State Fair Exhibits

All State Fair exhibits that were pre-entered should be brought to the Extension Office by Thursday, September 6, by 5:00 p.m. Food items may be brought in by 8:00 a.m. on Friday, September 7. Someone will be at the Extension Office by 7:00 a.m. on Friday to accept the final foods exhibits. Agents will leave at 8:00 a.m. to take exhibits to the State Fair. Please call the Extension Office if you have any questions or these times do not fit with your schedule.

Enrollment

Enrollment begins on October 1. Be sure to enroll as soon as possible so we can keep you in the loop about upcoming project meetings and events. Details are in the “4-H New Year” section. If you have any questions, contact our office!

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Contact Us!

Whether you have questions about upcoming events, enrollment, or project descriptions, we are here to find you answers!

Please call our office at 620-285-6901.

Our mailing address:
715 Broadway, Room 6
Larned, KS 67550

You can also contact any of us:
Donna - FCS & 4-H: dpreisne@ksu.edu · 620-804-0320
Kyle - AG & 4-H: kkgrant@ksu.edu · 620-804-2568
Jen - Office/General Info: jfitzpatrick@ksu.edu
9-H New Year!

September Elections:
Clubs will be electing officers at the September meeting. Newly elected presidents & council members are asked to attend the September 17th Council Meeting.
Please take officer elections seriously. If you are elected, do your best to fulfill your duties.

4-H Council Meeting:
The September 4-H Council Meeting will be held on Monday, September 17, 7:00 p.m. at the J.A. Haas Exhibit Building. Reports and business will include: Fair Evaluation, updated KAP guidelines, 4-H Ambassadors, & set date for 4-H Club Day. All newly elected council members should attend.
Fair comments can be submitted to your 4-H Council member for the meeting.

Officers’ Training:
This year, officers’ training will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 23, at the Courthouse in Larned. This is your opportunity to learn the duties of your position and ask any questions you have. Plan to attend. Each Club must have 3 members attend to receive a gold seal.

Enrollment:
Kansas 4-H enrollment will be online again this year. We will be providing information for families to re-enroll online and also for first year families to enroll. Again this year, we will not be taking any paper enrollment as official enrollment. If you do not have internet access, please contact us. We can help you set up your account in our office. Enrollment online will open October 1.
A child may join 4-H when he or she turns 7 by January 1, 2019. They are also welcome to stay in 4-H until they turn 19 before January 1 of the current 4-H year.
Participation forms: These will be online, too, and be part of the enrollment process. The enrollment process cannot be completed without the participation form being filled out.

AGAIN THIS YEAR: Kansas 4-H is implementing an enrollment fee of $15 for each 4-Her. This fee needs to be paid online during enrollment, or with a check sent to:
Kansas 4-H Youth Development
201 Umberger Hall
1612 Claflin Rd
Manhattan, KS 66506
All enrollment is due December 1. You can join after that date but may miss out on events, project meetings, or information because we do not have your enrollment. If you have any questions, please contact the Extension Office. A 4-Her will be ‘Pending’ on 4honline until payment is either made online or received by the State Office!

Promote 4-H!
National 4-H Week is October 7-13. Each Club should plan to do their own promotion to get new members and tell the community about our great program. If you need help thinking of ideas or creating a plan, please let us know.
The Tiller & Toiler will be publishing a special 4-H Week Tabloid. Six 4-Hers and/or parents from each Club will be invited to write articles. If you have never written an article, please give it a try. 4-Hers who are interested should tell their Community Leaders. The articles are due September 21 and should be brought to the Extension Office.

Alumni Award
Did your Club nominate 2 people for the 4-H Alumni Award? The Pawnee County winners will receive a silver tray presented by the Pawnee County 4-H Foundation at the Achievement Banquet. Nominees do not have to be currently active as a 4-H leader but should be someone who supports the community, 4-H, and is a former 4-H member. (You may have to fill out the forms for your nominee.) The completed nomination is due to the Extension Office no later than September 12.
4-H New Year!, Cont.

4-Hers who plan to apply for Achievement Pins this coming year:

Please consider attending some state events this year. When applying for the Gold and Gold Guard, you must do more than county events.

If you will be working for the Silver Guard or above this year, make sure you are enrolled in the Leadership Project. We encourage all members 12 and older to enroll in “Leadership” and get involved by being a junior leader for a project in your club.

Record Books:

A new 4-H year will soon begin and you ended the year by filling out your record books. Record books can seem like a lot of work but they are used to evaluate what you have done and learned throughout the past year. Many of you probably thumbed through records from prior years and could see how much improvement you have made in your projects.

Your books are sent to leaders from another county and they make the decision about our county champions. At the Achievement Banquet, awards will be given to the top achievers in each project or award area. It definitely takes more than attending monthly meetings and winning the purple ribbon at the fair to win county project areas. We salute those 4-Hers who work to achieve with record books!

They will be due to the Extension Office by 5 pm, October 1st. No exceptions. All qualifying applications will be asked to return for an interview.

4-Her’s that are in grades 8-12, and that have completed at least one year of 4-H activities are encouraged to apply!

Shooting Sports:

4-H members interested in the shooting sports project should get their enrollment done so they can participate in the upcoming events. This year’s shooting sports activities will include air rifle, air pistol, and archery practices from January through March, with the Pawnee County Shoot Out held the third Saturday in March. Shotgun practices are held in the spring and ended with the final shoot at the Pawnee County Fair.

Thanks to all the leaders who have been certified in shooting sports in order to work with our youth!

Dog Project

Practices will start back up in November, on Tuesday evenings. Specific dates will be announced as the time gets closer.

Dog Conference & Quiz Bowl

This year’s Conference & Quiz Bowl will be October 20-21 at Rock Springs 4-H Center, near Junction City. Available for 4-hers, ages 7-18. Only one dog is allowed per youth participant.

Registration will open on August 15, and end on October 7, 2018. Cost is $115 for full-time participants, $70 for Saturday only, and $50 for Sunday only. Please contact the Extension Office if you have any questions!

4-H Ambassadors

You’ve seen the 4-H Ambassador announcement for the last several months! Well, the applications are ready to go! You are welcome to either get an application from your leader or stop by the office to grab one.

Discover Yourself in 4-H
4-H Livestock Sweepstakes

This year, kids participated in Skillathon at K-State in August. Skillathon had a full team, consisting of Cierra Nord, Reed McNett, Ella McNett, and Brett Kirby. Our team ranked 25th out of 56 in the overall! Be sure to watch the newsletter and Pawnee County 4-H Facebook page for upcoming Skillathon practices!

2018 Kansas Wheat Expo in Hutchinson

Grayson Maxwell & Jarett Seeman attended this year’s Expo. Grayson walked away with several ribbons including; 2 Purple, 2 Blue, 1 Red Ribbon, and two bags of Hudson Cream Flour! Great work Grayson!! One of the tours also included the Kincaid Equipment Manufacturing plant, where they make combines to cut seed test plots.

Red Wheel Sale

The Red Wheel Sale will include many of our usual items and feature some new ones:

- Cookie Dough: Chocolate Chip, Peanut Butter, Macadamia Nut, Monster, and Cranberry White Chocolate Oat
- Cherry Supreme French Braid
- Cinnabon Gooey Bites
- Pizza: Five-Meat
- Pies: Peanut Butter Cup (new), Apple, Cherry, Pecan, and French Silk
- Burritos: Beef & Cheese, Beef & Bean, and Breakfast (new)
- Eggrolls: Southwestern and Pork & Vegetable
- Mini Tacos
- Beef Enchiladas
- Chocolate 4-in-1 Cheesecake
- Pumpkin Roll
- Lemon Roll
- Strawberry Cream Puffin
- Chocolate Covered Peanuts (new)
- Honey BBQ Trail Mix
- Popcorn: White Cheddar, Jalapeno Cheddar, Cheddar, Kettle Corn, Chicago Style, and Caramel Sea Salt

The sale will begin September 4th and orders will be due October 16, by 5pm. For an order to be complete, we MUST have the WHITE SLIPS & MONEY turned in to the Extension Office. This is a firm date.

The pick up date is October 24, at the J.A. Haas Exhibit Building, from 5:00-6:30 p.m. Pawnee Peppers 4-H Club is responsible for working pickup. Orders may be picked up by the customer or the seller can deliver the orders if they choose. Please remind your customers about pickup.
Kansas Youth Leadership Forum

The KYLF registration materials are on the Kansas 4-H website: www.kansas4-h.org & click on Event & Activities, then Conferences & Events, and then Kansas Youth Leadership Forum. KYLF will be November 17-18, at Rock Springs 4-H Center. It is for youth who are ages 14-18 before January 1, 2019. Early registration is due October 15. Cost is not yet announced. KYLF is a great opportunity for youth! Build strong leadership skills along with making tons of new friends with similar interests. If you plan on going, contact our office. If would be great to take a big group and show off how great our teens are here in Pawnee County!

Kansas Volunteer Forum

Kansas Volunteer Forum is a fantastic way for adults, both 4-H related and not, to help youth create, inspire, and achieve. It will take place at the same time and place as KYLF - November 17-18, at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Cost is $200 per attendee, by October 16. Let’s show our kids how fun and rewarding it is to be a volunteer! For more information, call the Extension Office.

Scholarship Housing Option for College

For female 4-Hers looking into college options, Alpha of Clovia is one option that sometimes gets overlooked. Alpha of Clovia is a 4-H Cooperative Leadership House owned by the Kansas 4-H Foundation, located next to the Manhattan Campus of Kansas State University. Since 1931, the women of Alpha Clovia have lived together in a cooperative manner - sharing housework and possessions to reduce the overall cost of living. Throughout the years, women from various backgrounds across the country have become members, participating in activities such as: philanthropies, house retreats, the annual National Clovia meeting, and homecoming, among other social events. All of these activities, and more, are done while maintaining a high sense of academic scholarship while studying at K-State. If you would like more information, please contact either the Extension Office or Alpha of Clovia, 785-320-7970.

4-H Robotics SpaceTech Experience Coming

The Kansas 4-H SpaceTech Program and the Kansas Cosmosphere located in Hutchinson are again teaming up to provide fun, hands-on and science-based programming for Kansas 4-H Youth Development. This fourth program will feature “Robotics.” The experience will begin Friday, November 16, at 4 p.m., and will end on Saturday, November 17, 4 p.m. Cost will be $115 for youth between 9-18 years old and $115 for all adult participants. All youth must have a designated chaperone to attend.

Registration includes three meals, two breaks, and an overnight stay. Participants will learn how to program robots and use sensors. There will be a final team robot competition. Other engineering activities include making a catapult and launching pencil erasers, plus much more. There will be a tour of the Cosmosphere, a planetarium show, and a digital dome program.

The CVent registration system will be used, visit: http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html after October 1, 2018. Registration will close November 4, 2018, 11:59 p.m. There will be a minimum number required or the Robotics SpaceTech Experience will be cancelled. The program is limited to the first 60 who register on a first-come, first-serve basis. For more information, contact Deryl Waldren, dwaldren@ksu.edu, or call 785-462-6281.
**Dates to Remember**

**SEPTEMBER**
3: Extension Office is CLOSED for Labor Day
6: State Fair Entries due to the Extension Office (7th for foods)
7-16: Kansas State Fair
12: Alumni Award Nominations & Leader packets due to the Extension Office
17: 4-H Council meeting @ 7:00 p.m. - J.A. Haas Exhibit Building
22: News Articles due to the Extension Office
23: Officers’ Training, 2:00 p.m. at the Courthouse

**OCTOBER**
1: 4-H Enrollment Opens Online
1: Ambassadors applications due to the Extension Office by 5:00 p.m.
5-7: Kansas Junior Livestock Show
7: Dog Conference & Quiz Bowl registration due
7-13: National 4-H Week
12: Achievement Banquet Reservations due
15: KYLF & KVF early registration due online
16: Red Wheel WHITE SLIPS & MONEY due @ Extension Office
20-21: Dog Conference @ Rock Springs
21: Achievement Banquet @ the J.A. Haas Exhibit Building @ 5:30 p.m.
24: Red Wheel Pickup @ 5:00-6:30 p.m. - J.A. Haas Exhibit Building

**NOVEMBER**
12: Extension Office is CLOSED for Veteran’s Day
17-18: KYLF & KVF

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**CONGRATULATIONS!!!**
Huge Congrats goes out to all of those 4-Hers who received a Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion award at this year’s Pawnee County Fair! The County Commissioners recognized these individuals on Monday, August 13, in the Larned Courthouse. What an honor to be recognized by our Commissioners for all your hard work throughout the past 4-H year! We are all excited to start the new year.
Achievement Banquet

You are invited to the

Annual 4-H Achievement Banquet

Sunday, October 21, 2018

5:30 p.m.

J.A. Haas Exhibit Building, Larned

This promises to be a special celebration. 4-H Clubs, Achievement Pin awardees, Project Award winners, and 4-H Leaders will be honored. The meal is sponsored by local sponsors but there will be a $2.00 charge to 4-H members, leaders, parents, or other children in the family to help cover expenses not covered by our sponsors. Other family members (grandparents or other friends) will also be charged a $2.00 fee.

Please purchase your meals by Friday, October 12, at the Extension Office.

Letters will be sent to Club Leaders asking for help to set up, decorate, clean up, etc. Please volunteer to help your club out!

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4-H Achievement Banquet Reservation

Due: October 12

We must have an accurate count for those preparing the meal. Return this form to:

Pawnee County Extension Office
715 Broadway, Room 6
Larned, KS 67550

Family Name: ________________________________

Number Attending: _____________

Amount Enclosed: $______________
Dear 4-H Families,

The Extension Office is open from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00-5:00 p.m. The office will “normally” be closed over the noon hour. However, we realize these hours may not coincide with everyone’s schedules. Give us a call and we will do our best to work with your schedule.

Sincerely,

Donna R. Preisner
County Extension Agent,
Family & Consumer Sciences

Kyle Grant
County Extension Agent,
Agriculture & Natural Resources

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