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Coming Events

September
21  Seward County 4-H Council, on Zoom Only
21  Stevens County 4-H Council, on Zoom Only
21  Kansas Youth Council and National Conference applications
22  Haskell County 4-H Council, on Zoom Only
26  Seward County Highway Clean Up

October
1   4-H Online opens for Re-enrollment
2   Shutterbug at Hays Deadline, Event is October 10
5   Record Books/Membership Pin/Achievement Trip/Club Seal Deadline
5-9 National 4-H Week
10-11 48 Hours of 4-H
10-11 Shotgun State Match
15  Kansas Youth Leadership Forum Early Registration Deadline
18  Informational Horse Bowl/Hippology Meeting
25  Stevens County Achievement Banquet
30  Shutterbug at Oskaloosa Deadline, Event is November 7

November
1   Club Financial Records Due for Audit
1   Outbound Exchange applications
2   States’ 4-H International Exchange Applications Due
6-8 State 4-H Dog Conference and Quiz Bowl, Virtual for 2020
7   District Officer Training
14  Haskell County Achievement Banquet
21-22 Kansas Youth Leadership Forum, Virtual for 2020

Connect Online
Website—www.wildwest.ksu.edu
Facebook—@wildwestdistrict

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Kansas Youth Leadership Forum is Virtual
The dates for the Kansas Youth Leadership Forum are Saturday and Sunday, November 21 - 22. The tentative plan looks like:
Saturday 9 am to noon session
Saturday 1:45 pm to 4 pm session
Sunday 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm session
Schedules for workshops are:
Saturday from 11 am to noon and Sunday from 2:30-3:30 pm.
Be watching your email for more detailed schedules, registration and additional information. The Kansas Youth Leadership Council is working to transform their in-person plan to a virtual plan as quickly as possible.
Components include a speaker, election of the new State 4-H council, workshops, some small groups, and some fun, too!

4-H Club Officer Elections
As you prepare to elect your officers at your monthly 4-H meeting, consider these guidelines:

- Nominate and vote for the member who will carry out the responsibilities of the office well. Remember to vote for the person you think will do the job and also attend meetings on a regular basis. Elections should not be a popularity contest.
- Vote on each office individually. It takes time but allows important learning time for members.
- Consider having members sign up for the office they are interested in or allow members to nominate themselves from the floor for an office.
- A nomination does not need a second. It can simply be, “I nominate Jim”
- In order to “close the nominations” for each office, a motion, second and a vote is required.
- Voting should be done by ballot. Once again this does take time, but it is the proper way to vote.
- Each member should have one vote per office.
- In cases where there are more than one person in an office each member would vote for the corresponding candidates.

4-H Council Meetings
Due to the potential of quarantined members, each of our County 4-H Council Meetings will be held in Zoom sessions.
All leaders and members will get an email with the Zoom link included; watch for your email link and be sure your club will be represented at your county’s 4-H Council Meeting.
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Congratulations to State Fair Participants!
Results are available at https://www.fairentry.com/Fair/Results/14323. Select your county and enter your name, or just your name for all results. Ribbons and comment sheets will follow later from the State 4-H Office. Congratulations to everyone who participated in the Static entries and other events. Grand Drive livestock entries will be posted at a later date, as well as Horse results.

New Family Guide
4-H is focused on youth having fun and learning with their friends. We understand that you may have many questions your first few years in the program, so we developed this guide to help. Also, you can always call your 4-H community club leader or your local extension agent for help. Find this publication online at https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-library/4-h-clubs/docs/Kansas_4H_New_Family_Guide_Color.pdf

District Horse Project Event
Want to learn more about horses? Horse and Horseless Horse project members are invited to attend an informational horse bowl/hippology meeting on Sunday, October 18th at the First Christian Church in Hugoton. Lunch will be served at 12:15pm. Please RSVP to Judy Parsons at 620-453-0732, or call her if you need more information.

4-H T-Shirts for Sale!
Last year the Stevens County 4-H Council purchased t-shirts for Stevens County members, and we have extra for sale. The shirts have the Wild West District branding, so anyone in our district can wear them.

Shutterbug Workshops Dates and Locations
Shutterbug events are photography workshops put on across the state by the Kansas State 4-H Photography Action Team. Workshops are typically scheduled as a morning session and concentrate on a variety aspects of composition. Examples of sessions include: Portfolio, I have a camera—now what?, Panning, Close-ups, Aperture Settings & Kaleidoscopes/Reflections.

Shutterbug at Hays
When: October 10, 2020
Where: K-State Research Center Farm Auditorium—1232 240th Avenue Hays, Kansas 67601
Schedule: Registration 9-9:15, Opening session 9:15-9:45, Session 10-Noon
Registration Flyer and Form
Deadline: October 2, 2020
Contact for event: Christy Befort, clixbychrsity@gbta.net, phone 785-635-4368

Shutterbug at Oskaloosa
When: November 7th
Where: Old Jefferson Town, Oskaloosa, KS
Schedule: Registration 9-9:15, Opening Session 9:15-9:45, Sessions 10-Noon
Registration Flyer and Form
Deadline: October 30, 2020
Contact for event: Christy Befort, clixbychristy@gbta.net, phone 785-635-4368

4-H Club Financial Records Due Nov 1st
Each club needs to submit their financial records review to their local office due November 1st. Here is a link for the form: https://www.ksre.k-state.edu/employee_resources/forms/admin_forms/KSU4-3.pdf.
Fill and sign the form, and take it with your supporting documents and checkbook to your local office no later than November 2, 2020. Check with Devin if you have any questions.
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Reminders:

Record Books/Pin Applications

Due October 5th by 5:00 pm in the extension office. Juniors and Intermediates will be doing ZSuite project records. You can find more information about this at https://wildwest.k-state.edu/4-h/recbook.html.

With the new ZSuite records program there is not a separate 4-H Story, it is already built in with each project reflection. If you are having problems, take advantage of the live chat feature. Their customer service is amazing!

Seniors will be doing KAPs, all that information can be found here https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-library/awards-and-recognition/kansas-award-portfolio.html.

There is an alternative Key Award application this year due to COVID 19; it can be found here https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-library/awards-and-recognition/key-award.html. For membership pin applications, fill them out the best you can remember. Anything virtual can count as well.

Achievement Trip Applications

Reminder: Stevens County Achievement Trip Applications have changed this year. You can find the new application here https://wildwest.k-state.edu/4-h/docs/WWD%20SV%20Achievement%20trip%20application%20for%20website.pdf.

Seward County Achievement Trip Application can be found here https://wildwest.k-state.edu/4-h/docs/Trip%20and%20Award%20Application.pdf.

Here is the link to the Haskell County Achievement Trip Applications https://wildwest.k-state.edu/4-h/haskell%20record%20book.html.

Buckle Bonanza will not offer a series of horse show this fall. INSTEAD, we are helping to host a CLINICIAN just for youth! Kerry Kuhn Horsemanship will be coming to Meade on October 24 & 25, 2020! Youth who are still enrolled in 4-H for 2020-2021 AND have participated in ANY past Buckle Bonanza Show will receive a $100 discount! That's just $75 a day or $150 for the weekend. You can't beat this deal! Horsemanship on this level is worth the investment - it's something they can apply to each horse they ride, as long as they ride!

FULL PAYMENT ($150 for Buckle Bonanza past participants, or $250 for any other youth) must be received to reserve your spot! You can't beat this deal!! If you have additional questions, please reach out to Elly Sneath, Meade Co. Agent.

This year we really wanted to get back to the roots of why we started this - LEARNING HORSEMANSHIP.

Kerry Kuhn Horsemanship Youth Clinic

Meade, CO.
Fairgrounds
Meade, KS
Oct 24, 25
Youth Fee: $250/youth
Limited to 20 youth
Time: 9am-noon & 1:30-5
(each day)
To register, contact Elly Sneath at:
Sneath@ksu.edu or 620-620-5972

Youth Key Points:
Rein management
Building respect
Establishing control
Better steering
Proper balance
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Eight Options Offered for 2021 States’ 4-H Outbound Exchange

States’ 4-H International Exchange Programs (States’ 4-H) has announced eight options for 12-18 year-old 4-H members for next summer.

A new program offers three weeks in Argentina. It will be a group experience with shared housing with other delegates in Córdoba and two chaperones, an experience with 4-H’ers in playing orchestra or soccer, a multi-day camp, Spanish study and sightseeing.

The other exchanges to Costa Rica, Japan 4-weeks, Japan 8-weeks, Norway, South Korea, Taiwan, and Romania were offered last year and had to be cancelled due to the pandemic. Applicants accepted last year were given priority to go to the same country they’d planned this year. Five Kansas-approved delegates accepted this option including: Maddie Anderson (Norway), Taelur Barnes (Norway), Laura Koch (Costa Rica), Desiree Ingalsbe (Taiwan), and Kate Rogers (Japan 4-weeks).

Since spaces will be taken by these and others around the U.S., spaces for new delegates will be more limited. See a list on the Kansas 4-H web page https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/global-citizenship/kansas-4-h-international-exchanges/index.html showing the number of spaces remaining for each exchange this year. Also on the page is a chart showing a comparison of the eight exchanges and flyers with descriptions of each.

Applications will be completed online with a link on the Kansas page. They are due November 2. Applicants also list and secure two references as part of the online application. They will be submitted to state coordinator, Mary Kay Munson in digital form. Mary Kay will contact applicants after she receives their applications with details about in person interview scheduled for November 22. Prospective applicants may contact her with questions about the offered exchanges and the application process at mkm2@ksu.edu, 785-238-3631 or 785-375-3189. Her mailing address is 1114 N. Spring Valley Road, Junction City, Kansas 66441.

Haskell

Thank You!

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU to Haskell County 4-Hers, your families, and every volunteer who made the 2020 Haskell County Fair a HUGE success. The fair could not happen without the help of the superintendents, fair board members, volunteers, parents, and all 4-H members! We appreciate all your hard work and dedication.

Achievement Pins
What are they? Achievement pins are little awards for goals 4-Hers can work towards.
Who can get them? Anyone in the 4-H program can earn achievement pins.
Where can I find the applications? Go to https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-library/awards-and-recognition/member-achievement-award.html to find all the pin applications. Also, you can pick up a hard copy at the Extension Office.
Where do I start? If you are new, start at the beginning. Some of the pin levels require more attention to detail and some are fairly easy.
Please be sure to complete your applications and return with your completed Record Book on October 5th.

Achievement Trip Applications
The applications for the achievement trips will be available at this link: https://wildwest.k-state.edu/4-h/haskell%20record%20book.html. Please complete the forms and return them to the office with your competed Record Book by October 5th.

Club Seal Application due October 5
Here is link to the Club Seal Application https://wildwest.k-state.edu/4-h/docs/ClubSeal2018.pdf.

Top 4-H’er Award Application due October 5
Here is the link to the Top 4-H’er Application https://wildwest.k-state.edu/4-h/docs/Application%20for%20Haskell%20County%20Top.pdf.
Seward County Highway Clean Up
We will be having our Highway Clean Up on Saturday, September 26th at 1:30 pm. Please meet at the Extension Office at 1:00 pm. We will be watching a safety video and signing KDOT release forms. 4-H’ers must be 11 or older to be able to participate, and a parent will also need to attend.

National 4-H Week
Radio Advertising
We will be doing radio ads for National 4-H Week with KSCB on September 29th and 30th. Please call the office to sign up for a time between 3:00 and 4:30 pm either day. Kylee will then email you a script to practice before you record.

National 4-H Week Proclamation
4-H’ers will be going to the County Commission meeting on October 5th at 5:30 pm to proclaim National 4-H Week in Seward County. This will be at the Commission Chambers in the county administration building. If you would like to read a part of the proclamation, please let Kylee know. She will get you the part to look over before the meeting.

Club Reminder:
Clubs need to choose a 2020 Friend of 4-H, and they need to let Kylee know who will be presenting that at the Achievement Banquet.

4-H Member Enrollment Fees
All 4-H’ers who re-enroll by December 1 will have their $15 State Membership Fee paid by the 4-H Council. There will no longer be a long waiting period for the state to record members as active. Any member enrolling after December 1 will be required to pay their fee by credit card or check. New members will also have their fee paid from the time they join.

48 Hours of 4-H October 10-11
4-H Council is putting together a video to promote 4-H during 48 Hours of 4-H. They would like 4-H’ers to submit short videos, such as a few words stating their favorite 4-H activity (camp) or project. These clips need to be submitted by September 30 to Grace Dillinger at 620-541-1659, or dillinger.grace@gmail.com.

National 4-H Week October 5-9
Don’t forget! We need club pictures to use for the newspaper ad NO LATER than Thursday, October 1st. If you want to wear the Wild West T-Shirts, we still have some in the office. Bring your digital photo to the Extension Office or email it to deramsey@ksu.edu. Let us know if you have any questions.

Use of 4-H Building
As you are meeting in the 4-H Building, we remind you to please take caution, and wipe down tables and chairs and common surfaces before and after use with soap and water. Hand sanitizer and cleaning products are available at the building for your meetings. Please practice social distancing and do all you can