

Pratt County 4-H Focus

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Kansas Youth Leadership Forum

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September 2017

- 4 Labor Day - Office Closed
- 6 Record Books due to Extension Office
- 5-7 State Fair Exhibits due in Extension Office
- 11 4-H Council Meeting
- 8-17 Kansas State Fair

October 2017

- 2 Kansas Youth Leadership Council Applications due
- 2 National 4-H Conference Applications due
- 2 Discovery Days Task Force Applications due
- 2 Start of new 4-H Year
- 11 Extension Council Elections
- 15 KYLF Registration due
- 13 Kansas Volunteer Forum Registration due

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REGISTER NOW for the 18th annual Kansas Youth Leadership Forum (KYLF) at Rock Springs 4-H Center November 17-19, 2017. The Forum is for youth ages 14-18 (4-H age for the 2018 year). The 4-H Foundation will provide \$100 worth of the registration fee.

KYLF is a great place to improve your leadership skills, have fun, learn new things and make new friends. There will be speakers, workshops, activities and lots of fun at the Forum. Are you ready to take on a new leadership challenge? Consider running for the State 4-H Council. Three members will be elected from our area.

Complete details are available on the state 4-H website. You can register online and choose your workshops. Classes fill up fast, so don't wait.

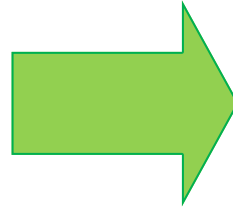
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Adult chaperones will be able to attend the Kansas 4-H Volunteer Forum, which is held that same weekend. The fee for the workshop is due in the Pratt County Extension Office by October 13.

48 HOURS OF 4-H

Kansas 4-H Council has issued a Service Challenge to all 4-Hers in every county in Kansas. In 2016, an estimated 3,000 people from at least 58 counties participated in different community service projects.

If you or your club have a community service project to work on during this weekend, please contact the Extension Office with details.



The Country Trailblazers 4-H club is planning a service project for 48 Hours of 4-H.

Our service project is going to be focused on helping Texas 4-Hers who are stricken by the hurricane.

The thought is to have a bake sale at a couple of different locations (TSC and the Farmers Market) in Pratt.

We would like to invite all 4-H clubs in the county to be part of this project.

Please contact Anita DeWeese for more information! Thank you!

Do you want to be the next face of 4-H??

The 4-H Ambassador Program is for Pratt County 4-H'ers who are in the 7th Grade and older. As a Pratt County Ambassador you will be able to share the 4-H message throughout Pratt County by visiting schools, going to camps, and helping with county wide events.

Please visit our website at www.pratt.ksu.edu and look under the Pratt County 4-H Ambassadors tab to find the 4-H Ambassador application and outline of the Ambassador policies.

Applications are due November 3rd, 2017 and interviews will be conducted on a date to be determined.

Are you interested in raising a little bit more money for your club?

The Elks Lodge has a bingo night on Mondays, and they would like your help! They are in need of a group that is willing to cook meals for them before bingo starts. They usually serve dinner from 6:30p.m. to 7:00p.m. and they feed about 25 people, but would like you to be there about 5:30 to set up. If you are interested, please contact the

Extension Office (620.672.6121).

Nomination Form for the 4-H Service Award

The 4-H Service Award was established in 1992 after input from the Pratt County Program Development Committee and support from the Pratt County 4-H Foundation and 4-H Council. The goal was to honor individuals in the county who have contributed time and energy in promoting the 4-H program. 4-Hers, leaders and parents have an opportunity to nominate the candidates each year.

Guidelines for selection include:

- Fifteen or more years of service
- Contributed time and energy to a 4-H Club
- Promoted the 4-H program in the community
- Recipient must be living
- A husband and wife may be recognized together.

Past Recipients Include:

1993: Wendell Reed	1994: Ben & Marie Jorns	1995: Harold & Margaret Leak	1996: Lothair & Carol Dauner
1997: Dorothy Huffman	1998: W.L. "Shorty" & Mildred Eubank	1999: Howard Lutes	2000: Sally Berry
2001: Catherine Riffey	2002: Opal Mae Novotny	2003: No Recipient	2004: Beth Montei
2005: Peggy Kumberg	2006: Willa Beth Mills	2007: Bob & Janis Moore	2008: Dorothy Ferguson
2009: Bunny Giles	2010: H Dwane & Sue	2011: Charles & Carol Eubank	2012: James Gatz
2013: Cynthia Aramowicz	2014: Mike & Kay Sewell	2015: Ron & Brenda Piester	2016: Sue Buhler

Award Nominee: _____

4-H Club they were active in: _____

List years and areas of service: _____

Highlight major involvement or contributions to the 4-H Program: _____

Contact person(s) for additional background information and personal anecdotes that might be used by the selection committee:

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Please return to the Extension Office by October 1.

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Dear 4-H'ers and Families,

School time is here, once again, so that means all of you will be busy and involved with extra activities. We trust that all of you will make time for your 4-H activities, also. There are several things to accomplish before the end of the 4-H year at the end of September plus all those as we make preparations to begin the new one.

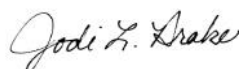
Please take time to review all items in this newsletter as they pertain to lots of events, activities, and deadlines for things to come. A lot of you will be participating at the State Fair and we wish you the best as you take part. Many of your clubs will be making plans for National 4-H Week (October 1 - 7). We ask that you join with other members of your club to show the community what 4-H is all about.

If you have questions or concerns about items in this newsletter, please feel free to contact the Extension Office (620-672-6121). We will be happy to help you out.

Sincerely,



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