminder: All Independent 4-H'ers must turn in a Record Book consisting of your Personal Page and 4-H Story or you will not be eligible for Independent next year.**

## Pin Applications

**Please use the new District Form for all Pin Applications. It can be found on our website at: http://www.maraisdescygnes.k-state.edu/4-h/pin-awards/index.html. These are due by September 10th as well.**

## State Fair Exhibit Info

**State Fair items will need to be delivered to the Mound City Extension Office or to the Paola Extension Office by 4:30pm on September 6th.**

We will only take exhibits that are easy for 1 person to carry and enter. You can take your own exhibits on Friday, September 7th to Hutchinson, but you will need paperwork from us, so please contact your local office if you are doing this. You will also need to pick up your exhibit on Sunday, September 16th at 6pm if it is too big for us to transport.

**State Fair Exhibits will be available to be picked up at the Record Book Screening on September 19th.**

*Kansas State University is committed to making its services, activities and programs accessible to all participants. If you have special requirements due to a physical, vision, or hearing disability, contact Karla Hightower, 913-294-4306.*

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# Linn County

## Linn County Achievement Night

The 2017 Linn County Achievement Banquet will be held October 28th with awards at 4:00pm followed by cake and punch. The 4-H Council Officers and Linn County Ambassadors will be helping with the evening.

## Linn County 4-H Council

We will be having the election of officers and any youth can be up for election. We will be going over enrollment for the new 4-H year as well as Financial Reviews, Officer Training and starting the new year.

## Linn County Jr Leader Clothing Drive

Jr Leaders will be having their annual clothing November 3rd at the Linn County 4-H Building. If you would like to make a clothing donation please contact the Mound City Office.

## Miami County Achievement Celebration/4-H Sunday

# Miami County

The Miami County Achievement Celebration will be **October 14th** at 4:30pm at Miami County Fairground in Building #2. This is the night when we recognize achievement pin winners, county project award winners, judging team members, and perfect attendance. This year, 4-H Sunday program will be held on Sunday, October 14th at 3:30 pm at the Miami County Fairgrounds in Building #2. We will then have a Ice Cream Sundae Bar and the 4-H Achievement Celebration will follow.

## Club Duties for Miami County Achievement Night:

******Clubs no longer need to bring 2 2-liter bottles of pop as we have pop leftover from the Food Stand*******

Invitations: Pathfinders

Set-up (2:30pm): Busy Beavers, Happy-Go-Getters, Twin Valley

Decorations(3:00pm): Progressive, Trailblazers

Prep & Serve Ice Cream Floats & Cookies (3:30pm): Hillsdale Hustlers, Spring Hill Rangers, New Horizons

Clean-up: Shooting Sports, Explorers, Mound Builders

## Miami County Ambassadors Looking for new members:

The Miami County Ambassadors are looking for 4-H'ers who are 8th grade or above to apply to become a Miami County Ambassador and serve a 2 year term. Applications are available on the website at http://www.maraisdescygnes.ksu.edu/p.aspx?tabid=95.

**Applications are due by October 8 to the Paola Office.**

# District Wide

## Club Financial Reviews

Club Financial Reviews Due by November 1, 2017. Forms are available on our website www.maraisdescygnes.ksu.edu. All clubs including Project Clubs that have a bank account must fill out a form to continue being a chartered club according to the Kansas 4-H Policies.

## Officer Training Date

The District-wide Officer Training will be November 4th at 2pm at Miami County Fairgrounds in Paola.

## District-wide Record Book Screening

Record Book Judging will be held **September 19th** at the Fontana Christian Church, 38333 Hedge Lane. This is the church located on Hedge Lane a mile north of the road into Fontana. Each Club needs to have at least 3-4 volunteers and plan on staying the entire time. More volunteers will be helpful. We are going to do a short training at 6:30 and start judging at 6:45ish. A small dinner and drinks will be provided.

## 48 hours of 4-H Community Service Project

Join us this fall in seeing just how much we can give back to our communities! The weekend after National 4-H Week, is the perfect opportunity to setup a service project. Invite your friends, clubs, adult volunteers and 4-H Alums too! You can find all the information here and start planning your projects.
On 48 Hours of 4-H webpage you will find the following:
- Information about the event
- A guide to plan a project that includes a timeline
- Graphics to use for Promotion
- Information about ordering shirts for the event
- Online Registration for projects

## Window Displays & Posters

Pictures of Club Window Displays and 4-H Week Posters are due to Karla by October 9th. Displays and posters must be in place on October 8th. Email pictures along with your name and where the display/poster is located to khightow@ksu.edu. Winners will be recognized at your Local Achievement Night.

Guidelines and Instructions for Window Displays and 4-H Week Posters are included in this newsletter.

# State Events

## Kansas Junior Livestock Show/Kansas State Fair Livestock Dates

September 7-16-Kansas State Fair

October 5-7-Kansas Junior Livestock Show

## Kansas 4-H Leadership Weekend - KYLF and KVF

Aloha Leadership! The Kansas Youth Leadership Forum (KYLF) and the Kansas Volunteer Forum will soon be on the 4-H CVent Registration System and ready for you and your 4-H members and volunteers to register in August. The Forums will be held November 17-18, 2018 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. KYLF is for youth ages 14-18 before January 1, 2019 and KVF is for all Kansas 4-H Volunteers. KYLF will feature leadership workshops, Youth Council Elections, and opportunities to learn and have fun. The Kansas 4-H Volunteer forum will feature workshops and information to help volunteers be more effective and learn from each other. Again this year participants in both forums will register though the same system. Registration deadline is October 15, 2018 for both events at an early bird rate or before November 1 at the regular rate. There will also be an option for coming in Friday evening and having breakfast Saturday morning for those coming from a distance.

## Kansas 4-H Dog Agility Changes

The purpose of canine agility is to provide an opportunity for teams to compete in a fun activity that challenges both the dog and 4-H'er. Different obstacles and courses present unique tests of speed, confidence, technical skills, athleticism, balance, communication, attentiveness, distance, and directional control. Our task as leaders is to incorporate all these elements while still maintaining a fun safe environment for the dogs and handlers. There has been concern about the safety of the "Closed" or "Chute Tunnel" due to the potential for fast moving dogs to become entangled in the length of sheet they must push through to exit. To remove this risk while still providing the same variety of obstacles for the teams to navigate, the decision was made to alter the design to eliminate the possibility of a dog stepping on or becoming trapped or tangled in the material in any way.

Effective October 1, 2018, there will be a mandatory change to the specifications of the Closed Tunnel currently used in all levels of 4-H agility. Rather than a long chute attached to the end of the barrel, the sheet should be hemmed so that it is NO MORE than 6 inches longer than the height of the barrel or frame. For example, on a barrel of 24" in diameter, the sheet will be no more than 30". These changes may be made immediately, but MUST be completed for the next 4-H year that begins on October 1st. Judges must still incorporate this obstacle, where mandatory, as described in the "Agility Dog Show Rule Book." Anna Schurter, Kansas 4-H Dog Action Team member, annaschurter@gmail.com.

## 4-H Robotics SpaceTech Experience Coming

The Kansas 4-H SpaceTech Program and the Kansas Cosmosphere located in Hutchinson are again teaming up to provide fun, hands-on and science-based programming for Kansas 4-H Youth Development. This fourth program will feature "Robotics." The experience will begin Friday, November 16, at 4 p.m., and will end on Saturday, November 17, 4 p.m. Cost will be $115 for youth between 9-18-years old and $115 for all adult participants. All youth must have a designated chaperone to attend. Parents, grandparents, other relatives, and guardians may chaperone their own children/relatives. They may not chaperone other non-family members. Registered KSRE 4-H Leaders or KSRE staff may also chaperone 4-H members. Adult chaperones will be responsible for their children overnight.

Registration includes three meals, two breaks, and an overnight stay. Participants will learn how to program robots and use sensors. There will be a final team robot competition. Other engineering activities include making a catapult and launching pencil erasers, plus much more. There will be a tour of the Cosmosphere, a planetarium show, and a digital dome program.

This Cosmosphere collaboration is designed to be an adult-child experience, where 4-H members and adults can interact and learn from these fun and educational experiences. The program will include overnight indoor camping at the Cosmosphere located in Hutchinson, KS, (bring your own sleeping bag, air mattress, pillow, towel and toiletry items). The experience is open to 4-H members, parents, grandparents, volunteer 4-H leaders, and KSRE staff.

The CVent registration system will be used, visit: http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html after October 1, 2018. Registration will close November 4, 2018, 11:59 p.m. There will be a minimum number required or the Robotics SpaceTech Experience will be cancelled. The program is limited to the first 60 who register on a first-come, first-serve basis. For more information, contact Deryl Waldren, dwaldren@ksu.edu, or call 785-462-6281.

# State Events

## 2018 Kansas 4-H Dog Conference and Quiz Bowl Details

The Kansas 4-H Dog Conference and Quiz Bowl will be October 20-21 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. The theme is "4-H Dogs Under Construction." Registration will open through the CVent 4-H system around August 20th. Registration will close October 8th, 11:59 p.m. There is a $25.00 cancellation fee once participants have registered on CVent. To register, visit: http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html. Cost is $120.00 for full-time participants, $70.00 for Saturday only and $50.00 for Sunday only. T-shirts and hoodies may be ordered on-line for an additional cost. Full registration information will be posted on the Kansas 4-H Dog web site. Visit: http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/dog/index.html.

Educational sessions will include: Track 1: 1. Building Backyard Agility; 2. Dock Dogs; 3. I've Got a New Puppy, Now What?; and 4. Constructing Dog Toys through 4-H Citizenship; and 5. Canine Good Citizen. Track 2 is open only to current dog teams or dog teams ready to advance into more advanced training. 2018 will focus on Rally Obedience basics and foundations. Participants must choose Track 1 classes or follow Track 2. It is not possible to mix-and-match tracks.

The conference will have a special "4-H Dog Olympics", a scavenger hunt, dog skill-a-thon, quiz bowl, plus s'mores and much more. All youth must be chaperoned by parent or 4-H leader. County groups will be housed in the same cottage and all dogs must be on leash or kenneled in your room. Owners must pick up and bag after dogs. For more information, contact Deryl Waldren, Northwest Area Extension Office, P. O. Box 786, Colby, KS 67701; 785-462-6281; dwaldren@ksu.edu.

## 2019 Kansas 4-H Dog Scholarship Details

The 2019 Keith Neuway and Jim Adams Kansas 4-H Dog Care and Training Project Scholarship is for dog members who have been in the Kansas 4-H Dog Project for three or more years. You need not be a current member, if you fit the other criteria. This 4-H scholarship is a one-time payment of $500.00 that will be awarded on Saturday, September 14, 2019, during the 2019 Kansas State Fair 4-H Dog Show. 2019 applications must be received on or before 5 p.m., Friday, February 1, 2019. Late applications will not be accepted.

Send the completed application to the Kansas State 4-H Office, ATTN: Neuway and Adams Dog Care and Training Scholarship Committee, 201 Umberger Hall, 1612 Claflin Road, Manhattan, KS 66506-3404, 785-532-5800. The application is on the Kansas 4-H web site: http://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animals/dog.html. For more information, contact Deryl Waldren, 785-462-6281 or e-mail dwaldren@ksu.edu.

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# Important Dates/Deadlines

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| Sept 6 | **State Fair Exhibits Due to Office** |
| Sept 7-16 | Kansas State Fair |
| Sept 10 | **Record Books Due/ Pin Application Due** |
| Sept 10 | MICo Jr Leaders @ Paola Office |
| Sept 10 | MiCo 4-H Council @ Paola Office |
| Sept 13 | Cloverbiuds@ Paola Office |
| Sept 16 | LNCo Jr Leaders @ 4-H Building |
| Sept 19 | Record Book Screening @ Fontana Christian Church |
| Sept 26 | LNCo 4-H Council @ 4-H Building |
| Oct 5-7 | Kansa Junior Livestock Show |
| Oct 9 | **Window Display/Poster Pictures Due** |
| Oct 14 | Miami County Achievement Night @ MICo Fairgrounds |
| Oct 28 | Linn County Achievement Night @ 4-H Building |
| Nov 1 | Club Financial Reviews Due |
| Nov 3 | Clothing Drive @ 4-H Building |
| Nov 4 | Officer Training @ Miami Co Fairgrounds |

**Karla J. Hightower**
**District Extension Agent,**
**4-H & Youth Development**

# Marais des Cygnes District
# National 4-H Week
# Promotional Display & Poster Guidelines

**Objective: To promote 4-H to potential 4-Hers in Marais des Cygnes District and the general public.**

## WINDOW DISPLAY GUIDELINES (Clubs only)

1. Make a window display to be displayed in a local business or window with potential for high traffic. Window displays must showcase some of the best features of your 4-H Club and the Marais des Cygnes District 4-H Program.
2. Your Window Display must be in place on **Monday, October 8, 2018**
3. Window Displays should be easy to read, eye-catching, and have information on your club and how to join 4-H. Include contact information for your local Marais des Cygnes District Extension Office.
4. If the 4-H Emblem is used on the poster, do not place text or images over it.
5. Window Display pictures can be emailed to Karla Hightower at khightow@ksu.edu. Please send 3 to 4 digital photos from different angles in by **October 9, 2018**. Include the location of the Window display in the email.
6. Window Displays will be judged and receive a ranking of Purple, Blue, Red or White. Score sheets are attached to these guidelines.
7. **Certificates will be presented at your respective Achievement Night to each club with their ribbon placing.**

## POSTER GUIDELINES

(Individuals or Teams of 2)

1. Posters must showcase some of the best features of your 4-H Club and the Marais des Cygnes District 4-H Program.
2. Be Creative!
3. Posters are open to individual 4-Hers and teams of 2 4-Hers.
4. Your Poster must be in place on **Monday, October 8, 2018**
5. Posters should be easy to read, eye-catching, and have information on your club and how to join 4-H. Include contact information for your local Marais des Cygnes District Extension Office.
6. If the 4-H Emblem is used on the poster, do not place text or images over it.
7. Poster pictures can be emailed to Karla HIghtower at khightow@ksu.edu. Please send 1 to 2 digital photos from different angles in by **October 9, 2018**. Please include your name and club in the email along with location of the poster.
8. Posters will be judged and receive a ranking of Purple, Blue, Red or White. Score sheets are attached to these guidelines.
9. **Certificates will be presented at Achievement Night with their ribbon placing.**

# 4-H Week Promotional Window Display Score Sheet

**Club Name** _____

**Objective: To promote 4-H to potential 4-Hers in Marais des Cygnes District and the general public.**

| Criteria | Excellent | Good | Needs Improve-ment | Comments |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Subject**<br>• One Main idea<br>• Expressed simply & clearly<br>• Accurate Information<br>• Tells about 4-H & 4-H Club projects, activities & special events | | | | |
| **Public Appeal**<br>• Causes people to stop, look, & listen<br>• Holds interest<br>• Idea shown in an unusual way (motion, color, slogan, etc)<br>• Will be remembered by people and talked about later | | | | |
| **Attractiveness**<br>• Neat<br>• Good Arrangement<br>• Readable signs<br>• Good use of available space | | | | |
| **Join 4-H Info**<br>• Club Contact information was available and easy to read including meeting time, day and place.<br>• Has telephone number and name to contact if interested in joining 4-H. Can be a leader or the Extension Office or both. | | | | |
| **Location**<br>• Window Display is in a highly traffic area<br>• Location is appropriate for club location<br>• Display is easily seen from a distance or outside traffic. | | | | |
| **Quality**<br>• Originality<br>• Balanced and pre-planned (color coordinated, background, symmetrical) | | | | |

**Placing: Purple Blue Red White**

# 4-H Week Promotional Poster Score Sheet

**Name** _____ **Age** _____

**Club** _____

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| Criteria | Excellent | Good | Needs Improve-ment | Comments |
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| **Subject**<br>• One Main idea<br>• Expressed simply & clearly<br>• Accurate Information<br>• Tells about 4-H & 4-H Club projects, activities & special events | | | | |
| **Art, Design, Letters**<br>• Pleasing composition, attractive<br>• Dynamic, eye-catching original<br>• Neat, easy to read lettering<br>• Good use of color | | | | |
| **Attractiveness**<br>• Neat<br>• Good Arrangement<br>• Readable signs<br>• Good use of available space | | | | |
| **Join 4-H Info**<br>• Club Contact information was available and easy to read including meeting time, day and place.<br>• Has telephone number and name to contact if interested in joining 4-H. Can be a leader or the Extension Office or both. | | | | |

**Placing: Purple Blue Red White**

# MIAMI COUNTY 4-H FOUNDATION

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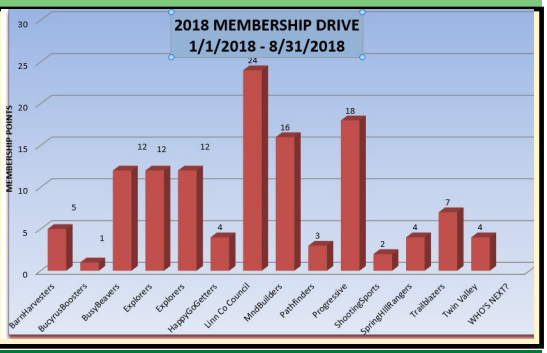
## MEMBERSHIP DRIVE STANDINGS 1/1/2018—8/31/2018




*Miami County 4-H Foundation's*

**CLOVER RUN 5K**

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# 11/03/2018

Wallace Park, Paola, KS

***We Need Runners Volunteers***

### HOSPITALITY SPONSORS ($500)

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### CLOVER SPONSORS ($250)

AgWest Commodities LLC
Cardinal Brush
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Farm Bureau Financial - Rusty Walters
First Security Bank
Great Southern Bank
Hometown Feed & Supply
Security Bank of Kansas City
SplashTacular

### 4-H SPONSORS ($100)

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Aust Farms
Busy Beavers 4-H Club
Design Mechanical, Inc
Dunlop Farms, Inc.
Edward Jones - Curtis Long
Elliott Insurance, Inc.
First Option Bank
Heritage Animal Hospital
Hightower Cattle Company
Labette Bank
Linn County Insurance
Mize Houser & Company P.A.
Mound Builders 4-H Club
Peoples Telecommunications
Taylor Forge Engineered Systems, Inc.
Vision Source

### OTHERS

G K Smith & Sons
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Simply You

**Register at: RunSignUp.com/CloverRun5K**
**Early Bird Discounts to 9/30/2018**
**New in 2018: Youth & Senior Discounts**

# Support Options

**PAYPAL**

**Shop at AmazonSmile**

**Checks**

## YTD FUNDS AVAILABLE AND/OR USED

**County/District Camps:** Reduce participant fees. **$4,477.38**
**County/District — Project Support Grants:** Eight $50 grants are available to county-wide/district clubs, project leaders or coaches on a first come basis. Application required.
**County/District — Project/Program Support:** Application required. **$9,723.03**
**County/District — Volunteer Background Verification Support:** $12.50/volunteer. **$ 525.00**
**National Event Awards:** Delegates attending National Congress or Conference. **$ 900.00**
Application required for other national events.
**State Events (Non-competitive):** Chaperon if needed. $25.00/youth. Agent approval. **$1,380.00**
**Senior Scholarships:** Application required. Pending: $1,575.00 **$3,325.00**

## MEMBERSHIPS

☐ Youth (Under 18) 10.00
☐ Individual 25.00
☐ Individual (Lifetime) 500.00
☐ Bronze 1,000.00
☐ Silver 2,500.00
☐ Gold 5,000.00
☐ Club/Corporate/Other ____

## RESTRICTED/SPECIAL GIFTS*

***Please discuss with Foundation staff prior to issuing a check or directing a transfer.**

☐ Senior Scholarship - General ☐ General ☐ LN ☐ MI $_____
☐ Senior Scholarship - ☐ Buchman ☐ Coffman ☐ Downey ☐ KAD ☐ Troth $_____
☐ Memorial Gift $_____
In the Name of:_____
☐ My Employer [_____ _____] offers a match. I will contact personnel.