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4-H NEWSLETTER

May 2017

May 8 – Quality Assurance, Franklin County Fairgrounds, 6:30 p.m.
May 8 – Livestock Quiz Bowl Practice, Franklin County Fairgrounds, 5:30 p.m.
May 15 – Sheep/Goat Tagging, Franklin County Fairgrounds, 6-8 p.m.
May 20 – Livestock Judging Practice, Franklin County Courthouse, 9 a.m.
May 25th – West Central Animal Science Field Day--Curtis
June 1st –Last day to add or delete projects
June 1st – All ID sheets due not going to State Fair or AK-SAR-BEN
June 1st – South Central Livestock Judging Clinic and Contest—Bladen
June 5 – 4-H Camp Registrations due
June 10th – All State Fair and AK-SAR-BEN ID Sheets due and DNA due
June 14-16th – 4-H Camp Harlan Co Fairgrounds

Congratulations and Thank You!

Thank you to all of our graduating Seniors! It has been a pleasure to watch you grow through your 4-H Experiences and to reach this great milestone!! Thank you for being a part of 4-H and all that you have contributed to the program!! We wish you nothing but the very best!

FACEBOOK Page

Please go the Nebraska Extension in Franklin County on Facebook and like our page. Many announcements will be posted on this page. We will also send emails out as things happen, so please check the email that you signed up for 4-H with. We don't want you to miss out!!

Re-enrollment

Re-enrollment was sent out via Email several months ago. We have several people who have not yet re-enrolled. Please enroll A.S.A.P. so that you do not miss out on any newsletters or correspondence! You can add or delete projects until June 1st.

Quality Assurance Face to Face

The last Quality Assurance Face to Face will be held Monday, May 8th at 6:30 p.m. at the Franklin County Fairgrounds. All livestock exhibitors including rabbit and poultry exhibitors must complete a Quality Assurance training each year. You have two options: on-line and a face to face training. You must complete Quality Assurance to exhibit at the County Fair, State Fair and AK-SAR-BEN. This year on-line trainings cost $12.00.

Kearney/Franklin County Livestock Judging

We have started up Livestock Judging practices again. If you are interested in being a part please join us on Saturday, May 20th at 9 a.m. at the Franklin County Courthouse. We will leave from there to judge sheep and goats. If you cannot make it but are interested, please call the office.

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Kearney/Franklin County Livestock Quiz Bowl Teams

Anyone interested in being a part of the Kearney/Franklin County Livestock Quiz Bowl Team please join us on Monday, May 8th at 5:30 p.m. prior to the Quality Assurance training. If you cannot make it, please call the office and let us know you are interested. We will be rotating meeting places. . The participation age is 10 years old (as of January 1, 2017) and older for PASE. Youth younger than 10 are welcome at the practices. We would love them to be there!

4-H County Camp

The Kearney/Franklin/Harlan/Furnas County 4-H camp will be held June 14-16th at the Harlan County Fairgrounds in Orleans. This camp designed for youth 8-12 years of age as of January 1st is a great way to experience the outdoors, 4-H and meet new friends. Enclosed you will find a brochure with all the details!! See you at Camp!

LIVESTOCK FORMS/TAGS/ ENROLLMENTS DUE

June 1st is the last day to enroll in 4-H and add or delete projects. All Livestock and Horse ID Sheets are due June 1st as well, and all animals must be properly identified. Hogs must be tagged and breeding heifers tattooed and registered by June 1st. Registered breeding heifers must turn in their registration papers along with their ID sheets. Please do not delay!

PREMIUM BOOKS/FAMILY HANDBOOK

The 2017 Premium Books and Family Handbooks are on-line! Go to franklin.unl.edu/ and click on the Franklin County 4-H tab and scroll down. Premium books will soon be available at the Extension Office. Anyone wanting a hard copy of the Family Handbook may pick one up at the Extension Office.

West Central Animal Science Day at Curtis

Come and explore animals inside and out at the West Central Animal Science Field Day at the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture in Curtis on May 25th . Topics will include: Cattle Handling, Swine evaluation, Horse Pshycology, Quiz Bowl and Animal Science Careers to name just a few. The Field Day is from 9:30-4p.m. We will try to carpool. **Registrations are due May 18th. Registration cost $5.00.**

SHEEP/GOAT TAGGING

Sheep and Goat tagging will be held Monday, May 15th from 6:00-8 p.m. at the Franklin County Fairgrounds. All market sheep and goats must be tagged at an official check-in! Breeding sheep and breeding goats are not required to come to the check-in but must have an official scrapies tag in place by June 1st and must be identified on an official ID sheet. The scrapie tag will be the official tag for breeding sheep and goats. See you there!

JUNIOR LEADERS/VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CAMPS!!

If you are 14 years or older and enjoy teaching younger 4-H'ers, plan to share your skills at the 2017 4-H Camp. Camp will be held June 14-16th at the Harlan County Fairgrounds. Even if you can only come for just a day or a night, please let us know.

We are also looking for youth 12 years and older to help with Clover Kid Camps. Franklin County Clover Kid Camp is June 28nd and Kearney County Clover Kid Camp is June 29th .

Volunteers are needed for Kidz Kollege! It takes lots of people to make Kidz Kollege happen and we need your help! Call the Extension Office for details or to volunteer.

CLOVER KID CAMP!!

Franklin County 4-H Clover Kids Camp will be held Wednesday, June 28, 9:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. at the Franklin County Fairgrounds. 4-H Clover Kids (4-H'ers aged 5-7, as of January 1, 2017) are invited to participate. You will learn what camp and 4-H is all about, play games, make crafts, make and eat healthy snacks, and more. Teen counselors will be on hand to assist young campers.

Clover Kid Campers will be able to display what they've done at the County Fair in July. Each exhibit will receive a special ribbon and premium. Pre-registration is required. For all the details and registration form, check your 4-H Family Packet.

South Central Spring Livestock Judging Clinic & Contest June 1

The South Central Spring Livestock Judging Clinic and Contest is scheduled for Thursday – June 1, 2017 at the Webster County Fairgrounds in Bladen, NE. This event is designed for area youth to improve their basic livestock evaluation/selection skills and provide a good foundation for all youth interested in livestock. It will be conducted by Bradley Bennett, UNL Livestock Judging Team Coach assisted by area UNL Extension Educators and Staff. For more info, please contact the office.

4-H COUNTY FAIR FOODSTAND

Franklin County 4-H Families will once again be asked to work a time slot at the 2017 Franklin County Fair Foodstand. Please watch for further details in a mailing closer to Fair!

2017 FAIR HELP NEEDED

It takes many to make a great event happen. And what better event than the County Fair. We have many opportunities for you to volunteer, please consider doing so and helping make the Fair a huge success. You can volunteer for a committee, help carry exhibits to the other building on entry day, you can help set up the food stand or many of the other opportunities. Call today to help out!

KIDZ KOLLEGE

Kidz Kollege will be sent as a separate mailing. We will need lots of volunteers. Please help us and contact the office today! If your club would be willing to provide volunteers for a session that would be a great community service project for your club! Just let us know!

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