May brings good changes!

- My how our lives have changed...please know we hope all our 4-H families are well and starting to adjust to our new normal for the time being. Please wash your hands and stay home.

The State 4-H Office has sent out this notice:

**UPDATED 3/16 - Recommendations for 4-H Clubs and Local 4-H Activities and COVID**

As of 4/9/2020, Kansas State University leadership extended the timeline for our COVID-19 response protocols to eight weeks. They are even cancelling the face-to-face commencement ceremonies.

Concerning Extension-sponsored (which includes all 4-H programming by employees and volunteers) face-to-face workshops, shows, activities, and events that are targeted to the people we serve, such face-to-face events should be cancelled, postponed, or converted to such distance technologies as Zoom is **extended through July 4th**.

- We have a closed Edwards County 4-H page on Facebook for only 4-H members. Families have been invited to join this page. Trisha & Jean have added families; if we missed someone, please let us know. We will post newsletters, and information about upcoming events on this page. If you have not been added, please contact the Extension Office.

- **NEW THIS YEAR** - 4-H Record Books online. Edwards County is piloting a new recordkeeping program. The records are ones that you are familiar with, they are just online. Directions are:
  
  To get your families started, direct parents to:  
  1. Visit [https://4h.zsuite.org/](https://4h.zsuite.org/)
  2. Click on “Sign Up”
  3. Complete the prompts to register new household
  4. Once the household is established, then have them add each 4-H member profile.

  Please also remember that if a member or family has poor internet access, they may choose to complete the pdf report forms located here: [https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-library/record-keeping/pilot.html](https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-library/record-keeping/pilot.html)

- **FSA Youth Loans** The Farm Service Agency makes loans to youth to establish and operate agricultural income-producing projects in connection with 4-H clubs, FFA and other agricultural groups. Projects must be planned and operated with the help of the organization advisor, produce sufficient income to repay the loan and provide the youth with practical business and educational experience. The project supervisor must recommend the youth loan applicant, along with providing adequate supervision. The maximum loan amount is $5,000 and may be used to finance many kinds of income-producing agricultural projects, such as:
  
  - Buy livestock, seed, equipment and supplies,
  - Buy, rent or repair needed tools and equipment,
  - Pay operating expenses for the project.

  Some loan eligibility requirements are:

  Be a citizen of the United States, or a legal resident alien
  - Be 10 years to 20 years of age
  - Be unable to get a loan from other sources

  Call the FSA county office in Kinsley for additional information: 620-659-3142.

- **Edwards County Fair** The Fair Board will be meeting the middle of May. We still plan to have fair, it just may be different. Be watching the Edwards County Fair page on our website. The Fair Book will be posted there also. We hope your projects are progressing and you are learning and having fun! Also keep watching our Edwards County 4-H Members facebook page....we will be posting some videos there.

- **Fair T-Shirts** Tyree Ag will once again be purchasing fair t-shirts for 4-H members. If other members of your family want a shirt, they may purchase one through the Extension Office. Attached to this newsletter is the Fair T-shirt order form which is due by June 1st.
As always, if you have questions or need more information, please don’t hesitate to contact the Edwards County Extension Office, 620-659-2149. We are here to help!

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2020 Edwards County Fair Shirts

Tyree Ag is one again sponsoring shirts for the 4-H’ers in Edwards County. Each 4-H’er enrolled in the Edwards County 4-H program will receive a shirt due to generosity of Tyree AG. Please be sure to thank them!

Other family members and the public are welcome to purchase a shirt.
Cost for the shirts is listed below.
Payment for these shirts is due at time of order. Orders may be mailed to: Edwards County Extension Office, 212 East 6th Street, Kinsley, KS 67547 OR Left at the Office in the dropbox by the front door of the Extension Office.
Orders are due June 1st.
Make checks payable to: Edwards County Fair Association.

The shirts are the 50/50 cotton/polyester; order size accordingly.
The design and color of shirts are a surprise. 😊

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Total Number of 4-H’ers Shirts (no charge) _______ $ ____0__

Total Number of Extra Youth Shirts _______ x $7.00 = $ _______
Total Number of Extra Adult Shirts (S-XL) _______ x $9.50 = $ _______
Total Number of 2XL Adult Shirts _______ x $10.00 = $ _______
Total Number of 3XL Adult Shirts _______ x $12.00 = $ _______
Total Number of 4XL Adult Shirts _______ x $14.00 = $ _______
Total Number of 5XL Adult Shirts _______ x $15.00 = $ _______

Make checks payable to: Edwards County Fair TOTAL $ ____________