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Great Things Happening in Frontier 4-H

The Frontier District's new communications and marketing manager is Carol Engle. Carol's home office is out of Ottawa but will be out and about helping share the good news of all the Frontier District 4-H clubs. Carol and her husband, Allan, were both involved in FFA in their respective hometowns of Garnett, Kansas, and Waynoka, Oklahoma, and their three grown children were active in the Thomadora 4-H Club in Reno County, Kansas, during their elementary, middle school and high school years. When you are in the Ottawa office, please take a moment to introduce yourself and say hello!



Kansas Livestock Sweepstakes

The Frontier District 4-H members participating in the Kansas Livestock Sweepstakes were quite impressive! Since space is short, those who participated and placed in the top 20% are listed on page five. Thank you for representing Frontier District 4-H and doing so well again this year!

A County Fair Perspective from a County Agent

The summer is a magical time for 4-H members. Long hours spent working on projects with sweat and tears...ultimately to be exhibited and judged at the County Fair! Watching 4-H members stand in the winner's circle or observing a youth overcoming challenges which creates personal growth justifiably invokes true joy and fulfillment in my job. Pulling off a county fair is a huge undertaking for both the community and the 4-H members. For everyone who helped with the fair I want to personally extend my appreciation of gratitude! It fills my heart to watch adults give their personal time to invest in the youth of their community!

Sadly, in today's world, it is well documented that mental health in our youth is on the rise. Our 4-H program and county fair are a safe harbor to help our youth thrive! Research consistently shows the power positive adult relationships have on the social and emotional welfare of our children. The Positive Youth Development Thriving Model states it like this:

"Belonging (Positive Relationship with a Caring Adult) – Young people who have an adult or two in their lives they can depend on, have positive interactions with, feel safe, trusted, and nurtured with, will be propelled to become able and successful adults."

Children who have the aforementioned adults in their lives grow into adults who want to achieve academic and vocational success, give back to their communities (civically engaged), become good employees, and are happy with a strong wellbeing. Who knew the fair had such power on our youth?

We hold the key to a positive adult/child relationship which create such an enormous impact in the lives of our children! It is important that all 4-H members feel success in some manner at the county fair. Remember this important fact and lean into it: "it's not just about the purple ribbon, it's about growing children." Never hesitate to toss a "good job" or "way to go" in the direction of our youth...little statements mean a lot.

I hope everyone is having a smooth transition into school and fall routines. Thank you for allowing your children to participate in 4-H...I'm looking forward to our 4-H fall activities with all our kids. Best of luck to all 4-H members competing at the State Fair!

Jessica Flory

Frontier District 4-H Youth Development Agent; KSRE

Offices Closed

Frontier Extension District Offices will be closed **September 4th and the 26th.**

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FRONTIER DISTRICT 4-H CALENDAR



The calendar has dates for all three counties. Dates may/may not appear elsewhere in the newsletter. Read carefully, please and direct any questions to the Extension Office.

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| SEPT. 4 | All Frontier Offices Closed | Garnett/Lyndon/Ottawa |
| 6 | Perishable Items Due For State Fair to Office | Garnett/Lyndon/Ottawa |
| 8 | Kansas 4-H Wheat Expo @ Pratt Area 4-H Center | Pratt |
| 8-17 | Kansas State Fair | Hutchinson |
| 11 | AN CO: 4-H Council Meeting; 7:00 p.m. @Extension Office | Anderson |
| | AN CO: 4-H Club Leader Meeting 6:00 p.m. @Extension Office | Anderson |
| | OS CO: Ambassador Applications Due | Lyndon |
| 15 | Sport Fishing Tournament Enrollment Due | Online |
| 18 | All Project Record Report Forms | Garnett/Lyndon/Ottawa |
| | OS CO: Friend of 4-H and Alumni Awards Nomination Due | Lyndon |
| | OS CO: 4-H Family of the year Nomination Due | Lyndon |
| 25 | FR CO: 4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m. @Commissioner Chamber | Ottawa |
| | FR CO: 4-H Club Leader Meeting, 6:00 p.m. @Commissioner Chamber | Ottawa |
| 26 | All Frontier Offices Closed | Garnett/Lyndon/Ottawa |
| 28-30 | Kincaid Fair | Kincaid |
| OCT. 1 | Kansas 4-H Dog Conference Registration Due | Online |
| 2 | Youth Leadership Council Application Due | Online |
| 7-8 | 48 Hours of 4-H | |
| 18 | FR CO: Achievement Celebration | Ottawa |
| 21-22 | Kansas 4-H Dog Conference | Rock Springs |
| 30 | OS CO: 4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m. @ Extension Office | Lyndon |
| NOV. 1 | All Financial Reviews due | Garnett/Lyndon/Ottawa |
| 7 | OS CO: Achievement Celebration | Lyndon |
| 8 | AN CO: Achievement Celebration | Garnett |

KSF Items to Extension Office

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All books eligible for judging are due to the Extension Office by **September 18th**. Check with Club Leaders as their due date may be earlier than the Office's. Officer book rubrics are available for those planning to participate in County judging. See page three for details regarding record books and PRRFs. Direct all questions to the Extension Office.

Adult Judges Needed for Project Record Report Forms (PRRFs)

Adult volunteers are needed to judge PRRFs **September 25th-29th**, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., in each Frontier District Office (not on Tuesday morning). Adults (not youth) may come and go as time permits. For space purposes, please call and schedule a date and time to judge. Each club is asked to provide at least three adults (required point on the Club Seal Application). On **Wednesday, September 27th**, each office will remain open until 7:00 p.m. for judging, as well as be being opened over the lunch hour. Volunteers can also judge in the Ottawa Office during the 4-H Council meeting on **September 25th**, if desired. Direct any and all questions to the Extension Office.

PROJECT RECORD REPORT FORMS

It's never too early to get started! Check with Club Leaders as their due date may be earlier than the Office's. All books eligible for judging are due to the Extension Office by **September 18th**. Direct all questions to the Office. Reminder, PRRFS are the only Project Record available.

4-H Project Record Report Form

The 4-H Project Record Report Form (PRRF) will emphasize project learning and growth and resembles a record. It will also help develop career readiness skills. Only those filling out the PRRF will be eligible for county awards.

The PRRF, an instructional guide and check sheet, an evaluation rubric, a form fillable personal page and a permanent record are available, as is a **free** download of the current Adobe Reader DC (this download is required to use the new forms). Videos are also available! **Be sure to follow directions!**

Members are still encouraged to fill out the permanent record, the record book check sheet and a pin application (if applicable). These items should be turned into the leader first. The leader should then turn in the required information. When filling out the PRRF, first choose the correct age level (use Jan. 1st, 2023 to determine age): Junior, ages 7-9; Intermediate, ages 10-13; and Senior, ages 14-18. Secondly, choose the correct PRRF version - an animal form (includes ALL livestock) or a general form (static projects, also includes dog, cat and handpet). Next, READ THE GUIDE! This will answer many questions! Finally, be sure to have the current version of Adobe Reader DC (it is free). Open the forms, save before filling anything out and name the file accordingly. Not doing so in this order may result in loss of info. Read and follow the directions and save often! **COUNTY JUDGING:** 4-H members will submit to the club leader a project record report form for each project in a separate folder/binder and label it with the member's name, club, age group and project. Only one Project Report Form is required for project areas that have more than one level (i.e. shooting sports-all 10 disciplines, livestock-market and breeding, clothing-construction and buymanship, etc.). Project Champions will be chosen in all eligible project areas in all three age divisions in all three counties. All PRRFs submitted will be judged against those in the same project from the same county and within same age division. The record includes the form, project reflection and photos. The page with the three signature lines should be filled out and printed so all signatures are **physically written**. Electronic signatures **will not** be accepted.

AREA/REGIONAL JUDGING (for senior level only): For each eligible project (must have been chosen as a county champion), submit a project record report form, cover letter and resume.

STATE JUDGING (for senior level only): For each project area, the top two senior 4-H members from the area/regional screening will submit his/her project record report form, cover letter, resume **and a video**.

As always, if there are any questions, please contact the Extension Office.

Member Achievement Pins

Member Achievement Pin Applications are available and will need to be printed and signed by the appropriate persons. Those wondering what pin is next may log on to the 4-H Online System and look at the member's "Awards".

To fulfill the criteria to receive a pin, members must fill out records for all projects in which they are enrolled. Achievement Pin applications require a club leader's signature, so plan accordingly. Direct any questions to the Extension Office.

ZBooks

Record keeping and project reporting are valuable skills taught to Kansas 4-H members. They are encouraged to keep a permanent record of all 4-H and non-4-H experiences and to summarize project experiences on the Kansas 4-H Project Record Report Form for end of the year project recognition. Youth may now choose to use either record keeping option: a.) the fillable PDF Project Record Report Form or b.) the new online ZBooks software. The Permanent Record is included in ZBooks. Prior activities need not be transferred into the online new version. Just start using it this year and attach it to the previous years' documents. This new option is very exciting! What a great way to stay on top of your expenses while on the go!

ZBook Training Videos

Have you watched the new ZBook Training Videos yet? Jo, the 4-H Program Manager in the Osage Office, has made two videos that go into great detail on how to use ZBooks. It is very user friendly. One video shows how to set up a family profile on ZBooks, **CLICK HERE**, and the other is how to create records, **CLICK HERE**. All families are encouraged to look into ZBooks now and start experimenting with it. If you have any questions, please let your appropriate office know!

District Wide Projects and Leaders Available

A list of District-wide projects and leaders is available to Frontier District 4-H members. Leader contact information is available in the Extension Office. Meeting and project information will be posted in the newsletter and/or emailed to those enrolled in the project.

Dog: Rochelle Nelson

Geology: Gayla Corley

Fiber Arts, Quilting: Michele Altendorf

Horse: AN CO-Curtis & Jenny Hughes

FR CO-Kathy Hinderliter

OS CO-Dorothy Christiason & Niki Schoepflin

Livestock Judging: Hyatt Frobose

Rabbits: Jillian Oberly

Shooting Sports: (available disciplines vary by county)

FR CO-Tim Kunard & Amy Livingston

Shooting Sports-Western Heritage: Amy Livingston,

Dave Sielert, John Torrence, Ken Wilk

STEM-Architect. Block Constr. (Legos): Tara Calley

Wildlife: Rochelle Nelson

GENERAL NEWS

Club Seal Applications Due

Club Seal Applications are due to the Extension Office by **September 18th**. Now is the time to get started. Also due by this time are PRRF's, pin applications, etc. Check with the club leader to find out if there is an earlier club due date!

Care to Share Form Available

Positive things are happening in the Frontier Extension District's 4-H program! The Care to Share form is designed to help recognize individuals, committees, etc. Completed forms should be sent to the Extension Office. The Office will then send a congratulatory card to the appropriate person(s). Forms are accepted year round.

4-H Policy

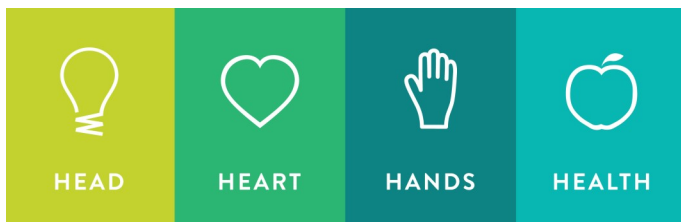
Frontier District 4-H families are encouraged to review the State 4-H Policy. Updates include the addition of K-State's updated child protection policy. The current KSRE and 4-H practices cover the new requirements and are now included as a reference in the policy. Direct all questions the Office.

Club Boxes

Each 4-H club is asked to designate one or two people to come in and pick up the information from the club box in the Extension Office. Plan to check the box on a regular basis.

Do I Really Need to Read the Newsletter?

The short answer is YES! ALL Frontier District 4-H families should read the newsletter! It is used to communicate important information! The article titles indicate the content and the red font is a link that will take the reader to the information. Previous newsletters are available, too.



Enrollment & Sponsor Payments

The new 4-H year will begin October 1st. The system will not allow enrollment/re-enrollment before that date. The cost will remain \$15. Cloverbuds and volunteers will not be charged. **Returning** 4-H members and volunteers should be re-enrolled by **December 1st**. When enrolling, projects and clubs will not pre-populate. Returning members will need to select the club and all the desired projects. If selecting a project in which the youth was enrolled last year, the years in the project will increment correctly based on what was on the enrollment the year before. Check these when enrolling! Families are also encouraged to confirm the email address for the family and for each member/volunteer.

GENERAL NEWS

Electronic Treasurer's Book Available

An electronic version of the Treasurer's Book is available for any club or group to use.

48 Hours of 4-H

The weekend after National 4-H Week is the perfect opportunity to do a service project to see just how much can be given back to the community! Invite friends, parents, other clubs, adult volunteers and 4-H Alumni to participate in 48 Hours of 4-H on **October 7-8, 2023**. Be sure to register your club's activity!

Financial Review Due

The end of the year financial report for all clubs and groups must be completed and turned into the Extension Office by **November 1st**. Any Frontier District 4-H club treasurer wanting to have his/her book eligible for county judging must turn in all information to the Extension Office by **September 18th**.

Helpful Resources

It's called "4-H at Home", but anyone can use this wonderful resource! It is full of project ideas to explore, learn, practice or experience. The content is appropriate for beginning, intermediate and advanced project members. Also included are resources and events that might be available, including curriculum, record-keeping and project exhibit ideas.

Raffle Policy and Guidelines

It is the time of year when clubs begin discussing fundraising options. Nonprofit and education entities may conduct raffles. However, a raffle policy and guidelines must be followed. **Any** Extension unit-affiliated group (e.g. 4-H club, 4-H project group, etc.) wanting to conduct a raffle must first fill out and submit an application. The Extension District Board meets monthly (beginning of the month) and all applications must be approved by them prior to conducting the raffle. **A financial report must then be presented to the Board upon completion of the raffle.** Completed applications for Board approval may be sent to any Frontier District Office.

Mass Emails Not Received or Going to Junk/Spam

The 4-H Agent and Program Managers will communicate important information and reminders with families via 4HOnline in mass emails. Frontier District families who are not receiving mass emails or they are showing up in the junk or spam folder are requested to follow these steps. 1). Ensure the email address is correct in both the family's profile and member's profile in the 4HOnline System. 2). Ensure the family has "unsubscribed" to 4HOnline emails. If so, each member must re-subscribed to receive "Broadcasts" (emails) again. 3). "Whitelist" the address from which the broadcasts originate: no-reply@4honline.com. Whitelisting means taking manual steps to ensure that an email from a particular recipient is not blocked or does not go to the junk/spam folder. Simply Google "how to whitelist an email address," and follow the instructions for the family's specific email client (Outlook, Gmail, Yahoo, etc.).

PROJECT NEWS

Setting Project Goals

After choosing projects, it is important to plan what can be learned and accomplished. What new skills can be gained? Who is going to help along the way? Setting measurable goals will help guide youth through positive 4-H project learning experiences. This resource can help members get started!

Explore Your Spark!

An "Explore Your Spark!" fact sheet is available for many of the 4-H project areas. The sheet provides ideas of what can be done or learned as the youth grows in the project. Other resources for each project are also available. Check it out!

Kansas Clover Classroom

The Kansas Clover Classroom is an amazing 4-H project supplemental guide available to 4-H families. Taking photos, designing a cabinet, building rockets, collecting insects, tending to livestock...those activities are part of a much bigger, project-based learning process to prepare youth for the future. Which challenge will you take on?

World Dairy Expo

World Dairy Expo: **Nov. 30th–Oct. 6th**, in Madison, Wis.

Dog Rule Book Changes

The recent updated rule book is designed to help establish uniform regulations and procedures for the 4-H dog shows and events throughout the state. Use this book as a guide when setting up shows and establishing show rules.

Save the Date! Kansas 4-H Dog Conference

The Kansas 4-H Dog Conference will be **October 21-22, 2023** at Rock Springs. Youth and adults can participate in different project-based learning opportunities. This year's theme is "Dogz of Oz". Registration will open **September 15th** and closed **October 1st**.

Entomology

Come join the end of the year fun at the **September 23, 2023** Entomology project meeting. The group will meet at the Allen County Extension Office at 1:30 p.m. Those enrolled in Entomology this year are asked to bring a short talk on "Your Favorite Insect Memory This Year". Anyone thinking about trying this project for 2024 is welcomed to come join and learn!

District-Wide Horse Groups

Join the group and watch for updates and reminders on Facebook!

Boots & Spurs - Facebook: Anderson County Boots and Spurs 4-H Horse Club; Jenny: jennifer.e.hughes@sprint.com.

Franklin County Horse Club - Facebook name: Franklin County 4-H Horse Club. Contact Kathy at 785-242-5506 or at kathy.hinderliter@gmail.com.

Osage County Horse and Youth (H.A.Y.) - Facebook name: 4-H H.A.Y Club (no period after the "Y"); Dorothy: 785-806-5786 or Niki: ncfm1234@hotmail.com or 785-219-1829.

Kids N Horses Newsletter

The Kids N Horses Newsletter is a great resource!

PROJECT NEWS

Horse Project Changes for the New 4-H Year

1). Horse Achievement Levels will no longer be required to participate at the Kansas State Fair 4-H Horse Show.

2). Eligibility for the KSF 4-H Horse Show has changed.

3). Those planning on to participate at the Kansas State Fair must fill out and upload an **affidavit** when entering.

Livestock: KS 4-H Animal Science Recordings

This is an opportunity to learn more about the livestock industry, career opportunities, and good animal husbandry practices. The recordings are available!

Livestock Sweepstakes Results

Thank you to those who participated in the Kansas Livestock Sweepstakes. They did a fantastic job and represented Frontier District 4-H in magnificent fashion! Congratulations to Anah, Calla & Lane Higbie, Appanoose Trailblazers; Bryce Hatfield, Burg Go Getters; Hal, Hans & Graham Higbie, Princeton Goal Busters; Mackenzie & Carson Cunningham, Rambling Ranchers; and Braden & Tyler Gillespie, Seekers Not Slackers. A big round of applause to those who competed! The following results are of those placing in the top 20. All results are available at the above link.

Quiz Bowl: Frontier 1, 4th overall

Meats (78): Tyler Gillespie, 11th; Hans Higbie, 19th

Skillathon Overall (156 individuals): Lane Higbie, 10th; Tyler Gillespie, 12th; Teams (70): Frontier 1, 5th

Livestock Judging - Overall (212 individuals): Calla Higbie, 4th; Lane Higbie, 6th; Mackenzie Cunningham, 13th Teams (99): Frontier 1, 2nd; Frontier 2, 17th

Placings in Livestock Judging areas (228):

Reasons: Calla Higbie, 6th; Lane Higbie, 8th; Teams (99): Frontier 1, 2nd

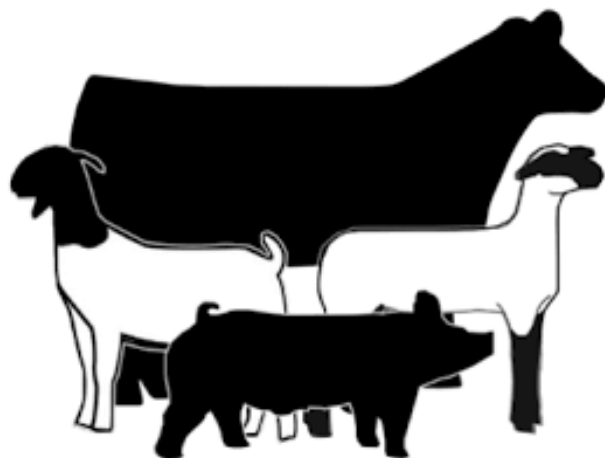
Placing: Mackenzie Cunningham, 3rd; Lane Higbie, 8th; Calla Higbie, 11th

Beef: Lane Higbie, 4th; Calla Higbie, 9th; Mackenzie Cunningham, 13th; Tyler Gillespie, 17th

Sheep/Goat: Mackenzie Cunningham, 4th; Calla Higbie, 7th; Lane Higbie, 8th

Swine: Calla Higbie, 4th; Lane Higbie, 15th

Sweepstakes (62); must be of senior age and participate in Livestock Judging, Livestock Skillathon and Meats Judging to be eligible) Tyler Gillespie, 7th; Lane Higbie, 13th; Calla Higbie, 20th; Teams (13): Frontier 1, 5th



PROJECT NEWS

Local Beef Judging Contest

WHO: Teams or individuals interested in evaluating live cattle; contest is open to youth and adults of all ages

WHAT: Beef Cattle Judging Contest

WHEN: **Oct. 14th**; Check-in at 8:00 a.m.; Judge at 9:00 a.m.

WHERE: Judd Ranch, 423 Highway K-68, Pomona, KS

Plant Science: Horticulture Newsletter

This is a fabulous resource!

2023 P-T Testing

P-T testing will be required for the State Fair and will take place at the State Fair!

Poultry Newsletter

This is new and it has some great information! Check it out!

Poultry: #FlockDefender

For those interested in the Poultry project, a new outreach effort is aimed at helping youth poultry owners learn about and practice good biosecurity. This new effort is called **#FlockDefender** and it encourages and prepares all poultry owners to implement diligent biosecurity practices. Electronic resources are available to youth and leaders to be used during meetings and when caring for flocks. A free youth toolkit is now available. Check it out!

Wildlife: Sportfishing

All 4-H members are encouraged to participate in the tournament since participants do not have to be enrolled in the Sportfishing project. Tournament entries are due by **September 15th**.

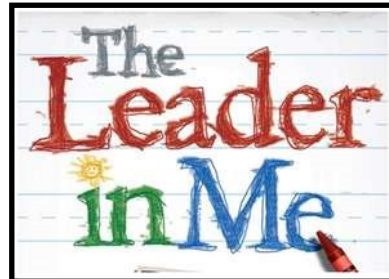
TEEN MEMBER NEWS

Include 4-H Experiences in a Resumé or Interview

Here are tips for putting 4-H experiences on a resumé and to have a successful interview! These are excellent resources to use while filling out a scholarship/job application or preparing for an interview! A **guide** to prepare a resumé is available!

Save the Date

The Kansas Youth Leadership Forum will be **November 18-19th, 2023**. Rock Springs Ranch; Youth, ages 14-18, before January 1, 2023.



Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council

The Youth Council and National 4-H Conference application will be combined, with applicants indicating if they are applying for one or both opportunities. Any Kansas 4-H member between the ages of 14 and 18 before January 1, 2024 may apply as a Council Rep and those 15-18 before January 1, 2024 may apply for National Conference. Applications are due **October 2, 2023**.

VOLUNTEER NEWS

Volunteer Resources

Club and project volunteers are only as good as the resources made available to them. Kansas 4-H is providing several recorded resources which are available to anyone anytime. Currently, there is Public Speaking, STEM: Rocketry, FCS: Textile Science, Animal Science: Livestock, Service Learning and Visual Arts: Barn Quilts. Other project leader resources are also available! Check these out and help yourself become a better leader!

4-H Club Corner

Check out the 4-H Club Corner! Tools and resources are available for club leaders so a rich and vibrant 4-H experience can be created for all 4-H families.

Club Leader Meetings Available

Community Club Leaders, new or returning, are encouraged to attend meetings designed just for club leaders! Info will be available on the Leader's home county page. Meetings are at 6:00 p.m. and held before every other 4-H Council meeting and usually last an hour. They are very informative!

4-H EZ: Recipe for Club Success

This online resource for club leaders includes six videos and handouts and resources that go with the videos. They are designed to help create a better club experience. Help yourself be a better leader and check it out! Also included is the "4-H EZ Application Guide". It allows for reflection of the videos and application of the info for the Club.



NEW MEMBER NEWS

With so much information, 4-H families may find the newsletter to be overwhelming! With 3 counties and 20 4-H clubs with over 600 4-H members/volunteers, it is vital everyone have a way to receive the information. This page is designed to help new (and not so new) 4-H families stay informed! **Stay informed and read the newsletter!**

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4-H News





ANDERSON COUNTY NEWS



4-H Council and Club Leader Meetings

The Anderson County 4-H Council meetings are held on the second Monday of each odd numbered month at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting will be **September 11th, 2023** at 7:00 p.m. at the Extension Office in the Annex. Be sure to attend and represent your club as there must be a representative from each club at every meeting in order for the club to be on track to receive a purple seal at year's end. While only club elected Council members are allowed to vote, all 4-H members, parents or volunteers are welcomed to attend.

Save the date! Club Leader meetings will be held in January, May and **September** at 6:00 p.m. before the 4-H Council meeting. All club leaders are encouraged to attend!

AN CO Fair Checks and Livestock Premiums

Each Anderson County 4-H member who sold an animal at the market sale and has not collected his/her livestock premium money should do so directly from the bidder. Anyone with questions should contact the Extension Office.



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| Council Committees: Assignments will be in effect October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2024. | National 4-H Week | CM & LI3 |
| | Achievement Celebration | CM |
| | County-Wide Fun Event | DYN |
| | County-Wide Community Serv. | LI3 |
| | Club Day | SS |
| | Recognition of 4-H Seniors | SNS, SS & DYN |
| | District-Wide Day Camp | SNS |
| | Judge Project Record Report Forms (PRRFs) | Parents & Leaders |
| | District-Wide Activities & New Member Kick Off | All Clubs |

4-H Members

The Anderson County Fair has come and gone. Livestock Buyers and special award sponsors were quite generous! It is very important that YOU be sure to write a thank you note to the buyer and/or sponsor and deliver/mail it in a timely manner. Adding a baked goody would be a nice touch, too!

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OSAGE COUNTY NEWS



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Fair Premiums Available

The Osage City and Overbrook Fair premium money is available in the Extension Office (this is for ribbons, not market sale). The money should be picked up by **December 1st**. Money not claimed by the deadline will be donated to Osage County 4-H Council.

KSF Items to Extension Office

Perishable items going to the State Fair should be delivered to the Extension Office by 4:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, September 6th**. All offices are closed on Monday, September 4th for Labor Day. Check the State fairbook to make sure the project has everything needed for exhibition and is displayed correctly. Score sheets will need to be filled out in the Extension Office when the item is dropped off.

4-H Council and Club Leader Meetings

The Osage County 4-H Council meetings are held the fourth Monday of each even numbered month. The next meeting will be **October 30th, 2023**, at 7:00 p.m. in the Extension Office. This will be the first meeting of the new 4-H year. Elections will be on the agenda. Be sure to attend and represent your club as there must be someone from each club at every meeting in order for the club to be on track to receive a purple seal at year's end. All 4-H members, parents, and volunteers are welcomed to attend a meeting but only club elected Council members are allowed to vote.

Save the date! Club Leader meetings will be held in December, April, and August at 6:30 p.m. before the 4-H Council meeting.

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| Council Committees: Assignments will be in effect October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2024. | County-Wide Fundraiser | NO |
| | Club Day | WW |
| | Achievement Celebration | BG |
| | District-Wide Day Camp | CW |
| | Judge Project Record Report Forms (PRRFs) | Parents & Leaders |
| | Council By-Laws & National 4-H Week | LL |
| | District-Wide Event | MJH |

Osage County Shooting Sport

Fall season is coming quickly! Small Bore Rifle will be **Oct. 22nd & 29th**, as well as **Nov. 5th & 12th** at 3:00 p.m. Located at 15303 S. Osage Rd, Burlingame, KS 66413. There will be a benefit shoot at Ravenwood on **Saturday, November 4th**, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Hope to see you there!

Save the Date!

The Osage County Achievement Celebration will be held **November 7th**. Details will be in next month's newsletter.

Officer Books, Record Books and PRRFs Due

Check with the club leader as books may be due earlier. ALL project record report forms are due to the Extension Office by **September 18th**. Judging rubrics for officer's books are available for those planning to participate in county judging. See page four for details regarding Record Books and the 4-H Project Record Report Forms (PRRFs)! Direct any questions to the Extension Office.

4-H Ambassador Applications

A 4-H Ambassador promotes the 4-H program to everyone! Teen 4-H members are the best spokespersons and there is no better promotion than sharing the experiences of what has been accomplished in the program. The Osage County 4-H Ambassador Team will be comprised of properly enrolled 4-H members, 14-18 years of age, who have completed at least two years of 4-H club work. Applications are due to the Lyndon Office by **September 11th**. Interviews will be in October and the new Ambassador Team will be announced at the Achievement Celebration on **November 7th**. Direct all questions to Jo in the Lyndon Office.

Friend of 4-H and Alumni Awards

Acknowledging the volunteers is important! Nominations for the Osage County Friend of 4-H and the 4-H Alumni Award are due to the Lyndon Extension Office by **September 18th**. The Friend of 4-H Award is for anyone who has made significant contributions to 4-H but was never a 4-H member. The Alumni Award is for past 4-H members. Nomination forms are available in the Extension Office and from Club Leaders. A list of previous winners is also available.

4-H Family of the Year

The Osage County 4-H Family of the Year will be honored at this year's 4-H Achievement Night. A nomination may be submitted by anyone and is due in the Lyndon Office by **September 18th**. Nomination forms are also available from Club Leaders or in the Extension Office. Complete the required form explaining why the family is deserving of the honor. To be eligible, at least one member of the family must be a current 4-H member or volunteer. The following criteria will determine selection: ~Balance of total family involvement in 4-H ~Contributions the family has made to the 4-H program (most weight given to club and county level) ~Involvement and contributions in the community ~Evidence the family has benefited from 4-H Direct any and all questions to Jo in the Lyndon Office.

Adults Needed for PRRF Judging

Adult volunteers are needed to judge PRRFs **September 25th-29th**, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., in each Frontier District Office (not Tuesday). Adults (not youth) may come and go as time permits. For space purposes, please call and schedule a date and time to judge. Each club is asked to provide at least three adults as this is a required point on the Club Seal Application. Each office will remain open for judging until 7:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, September 27th**. Direct all questions to the Extension Office.



FRANKLIN COUNTY NEWS



4-H Council and Club Leader Meetings

The Franklin County 4-H Council meetings are held the last Monday of each odd numbered month (not July). The next meeting will be **September 25th, 2023**, at 7:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers, 1418 S. Main, in Ottawa (down the hall from the Extension Office).

Save the date! Club Leader meetings will be held in January, May, and **September** at 6:00 p.m. before the 4-H Council meeting.

Shooting Sports Practice Dates

Archery: 8:00 a.m.: Franklin Co. Fairgrounds, 220 West 17th, in Ottawa, at the south end. Plan to arrive a few minutes early to help set up the range and/or stay late to take down the range; Practice dates: **September 2nd & 9th.**

Shotgun 10:00 a.m.: Cedar Hill Gun Club (918 E 1650 Rd, Baldwin City) or Hillsdale Range (26719 Toe Rd. Paola) **September 2nd & 9th.**

Check the group Face Book page for practice reminders and potential cancellations. "Franklin County 4-H Shooting Sports".

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| Council Committees: Assignments will be in effect October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2024. | Club Day | BGG & AR |
| | District-Wide Day Camp | SH |
| | Livestock Buyers Appreciation | GA & TC |
| | Market 4-H & Nat'l 4-H Week | RW |
| | Judge Project Record Report Forms (PRRFs) | Parents & Leaders |
| | Achievement Celebration | PGB |
| | District-Wide Event | AT |
| | Community Service & Fair Goody Plates | RR |

Junior Medallions

At the annual Franklin County 4-H Achievement Celebration, medallions are awarded to junior and intermediate members showing excellence in a project through a PRRFs. Two awards will be given in most project areas for the junior level and one in the intermediate level (a pin is awarded to the top PRRF). Medallions can be sponsored by **anyone** for \$3.00 each. Sponsorships and payment are due by **October 1st**. A list of sponsors will appear in the celebration program and in the newsletter. Anyone interested in sponsoring may contact the Ottawa Extension Office. Checks should be made payable to the Franklin County 4-H Council.

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Franklin County awards and Scholarship

The Eric Piotrowsky "Spirit of a Leader" award and scholarship (\$300) is available for Franklin County 4-H members. Nominees need not be a senior to receive this honor and nominations must come from someone other than the 4-H member or a family member. Nominations are due by **September 25th** in the Extension Office.

The Glen Hayward Leadership Award application is also due to the Extension Office by **September 25th**.

Save the Date! Achievement Celebration

The Franklin County Achievement Celebration will be held **October 18th**. Details will be in next month's newsletter!



District's 4-H website:

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Club and Group Tax Exempt Status Paperwork

Kansas 4-H is a 701(c)1 and has a tax exempt status. However, according to Kansas 4-H Policy, clubs and project groups should have their own number in order to receive those benefits. The website will allow clubs/groups to attain that status. Those who already have their own number are asked to make sure a colored copy is on file in the Extension Office. Those who need the form should click on "Submit New Request" and then "Register Now". Please send a colored copy of the certificate to the Extension Office. It would also be helpful to have the contact information, password and security question answers the certificate was attained under in case the original or information is lost. Direct any questions to the Extension Office.

Helpful Websites - Bookmark Them!

1. **www.frontierdistrict.ksu.edu**--This is the website for the Frontier Extension District. Upcoming events, District newsletters, contact information for all agents, etc. is available. The 4-H Youth Development page is used to communicate information, dates, deadlines and links to 4-H families.
2. **Frontier Extension District: Kansas State Research & Extension**--This is the District's Facebook name. Info, dates and last minute event changes are posted and shared.
3. **www.kansas4-h.org**--This is the Kansas 4-H website and is an excellent resource. Information about state events, project materials and the state 4-H newsletter is available.
4. **<http://pinterest.com/kansas4h/>**--This is the Kansas 4-H Pinterest page. The site showcases 4-H media tips, events, programs, volunteers, community service and club management ideas, as well as helpful hints for projects.

Disabilities Accommodations Request Form

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requires persons with disabilities be provided "reasonable" accommodations and prohibits discrimination against persons with disabilities. Accommodations are generally considered reasonable if they do not change the fundamental nature of the program or alter the essential criteria for participation. Accommodations meeting these standards should typically be provided. Reasonable accommodations are determined through an interactive process between the community member and local and State 4-H Offices. It is essential for the Accommodation Request Form to be filled out **FIRST** at the local level in collaboration with a local Extension Professional to launch a formal accommodations process. Because it can take time to plan for accommodations, KSRE requests this form be submitted **no later than two weeks prior to the event/activity**. Submitting a request on shorter notice may reduce and/or limit any ability to implement accommodations.

Do a Radio Spot!

The Frontier Extension District 4-H program has a short radio spot on KOFO 1220 AM/103.7 FM that airs every Wednesday at 6:40 a.m. All 4-H members are invited to share 4-H experiences (such as the fair and what was learned), talk about upcoming community service projects, club happenings, etc. Several 4-H members have done a radio spot and found it to be quite fun! To sign up, contact the Extension Office. FYI: There are no early morning recordings as the program is pre-recorded at a time that works for you!

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