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# Central Kansas District 4-H

**April, 2024**

## 4-H Council News

### May Meeting

The May 4-H Council Meeting will be held on Monday, May 20 at 7:00 p.m., in Minneapolis. We will meet in the Courthouse Meeting Room.

## 4-H Newsletter Deadlines for 2024

If you have something you would like in the 4-H Newsletter, be sure to email it to [ilschmeid@ksu.edu](mailto:ilschmeid@ksu.edu).

Deadlines are:

- May - April 10
- June - May 10
- July/August - June 10
- September - August 10



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## Graduating Seniors

Timothy Ade, Boldly Go  
 Brynna Anderson, Smoky View  
 Jaci Biggs, Solomon Valley  
 Carson Fouard, Cardinal  
 Lane Fritz, Gypsum Valley  
 Hailie Geske, Gypsum Valley  
 Kirk Heimer, Gypsum Valley  
 Savannah Junek, Solomon Valley  
 Maddy Krueger, Solomon Valley  
 Zeb Larson, Solomon Valley



Soren Mannebach, Willing Workers  
 Andy Marshall, Sunny Valley  
 Clare McKain, Solomon Valley  
 Odessa Miller, Willing Workers  
 Kayla Norberg, Smoky View  
 Jace Ohlson, Pleasant Valley  
 Kolby Phipps, Solomon Valley  
 Georgia Rolph, Woodsdale  
 Reygan Schrock, Cardinal

Congratulations District 4-H High School Graduates, Class of 2024!



## Add/Drop Due May 1

There are several responsibilities as a 4-H member and a 4-H parent. One of these responsibilities is the adding and dropping of 4-H projects. Here are the details for adding and dropping projects in 4HOnline.

**Adding Projects:** 4-H members CAN ADD 4-H projects in 4HOnline. Remember, you must be enrolled in the projects you plan to exhibit in at the County Fair no later than May 1.

**Dropping Projects:** 4-H members CAN DROP 4-H projects in 4HOnline. Remember, you should plan to do a record book on all projects you are enrolled in.

It is ***YOUR*** responsibility to add or drop any projects by May 1, 11:59 p.m. You will need to do this by logging into 4HOnline. **After May 1, the system will not allow you to add or drop projects.**

Remember, 4-H members must be enrolled in the project area(s) they will be exhibiting in at the county fair. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact either Extension Office.

**Please go into 4-H Online**

**<https://v2.4honline.com/>**

**to check and double check the projects  
your child(ren) are enrolled in.**

## R - E - A - D

It is imperative for families to plan ahead, and be accountable for:

- adding and/or dropping projects,
- turning in paperwork and
- entering fair pre-entries.



# Regional 4-H Club Day Results

Congratulations to all who participated in Regional 4-H Club Day. Those who represented the District at Regional 4-H Club Day were:



## **Project Talks:**

Soren Johnson, Smoky View - Blue  
Oscar Page, Cardinal - Red  
Parker Page, Cardinal - Blue  
Bradley Pfannenstiel, Boldly Go - Top Purple

## **Junior Demo./Ill. Talk:**

Vivienn Abdullayev, Smoky View - Blue  
Bailey Fritz, Gypsum Valley - Blue  
Eddie Littich, Smoky View - Blue  
Isaiah Olander, Friendly Valley - Blue

## **Senior Demo./Ill. Talk:**

Colbey Hyde, Woodsdale - Red  
Elizabeth Hyde, Woodsdale - 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate Purple  
Laykin Walker, Cardinal - Red

## **Public Speaking:**

Odessa Miller, Willing Workers - Blue  
Josi Schrader, Solomon Valley - Blue  
Jocelyn Taylor, Cardinal - 1<sup>st</sup> Alternate Purple

## **Vocal Music**

### **Junior Solo:**

Eddie Littich, Smoky View - Blue  
Cadence Rich, Friendly Valley - 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate Purple

### **Dance:**

Emrie McDuffee, Pleasant Valley - 1<sup>st</sup> Alternate Purple

## **Instrumental Music**

### **Junior Solo:**

Cullen Manning, Friendly Valley - Blue  
Matthias Schlatter, Boldly Go - Blue

### **Senior Solo:**

Caleb Schlatter, Boldly Go - Blue

## **Drama**

### **Junior Reading:**

Brik Johnson, Smoky View - Top Purple  
Eddie Littich, Smoky View - Red

### **Senior Reading:**

Adalynn Johnson, Woodsdale - Red

### **Senior Solo Acting:**

Elizabeth Hyde, Woodsdale - Top Purple

## **Model Meetings:**

Willing Workers 4-H Club - Red

## **Gavel Games**

### **Junior:**

Boldly Go Jr. A - 1<sup>st</sup> Alternate Purple  
Boldly Go Jr. B - Top Purple

### **Senior:**

Boldly Go Sr. A - Top Purple

## 4HOnline & Emails

It is important that 4-H Families are receiving emails through 4HOnline. The Central Kansas District tries to eliminate the amount of emails that we send. However, sometimes it is the only means of communication based on the timetable we are given. Everyone is encouraged to make sure their settings are such in 4HOnline that allows for you to receive emails to the email in which is checked the most.



By default, all members are subscribed to 4HOnline email. If you have received an email that you think doesn't pertain to your family and click on unsubscribe, it will unsubscribe you from ALL emails. To check if you are signed up for emails through 4HOnline, pull up your family profile. Click on "Family" on the left side of the page. Next to "Subscribe To Emails?" under the green Family tab, you will see the Yes/No box. Be sure the Yes box is blue. Once you have clicked on the Yes box, you will see a prompt on the screen that says "Opted in to receiving emails." It may take up to 48 hours for the change to take effect.

# Fifth in a Series of Questions About the Saline County 4-H Development Fund

How much money does this foundation manage? How long has this Foundation been in existence? These are questions you might have heard at a 4-H meeting, and we would like you to know the answers.



Founded in 1995, this not-for-profit foundation started with \$0. They began accepting donations and doing fund raising activities to build up to the approximately \$600,000 in assets they have today. These assets are held in both short- and long-term investments and managed by professionals. This assures that donations will grow over time, as experienced over the last 29 years.

## National Volunteer Week

National Volunteer Week is April 21-27, 2024. The purpose of this week is to recognize and celebrate the efforts of volunteers on all levels. We would like to take this opportunity to recognize the many volunteers who make 4-H "work" for the Central Kansas District. There are more than 300 volunteers involved in the Central Kansas District 4-H Program. We wish we could name them all here. Without all of you, 4-H would not be as successful as it is today.



We would like to challenge each and every 4-H member to call and/or write a volunteer and thank them for all of their dedication and hard work they put into the 4-H program here in the Central Kansas District.

***Have You Thanked A 4-H Volunteer Today?***

## Spring Into Volunteering

The Association of Kansas 4-H Volunteers is hosting "Spring Into Volunteering" in Salina on the K-State Campus on Saturday, April 20. Registration will begin at 9:00 a.m., and the day will conclude at 3:00 p.m. This is for anyone serving as a 4-H Volunteer or considering it! The goal is for volunteers to go home recharged, excited and ready to try some new things in their volunteer roles.

Sessions for the day include: Understanding the 4-H Thrive Model, Record Books, Facilitating Sparks, International 4-H Opportunities, Hands-on Learning Techniques, and more!

Registration for the day is \$20 and includes materials, snacks and lunch. Online registration is due April 5, 2024, and the fee will be submitted to local offices. Find all of the information at <https://www.kansas4-h.org/volunteers/volunteer-continuing-education/index.html>.

## District 4-H Council Fundraiser

Our spring 4-H Council fundraiser for the District will run from April 1 to June 1. Papa Murphy discount cards were made available to Organizational Leaders at the beginning of April, and members are encouraged to sell them until June 1! Clubs will receive \$1 for every card sold. Those members selling more than 10 cards will receive a \$25 scholarship to a 4-H event within the current or following 4-H year.



Any questions can be directed to Robyn Prickett at [robynprickettks@gmail.com](mailto:robynprickettks@gmail.com).

# ***Livestock Information***

## **Attention Livestock Exhibitors – 2024 YQCA Certification**

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a national, multi-species youth livestock quality assurance program that focuses on food safety, animal well-being, and character development, through an age-appropriate educational curriculum for youth 8-21 years of age. This program is an annual certification that grows with a young person, so the learning modules are different every year. ALL livestock exhibitors (beef, swine, sheep, meat goat) are once again required to be YQCA-certified in order to participate in the 2024 Ottawa County Fair, Tri-Rivers Fair, Kansas State Fair Grand Drive, and/or Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS). This includes youth who will be showing market animals, commercial breeding females and/or registered purebred breeding females.

If you are a 7-year-old and do not plan to show at KJLS, you are not required to have your YQCA certification, but you are more than welcome to attend just for the learning experience (no registration needed). If you are a **7-year-old who will show at KJLS, you must be YQCA certified** by attending an instructor-led course.


The final in-person certification date for 2024 is set for April 17 (Minneapolis Courthouse Meeting Room) and will begin at 6:30 p.m. Parents do not need to attend. They may drop off and pick up children accordingly. Also, know that if you do not wish to attend in-person training, the online course is available.

Follow the link <https://yqcaprogam.org/> to login into your 4H Online account and sign up for a class. Help videos including information on registering, logging in, how to sign up for courses, and more can be located at <https://www.youtube.com/@yqca2199>. Please remember to have members complete the **PRE-TEST** before coming to the course and the **POST TEST** after attending the course. They will not be able to receive their certificate until both are completed. For more details about the YQCA program, contact Justine Henderson ([jwh04@ksu.edu](mailto:jwh04@ksu.edu) or 785-392-2147).

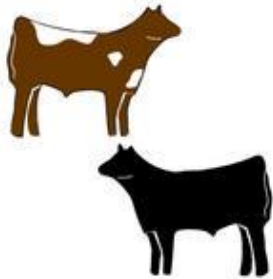
## **Small Animal Weigh-In & Tagging - Market & Breeding Meat Goat, Sheep & Swine**

The Districtwide small animal tagging and weigh-in will be held April 24, in Salina (fairgrounds) and April 25, in Minneapolis (fairgrounds) from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. for meat goats, sheep, and swine. Tags will cost \$3.00/tag.



 **NEW FOR 2024** - Swine projects are now required to be at the small animal weigh-in and tagging. **Photo submissions are no longer accepted as a way to tag pigs.** You will need to bring all market and breeding swine projects to tagging. They will not be weighed and will be left on trailers for tagging. Members or an associated adult will be required to tag all swine.

## **CENTRAL KANSAS BEEF CLASSIC SHOW**



This “Blow and Go” show will be held on Saturday, April 13. The show is open to any bonafide 4-H and FFA member who has not yet reached their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday before January 1, 2024. There will be a special class for the 4-H members enrolled in a club in the Central Kansas District. The entry fee is \$25 per head, but after April 5 the fee will increase to \$30 per head. All fees must accompany registration. For registration information, please go to the District website (<http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu>), click on 4-H Youth and Development on the left-hand side, and a flyer will be located under Upcoming Events and Online Registration.



# Livestock Declaration Form

District (for the county fairs) declaration forms can be found under 4-H Member Forms & Documents at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>. The form will be labeled as ***DISTRICT*** for the county fairs. The District Declaration Form for the county fair is due:

- By May 1 to either Extension Office

The State Livestock Declaration Form is required for all animals except Registered Breeding heifers for the Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show and can be found under nomination information on the State Youth Livestock website. This form should be uploaded during the nomination process.

## Livestock Nominations

**ALL State nominations are done online.** Kansas 4-H and FFA members who would like to exhibit livestock projects must nominate all market animals and commercial breeding females for those animals to be eligible for the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and/or KJLS. When we refer to “state shows”, these are the two shows in which Kansas state livestock nominations apply.

For the KSF and KJLS, due dates are as follows:

- **May 1** - Market Beef
- **June 15** - Commercial Heifer, Sheep, Swine, and Meat Goats

Deadline to order DNA envelopes:

- **April 20** - Market Beef
- **June 5** - Small Livestock & Commercial Breeding Heifer

For all information, deadlines and help guides regarding state nominations, please visit <https://www.asi.k-state.edu/extension/youth-programs/nominated-livestock/> or contact Justine at 785-392-2147.

## Mark Your Calendars - Tractor Safety Class in Salina

Tractor Safety certification is required for youth aged 14 and 15 who plan to be employed on a farm or ranch. Central Kansas District Extension will once again be hosting their Tractor Safety course in **Salina on May 23 at 9:00 a.m. at the Great Plains Conference Center**. To register, go to <https://bit.ly/2024-tractor-safety> or click on the QR Code.



Manual cost is \$15 and can be picked up at either Extension Office. Please pick up your manual **PRIOR** to the course.

Agent contacts: Jay Wisbey [jwisbey@ksu.edu](mailto:jwisbey@ksu.edu) or 785-309-5850 and Justine Henderson [jwh04@ksu.edu](mailto:jwh04@ksu.edu) or 785-392-2147.

## Livestock Premium Auction Policy Change

**Attention Livestock Exhibitors:** Due to recent policy changes at the state and local levels, livestock that have sold through the Ottawa County Fair and Tri-Rivers Fair Livestock Sales are now eligible to show at the Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show, as long as they have not changed ownership. Please feel free to give the Extension Office a call if you have any questions.



## Minimum Livestock Weights at County Fair

The minimum weights for livestock to be eligible for grand or reserve champion and be eligible to sell in the premium auction at the 2024 Ottawa County Fair and 2024 Tri-Rivers Fair are as follows:

**Beef:** 1,000 lbs

**Meat Goats:** 50 lbs

**Sheep:** 90 lbs

**Swine:** 220 lbs

# 2024 Champions Livestock Judging Camps Planned

Save the date for this year's Champion Livestock Judging Camps hosted on June 3-5 and June 10-12 in Manhattan, Kansas. This camp is designed for 4-H and FFA members (ages 14-18), who are seriously interested in enhancing their livestock judging and oral communication skills. Both sessions will include one-on-one coaching with the current coaches and students on the K-State Livestock Judging Team with a heavy focus on reasons! Registration is \$350 and will open April 1. This is filled on a first-come, first-serve basis. For more information, visit [asi.k-state.edu/judgingcamps](http://asi.k-state.edu/judgingcamps) or contact Rachael Stadel at [rmkstadel@ksu.edu](mailto:rmkstadel@ksu.edu) or 785-532-2996.

## Spring Shows and Local Youth Livestock Opportunities

If you are looking for other livestock educational opportunities such as spring shows, showmanship clinics, skillathons, field days, other related events, etc., go to <https://www.asi.k-state.edu/extension/youth-programs/events/>. Check the website for updated events, activities and shows throughout the year.

## *Fair News*

### Fair Superintendents and Assistant Superintendents

The dates for the Ottawa County Fair are July 16-19. The Tri-Rivers Fair will be on August 7-10 (pre-fair days on August 5 & 6). Both fairs need superintendents and assistants. We need a lot of parents and youth to help ensure a smooth-sailing event. Do not forget that these leadership and citizenship opportunities can be counted in the 4-H member's record book. Interested 4-H members, parents and volunteers should sign up online by May 1 by going to <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>, and you will find a link under "Upcoming Events and Online Registration" for County Fair Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent Sign-up. **Note: Sign-up is not open at this time but will be open soon.**

### Fair Papers

The fair papers for the county fairs will be posted online as soon as they become available. Watch the newsletter and/or email for when they are posted.

### Photography Themed Class at the County Fairs

We are pleased to announce the theme for the 2024 4-H Photography Competition is **Essence of the Written Word**. 4-H members can submit a photograph based on a poem, story or even a line from a story. The goal is not to make a scene from the literature, but to capture the essence of the poem, story or line from the story in a photograph. More details on this competition will be in the respective county fair papers. Be sure and check out the specifics when the fair papers are available.



### King & Queen Candidates & Contest Update

The Fair King and Queen represent 4-H during the Tri-Rivers Fair in the 4-H and Open Class Departments, and at the evening fair events. Since 4-H is part of the Tri-Rivers Fair, your club has a part by selecting the best candidates. The names for the King and Queen candidates are due online by May 1. The link was emailed to Organizational Leaders on March 14.

Candidates must be 14 years old before January 1, 2024. They must have been a member for a minimum of three years. The contest consists of résumé/essay, interview, and thank you note writing. Further details may be viewed by going to the 4-H Youth Development page on the District website (<http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>) and clicking on the link under County Fairs (left hand side), click on Tri-Rivers Fair, and then scroll down to 4-H King and Queen Info.

Important dates for candidates include May 31 (deadline for résumé, essay, and bio) and July 30 (Royalty Reception and interviews). At this time, the informational meeting date and time have not been set, but will be available soon.

# ***Leadership Opportunities***

## **Districtwide Leadership Workshops**

Come learn some fun activities you can use at club meetings for ice-breakers, team building, and discussion. The workshop will be held on Tuesday, April 16, from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in the Minneapolis Courthouse Meeting Room. **Please register by Tuesday, April 9.** Register by going to <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h/> and click on the link under “Upcoming Events & Online Registration.”

Remember...This workshop will count for the leadership workshop on the pin application. ***Who can attend?*** 4-H Members, Parents, and Volunteers can attend! Participants will learn activities they can take back to their clubs and other groups they work with or are a part of. Key lessons that will be emphasized are: teamwork, cooperation, leadership, problem-solving, communication, and decision making.

## **Discovery Days**

Are You Ready for Discovery Days? Put June 5-7, 2024, on your calendar to be in Manhattan on the K-State campus. Discovery Days is open to all youth who are 13 to 18 years old before January 1, 2024. 4-H membership prior to Discovery Days is not required. Registration is open, and you can find the online registration at <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/discovery-days/index.html> Cost is \$225. A scholarship is available through 4-H Council of \$125. In order to qualify for a scholarship through 4-H Council, individuals must complete the 4-H Council Scholarship Application and submit it at the same time as they pay their registration fees.



## **Wanted Host Families for 2024**

Looking for fun and excitement this summer? Host a new friend from Japan in your home this summer, July 23 – August 15. Kansas 4-H International Exchange Programs are offering hosting opportunities for 35-40 families this summer. Host families are needed who would be willing to host a Japanese boy or girl. The Japanese youth will be between the ages of 12 - 16. Our responsibility is to make host family assignments matching each delegate with an American same-gender host sibling as soon as possible so that families and exchange delegates can communicate and get to know each other.

Any Kansas family with children aged 10-17, who is interested in the Japanese culture, may host. A separate bed is required, but not necessarily a separate room from the host sibling. Delegates are 100 percent medically covered with 4-H insurance and bring their own spending money. They can go on host family vacations, camping trips, or join their host sibling for summer camps and the county fair. The focus is everyday family life.

Interested families can complete the application at <https://www.states4hexchange.org/apply/host/> to start the process. The Japanese Delegates personal information forms arrive in February.

If you have further questions, please call Pam Van Horn, Kansas 4-H Japanese Exchange Coordinator, 785-826-8917, or e-mail [pvanhorn@ksu.edu](mailto:pvanhorn@ksu.edu).

## **Rock Springs Ranch 4-H Camp Open House**

Camp families and friends are invited to attend Open House at Rock Springs Ranch, located 10 minutes south of Junction City, Kansas! Rock Springs Ranch is 735 acres in the Flint Hills and we want to share the 4-H camp experience with everyone.

Come and join us on Sunday, April 21, 2024 1-4 p.m. for a tour of the property, meet our staff and learn all about the fun to be had at Kansas 4-H Camp at Rock Springs Ranch. Guests will get to see cabins, activity center, pool, ropes course, horses, dining hall, and lots more. Our team is so excited to meet you and answer all of your questions.

For more information and to RSVP, please visit <https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/upcoming-events/> or call Rock Springs Ranch office at (785) 257-3221.

# 2024 Shutterbug Workshops

The State Photography Committee will be holding two photography workshops.

- Wichita, Saturday, April 27 at Botanica Gardens. Doors open at 9:00. Workshops begin at 9:30 a.m. and will conclude at 12:00 p.m. Registration Link: <https://tinyurl.com/ShutterbugBotanica>
  - Committee members will be available to teach all aspects of photo composition, using a smart phone for photography, pan blurs, troubleshooting, camera modes for new members, tricks with light and outdoor photography. These sessions are a little different than what will be taught at the Shutterbug event in Garden City.
- Garden City, Saturday, May 4 at Lee Richardson Zoo. Doors open at 8:30 a.m. Workshops begin at 9:00 a.m. and will conclude at 12:00 p.m. Registration Link: <https://tinyurl.com/ShutterbugZoo>
  - Committee members will be available to teach all aspects of photo composition, how to work with kaleidoscopes, pan blurs, creating a story, and more!

Please have members bring a smartphone or a camera. There will also be cameras available to check out during the workshop, members are asked to bring their own SD card so they can take their photos with them when the workshop is over. There is no charge for the workshops, but we ask that you please register so we can contact participants in case of inclement weather or last minute changes.

## 4-H Hit Me with Your Best Shot Photo Contest



Minnesota 4-H Photography is excited to offer a multi-state photography contest open to all 4-H members! In the "Hit Me with Your Best Shot" 4-H photo contest, youth are encouraged to select their best photo and tell the committee why it is special to them. There is no cost, but each 4-H member participating will need to pre-register at <https://extension.umn.edu/event/4-h-hit-me-your-best-shot-photo-contest>. A complete list of rules can also be found on this website.

Select one photo (with no or minimal editing) that is special to you and submit it with up to three sentences that explain why. Submit one (1) jpg or jpeg image and statement to [fourhphoto@umn.edu](mailto:fourhphoto@umn.edu) by 11:59 p.m. on May 1, 2024. Photos must be taken by the 4-H member and taken during the 2023-2024 4-H year.

In the email, use the subject line "4-H Best Shot Photo Contest." In the body of the email, please include the member's name, grade and state, as this is a multi-state challenge.

You will receive a confirmation email once your email submission has been received and your registration is verified. Note: Please be patient with receiving the confirmation email, as it is not automated - a staff member has to do it.





# Mid-Year Award Review Process

Every year, 4-H members have the opportunity to complete a 4-H Member Achievement Plan otherwise known as the 4-H Pin Application. Be sure you are the Central Kansas District 4-H Pin Application found on our website (<http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>) For those of you who are new to 4-H, this process considers the entire 4-H year and everything that the 4-H member has done throughout the year. It is not something that is specifically based on one project like the Project Award Portfolios or Record Books are. This provides an opportunity for a 4-H member to set goals for their overall involvement in 4-H and earn a pin in the process. You can find the 4-H Member Achievement Plan at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h> → Awards & Recognition → Member Achievement Plan. Regardless of what pin the 4-H member is applying for, they will all fill out the same form, but the items required will vary (see the details on the first page of the application).



Now is the time to do a **status check** on where the 4-H member is with their pin application. The Achievements & Awards Committee would like to offer the 4-H members the opportunity to do a mid-year appeal, if they can determine right now that they are not going to be able to get the pin in which they have set out to achieve. There are lots of 4-H events that will still occur this year, but there are several that have come and gone. A 4-H member may have missed an opportunity or two. What does this all mean and what should I do? Here are some steps for the process:

1. Fill out the 4-H Pin Application as completely as you can to make it current.
2. Determine if you are on the right track. Are there still things that you need to complete? Check the 4-H Newsletter and Master 4-H Calendar (both available at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>) to see what other things are still yet to come this 4-H year.
3. If you have missed an opportunity and do not see where it can be picked up later this 4-H year, please complete the CKD 4-H Appeal Process Form. This form can be found at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h> → Awards & Recognition → Appeal Process. **Follow the directions on this form and submit it with a copy of your 4-H Pin Application to either Extension Office no later than 5 p.m., May 1.**
4. The Achievements & Awards Committee will review your forms and get back to you with a response. This will allow you to know if you continue working towards your goal of achieving the pin, if you will be able to receive it for the year. Keep in mind, the Achievements & Awards Committee may ask you to do certain things in place of what you may have missed. All of this will be outlined in their response back to you.
5. Additionally, there is a document with helpful hints for parents on the website located at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h> → Awards & Recognition → Helpful Hints for Parents.

If you have any questions regarding the 4-H Pin Application, the opportunity for the appeal, etc. please let Kate know.

## Kansas 4-H Key Award

**While this award application is due in September with the other awards, the optional “review deadline” is 5:00 p.m., May 1 to either Extension Office. There will not be another opportunity for early review.** The Kansas 4-H Key Award is a State Award. The basic requirements are: 1) a 4-H member must have passed their 16th birthday before January 1 of the current year; 2) completed four or more years of 4-H work; and 3) enrolled in leadership for four or more years. There are several other requirements for this award. The Kansas 4-H Key Award is found under 4-H Youth Development → Awards, Recognition & Records → Key Award Application (found under Additional Award Forms). Applicants are encouraged to attach additional pages to be able to describe in detail the answers to the questions. If a 4-H member submits their Key Award Application for review by May 1, the Achievements & Awards Committee will review it and provide them feedback on what they will need to change in order for the 4-H member to receive the Kansas 4-H Key Award. If a 4-H member does not turn an application in until the September deadline and the application is not thorough, the 4-H member will not receive an opportunity to revise the application. They will have to apply for the award the following year, if eligible. *This application should be submitted to the club organizational leader to be submitted to the Extension Office in September.*

# Entrepreneurship Opportunity

A special opportunity for youth who have their own home-based business is coming up on April 6 at Salina Central Mall. See the flyer below for more information. For youth to have a table, they should contact Richard Kinney at 785-577-5302 or [richardkinney14@yahoo.com](mailto:richardkinney14@yahoo.com).

**CENTRAL MALL'S**  
**YOUNG ENTREPRENEUR'S**  
**MARKET**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 6**

For vendors in middle school & high School

**11 AM-5PM**

**CENTRAL MALL  
SALINA, KS**

Contact Info: Richard Kinney - 785-577-5302  
[richardkinney14@yahoo.com](mailto:richardkinney14@yahoo.com)  
or  
Steve Owens - [Steve@centralmallsalina.com](mailto:Steve@centralmallsalina.com)



# Districtwide Project News

## Districtwide Cloverbuds at a Glance

Date: Third Thursday of the month  
(April 18, May 16, June 20, July 18)

Time: 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Location: Salina Heights Christian Church (NE corner of Cloud and Roach - Use the east parking lot and door.)

RSVP: Email Allison at [allisonlecklider@yahoo.com](mailto:allisonlecklider@yahoo.com)

\*Must be received at least two days before the meeting (Tuesday) so there are adequate supplies.

## Dog Project Meeting Dates

Have you ever been interested in the dog project? Our dog project meetings are a great way to start! At these meetings, we start by focusing on Obedience training and then add Showmanship, Rally-Obedience, and Agility pieces, as we continue to build. By summer, you are ready to practice more on your own and move to open spaces!

Opportunities will abound to attend 4-H Dog shows across the State. However, if showing is just not for you, don't worry! You will learn how to handle real life situations with your dog, including public settings, training via the AKC Canine Good Citizen testing, and other fun games to play with your k9 friend. A list of project meeting dates is below. Feel free to contact our Dog project leaders for more information.

Kenwood Hall, 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.: April 9, 23, 30; May 7; June 4; July 9; August 27

Diana Thompson & Tracy Repp [K9capersckd4h@gmail.com](mailto:K9capersckd4h@gmail.com)

## Rabbit Project Meeting

There will be a Districtwide Rabbit Meeting on Tuesday, May 28, at 5:15 p.m. at First Baptist Church, 843 Lewis Ave., Salina. We will be learning and practicing showmanship and discussing rabbit showing at the county fairs. Please bring your rabbits and any questions you have. For more information, contact Lindi Fahrenthold, [lfahrenthold@yahoo.com](mailto:lfahrenthold@yahoo.com).

## Shooting Sports Practices

Hunting skills will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month. Shotgun and Archery will tentatively begin in May.

If interested, please add these projects **before the May 1 add/drop deadline**.

If you have questions, contact these instructors for each of the disciplines: Hunting Skills - Pat Riese (785) 650-5245, Archery - Cole Malmberg (785)-392-7712 or Cade Rensink (785) 392-0022, and Shotgun - Eric Klein (785) 392-0368 or Cole Malmberg (785) 392-7712.

## Free All-Purpose Flour

For those interested in the Foods and Nutrition project, contact Lisa Newman, Family & Community Wellness Agent in the CKD Minneapolis Office, for free flour from K-State! Each 4-H member that contacts Lisa will receive 6 cups of "Willie's Pride" All-Purpose Flour while supplies last. This is a great opportunity to practice your baking skills or try out a new recipe.

Lisa Newman, Family & Community Wellness Agent, Central Kansas District - [lmnewman@ksu.edu](mailto:lmnewman@ksu.edu)



# Foods & Nutrition Project Meeting

Mark your calendars for an upcoming Foods Project Meeting hosted by the Willing Workers 4-H Club. On Thursday, April 11, at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom. Heidi Oberrieder, MS, RDN, LD, with K-State will talk about Fueling Your Future: Exploring Careers in Nutrition. Anyone in the District is welcome to attend. Register by sending an email to [willingworkers4hclubckd@gmail.com](mailto:willingworkers4hclubckd@gmail.com) to receive the Zoom link.

# Health and Wellness Project Meetings

Summer is fast approaching, and April 24 (National Bucket List Day) is a great way to start your summer plans. We will talk about Bucket Lists, and you will get to create one. Anyone in the District is welcome to attend. Send an email to [griffinfam7@gmail.com](mailto:griffinfam7@gmail.com) to register and get the Zoom link!

Mark your calendars for an upcoming Health & Wellness Project Meeting. On Monday, May 6, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom, Bridgette Crosson, RN, from the Solomon Valley 4-H Club, will talk about Fueling Your Future: Exploring Careers in Nursing. (May 6 is National Nurses Day!) Anyone in the District is welcome to attend. Register by sending an email to [griffinfam7@gmail.com](mailto:griffinfam7@gmail.com) to receive the Zoom link.

## District 4-H Horse News



### Horse IDs

- A link to the Horse ID Form can be found at <https://www.centrankansas.k-state.edu/4-h/> under 4-H Member Forms and Documents, "Horse ID." Be sure and check the back page, lower right-hand corner for the date to ensure you have the correct form. For new horses, the date should be **January, 2023**. If you are showing the same horse that was ID'd previously, a prior date is okay. **Due date for Horse IDs in 2024 is May 31.**

Items to note:

- The form **MUST BE** front and back of one page, not 2 pages.
- A standard size picture **MUST BE** attached. The picture should include all 4 legs and feet showing a profile of the horse with the head turned toward the camera. **ALL** markings must be clearly visible.
- Members, Parent/Guardian, Owners (if horse is leased) and County Agents **MUST** sign and date.
- The **ORIGINAL** 4-H Horse Identification Certificate **MUST** accompany the 4-H member. The county office and project leader may have a photocopy.
- **This form can be signed anytime between now and May 31, 2024.**

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the Extension Office.

## Record Keeping Help

Not sure where participating in a club fundraiser should go on your Permanent Record? What number on your Member Achievement Plan (Pin App) would you check for participating on a Gavel Games team? Are these Local or District? How could your participation help your club achieve a seal? These record keeping examples will appear in future newsletters. A link will also be available soon at <https://www.centrankansas.k-state.edu/4-h/awards-recognition/index.html> to view a list that will help members and their families fill out the Permanent Record and Member Achievement Plan and help club leaders fill out the Club Summary. Not all items on the list will have a date, and club activities will not be listed, as they will vary from club to club. Here is an example of what the list will look like:

Date	Event/Activity	Permanent Record Section	Level	Member Achievement Plan (Pin Application)	Club Summary
	Club Fundraiser	3	Local	7	
Nov. 7	Volunteer Screening Orientation	3	District	10 or 58	A, 17



# Districtwide Project Leaders

Below are listed District Project Leaders which hold meetings throughout the year to help you with your projects. Check the newsletter for meeting dates and times or you may contact these leaders to find out the next meeting date, time and location. All phone numbers use the 785 area code unless otherwise indicated.

Project	Name	Phone	Email
Beef	Spencer & Laci Schrader	Home: 488-2135 Cell: 488-7204	schrader@twinvalley.net
Dog	Madison & Tracy Repp	452-5647	k9capersckd4h@gmail.com
Dog	Morgan & Diana Thompson	452-2234	k9capersckd4h@gmail.com
Health & Wellness	Michelle Coats	820-7488	griffinfam7@gmail.com
Horse	Jennifer Godfrey	452-5710	watkins9468@yahoo.com
Horse	Bev Seuser	Home: 823-8923 Cell: 643-0754	classy3560@gmail.com
Horse	Camisha Stevenson	829-0965	stevensoncamisha@yahoo.com
Livestock Judging	Spencer & Laci Schrader	Home: 488-2135 Cell: 488-7204	schrader@twinvalley.net
Poultry	Camisha Stevenson	829-0965	stevensoncamisha@yahoo.com
Rabbit	Lindi Farenthold	826-5980	lfarenthold@yahoo.com
Reading	Amber Pracht	212-5000	prachtamber@gmail.com
Shooting Sports: Archery	Cole Malmberg	392-7712	c-dmalmberg@hotmail.com
Shooting Sports: Archery	Cade Rensink	392-0022	crensink@ksu.edu
Shooting Sports: BB Gun	Jay Wisbey	587-7987	jwisbey@ksu.edu
Shooting Sports: Hunting Skills	Eric Klein	392-0368	herbie57_57@hotmail.com
Shooting Sports: Hunting Skills	Pat Riese	650-5245	pariese@mail.fhsu.edu
Shooting Sports: Shotgun	Eric Klein	392-0368	herbie57_57@hotmail.com







# EXTRA

NEWS FOR CENTRAL KANSAS DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERS

## APRIL CHECK-UP

Are you counting down until school is out? Summer will soon arrive! Are you prepared for all the summer activities . . . baseball, vacation and fair? Let's look at our monthly check-up so we can keep on track before those summer activities start.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Ready for the unexpected. ☺
- \_\_\_\_\_ All 4-H project additions and/or drops made **ONLINE by May 1** at <https://v2.4honline.com/>.  
**Please double check! After May 1, the system will not allow a member to add or drop projects.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Changes to 4-H online enrollment completed by May 1 to exhibit at the county fair.

### Review

- \_\_\_\_\_ *4-H Newsletter* read and important dates marked on calendar.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Review highlights from the *4-H Newsletter* at club meeting.

### To-Do

- \_\_\_\_\_ All project leaders completed the volunteer screening process and enrolled in 4HOnline.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Project Leaders conducting project meetings.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Check project leaders progress.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fair preparations started - banner, float, etc.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Check club mailbox at the Extension Office.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Visitors reported to Kate ([klittich@ksu.edu](mailto:klittich@ksu.edu)).
- \_\_\_\_\_ Have a parent meeting.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Plan summer activities - tours, picnics, etc.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Update 4-H Project Award Application, Pin Application and Club Summary.



### Promote/Recruit

- \_\_\_\_\_ Current Parents Committee recruiting new Organizational Leaders or Parent's Committee members for the next 4-H year.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Discovery Days promoted. **Registration is open and closes May 5.**

### Remember

- \_\_\_\_\_ Tri-Rivers Fair Queen & King names due **ONLINE, May 1.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tri-Rivers Queen and King Candidate résumés, etc., due **ONLINE, May 31.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Club representatives should attend 4-H council meeting.

## ORGANIZATIONAL LEADER UPDATE

The next Organizational Leader Update will be held at 7 p.m., Thursday, June 20, via zoom. We will be discussing county fairs and more! You won't want to miss this update!

# April, 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>7</b> 	<b>1</b> Camp Scholarship application DUE to either Extension Office by 5:00 p.m.	<b>2</b> Districtwide Leadership Workshop, RSVF Due K-9 Capers, Kenwood Hall, 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <b>11</b> Foods & Nutrition Project Meeting, Zoom, 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> <b>13</b> Central Kansas Beef Classic Show, Salina
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Districtwide Leadership Workshop, Minneapolis, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	<b>17</b> YQCA Training, 6:30 p.m., Minneapolis Courthouse Meeting Room	<b>18</b> Cloverbud Meeting, Salina Heights Christian Church, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> Rock Springs Ranch 4-H Camp Open House, 1:00-4:00 p.m.	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> K-9 Capers, Kenwood Hall, 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	<b>24</b> Sheep/Meat Goat Check-in, Salina, fairgrounds, 4:00-6:00 p.m. Health and Wellness Project Meeting, Zoom, 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. National Volunteer Week	<b>25</b> Sheep/Meat Goat Check-in, Minneapolis, fairgrounds, 4:00-6:00 p.m.	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> K-9 Capers, Kenwood Hall, 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	<b>UPCOMING DATES:</b> <b>May</b> 1—Fair Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent Sign-Up DUE Online 1—Tri-Rivers Fair King/Queen Names, DUE online 1—4-H Project add/drop deadline DUE online 1—New 4-H Members: Online Enrollment due to participate in fair 1—Mid-Year Appeals DUE to either office by 5:00 p.m. 1—District Declaration Form for county fairs DUE to either office by 5:00 p.m. 5—Discovery Days Registration DUE online 31—Horse IDs DUE to either office by 5:00 p.m.			



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## Summer is Right Around the Corner!

Dear 4-H Families,

I am awfully excited to see everyone at county fairs and districtwide events throughout the summer! As you will see, there are lots of updates and changes for county and state fairs this year. Now is the time to keep an eye out for those new rules and procedures! Planning ahead will be the most important thing you can do to ensure you stay on top of deadlines and events.

If you have any questions, please be sure to ask the organizational leaders and/or call or email the Extension Office. We are here to help!

Have a great April!

-Jacob

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