

# 4-H UPDATE

**August 20, 2021** 

# Wild West District

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# **District Coming Events**

#### August

29 Swine Across Kansas Series: 'The Next Step' Virtual Session

#### September

- 1 Enrollment for 4-H'ers only to 2022 Rock Springs Summer Camp
- 6 Labor Day, Offices Closed
- 10-19 Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson
- 27 4-H Records and Awards Applications Deadline, Extension Offices

#### October

- 1 Enrollment Opens for New 4-H Year, 2021-2022
- 1 Youth Leadership Council/National Conference Applications Due
- 1-3 Kansas Junior Livestock Show, Hutchinson
- 3-9 National 4-H Week
- 9-10 48 Hours of 4-H
- 15 KYLF early bird registration

#### November

- 4-H Club Financial Records Audit
- 1 KYLF regular rate registration
- 1 Outbound Exchange applications due
- 20-21 Kansas Youth Leadership Forum



# DON'T MISS PRIORITY ENROLLMENT FOR 2022 SUMMER CAMP!

4-H CAMP AT ROCK SPRINGS RANCH IS GETTING BETTER AND BETTER!



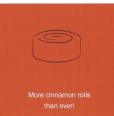
Beginning September 1 we are offering **Priority Enrollment** for Kansas 4-H members ONLY! Sign up for camp before October 31 and get a **10% discount** on your 2022 Session!

RockSpringsRanch4HCamp.org









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# **Swine Project Members!**

We certainly hope you were successful at each of your fair competitions and hopefully some of the information that was presented in previous sessions was helpful!

We are excited to announce the FIFTH and final session of our **Swine Across Kansas Series: 'The Next Step'!** Our goal is to increase the knowledge of Kansas youth participating in the swine project and help them to become more knowledgeable about the swine industry. This session will take you to 'The Next Step' in your project with discussions about production, breeding and careers in the swine industry.

We have invited industry experts and professionals to help you understand any information you may need when building your swine herd or seeking employment in the swine industry.

at 2:00 p.m. for the fifth session of the Swine Across Kansas Series - 'The Next Step'! You don't want to miss this opportunity to get information from experts with an opportunity to ask questions. This program is FREE and OPEN TO ALL!



Sign up for the webinar at: Swine Across Kansas Series - 'The Next Step'

Please register by Thursday, August 26th. A Zoom link will be sent a few days prior to the event for those who register. Link to recordings of previous sessions: https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PL-lmNfkxWU8al-CClluhcBrPN-\_VdYhh2 We hope to see you all for 'The Next Step' session of our Swine Across Kansas Series!

# **Rock Springs Ranch 4-H Camp 2022**

Registration for Camp 2022 starts on September 1st for Kansas 4-H'ers for priority enrollment. Devin has been talking with the 4-H Councils about the many changes to camp next year. If you have any questions talk to your council reps or Devin. You can also check out the camp website at https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/. Each council will still be



providing scholarships similar to the cost covered in previous years. Devin will be getting more information next week when we have our meeting and I will share that information with you.

# **Record Book Tips/Challenges**

Please let Devin know if you have any questions.

#### Due Dates

Record book/pin applications/achievement trip applications due to your local office on **Monday, September 27th** by 5pm. Be checking your email for more information. We will also be hosting record book help sessions on Tuesday, September 14th at 7pm at the Stevens County Office, Monday, September 20th approximately 6:30pm following 4-H Council Meeting at the Seward County Office, Tuesday, September 21st at 7pm. Each session will be about an hour. You are encouraged to bring your computer with you. You are also welcome to set up one-on-one sessions just contact Devin to set up a time.

### **Kansas State Fair**

For those that pre-entered static exhibits to be shown at State Fair those must be dropped off at your local extension office by Friday, September 3rd; the only exception is foods and flowers, and those must be dropped off by 5pm on Tuesday, September 7th. They moved up when exhibits would be judged this year, so that is why you have to drop off exhibits earlier than before. Seward County must have their items to the extension office by Tuesday, September 7th by 4pm. Each exhibitor will receive two free gate tickets.

# **Enrollment opens on October 1st**

Reminder that returning 4-H'ers must be enrolled by December 1st to be eligible to show at the county fair. First year members must be enrolled by May 1st. May 1st is also the project add/drop deadline. You must be enrolled in the projects you wish to exhibit at fair. For those new 4-H members interested in livestock you must be enrolled before weigh in dates.

# **4-H Club Financial Reviews**

End of the year financial reviews will be due November 1st by 5pm to your local extension office. Be looking for more information via email

# **Kansas Leadership Forum**

The Kansas Youth Leadership Forum (KYLF) is planned for November 20-21, 2021 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. KYLF is for youth ages 14-18 before January 1, 2022. KYLF will feature leadership workshops, Youth Council Elections, and opportunities to learn and have fun.

We also will plan for an option for coming in Friday evening and having breakfast Saturday morning for those coming from a distance.

We will soon have a call for workshop presenters. Registration will open in late August/early September. Registration deadline is October 15, 2021 at an early bird rate or before November 1 at the regular rate. Once registration is open, a note will be sent to the KSRE system.

# Haskell

# Seward

# **County Meeting Dates**

## September

8 Cloverbuds

27 Record book/pin awards/trip applications Due

#### October

3-9 National 4-H Week

13 Cloverbuds

#### November

10 Cloverbuds

13 Achievement Banquet, Commercial Building

# **County Meeting Dates**

## September

**16** Cloverbuds

#### October

**21** Cloverbuds

#### November

6 Achievement Banquet, 4-H Building

18 Cloverbuds

# **Cloverbuds**

We will have Cloverbud meetings in Haskell and Seward Counties. Cloverbuds is for youth ages 5 and 6 by January 1, 2022. The meetings in Haskell County are on the second Wednesday of the month at 4pm.

If there are any 4-H'ers that would like to come teach, please let Devin know. If you have any questions, please contact Devin at deramsey@ksu.edu.

# **Awards Applications Due**

Top 4-H'er and Club Seal applications will be due on September 27th by 5pm.

#### **National 4-H Week**

The 4-H Council decided to have 4-H'ers put together short videos to be shared on Facebook during National 4-H Week October 3rd-9th. You are welcome to talk about anything 4-H related: your favorite project, something you have learned, or events you have attended. Please submit your videos to Devin by September 30th. Please keep your videos a minute or less.

# **Haskell County Achievement Banquet**

Save the Date: November 13th at 6:30pm at the Commercial Building. Victory-Meat, Cloverleaf-Salad, Bread & Decorations, Colusa-Potatoes.

## Cloverbuds

We will have Cloverbud meetings in Haskell and Seward Counties. Cloverbuds is for youth ages 5 and 6 by January 2, 2021. The meetings in Seward County are on the third Thursday at 5pm.



If there are any 4-H'ers that would like to come teach, please let Devin know. If you have any questions, please contact Devin at deramsey@ksu.edu.

# **Seward County Achievement Banquet**

Save the Date: November 6th at the 4-H Building

# Stevens

# **County Meeting Dates**

#### September

3 and 7 Kansas State Fair Entry Deadlines, Extension Office

- 20 Submit quote and picture for 4-H Week news ad
- 26 4-H New Year Kick-Off, Fairgrounds
- 27 Record book/pin awards/trip applications Due
- 30 Cloverbuds Families Meeting

#### October

- 9 48 Hours of 4-H Community Services
- 31 Achievement Banquet , tickets by October 15

# **4-H Building Renovation Raffle Winners**

The winning ticket holders were Lee Isaac, who chose the shotgun, and Gena Henson, who now owns the Traeger Grill. Many thanks to the 4-H members who sold tickets to add \$4,505 toward our building improvement plans. Those who participated are eligible for 4-H scholarships provided this coming year, including enrollment fee, half of one event, and graduation. The fundraiser was important to publicly show that 4-H'ers are supporting the efforts to improve the building they use year-round. Congratulations on a job well done.

#### **Concession Stand**

We had a really great concession stand, even with the lower crowds at the fair this year. A total of \$4,261 will support the scholarships and fees that 4-H Council pays for 4-H members throughout the year. A big thanks goes to Lisa Nelson for filling in as manager. She was very impressed by all of the families, and how well everyone pitched in to work their shifts. We also had great pies, adding to the increase in sales. Thanks to all of our families for helping.

#### **4-H Enrollment Fees**

This year all Stevens County 4-H'ers will pay the \$15 fee per 4-H'er when enrolling. Upon approval, the 4-H Council will pay for all new 4-H'ers, and those who participated in the Fundraiser for the 4-H building.

# **National 4-H Week**

4-H Council members voted to have quotes and pictures from senior 4-H'ers in our Thank you ad for National 4-H Week. If you are a 4-H'er 14 or older and want to send a short quote about what 4-H means to you, what you have learned, or what you enjoy most, we would love to include it. Please email or text it along with a picture of you or your project to Nancy or Devin no later than **September 20th**.

# **Cloverbuds is coming to Stevens County**

Cloverbuds is for those that are 5-6 years old as of January 1, 2022. We will be hosting an informational meeting for families as well as doing some crafts. This meeting will be Thursday, September 30th at 7pm at the Stevens County Extension Office. Current 4-H families please share this information with anyone that may be interested.

### **New 4-H Year Kick Off**

We want to invite all Stevens County 4-H'ers, their family and friends to a new 4-H Year Kick-Off on **Sunday, September 26th at 5:00 p.m.** at the fairgrounds. The 4-H Council will provide hamburgers and fixings for all.

Each club is asked to bring 2 games to play with large groups and we will have some fun prizes to give away as well! We are asking project leaders to set up displays or bring project items to share with potential and current 4-H'ers to encourage them to enroll in various projects. This is a great opportunity to invite new 4-H'ers of all ages. We will also have information about enrollment available, which starts October 1.

## 48 Hours of 4-H

Mark your calendar for **Saturday, October 9th** to participate in 48-Hours of 4-H in Stevens County. The 4-H Council members chose to do a community service activity of taking baked goods and soups to homebound or older adults in the Moscow and Hugoton Communities. Baked good will be made ahead and then bagged and distributed along with fresh soups. Be on the lookout for additional information in the coming month.

# **Stevens County Achievement Banquet**

Save the Date: Sunday, October 31st at 12:30 p.m. at Memorial Hall, and will be catered by Cheryl Archuleta. Reservations are due to the office by Friday, October 15th. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 4-H age. The cost for 4-H'ers is covered by the council. You are welcome to come dressed in a Halloween Costume if you wish! The Club duties are assigned as follows:

Setup/Drinks: Cloverleaf Cowboys
Decorations: City Slickers/Wranglers

Invocation: Heartland Clean-up: Buffalo Boosters

MC: Council President, Lakota Persing

# Sara Lee and E. Budd Anderson Youth Grant

Now is the time to be thinking about a community service project for the next 4-H year that could use grant money, up to \$1,000, to bring it to fruition. The Anderson grant was established for Stevens County youth to improve their community through leadership projects worked individually, as a small group, or as a club. The application form is on the Wild West Website under 4-H/Stevens Co and is due in January. If you have questions about projects or the grant application, please contact Nancy Honig.