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Central Kansas District 4-H

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The month of October begins a new 4-H year. It is time to set those goals for the new year. Some basic steps for goal setting are:

Step 1: Decide what you want to achieve.

Step 2: Set a deadline.

Step 3: How will you know if you have achieved your goal? What will be different?

Step 4: What are the things you need to do to achieve your goal?

This is a very exciting time in 4-H—new officers, new projects, new leaders, and hopefully new members! Remember to make recruitment one of your goals this year!

2017-18 4-H ENROLLMENT DETAILS

Kansas 4-H will continue to use the online enrollment system this year and it will require everyone (Cloverbuds, 4-H Members, Registered Volunteers, and Prospective Registered Volunteers) to enroll online. The enrollment system will open on October 2. Here are some helpful hints and tips as you enroll your child(ren) and yourself (if a current or soon to be registered volunteer) online:

- Each family should have received (or will receive) a brochure from their 4-H club organizational leader with directions on how to re-enroll or enroll in the 4HOnline system.
- You will need to use either Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox as your web browser. If you are using a Mac, iPad, iPhone, Android device, etc., you will still need to use Chrome or Firefox instead of Safari, Internet Explorer, etc.
- We strongly encourage a parent to enroll the 4-H member(s). This can be a joint effort with both the parent and youth. A parent will need to complete the health information online.
- Please make note of the email address and password you use (only one required per 4-H family). You may want to write it down and place it in a secure location. You will need this information for your child(ren) to add and drop projects, update information in case you move, re-enroll next year, etc.
- As you complete the enrollment process, PLEASE READ ALL of the directions thoroughly. DO NOT make assumptions.



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- Be sure to allow enough time when you begin the enrollment process. You DO NOT have to complete the enrollment all in one setting. It will take an average of 20 minutes for a family with one child to enroll and approximately 5-7 minutes for each additional child (times are approximate). **Do not forget to hit the SUBMITT BUTTON to record the information in the 4HOnline system.**
- The youth will need to be added as a volunteer if they are an officer, project leader, etc.
- ONLY Registered Volunteers (or potential registered volunteers) will need to enroll at the same time as their child(ren). They will need to indicate their volunteer status at that time.
- Be sure to have the list of projects your child(ren) want to enroll in when you get ready to enroll them. A list of the current projects should have been given to you by your organizational leader at the October 4-H meeting. If you have misplaced the list or were not at the October 4-H meeting, you may find a list of projects here <http://www.centrankansas.k-state.edu/4-h/> under 4-H Information. Youth must enroll in at least one project. **Do not forget to hit the SUBMITT BUTTON to record the addition of projects.**
- CLOVERBUDS will need to enroll online as well. They should select the “Cloverbud participant” as their project. If other projects are selected, the projects will be deleted before their enrollment is activated.
- **4-H PROGRAMMING FEE**
 - Who pays the \$15 Kansas 4-H Programming Fee? Organized community club members and independent 4-H members, ages 7-18. Cloverbuds do not have to pay the fee. There is no family cap.
 - The fee will be collected beginning with enrollment at 8 a.m. on Monday, October 2, 2017.
 - Members may apply for a waiver to pay the program fee when they enroll.
 - Payment options include: debit/credit card; check; sponsor; waiver.
 - The Program Fee is NOT tax deductible since it is paying for specific individuals.
 - The Central Kansas District has not secured a sponsor to pay for Kansas 4-H Programming Fee at this time. **Therefore families will be responsible for paying the fee.**
 - If your club has voted to pay the programming fee or any portion of it, be sure to check with your Organizational Leader to know how your club will be handling the payment of the fee.
- Because each club is different with the items the new potential members and cloverbuds must meet, the Organizational Leaders will have to approve each 4-H member and cloverbud’s enrollment before we will accept the online enrollment. Therefore, families will not receive an “active” enrollment email until after October 15.
- **No enrollment will be complete until the online enrollment, health information has been completed and accepted, and the \$15 fee has been paid.** Please note: If 4-H members want to participate in 4-H Club Day on February 17, they will need to make sure to submit their online enrollment and health information by 11:59 p.m. on December 1. DO NOT wait until the last minute to enroll!
- Since the Organizational Leaders will need to approve each 4-H member and cloverbud’s enrollment, leaders will be notified shortly after December 1 of those who have completed the online enrollment. Organizational Leaders must let us know by the deadline established in the email who we can approve. Those individuals will then be able to participate in 4-H Club Day.
- Do not forget to hit the SUBMITT BUTTON to record the information in the 4HOnline system anytime you make changes to a profile.
- If you do not have a computer or access to the internet, you may go to your local library to enroll your child(ren).
- Once the enrollment is complete for everyone in your family, you are **strongly encouraged** to print out the enrollment information. In order to do this, go to the “Member List” window (as seen on the next page) and select the member and report to run (Member – Enrollment History). This should be done **every time** you go into your profile and add or drop a project.

- You can go into your profile anytime throughout the year to add and drop projects.
- If you have any questions, please contact either Extension Office.

Member/Volunteer List						
	Name	Role	Membership ID	Enrollment Status	Last Active Year	Edit
1)	Betsy Boop	Youth	858304	Active	2014-2015	Edit
2)	Grandma Boop	Contact		Active	2014-2015	Edit

Member Reports

Member:

Report:

Register A

Member:

Event:

Select a report ...

Select a report ...

Member - Re-Enrollment Form: Next 4-H Year

Member - Re-Enrollment Form: Current 4-H Year

Member - Enrollment Form (Español)

Member - Enrollment Form (New Adult Member): Enrolling in the Next 4-H Year

Member - Enrollment Form (New Youth Member - Español)

Member - Enrollment Form (New Youth Member): Enrolling in the Current 4-H Year

Member - Enrollment Form (New Youth Member): Enrolling in the Next 4-H Year

Member - Enrollment History

Member - Fair Registration Form

IDEAS FOR CELEBRATING NATIONAL 4-H WEEK – OCTOBER 1-7, 2017

- Have every member of your club invite a guest to the meeting.
- Distribute 4-H promotional materials at school or church.
- Set up a 4-H display at the local library, school, etc.
- Have members of your club volunteer to read to young children during story time.
- Do something special for your project leaders.
- Wear your 4-H T-shirts!



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL KANSAS STATE FAIR EXHIBITORS!!!



The Central Kansas District was well represented this year at the Kansas State Fair.

Congratulations to all those who exhibited in 4-H Centennial Hall and the various activities and shows during the fair. Also, thank you to all of you who volunteered at the state fair. It couldn't have been done without you!!!

LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

DISTRICTWIDE OFFICER TRAINING & FAMILY EVENT

The Districtwide Officer Training and Family Event will take place on Saturday, November 4, at Salina South Middle School. We are excited to continue to partner with McPherson County for this event. A “family” component has been added to this event to encourage all 4-H’ers and their families to attend the Officer Training & Family Event. Registration will be from 1-1:15 p.m. and the sessions from 1:15 – 4 p.m. There will be an optional lunch served from 12:15 – 1 p.m.

The link for online registration will soon be available at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h> (Upcoming Events & Online Registration) and will be **due October 27**. An email will be sent to all 4-H families when the registration is up and running. Youth who have been elected to serve as an officer for their club should plan to attend. All club officers for the District are expected to attend the training. Below is just a preview of the various sessions for 4-H members and families.

Registration & Welcome
President / Vice Pres.
Secretary
Treasurer
Historian / Reporter / Photographer
Recreation Leader
Song Leader
Parliamentarian
How to be a 4-H Parent
Make & Take Crafts

KAPs and Record Books
Pretty Awesome PAR-LAW FUN! Gavel Games
& Model Meetings
How to be a 4-H Judge
4-H Conference Judging
I have money, now what!
Making Meetings Rock!
Livestock Judging
Leadership Initiatives
Science Fun

KANSAS YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM (KYL)

The Kansas Youth Leadership Forum will be held November 17-19, 2017, at Rock Springs 4-H Center. The Forum is for youth ages 14-18, as of January 1, 2018. Registration can be found at <http://www.kansas4-h.org>. Registration will be online and youth will select their workshops at this time. The early registration deadline is October 16.

To be eligible for a scholarship through District 4-H Council, do not forget to complete the 4-H Council Scholarship Application (<http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>, under 4-H’er Forms and Documents) and turn in to the Extension Office by the registration deadline. The scholarship will be \$75. There will be a \$25 cancellation fee that will be charged to any 4-H member who decides not to attend after registering. This is not a local fee, but a state fee. The 4-H Council Scholarship WILL NOT cover this cancellation fee.

ATTENTION: 4-H COUNCIL CO-CHAIRS



Individuals who are currently serving as co-chairs of a 4-H Council Committee, please return your co-chair notebook (1 per committee) by Friday, October 13. If your committee is still active and working on events, you may turn in your notebook as soon as the event is over.

2017 CENTRAL KANSAS DISTRICT 4-H COUNCIL COMMITTEES

As we all know, committees are where the work gets done in an organization. It is said that many hands make light work! It is important that we have ample committee members to accomplish the work at hand, otherwise opportunities are missed and things do not happen. The Central Kansas District 4-H Council Committees operate on a January – December calendar.

According to the Central Kansas District 4-H Council Constitution and By-Laws, each club should have four (4) elected 4-H members to 4-H Council and two (2) elected alternates. Each club should also have two (2) adult members. The above mentioned individuals must serve on a 4-H Council Committee. **If they do not complete the 4-H Council Committee Online Request by November 1, 2017, they will be assigned to a committee.**

Everyone DOES NOT have to be on 4-H Council in order to serve on a 4-H Council Committee. We encourage 4-H members and adults of all ages to serve on a 4-H Council Committee.

The 2017 4-H Council Committees are:

- Finance & Fundraising
- 4-H Club Day
- Gavel Games / Model Meetings
- 4-H Celebration of Achievements
- FCS and Photography Judging
- Agriculture Development
- Social
- Ottawa County Fair
- Tri-Rivers Fair
- Promotion & Recruitment
- Trips & Awards (Adults Only)

To sign up to serve on a committee, individuals should go to <http://tinyurl.com/CKD-CouncilComm2018>

CITIZENSHIP WASHINGTON FOCUS

The 2018 Citizenship Washington Focus will be June 14-25. Each year, up to 46 Kansas 4-H youth and 5 adult sponsors get the opportunity to be a part of this extraordinary learning experience on the road to the heart of our nation's capital. Any 4-H'er, 15-18 years of age (4-H age before January 1, 2018) who is responsible, demonstrates leadership qualities, including self-discipline and sense of group responsibility, interested in returning home to apply citizenship concepts to their own lives and the lives of those around them, AND committed to sharing what they have learned should apply. Applications will be ONLINE. Go to <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>, and on the right hand side there is a link to State 4-H Registration. Registration will close January 15, 2018, or when spots are filled. A \$250 deposit is required with the registration and should be turned in to either Extension office shortly after you register online. The total cost of this trip is \$1,850 and is typically due in April. The anticipated 4-H Council scholarship is \$650, but that will not be known until after the January 4-H Council meeting. To be eligible for this scholarship, do not forget to complete the 4-H Council Scholarship Application (<http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>, under 4-H'er Forms and Documents) and turn in to the Extension Office by the deadline or shortly after you register online.



4-H CELEBRATION OF ACHIEVEMENTS

The 2017 4-H Celebration of Achievements will be held on Sunday, November 5. This event will take place at the 4-H Building at the Saline County Expo Center and begin at 3 p.m. Please be sure and put this event on your calendar. RSVPs will be taken by club and are due back to the Extension Office by Friday, October 20. Hope to see everyone at the 2017 4-H Celebration of Achievements!



Get energized as you network with volunteers, teen leaders, and county-based staff and state specialists from all 50 states! Leave with new ideas you can use to infuse growth into your 4-H programs! **These e-Forums will count as a leadership training for our teens on their pin applications.**

“Cultivating an Environment for Growing True Leaders “

October 5, 2017, 5:45 p.m. (Register by October 1)

“STEM”ming into Livestock- Growing True 4-H Leaders

November 2, 2017, 5:45 p.m. (Register by October 29)

“Helping 4-H’ers Grow in Life and Work”

December 7, 2017, 5:45 p.m. (Register by December 3)

To register for the e-Forums go to <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h/> and click on the link under Upcoming Events & Online Registration. For more information on the e-Forums, please refer to the September 4-H Newsletter. The 2017 4-H Volunteer e-Forum has been developed and provided by a steering committee of state Extension specialists and local Extension staff members.

HELP NEEDED: LION’S BBQ, DECEMBER 2

Mark your calendars for the Annual Salina Downtown Lion’s BBQ, to be held Saturday, December 2, at the 4-H Building in Salina. All 4-H Clubs in the District are asked to help support the Lion’s Club by selling tickets to support this BBQ, as the Downtown Lions are big supporters of CKD 4-H. They support 4-H with scholarships for 4-H Camp, Citizenship Washington Focus, and Discovery Days. *It is imperative that we help them with this fundraiser more than ever.* Tickets are now available and 4-H members are encouraged to sell a minimum of 2 tickets.



December 2, 4:30—6 p.m.

December 2, 5:30—7 p.m.

We’d like to have at least three adults and five to six youth per shift. Younger members should be accompanied by an older teen leader or a parent. If members of your club will be able to help, please call the Salina Extension Office or email Betty at bcharles@ksu.edu and let us know how many workers you will have and what shift you will be able to work. This is a big 4-H fundraiser put on by the Downtown Lions, so provide your support since the Lions provide theirs!

4-H NEWSLETTER DEADLINES FOR 2017



If you have something you would like in the 4-H Newsletter, be sure to email it to semaass@k-state.edu. The deadline for November is Wednesday, October 11; and December/January is Friday, November 3.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY KANSAS! PHOTO CONTEST



Young people across Kansas are invited to discover and celebrate the people and places of Kansas through photographs. The photo contest is open to Kansas students from 1st through 12th grade. Winners will be announced as part of the state's birthday celebration on January 26, 2018, at the Kansas State Capitol in Topeka. Contest rules and the information for submitting photographs are available at <http://happybirthdayks.org>. Entries are being accepted from now through December 15, 2017.

VOLUNTEER SCREENING ORIENTATION

The next Volunteer Screening Orientation is **scheduled for Monday, October 30, from 7 -9 p.m.** Online "RSVP" is required by **Monday, October 23**, and location will be determined based on the pre-registrations. Individuals will be emailed the location of the orientation. The link can be found on the website at <http://www.centralkansas.k-state.edu/4-h/> under Upcoming Events and Online Registration. If you do not have access to the web, please contact either Extension Office. If there are not enough individuals interested, it will be cancelled and those that sign up will be notified.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE STATE FAIR 4-H JUDGING TEAMS

The Central Kansas District had great representation at the Kansas State Fair in the Photography Judging Contest and the Family and Consumer Sciences Judging Contest.

FCS Judging: Congratulations to the intermediate teams of Katrina Fahrenthold and Maddy Krueger on their 3rd place as a team and Weston Schrader and Jayci Shepard on their 4th place as a team.

Photography Judging: Congratulations to the Intermediate team of August Hulse, Lillian Hulse, Madison Repp, and Weston Schrader that placed 2nd overall and our second team placed 8th overall, Cory Betz, Joel Hennes, Andy Marshall, and Jayci Shepard.

Congratulations to our two senior teams! One team placed 4th and the members included Shara Shepard, Sydney Hynes, Erin Lange, and Savannah Zink and our other team placed 11th and the members included Sam Lambdin, Kaylee Hansen, Laura Peterson, and Rebekah Thompson. Individually, Kaylee placed 3rd overall and Sydney placed 8th overall

Great job everyone and congratulations!!!



KANSAS 4-H VOLUNTEER FORUM

Kansas 4-H Volunteer Forum will be held November 17-19, 2017, Rock Springs 4-H Center. The Kansas Volunteer Forum continues to be a part of the Kansas 4-H Leadership Weekend. The Kansas Association of 4-H Volunteers (KA4-HV) is hard at work planning an outstanding Volunteer Forum for all Kansas 4-H Volunteers. The Kansas Volunteer Forum will include workshops, a program from the Kansas Leadership Center, and lots of opportunities to network and share resources. Registration can be found at <http://www.kansas4-h.org>. The online registration deadline is October 16. There will be a \$25 cancellation fee that will be charged to any volunteer who decides not to attend after November 1. This is not a local fee, but a state fee. 4-H Council has a limited number of \$50 scholarships provided for the adult volunteers to help offset the cost of the registration cost. This scholarship will not pay for the \$25 cancellation fee.

CAN PROJECTS BE MADE AT SCHOOL?

Concerned about managing time and resources? You might consider combining 4-H and school projects. However, a few guidelines must be considered before combining, as a definite “yes” or “no” cannot be given across the board for all projects. To legitimize the option of projects serving dual roles answer the following questions:

1. Will you plan ahead of time to correlate the projects for better use of time and money?
2. Will the 4-H project you are enrolled in have a similar suggested learning requirements as your school class?
3. Will the project be a part of the suggested learning and/or requirements in both the 4-H project and school projects?

If you can honestly answer YES to the above questions, then you can legitimize combining the two projects.



HOWEVER...

1. If you wait to enroll in a 4-H project after the school project is completed and select a “project” that fits the completed school project...or
2. If you do no advanced planning but instead decide at the last minute to enter the completed school project at the fair because it’s done. . .then. . . the project is not considered eligible as a 4-H project.

Take time now and pre-plan...it will save confusion in the end.

SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THE 2016-17 ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERS

A big thanks going out to all the individuals who are volunteering their time as Organizational Leaders for the new 4-H year! AND many thanks to those who donated their time during the 16-17 year. Without you the 4-H program in CKD would not be successful! Members, take a moment to thank your Organizational Leaders at your next club meeting! The following is a list of the organizational leaders from last 4-H year (16-17):

Boldly Go: Robyn Prickett and Lindi Fahrenthold

Cardinal: Amber Fouard, Valeri Lewin, and Misty Holmes

Delphos: Curtis & Erin McKain and Michelle Brown

Friendly Valley: Cheryl Spare, Darah Isaacson, and Coleen Seim

Gypsum Valley: Stefany Kaniper, Jennifer Fritz, Becky Heimer, and Janelle Thiel

Livewires: Darci Hurtig and Amber Anderson

Pleasant Valley: Melanie Ohlson and Michelle Johnson

Rolling Meadows: Monica Baltazor, Dianne Schulz, and Lori Persigehl

Smoky View: Jamie Trautwein, Anna Anderson, Amber Pracht, and Denise Peterson

Solomon Valley: Jennifer Nichols and Tammy Krueger

Stoney Ridge: Michelle Griffin, Brandi Schneider, and Nikki Davenport

Sunny Valley: Steve & Myra George, Jeff Easter, and Monica Bachamp

Willing Workers: Jennifer Wangerin and Angie Redden

Woodsdale: Cindy Boucek and D.D. Malmberg



4-H COUNCIL FUNDRAISER– SALINA AREA CLUBS

Materials for the Red Wheel and Fudge (The Sweet Granada) Fundraiser were handed out to the Organizational Leaders at the September 4-H Leader Update. This is a fundraiser for 4-H Council which funds scholarships to 4-H Camp and other 4-H trips, pays for awards at the 4-H Celebration of Achievements, and more! Don't forget that on the 4-H Council Scholarship Application there is a requirement of selling at least 3 items for any fundraiser to count on the application. Keep this in mind as you are selling the products. Also, do not forget that if you sell \$300 or more worth of product, you will be eligible for the ride around Salina to see the holiday lights AND if you are one of the top ten sellers, you will receive a scholarship to attend a 4-H event for the 2017-18 4-H year.

FUNDRAISING AGAIN?! WHY?!

The first and most obvious goal of fundraising is gathering funds. It's simply asking others to help us reach a financial goal we can't reach by ourselves. The majority of funds raised in our district go toward scholarships. Through the generosity of others, kids of all ages get to participate in extraordinary programs to not only develop project knowledge but, more importantly, quality character skills. 4-H is second to none in developing confidence, social skills, communication skills, teamwork mentality, and respect for the world around them.



But there are also many other benefits to fundraising that often go unnoticed—because they benefit us, the fundraisers, not just the kids receiving the funds.

Fundraising teaches us to see (and feel) the needs of others. District fundraising is not about gaining personal wealth, but about benefiting the entire group.

Being responsible for someone else's money is another crucial lesson in fundraising. Accountability and trustworthiness are sorely lacking in many workplaces today, and should be essential character traits of all 4-H'ers. Correctly filling out an order form and delivering the final product in a timely manner are also responsibilities that each 4-H'er needs to perfect. The IRS appreciates little details like that and so will future employers.

While focusing on helping others should be a priority, there is also something to say for personal effort put forth to reach a goal. A child who wants to attend a national 4-H event should not just expect a thousand dollar hand out just because they asked. That child should be putting forth the most effort, doing their part to fund that goal. The goals we work the hardest to accomplish are the experiences we learn the most from and remember the longest.

Fundraising is not just about money. There is so much more we can gain from it, if we invest the time in doing it like a 4-H'er should.

Interested in serving as a Districtwide Leader for a project?

Let Sarah (semaass@k-state.edu) know by October 20.

CENTRAL KANSAS

DISTRICT 4-H



This year there are two service projects that District 4-H members, parents, volunteers, 4-H alumni, and friends of 4-H can participate in:

Saturday, October 7, 1-3 p.m. – Painting

Location: Expo Center (TBD), Salina

We will be painting and doing other things to help beautify the grounds. Be sure to wear clothes you wouldn't mind getting ruined.

Sunday, October 8, 1 p.m. – Painting

Location: Ottawa County Fairgrounds, Minneapolis

We will meet at 1 p.m. at the fairgrounds and stain a fence. Depending on the timing, other projects may be available.

Be sure to wear clothes you wouldn't mind getting ruined.

Water will be provided at all service activities.

4-H Fall Social – October 7, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.

- What:** 4-H Fall Social sponsored by the Central Kansas District 4-H Council Social Committee
- When:** Saturday, October 7, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. (after 48 Hours of 4-H)
- Where:** Eric Stein Stage, Oakdale Park in Salina
- Why:** The Social Committee will have many things for the members to do such as karaoke, various 4-H associated games, and some minute to win it games! Bring a friend or two just to show them what fun 4-H can be!

The committee will also provide snacks for everyone, but they are asking each 4-H club to donate and bring around 10 2-Liters of soda to the social.

Everyone is asked to register for the events by going to

<http://tinyurl.com/CKDOct2017Events>

We ask that everyone register by **Tuesday, October 3.**

Invite your friends to join you during the weekend activities.



DISTRICTWIDE PROJECT NEWS

CREATIVE THREADS – SEWING HELP FOR 2017-18

Anyone interested in sewing with Mary Bernhardt for the 2017-18 4-H year needs to email her (mary_bernhardt@cox.net) before December 1. Please include the following in your email:



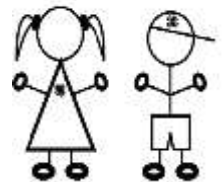
- 4-H member name
- 4-H age
- Sewing experience (if you haven't sewn with Mary in the past)
- Parent name
- Cell number for the parent
- What weekday evenings work best for sewing at Mary's house and if the 4-H member has regular access to a sewing machine.
- What clothing/garment the 4-H member is interested in making (pants, skirt, top, dress, coat, etc.)
- Begin to look for patterns available from McCalls, Simplicity or Butterick for possible **wearable garment project(s)**. Send pattern company name and numbers to Mary. All patterns will need to be ok'd by Mary. Mary will determine sewing dates at her house based on date(s) the majority of 4-H members are available. Do not wait until December 1 to let Mary know you plan to sew with her!

RABBITS! DOGS! CHICKENS! GUINEA PIGS! MOUSE! HAMSTER! CATS!

Come join us on Saturday, October 28, at 9 am in Barn 2 at the Saline County Expo Center to learn more about these small animals. We will be doing presentations, as well as talking about how these make great 4-H projects. For more information, contact Lindi Fahrenthold, 785-826-5980, lfahrenthold@yahoo.com

CLOVERBUD POLICIES

- ✿ To be eligible to participate, a child must have celebrated his or her 5th or 6th birthday before January 1 of the current 4-H year. When a child reaches the age of eligibility for traditional 4-H programs (age 7 or older before January 1 of the current 4-H year), the child and his or her parent(s) or guardian(s) can decide whether to transition their child into 4-H club membership.
- ✿ Must complete 4HOnline enrollment.
- ✿ May exhibit items at the county fair under the Cloverbud Division — may receive a Cloverbud ribbon, no premium.
- ✿ Membership is not counted toward 4-H years.
- ✿ Districtwide meetings will be held at the Salina Extension Office and will be adjusted as needed. Look for information in the 4-H Newsletter.
- ✿ Kansas 4-H Cloverbuds are not allowed to exhibit livestock. The 4-H Cloverbuds program is tailored to youth, with concerns for a child's physical, mental and emotional development. The physical difference in stature between a child and livestock can endanger a child. A child's maturity level and lack of understanding of animal behaviors also can increase the risk to the child. While a child may seem capable of handling livestock on the family farm and/or in familiar settings, managing livestock in a public setting can add stress and increase the risks for the child, the livestock and others who may be in the area. Allowing a young child to exhibit livestock in a public arena also increases the liability for all concerned.
- ✿ For more information on the Cloverbud Program and for a Question & Answer sheet, go to <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>, Cloverbuds.





EXTRA

NEWS FOR CENTRAL KANSAS DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERS

OCTOBER CHECK-UP

- _____ Pass along the Organizational Leader Notebook and materials to the new Organizational Leaders.
- _____ Ask friends and families to attend a 4-H meeting.
- _____ New Family Coordinator ready to welcome the visitors at the next 4-H meeting.

Review

- _____ Read 4-H Newsletter and mark important dates on the calendar.
- _____ Highlight key points from the 4-H Newsletter at club meeting.

To-Do

- _____ 4-H Week activities planned.
- _____ Participate in 4-H Week Activities.
- _____ Orientate and have new 4-H parents complete the Volunteer Service Application and make arrangements to attend Volunteer Screening Orientation.
- _____ Conduct new membership drive/enrollment fair.
- _____ Club Project selected by members.
- _____ Volunteers encouraged to complete the Volunteer Service Application or Renewal Form.
- _____ Members honored for 2016 - 2017 accomplishments.
- _____ Help recruit individuals to help at the Lions BBQ on December 2 and encourage them to sell the BBQ tickets as soon as they become available.
- _____ Check club mailbox at the Extension Office.
- _____ Create goals for the new club year.
- _____ Have members sign up for club committees.
- _____ Inform families of the online registration change. Registration opens October 2.
- _____ Enrollment of Volunteers, complete Volunteer Forms all ONLINE through 4HOnline.
- _____ Orientate Project Leaders.
- _____ Encourage New Family Coordinator, Parent Leader Trainer, etc. to begin to work.
- _____ Start Red Wheel and Sweet Granada Sales (Salina Area).
- _____ Year in Review for 2016-17 (one paragraph - 1/2 page double spaced) due to Kate (klittich@ksu.edu) by October 6 to be read at the 4-H Celebration of Achievements.

Promote/Recruit

- _____ Parents' Committee organized and working; recruiting project leaders.
- _____ Promote 4-H Celebration of Achievements and explain the RSVPs.
- _____ Recruit Financial Review Committee.

Remember

- _____ Enrollment information was given during Organizational Leaders' Update. Online Enrollment Open, October 2.
- _____ Officers and Club Management online information inputted by November 1. Link was made available at the Organizational Leaders' Update.
- _____ Upon completion of enrollment, Club Project Leaders given list of 4-H'ers enrolled in projects.
- _____ RSVPs due for the 4-H Celebration of Achievements, October 20. The Salina Downtown Lions Club pays for each reservation regardless if individuals attend.
- _____ National 4-H week is the first full week in October.



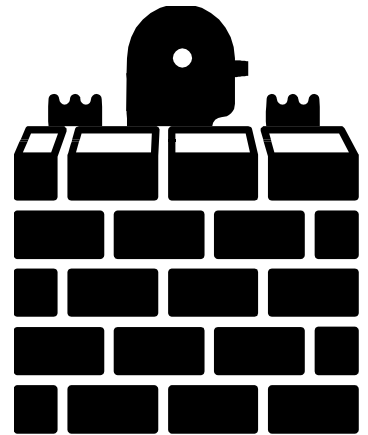
END OF THE YEAR FINANCIAL REVIEW

The end of July, all organizational leaders should have received a letter from Sarah with information about the 2016-17 Financial Review. Remember, the report is due to either Extension Office by November 15 at 5 p.m. The Financial Review Form is posted online for your convenience under Organizational Leaders. If you have any questions, please contact Sarah

BUILDING STRONG 4-H CLUBS

The First Impression...clubs have only one chance to make a first impression! Let's hope it's a positive impression because if new members don't feel comfortable right way with the club they won't come back. Therefore, let's make a plan to have a welcoming environment where young people and adults feel accepted.

- ✿ Create a plan for welcoming new members...this may include assigning an adult volunteer or family to serve as the club's New Family Coordinator.
- ✿ The New Family Coordinator arrives early to meet the members and guests at the door. They might even have name tags available for members and a "4-H Greet Sheet" <http://www.kansas4-h.org/Resources/Clubs/GreetSheet.doc> for the guests.
- ✿ During the 4-H club meeting, the New Family Coordinator introduces the guests and assists them in understanding what is happening.
- ✿ After the meeting, the New Family Coordinator may follow-up with a postcard, phone call or email for thanking the guests for attending and answering questions.
- ✿ If guests become members, the New Family Coordinator can explain and answer questions about 4-H. The New Family Coordinator can become the new member's life-line to the 4-H club.



Providing a welcoming environment for new members keeps a club growing and thriving. Interested in learning more about the New Family Coordinator the Strengthening 4-H Club resources <http://www.kansas4-h.org/Resources/Clubs/>

Taken from the May, 2008, Kansas 4-H Tipsheet

4-H MEMBERSHIP AND RECRUITING

Anytime of the year is a good time to talk to people about 4-H, but the beginning of a new 4-H year is the perfect time to recruit new club members! 4-H membership is open to all boys and girls between the ages of 7 and 18 (4-H age, before January 1, 2018. If a youth turns 7 after January 1, 2018, then he/she is considered a cloverbud until the next 4-H year.). 4-H does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex or disability. A member may join anytime during the year. Any 4-H member who turns 19 before January 1, 2018 may not rejoin for the 2017-18 4-H year. If you have potential members who have visited your club, please let the Extension Office know the child's name, address, age, phone number and parents' name. Also remember that you can pick up visitor and new member packets at either Extension Office.



October, 2017



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Registration due for e-Forum "Cultivating an Environment for Growing True Leaders" Nat'l 4H Week	2 4HOnline Enrollment opens Nat'l 4-H Conference applications due in Manhattan by 5 p.m. State 4-H Youth Council applications due by 5 p.m. online	3 Registration due for 4-H Fall Social Registration due for 484H	4	5 e-Forum "Cultivating and Environment for Growing True Leaders" 5:45 p.m.	6 Year in Review due to Kate	7 484H, Expo Center, 1-3 p.m. 4-H Fall Social, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. Oakdale Park
8 484H, Ottawa Co Fairgrounds, 1 p.m.	9	10	11 November Newsletter articles due to Sarah	12	13 4-H Council co-chair notebooks due	14
15	16 KYLf early registration deadline Online registration deadline for Kansas 4-H Volunteer Forum	17	18	19	20 RSVP's due to Extension Office for Celebration of Achievements Districtwide Leader names due to Sarah	21
22	23 Online RSVP's due for Volunteer Screening Orientation	24	25	26	27	28 Critic Clinic, Saline Co Expo Ctr, 9 a.m.
29 Registration due for e-Forum "STEM"ing into Livestock	30 Volunteer Screening Orientation 7-9 p.m., location TBD	31	UPCOMING DATES: November 1 – 4-H Council committee online request due 1 – Officers and Club Management online information due 3 – Dec/Jan Newsletter articles due to Sarah 5 – 4-H Celebration of Achievements, 3:00 p.m., Salina 15 – 2016-17 Financial Review due to either Extension Office, 5 p.m. 17-19 – KYLF & Kansas 4-H Volunteer Forum, Rock Springs			



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NEW YEAR, NEW BEGINNINGS

Dear 4-H Families,

Can you believe it is time for a new 4-H year to begin? For me, time sure does seem to be flying by! Don't let time be your enemy when it comes to opportunities for you and your child(ren). Every 4-H Newsletter is full of information. Please take time to read through it and make note of any deadlines.

Now is the time of year to begin to start setting goals for project work, personal leadership growth, and much more. Be sure to plan out the 4-H year now by referring to the master 4-H calendar, pin applications, etc. No time like the present to make a plan!

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your club leader or the Extension Office. We are here to help in any way we can.

Happy New 4-H Year!

Sarah

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