

KIMBALL-BANNER COUNTIES
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January 2018

January Dates

- **Family Movie Night:** Friday, January 12, 6:00 p.m. at Banner County School.
- **Office Closed:** Monday, January 15, for Martin Luther King Day.
- **Special Garden Project:** Friday, January 26, please call the Extension Office to enroll for 2018
- **STEM Club:** Friday, January 26, 3:00 p.m. at Banner County School.

February Dates

- **Family Pinterest Night:** Monday, February 5, at 5:00 p.m. at the Extension Office.
- **Family Movie Night:** Friday, February 9, 6:00 p.m. at 4-H Building.
- **Kimball-Banner Market Beef Weigh In:** Saturday, February 17, at the Kimball-Banner County Fairgrounds 9:00-11:00 a.m. Snow date is Saturday, February 24.
- **Quality Assurance:** Sunday, February 18, at 3:00 p.m. In person training at Cheyenne County Fairgrounds.
- **Office Closed:** Monday, February 19, for President's Day.

2017-2018 Enrollment/Re-Enrollment

It is time to enroll in 4-H. All 4-H families (this includes leaders) should enroll in clubs and projects through 4HOnline at ne.4honline.com



If you are a new family, create a new family account and profiles for each 4-H member at ne.4honline.com to participate in the 2018 program year. Returning families need to log in and update information if needed. Please make sure you check the birthday, grade and number of years in 4-H.

Please complete all of the information necessary to join 4-H online, including the 4-H code of conduct. The 4-H code of conduct includes shooting sports code of conduct, permission to treat, participate and release of claims, photo release. (If you check "no", your 4-H Member may not be in any photos, including any local newspaper articles, group pictures, etc.), survey release and the youth protection policy sections, ALL must be completed.

***New this year is a place for your t-shirt size!
Please put in a t-shirt size for your 2018
Kimball-Banner County Fair t-shirt!***

Enrollment deadline is Tuesday, April 1.



Extension is a Division of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln cooperating with the Counties and the United States Department of Agriculture.

The 4-H Youth Development program abides with the nondiscrimination policies of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the United States Department of Agriculture.

Dead Eye Shooters 4-H Club

Dead Eye Shooters 4-H Club invites new members to their weekly practices. Every Tuesday, they practice BB gun at 6:30 p.m. Every Thursday, they practice air rifle at 6:30 p.m. Both practices are held at the Hospital North Campus (Old West Elementary School) in Kimball. A parent or another adult must attend practice with their 4-H member.

For more information please contact Larry Snyder at 235-7175, Nicole Snyder at 235-5449.

Family Movie Night



Our next family movie night will be Friday, January 12. Come for an evening of food, and FUN while watching the movie "Moana". We will also be doing a STEM raft building challenge! Cost is free courtesy of CV Fence Company – Curtis and Vicki Grubbs.

Club Next is Expanding the Fun!

Club Next is expanding with more fun and learning for everyone! Starting **January 15** we will be moving our free afterschool program to **weekly on Monday**, and for **all youth grades K-6th grade!** Youth will be split up into three different groups (K, 1st-3rd, and 4th-6th) for even more hands on learning and fun. The Kimball Public Schools will have a school bus that will stop at the Kimball Public Library with any and all youth who would like to participate. The kindergarten will meet from 3:45–4:30, while the other two groups will meet from 3:45-4:45 p.m. For more information please contact the Kimball Public Library 235-5432 or the Extension Office.

Clover Kids

Clover Kids allows children ages 5 to 7 (K through 3rd grade) to participate in hands-on activities designed to build life skills. The next meeting will be on Thursday, January 18, at the 4-H Building from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Cost is a onetime fee of \$5.00 for club project expenses and insurance for the 4-H year (October –September). To register, please call Hillary Cook at 308-235-7099. All children are welcome to participate. If you are interested in a Clover Kids meeting in your community, please contact the Extension Office for information on how to get it started.

Special Garden Project 2018

The Special Garden Project is a way to offer 4-H members the chance to grow unusual and fun projects in their gardens. Last year over 1075 4-H members were enrolled in the project. This year the Special Garden Project is focused on the unique, Delft Blue Nigella. Delft Blue Nigella is named for the famous Dutch Delft blue pottery. They have unique, 1½ - 2" flowers with blue splashes on flower petals in varying shades of blue and gray, and intricate deep-purple centers. Unusual seed pods are also used in fresh or dried arrangements. On average it will take about 65-70 days from seeding date until the plant flowers and about 80-85 days for seed pods.



4-H members enrolled in the Special Garden Project will:

- Receive a 'packet' of Delft Blue Nigella (one packet per youth) in March/April
- Receive a newsletter about:
 - Planting & growing nigella
 - Nigella problems & insects
 - Harvesting & using nigella
- Be able to exhibit this unique flower at County and State Fair
- **Youth should enroll for the Special Garden Project through 4-H Online.** Once enrolled in 4-H Online, call the Extension Office to reserve

your seeds by January 26. By enrolling through 4-H Online, youth will have access to the box folder with the educational materials including the growing newsletter & evaluation.

Quality Assurance

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YCQA) training is Sunday, February 18, at 3 p.m. at the Banner County School, and Sunday, February 25, at 3 p.m. at Kimball-Banner County 4-H Building. You **MUST** attend the training for your age level by June 1 if you are exhibiting any livestock (rabbits, poultry, beef, sheep, goats, or swine).

Please enrolled in 4-H for 2018 at ne.4honline.com before Quality Assurance. You must also register for YQCA at <https://yqca.learnrow.io> you will sign in using your 4HOnline password. The training is \$3 for in-person training or \$12 for the online training. Fees must be paid at the time of registration. This is a national requirement and a national fee. 4-H Council has agreed to pay the \$3.00 fee for youth who attend the in person trainings.

Beef Weigh In Saturday, February 17



All 4-H and FFA youth who plan to show Market Beef at the 2018 Kimball-Banner County Fair must bring their market beef animals to the

Kimball Fairgrounds to be tagged and weighed in on **Saturday, February 17**, from 9:00–11:00 a.m. (Snow date is Saturday, February 24).

Are you planning to show at **state fair**? Let the Extension Office know **before the day of weigh in**.

Kimball-Banner Project Achievement Celebration

Kimball Banner 4-H Council hosted their annual awards celebration at the Good Hands Theater on Sunday, December 17.

More than 60 4-H'ers and leaders were recognized for their accomplishments over the past year.

This year's Heart of 4-H was Vicki Grubbs. Her tireless dedication to the 4-H program and to the Central Banner County 4-H Club over the years, was one of the many reasons the 4-H Council recognized her for this award.

The Friend of 4-H award was shared by Highpoint 4-H Club leaders Farris Vrbas and Kimberly Sharples.

Outstanding 4-H members for the year are Nicole Delaplane, Emily Singleton, Kayla Thurin, and Alycia Vrbas.

This year's 4-H scholarship recipient is Kayla Thurin.

Participating in the Diamond Clover program and earning the Amethyst level are Kaitlynn Schnell, Daniela Sharples, and Ethan Sharples.

The 4-H Horse advancement levels are designed to evaluate each participant's progress in knowledge and skills. This year, these 4-H'ers advanced to new levels: Level I – Kyla Ramsey. Level II – Kyla Ramsey, Kylie Lohrer

These 4-H'ers completed their career portfolios and earned awards in these project areas:

Chloe Berger, Beef, Consumer & Family Science

Halsey Clark, Sheep, Goat

Heidi Clark, Sheep, Goat

Hollie Clark, Sheep, Goat

Nicole Delaplane, Horse, Goat

Kylie Lohrer, Horse
 Kayla Thurin, Consumer & Family Science, Sheep, Clothing
 Alycia Vrbas, Swine, Poultry, Clothing
 Luke Berger, Beef
 Rachel Berger, Consumer & Family Science, Goat, Archery
 Riley Jones, Rabbit, Fashion Show
 Kohl Krakow, Archery
 Braylon Miller, Fashion Show, Clothing
 Braxton Miller, Fashion Show, Clothing
 Isaac Olsen, Beef, Speech
 Kaitlynn Schnell, Beef, Consumer & Family Science
 Ethan Sharples, Science & Technology, Consumer & Family Science
 Daniela Sharples, Photography, Home Environment, Fashion Show
 Dakota Vrbas, Poultry, Consumer & Family Science, Plant Science
 Lucas Vrbas, Swine, Photography
 Andie West, Beef
 Emily Whitney, Horse
 Taylor Whitney, Horse

4-H Member Years Recognition: These 4-H'ers were recognized for completing their first year in 4-H: Luke Berger, Joseph Bremer, Cody Brinkman, Paige Brosier, Hadley Brower, DeLacy Brown, Nolan Cook, Aubrey Culek, Bryce Eggli, Devin Gardner, Jace Golding, Korbyn Harvey, Alexa Hoppes, Allison Johnson, Kohl Krakow, Ashlynn Kuhns, Jacob Lee, Jaden Lee, Suriel Lozoya, Brody Medina, Brandon Mendoza, Corina Mendoza, Grace Moore, Kaitlin Nicklas, Jade O'Rourke, Kaitlin Schnell, Daniela Sharples, Dylan Tabor, Lily Tabor, Lucas Tabor, Makenna Thurin, Emily Whitney, Taylor Whitney, and Madison Wynne.

These 4-H'ers completed three years of 4-H membership: Sarinda Bateman, Samantha Bemis, Kiera Bolander, Preston Corfield, Kylie Lohrer, Patrick Mars, Eddie McGowan, Braylon Miller, Kailey Nicklas, Alex Rundell, Athena Tambanillo, Louise Tambanillo, Jessica Terrill, Lucas Vrbas, and Andie West.

These 4-H'ers completed five years of 4-H membership: Jared Anton, Stephen Bateman,

Ethan Bemis, Heidi Clark, Nicole Delaplane, James McGinnis and Alycia Vrbas.

Lila Moore received a 10-year membership pin.

These leaders were recognized for their years of service.

3 years: Chelsey Autrey, Dave Barnes, Hilary Cook, Erin Heideman, Tiffany Johnson, Kenneth Mars, and Mary Schutz.

5 years: Wade Brashear, Travis Terrill, Michael Winstrom, and Sherry Winstrom.

10 years: Sharon Baker, Linda Barrett, Heidi Chesley, Vicki Grubbs, and Danessa Terrill.

Clover Kids are 4-H'er members ages 5-8. These youth were recognized for their Clover Kid participation: Makynna Boettcher, Bodee Carruthers, Karsyn Chesley, Trey Cook, Wyatt Cook, Britton Culek Madison Eggli, Keyanna Hadeen, Clarika Hottell, Tradin Hottell, McKenzie Howard, Trajan Johnson, Connor Markum, Abigail Mars, Sirena Mars, Cameron McGinnis, Rayfe McGowan, Tegan McGowan, Cruz Medina, Tatum Medina, MacKenzie Miller, Jade O'Rourke, Kale Schnell, Kasyn Snyder, Jacob Sperflage, Jax Thurin and Austin West.



Kimball–Banner 4-H Council

December Meeting re-cap

Quality Assurance is now called YQCA (Youth Quality Care for Animals). Registration is available in person and online. Youth must pre-register to participate. Cost is \$3 for in-person, \$12 for on-line. All the money collected goes to the National program. Livestock participants must register with 4-H Online before the in person trainings. 4-H Council has agreed to pay the \$3.00 fee for youth who attend the in person trainings.

Council approved \$300 to the Kimbots robotcs club.

Election of new 4-H Council members are as follows, Robin Darnall, Nathaniel McGowan, Pam Olsen, Sara Nicklas, Linda Williams, and Bryan Woods. And election of 4-H Jr. Leaders are as follows, Nathaniel Mars, Kayla Thurin, Bailee Underhill, Alycia Vrbas, and Kyle Thurin

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