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## General Information

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Tuesday	5:00-7:00 pm
Thursday	9:00 am-12 pm
Friday	9:00 am-2 pm
Saturday	9:00 am-12 pm

## FIREWORKS INFORMATION

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To make this safe and enjoyable for all, here are a few rules that need to be followed.

1. Hours for the discharge of fireworks in the City shall be only between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Thursday July 3rd, 8:00 a.m. to midnight on Friday July 4th, 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Saturday July 5th, and 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Sunday July 6th.
2. It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge fireworks on City property.
3. Any person discharging fireworks is responsible for all damages resulting from his/her fireworks. They are also responsible for any cleanup of discharged fireworks. The City of Goessel is not responsible for any accidents.
4. Bottle rockets and other similar self-propelled fireworks devices consisting of a tube and attached guiding stick or rod and M&O's, shall not be discharged in the City.
5. It shall be unlawful for any person to throw, cast or propel fireworks of any kind in the direction of or into the path of any animal, person or group of persons, or from, in the direction of, or into any vehicle of any kind.
6. If the Board of Marion County Commissioners has issued a ban on open burning in an area including the City, there shall be no offer for retail sale, delivery, consignment, gift or other means of furnishing consumer fireworks and there shall be no use of consumer fireworks during the time the ban remains in effect.
7. The Goessel Police and the Fire Chief are authorized to seize and confiscate all fireworks which may be kept, stored or used in violation of Ordinance #235.

Please respect those around you and let's make this a safe and fun

4th of July Holiday for everyone!!!



## Dog Licenses Due

Per Goessel City Code, dog license renewals are due July 1st of each year for all dogs within the city limits. After July 31st, a 50% penalty will be added. Please contact the city office to renew or purchase a new license for your dog(s). There is a **limit of 2 dogs** per residence. If you have been granted permission in the past to have 3 dogs and one of the dogs dies or you get rid of one of the dogs, you cannot replace it with another dog. The **2 dog limit** is going to be strictly enforced. You can drop off your rabies vaccination certificate along with the money for the tags and we will mail the tag out to you. Cost of license: Spayed or Neutered—\$2, Male—\$5, Female—\$10.

## Harvest Time!!!

Repost from 2013: Written by Judy Unruh

It's harvest time around Goessel. There is no need to ask what is being harvested. It is wheat. There may be vegetables in the garden to be picked and alfalfa to put up but 'harvest' means Wheat!

It is difficult to decide when the wheat is at its most beautiful, the deep green of the newly awakening shoots or the green-gold of the slowly ripening heads. Most people might agree that the waving, whispering golden heads just before turning to platinum are the loveliest.

When the Russian Immigrants came to Goessel they planned to use the only threshing equipment known to them, the threshing stone. It is large stone with 'teeth' carved out of limestone. One can be seen in front of the museum. Glen Ediger, North Newton, has researched this method and written a well-illustrated book about it. It is sometimes demonstrated at Threshing Days. Cyrus McCormack had invented a reaper in about 1835 but it had not been exported to Eastern Europe. The threshing machine had been invented in Scotland in 1780. In 2 years Thomas Jefferson imported one to Monticello. But this device was also never brought to the Russian hinterland. When the newly arrived farmers found their neighbors using the reaper and threshing machine the threshing stones were quickly abandoned.

Early farming used animals such as draft horses, oxen, or mules. Horse power gradually gave way to tractors. It was hard to give up their beloved animals but tractors had many advantages. Mechanism was on its way. Later the combine was introduced saving much time and labor. The first ones were designed to be pulled by horses. Now the combines are self-propelled and very efficient.

Harvest is still a family affair. All generations are involved. The oldest generation hauls the grain to storage. Women bring food to the field and go for parts. Children, some still in diapers, are brought for a ride in the combine cab. Obliging operators give them a round even though storm clouds are looming in the west. The very fragile elders are taken for car rides out in the country to 'see the harvest'.

Trucks so old they run on antique plates are tuned up just enough to haul the grain. Some of these trucks are passed on from one generation to the next and are older than their owners.

Everyone is interested in the quality of the protein and vitamin rich wheat. A young couple sifts their fingers through grain just harvested from a long-neglected acreage. This is terrible stuff. A farmer strides through his standing wheat, plucking a head here and there, threshing it out into his palm, biting down on the kernel as generations have done before him. This is how the senses are trained. The decision is made whether to cut or wait another day.

Take a deep breath and smell the harvest.

The Second Monday Family History and Genealogy Group will meet Monday, July 14, 7 p.m., in the Museum's Immigrant House. Joyce Watts will show a video from her visit to Ukraine, with special emphasis on the Molotschna Colony. Anyone is welcome to attend.

For more information, call 620-367-8200.



# 84th Annual MARION COUNTY FAIR

★ July 23-26, 2014 ★  
Hillsboro, Kansas

### DAILY ACTIVITIES

- 9 a.m. – 10 p.m. 4-H Food Stand / 4-H & Open Class Exhibits (Saturday hours are 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.)
- 5:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Commercial Building & Grounds Exhibits Open (Saturday hours are 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.)
- 11 a.m. – 9 p.m. Foods Building - Wagon Wheel
- 6 p.m. – 11 p.m. Fun Time Shows Carnival (Wed/Thurs/Fri/Sat)
- 10:30 am – 3 p.m. Fun Time Shows Carnival (Saturday after the parade)

### Saturday, July 19

8 a.m. Dog Show at the Fairgrounds

### Monday, July 21

6 p.m. 4-H Horse Show in Arena - FREE

### Tuesday, July 22

6 p.m. - 9 p.m. Open Class Check-in (All areas except Floriculture and Foods)

### Wednesday, July 23

- 8 a.m. Judging Pigeons, Poultry & Rabbits (4-H & Open Class) 4-H Entry Check-In & Judging
- 8 a.m. - 10 a.m. Open Class Check-In
- 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. King Arthur Baking Contest Check-in, 4-H Building

6 p.m. - 11 p.m. Fun Time Shows Carnival (Wristbands 6-10 pm. After 10 pm, tickets only.)

**Don't miss the CARNIVAL!**

### CARNIVAL OPENS!

Open each night of the fair Wed/Thurs/Fri/Sat 6pm-11pm and 10:30 am-3 pm Saturday after parade

### FUN TIME SHOWS!

See website for additional information  
[www.ftscarnival.com](http://www.ftscarnival.com)

Advance carnival tickets available at:  
**Florence/Lincolnton:** Cottonwood Valley Bank  
**Goessel:** The Citizens State Bank  
**Hillsboro:** Central National Bank, Hillsboro State Bank, Heartland Foods, Emprise Bank, Hillsboro Free Press  
**Marion:** Tampa State Bank, Central National Bank  
**Peabody:** Peabody State Bank



Ride all the rides any one night for \$17! (with advance purchase)

6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Van De Creek Pedal Pull Entry Ages 4 to 12 yrs - Free

7 p.m. Emprise Bank Free Watermelon Feed – Outside Pavilion  
 7:30 p.m. Van De Creek Pedal Pull, between Foods/4-H Buildings

8 p.m. Rodeo in Arena—Tickets Available @ Fairgrounds  
**Mutton Bustin'**—Ages 6 and under  
**Calf Scramble**—Ages 10 and under

### Thursday, July 24

6 p.m. - 11 p.m. Fun Time Shows Carnival (Wristbands 6-10 pm. After 10 pm, tickets only.)

8 p.m. Rodeo in Arena—Tickets Available @ Fairgrounds  
**Mutton Bustin'**—Ages 6 and under  
**Calf Scramble**—Ages 10 and under

### Friday, July 25

6 p.m. - 11 p.m. Fun Time Shows Carnival (Wristbands/Tickets all night)

6:30 p.m. 4-H Livestock Sale & Project Auction, Pavilion  
 6:30 p.m. Central National Bank, Free Bottled Water, Pavilion

7 p.m. Truck & Antique Tractor Pull in Arena - Tickets available @ Fairgrounds

### Saturday, July 26

8 a.m. - 2 pm 4-H/Open Class Exhibits in 4-H Bldg, 4-H Food Stand

7:45 a.m. Barn Burner 5K Fun Run/Walk, 1 Mile Fun Run for kids. Check in at 7:45 a.m. Race begins at 8:30 a.m. (Pre-entry preferred.) Entry fee required. 4-H Building

10 a.m. **New Day!** PARADE! North Main to D Street to Fairgrounds. **THEME: Farmer Style**

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Showcase of 4-H/FFA Livestock Champions, Beef & Swine Barns  
 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Commercial Building & Grounds Exhibits Open

10:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Fun Time Shows Carnival (Wristbands/Tickets only.)

11 a.m. - Noon Celebrity Goat Milking Contest, Pavilion. Goat milking demonstrations to follow.

11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Wet 'N Wild Days with the MCFFA. Sledding Hill, south of the rabbit barn. Be prepared to get soaked!

11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Tractor Show, City Park  
 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Big Truck & Equipment Show for Kids, City Park  
 Noon BYO Box Turtle. Box Turtle Races, Pavilion Stage

1 p.m. - 2 p.m. Farmer Style Barnyard Olympics, Fairgrounds. Pre-entry required. Entry Fee. Open to everyone.

2 p.m. All Exhibits Release and Clean Up

2 p.m. - 3 p.m. **New Time!** ALL OPEN CLASS PREMIUMS PAID at this time ONLY.

6 p.m. - 11 p.m. Fun Time Shows Carnival (Wristbands/Tickets all night)

7 p.m. Demolition Derby - tickets available @ fairgrounds

[marioncountyfairks.org](http://marioncountyfairks.org)

**Call 620-381-0109 for more info!**



# July 2014

Sun

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Sat

		1	2	3 <i>Fireworks permitted 8:00a.m to 10:00 p.m.</i>	4 <i>Independence Day Fireworks 8:00 a.m. to midnight.</i>	5 <i>Fireworks permitted 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.</i>
6 <i>Fireworks permitted 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.</i>	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 <i>City Council Meeting at 7:00p.m.</i>	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	<b>Marion County Fair</b>	
				<i>Mark your Calendars—Country Threshing Days Aug. 1,2 &amp; 3.</i>		