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Gove County 4-H Fair News

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Tri-State Royal

Just a quick reminder, Sherman County will once again be hosting the Tri-State Royal on Saturday, August 8, 2020, in Goodland. This show is for county champions from across the area. All market animal county champions will have first opportunity to represent Gove County at the show. If they decline then the reserve champion can have the opportunity to go. Showmanship representation will be determined by the judge of our fair for each species.

We need to hear from the winners, regarding their intentions to show at the Tri-State Royal by the end of show day. This will allow us time to get the alternates. Entries are due online by Thursday, August 6th, before 5:00 p.m. You can enter online at: http://www.showringmaster.com/Tri-State-Royal-Champion-of-Champions/Upcoming-Shows/Tri-State-Royal-Champion-of-Champions

Judging Contests at Gove County 4-H Fair:

Monday, July 22 at 9 a.m.-8p.m.
Life Skills Judging Contest
Photography Judging Contest
Entomology Judging Contest
Ag Challenge of Champions

Tuesday, July 23, at 5:30 p.m.
Livestock Judging Contest
Life Skills Judging Contest
Photography Judging Contest
Entomology Judging Contest
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Fair Board Updates

► Main Street Dugout is doing concessions-no help from 4-her’s or parents is required.
BBQ is being served by Main Street Dugout due to COVID-19.
► Due to COVID-19 we will not have bleachers at the fairgrounds this year.
► Please encourage family and buyers attending to bring their lawn chairs.
► Butcher spots have been scheduled with ZD’z Meatz in Oakley for September 2nd for animals sold through Livestock Sale. Kids will be responsible for care/feeding animals until September 2.
► Take your highest earning ribbon to TheBank after fair by August 20, 2020 for additional ribbon premium
► No pies or Rice Krispie treats needed for this year.

Livestock Drug Withdrawal Forms are REQUIRED to be completed & signed by 4-Her & parent at check-in at the fair and returned to Kassie Remington

2020 Carcass Contest has been cancelled!

Livestock Sale Checks

Livestock Sale Checks will not be available until Monday, August 10th, for pick-up. Thanks for your cooperation in this matter. Don’t forget to write thank you notes to buyers. Call the office before coming to be sure your checks are ready.

State Fair Entries

State Fair staff and Kansas 4-H Youth Development staff have until the next meeting of the Kansas State Fair Board, at 9:00 a.m. on August 4, to collaborate, develop and vet proposals for alternative 4-H events. Please look for emails with more information as it becomes available.

4-H Ribbons

Sometimes there is confusion on the ribbon systems used at the fair. All inside 4-H exhibits are judged using the Danish system (except pets, dogs, cats, poultry, rabbits, and livestock.) Usually the livestock shows use the Modified Danish System and Open Class exhibits are judged by the Modified Danish System

Danish System:
- All exhibits receive a ribbon
- Exhibits are judged in comparison with an ideal standard, not to each other.
- Exhibits are placed in 4 ribbon groups – purple, blue, red, or white. Grand & Reserve Champions will be awarded in each age division if quality is shown.

Grand Champion – is awarded to the highest quality exhibit in the project area. If it’s quality merits this award
Reserve Grand Champion – is awarded to the second highest quality exhibit in one project area, if it’s quality merits this award.

Class Champion – is awarded to the highest quality exhibit in a single division if there is a worthy exhibit.

Reserve Class Champion – is awarded to the second highest quality exhibit if there is a worthy exhibit.

Purple – outstanding on all standards
Blue – exceeds the minimum standard; may have minor flaws where improvements can be made.
Red – meets all minimum standards; may be visible signs of needed improvement.
White – fails to meet minimum standards.

Participation – are awarded to those exhibits that do not meet requirements. This ribbon indicates to the 4-Her that the exhibit was not necessarily poor in quality, only that it did not meet the project requirements as indicated in the fair book. Participation ribbons are also awarded to Clover Buds or other “participation” only classes.

Modified Danish System
(Pets, Dogs, Cats, Poultry, Rabbits & Livestock)
Exhibits are compared to a standard, placed in 4 color ribbon groups, but are ranked top to bottom within each ribbon group.

Sportmanship
Conduct becoming to an individual involving fair and honest competition, courteous relations and graceful acceptance of results.

All participants in 4-H and other youth programs are expected to demonstrate each of the following elements of sportmanship before, during, and after their participation:

1. **Conduct:** Demonstrate and maintain high standards of personal behavior and conduct which becomes you as an individual and as a representative of your family, your club, your community and the 4-H program or other youth programs in which you are involved.
2. **Fairness:** Learn and follow the rules. Do not cheat. Be objective, honest and just in evaluating yourself and others.
3. **Honesty:** Be truthful, fair and straightforward in everything you say and do. Show integrity. Don’t lie or deceive. Do your own work. Do not understate or overstate your abilities, skills, or accomplishments.
4. **Competition:** Accept that the nature of competition is seeking to get what others are seeking to get, involves rivalry between contestants to earn rewards, and results in both winners and losers.
5. **Courtesy:** Be well-mannered in your conduct. Be respectful, thoughtful, considerate, cooperative, friendly, and cheerful in your attitude and your behavior regardless of whether you do well or not, or whether you win or lose.
6. **Graceful Acceptance of Results:** Accept judges’ suggestions and the results with a positive attitude.

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**Teaching Kids to Take Responsibility**

Teaching kids to take responsibility is a parent’s job. When parents show through their words and actions that they take responsibility for their own behavior, they become an effective and powerful role model for their children.

Here are some do’s and don’ts for modeling responsible behavior:

- **Listen to Your Words**
  Avoid phrases that imply that someone other than yourself is in charge of your actions. For “I can’t,” say “I don’t want to.” For “I should,” substitute “I’ve decided to.”
- **Set Reasonable Expectations, Then Give Children Opportunities To Live up to Them.**
  Don’t expect your kids to read your mind. Be clear about what you expect them to do. And once they know what’s expected, don’t be in a hurry to help them out. Give them a chance to make, and learn from their mistakes.
- **Explore Issues of Responsibility With Your Children by Encouraging Them to Think About Action; and Consequences.**
  Rather than ask why something happened, ask what went on and keep asking. If the child seems dissatisfied with the result, ask what he/she would do differently next time.
- **Be Responsive, Not Reactive.**
  When something angers you, take time to calm down, then think of alternatives that can get you back in charge of the situation. Reflecting on the outcomes afterwards can help you – and your kids – make better choices in the future.
- **Get Involved in the Community.**
  Participation in some kind of volunteerism helps all family members recognize that they are part of something much larger than their circle of family and friends. *Claire Rober yourt, “Teaching Our Kids to Take Responsibility,” Bottom Line, August 1, 1995.* – About 4-H – Mississippi State University-May, 1998
Your Checklist for the Show Ring

Show day is very exciting for all exhibitors, but it is especially stressful on the novice showmen. There are so many things to remember and it seems everyone waits until minutes before the show to share their advice.

Some of these tips may not seem very important, but they all add to a successful experience in the show ring.

☻ I have no gum in my mouth
☻ have on clean clothes. No shirts with questionable sayings, etc.
☻ I have on a belt if my pants have belt loops.
☻ I have my hair combed and fixed so it doesn’t hang down in front of my face.
☻ I don’t have on any jewelry that will hang down and get in the way.
☻ I have my show equipment—bat/brush/comb that I will need in the show ring.
☻ I have already turned in my entry cards.
☻ I know the breed of animal I am showing.
☻ I know how much my animal weighs.
☻ I know how old my animal is.
☻ I know what and how much I feed my animal each day.
☻ I will wear a pleasant face and be a great sport no matter what happens in the show ring.
☻ I will remember to thank the judge after the show for a job well done.

Attention New 4-H Families

If your family has not been involved in the fair before, please do not hesitate to call the Extension Office 785-673-4805 or your club leader to have questions answered. We’re here to help!!

Ten Commandments for 4-H Parents

1. Thou shalt not feed, train, make or bake projects for thou are trying to teach the child responsibility.
2. Thou shalt forgive a child for making mistakes while showing for thou hath made mistakes, too.
3. Thou shalt not get mad when thy child forgets items in thy project, for one day thou may forget something, too.
4. Thou shalt help the show management for they are doing a job that thou would not want to do.
5. Thou shalt see that thy child is on time for all activities for thou shalt not want to wait for another.
6. Thou shalt ensure that thy child has the project entered and the entry papers in order by the designated time.
7. Thou shalt teach thy child that winning a blue ribbon is a desirable goal, but making friends along the way is more a worthy goal.
8. Thou shalt not complain about the judge, for it is his/her opinion that has been sought.
9. Thou shalt not forget that all projects are teaching projects, not moneymaking.
10. Thou shalt remember that the 4-H project is a family project that shall be enjoyed and supported by the entire family.

We’ll see you at the fair!!

4-H Fair Ribbons can be picked up after fair in the Extension Office starting July 31.
# 2020 Gove County Fair Schedule

All open class judging will immediately follow 4-H judging.

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<td>7:30 p.m. Livestock Auction, Pie Sale, &amp; Gary Evans Memorial Cookie Jar Sale</td>
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***Fair Clean Up IMMEDIATELY Following Livestock Sale***
We are getting so close to fair, I hope everyone is excited and ready to have a great week! This is just a reminder of a few changes being made this year and deadlines for paperwork needed. We have been sending out the fair newsletters like always, so some of the information may be repetitive. It never hurts to send it multiple times. If you have any questions or concerns this year, please call us. We can do our best to accommodate where needed. This is a long email, so please read to the end for all information!

Safety Changes:

1. No Bleachers- Please let all your family and friends that will be coming to observe any shows and activities that they will need to bring their own chair!!!
2. Hand Sanitizers will be placed throughout the building and barns, we ask that they be left in their places but be used often! If they need refilled please come find Extension Staff.
3. Hand Washing- there will be the sinks in the building plus we will have two outside stations. Please use these often! If they run out of water, please come find Extension Staff.
4. Disinfectant- Golden Prairie District will be cleaning/disinfecting the judging tables between each exhibitor/family unit, so please allow time for this process, patience as we work, and do your best not to congregate while you wait for your turn.
5. No Inflatables or Barnyard Olympics- this is a bummer but they will return in upcoming years!
6. Masks will also be available for anyone who wishes to use them. This is strongly encouraged and optional, if you have your own and would like to use those…please do. Our judges are coming from all over so please be courteous to them wearing masks, if they so choose to. Please refrain from congregated while waiting for your turn so the exhibitor in progress can hear the judge comments and the judge in return can hear the exhibitor.

Exhibit Changes:

1. The following link is a signup sheet for exhibit judging, this is to hopefully help keep track of exhibitor order and to keep us from congregating in a large line (ex. Visual arts and crafts) If possible please sign up family units and have all youth go before the next exhibitor or family unit, I have my children in places as example for Monday project areas. This is not a time specific slot because it never runs on time. So we did line order, just keep track of who is ahead of you and how many projects they are showing. Judges are to keep to 5 min or less for each project presented, more often than not it is way less or way over. Each project has a tab, and the start time is listed to provide reference. Please call if you have any questions, the sheets will be located at each project table during fair. Sign up sheet link: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/15MLyxIwQeliFbR9IRyTkgrMPDZuTbe1PbWXfMoJSg_Y/edit?usp=sharing
2. We will be setting up judging tables different to provide social distance measures to the best of our ability. KSRE would like us to maintain this while administering an in-person fair. So SPEAK UP!!! Encourage your children to be loud and proud!
3. While we have things spread out more to provide open spaces, we ask that you keep tabs on how the judging time is moving along without standing in a large crowd to wait for your turn. Please use the wide amount of yard space to be social and distanced. This is going to be challenging but we hope to just be attentive and help out where needed. This will also keep noise control down so judges and exhibitors can hear each other
4. Foods Check In- This will be held outside on the lawn Wednesday morning from 7-9 am. We are trying to limit the amount of people hanging out in buildings so we will check in foods, and then drop off at assigned tables. After you have checked- In and set food on assigned tables, we encourage you to go watch the Small Animal show beginning at 9 am while you wait for food judging to take place starting at 11:00 am.
5. Foods Judging- Judging will start at 11 am this year, but your food needs checked in by 9 am. Your foods can still be judged normally, HOWEVER for the Foods Auction, you will need to have new separate items. (Ex. Cake being judged gets a piece cut out, the rest of that cake cannot go into the auction, you must take it home) (If judge decides not to cut or taste the item, it can be entered as part of your auction flats)
6. Food Judges may not feel comfortable tasting food this year and that is fine. They will be using a system on overall baking science learning and growth in project, so come prepared to answer questions about all you have learned this year within the Foods & Nutrition Project and not just what you learned with that specific item.
7. **Buymanship and Clothing Construction** - to limit the amount of people in our office at any one certain time, we have broken these out into time frames. The families signed up will be asked to get their judging done within those time frames and then leave so the next wave of exhibitors can come through. We are also asking that no outside observers come to the judging portion. They are welcome to come enjoy the public review Wednesday evening. Each dressing room will be limited to 2 at a time to change OR an entire family unit. This will be held in the individual offices and bathrooms of the extension building, so please do not mess with the file cabinets or items on the desks. Once you are dressed you will come sit down in the assigned chair and wait for your turn to present, then off to change if needed and file back in line on the assigned chairs.

8. Horticulture Judging Contest has been changed to Entomology Judging Contest. This is exciting and something new for everyone to try!

9. Judging Contest Kits will be set up ALL day Monday and again Tuesday evening. So plenty of opportunity to try these out and maybe even win a Grand Champion for your age division! We will find you if needed for a tie-breaker.

10. **Small Animal show has been moved to Wednesday morning starting with Swine Showmanship at 9 am!**

11. **Rabbits** - All rabbits (meat and pets) will be a show and go only. **So NO RABBITS will stay on the fairgrounds!!!!!!** There is a rabbit disease called Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease, and its spreading throughout SW US. As of today, this has still not shown up in Kansas.

12. Shooting Sports Contest and Outdoor Shoot held at Oakley on July 5th & 6th has been cancelled for 2020. All educational exhibits are still welcomed and encouraged!

13. **Cloverbuds** - Reminder they are allowed 1 entry for their Cloverbud exhibit, all other items will need to be open class. Cloverbuds are also to be judged in the area their project fits, we do not have a specific Cloverbud judge. (ex. John, age 5, baked cookies. He would go be judged by a Foods judge)

14. **Ribbon Changes** - This year to prevent lots of hands touching, we are going to have stickers instead of ribbons. Your ribbons will be available after fair for pickup.

15. Reminder the fair is all about having fun, making friends, encouraging our mastery of skill, and celebrating victories!

16. **Judging of Static Exhibits** - We were advised to move any projects we can to be judged outside. These will not be determined until that day, weather permitting. So please come everyday prepared for either indoor or outdoor experience. We will attempt our best to provide this under shade if possible.

17. **Miscellaneous Exhibits** - Some projects will not be on the sign up sheet for judging order. These are the few projects that have smaller amount of entries so a couple judges tackle that list. On fair newsletter #2 page 5, we list the judge assistant and the order of projects they will be traveling in. Please keep tabs without waiting in building to be available for your project area. We will be around to help make sure no family is missed. Newsletters can be found on the Golden Prairie District Website: https://www.goldenprairie.k-state.edu/4-h/gove-fair.html

**Fair Entries**

If you did not get your entries into the online system, the old hand-written cards will be available in office and at both cleanup days while Extension Staff is present. And we will bring them to fair! Your entry cards will be printed and in your family folders like last year! So please come find us at fair to collect entry tags! Livestock will again just be double checked, and we will hand them out after ribbons have been attached.

**Photo Matte Boards**

Photo matte boards are available in office, will be at clean-up days while Extension Staff is present, and we will bring to fair Monday ONLY! Charge is $2 per board/sleeve and must be paid when picked up.

**Fair Books**

The fair book is posted to the Golden Prairie District website and will be printed upon requested free of charge. Please let us know if you would like a hard copy! https://www.goldenprairie.k-state.edu/4-h/fair/gove-county-fair/2020%20Fair%20Book%20Original%203.pdf

We have posted the first 3 newsletters to our website for reference if you cannot find your copy at home. As a reminder, all things are subject to change at any moment’s notice. So please keep in mind more changes could be added or deleted as we go through the next few weeks and COVID-19 concern increases or decreases.

**Thanks and we can’t wait to see everyone at the fair!**
Follow us!!!

Golden Prairie District 4H
Broadcasting during Fair Week:

Trego County: July 13-18
Gove County: July 20-23
Logan County: July 20-25

Invite your family and friends to come check us out! Videos will be posted throughout all fair weeks of projects and shows.

Remember when recording videos that you DO NOT use your last name or specific location. We will give you prompts!!

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Dear 4-H Families,

Here is the final pre-fair mailing. Good Luck to all of you at the fair!!

Sincerely,

Kristy Packard
4-H Program Manager

Sincerely,

Jennifer Ackerman
Office Professional