Great Things Happening In Frontier District 4-H

Over the next year, new changes will slowly happen in the newsletter and the 4-H website. This is a slow process but very exciting! On the Frontier District 4-H website under District Events, there is a calendar. On it are live links that will take you to more information, and some even allow you to add it to your personal calendar.

Congratulations to all who participated in District Club Day. Everyone did a fabulous job!

Regional Club Day

Results from District Club Day have been posted. Regional Club Day will be March 25th at Wheatridge Middle School, 318 E Washington St, Gardner, Ks. A link for sign up will be sent to those eligible to participate. Be sure to review the guidelines! The Communication Fact Sheets and score sheets are also helpful resources. Be sure to support your friends at Regionals.

Rock Spring Ranch Camp Open House

Rock Spring Ranch is offering an Open House on April 23rd from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. More information will be coming soon!

2023 P-T Testing

Due to Kansas being a Pullorum-Typhoid clean state, P-T testing will be done on a 5-year rotation. Frontier District is not scheduled to test until summer of 2024. However, there are exceptions to this rule! If you purchase birds from out of state and they did not come with a Proof of Origin form from a P-T Clean Flock, you will need to test within 90 days of the show. Poultry to be exhibited at the State Fair will also need to be tested. If you need testing done because of one of those two exceptions, please call Jo Hetrick-Anstaett at the Lyndon Office, to set up a time. More information was emailed to poultry kids in early February from Jo via 4-H Online. If you have any questions, please reach out to the Extension Office.

March is National Ag Month

Agriculture is Kansas’ largest industry and March has been proclaimed Kansas Agriculture Month. Additionally, March 22, 2023 has been declared Kansas Agriculture Day.

National Volunteer Week

It’s a week dedicated to volunteers! National Volunteer Week is April 16th - 22nd. There are several things to do “To Make The Best Better!” Check what the website has to offer!

YQCA (Youth Quality Care Assurance) Training

Frontier Extension District will be holding a YQCA Training on March 5th at 10:00 a.m. at Camp Chippewa, 2577 Idaho Road, Ottawa. This training will be in correlation with Camp Livestock, but youth do not have to attend the camp in order to participate in the training. Everyone is invited to attend the devotional service at 9:00 a.m. REMINDER: Participants are required to have YQCA Training to show at the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive at the State Fair and KJLS. Everyone planning to attend the YQCA training will need to register, regardless if the member is attending Camp Livestock or not. All counselors will also need to sign up for YQCA. Direct all questions to Jessica at jrflory@ksu.edu.

Cloverbud Meeting Information

The 4-H Cloverbud group is for youth, ages 5-6, and is geared toward those who are too young to participate in the regular 4-H program. Youth will have fun in a positive, non-competitive, leader-directed setting. Anyone interested in attending a meeting or who has questions may contact Jennifer Whiteford-Houk, the District-wide Cloverbud Leader at jenn.whiteford.houk@gmail.com. The next meeting will be March 25, 2023, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., in Celebration Hall at the Franklin County Fairgrounds, 220 W. 17th, in Ottawa. Future meeting dates:

- May 13th @ 3:00 p.m. Tour Aunt B’s Flower Farm
- June 25th @ 10:00 a.m. TBD
The calendar has dates for all three counties. Dates may/may not appear elsewhere in the newsletter. Read carefully, please and direct any questions to the Extension Office.

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**GENERAL NEWS**

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

**4-H Camp at Rock Springs**
Summer 4-H Camp registration is now available! This includes half week, full week, Leaders in Training (LIT), and Counselors in Training (CIT) sessions. As it was last year, sign up for any session that works for your schedule. Youth are encouraged to attend Session 2, June 7-10! Camp is open to all youth (4-H and non-4-H) who are rising 3rd-12th graders. Encourage your non 4-H friends to attend and show them what fun 4-H can be! Contact the Extension Office or Rock Springs Ranch with your questions! See your county page for scholarship opportunities.

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

**PRRFs For Everyone!**
This is so exciting! Because the generic records and the Project Record Report Form (PRRF) are so closely related in terms of what information is used, the generic records will no longer be used. All Frontier District 4-H members will use the PRRF at the end of the year next year which means all books will be eligible for county awards! Watch for trainings!

**Walk Kansas**
Walk Kansas is a team-based program that helps participants lead a healthier life, be more active with friends and family, make better nutrition choices and walk away stress. Walk Kansas dates are March 26 - May 20, 2023.

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

**GENERAL NEWS**

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

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

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

**Mass Emails Not Received or Going to Junk/Spam**
The new 4-H year is here. The 4-H Agent and Program Managers will communicate important information and reminders with families via 4HOnline in mass emails. Frontier District families who are not receiving mass emails or they are showing up in the junk or spam folder are requested to follow these steps. 1). Ensure the email address is correct in both the family's profile and member's profile in the 4HOnline System. 2). Ensure the family has “unsubscribe” to 4-HOnline emails. If so, each member must re-subscribed to receive “Broadcasts” (emails) again. 3). “Whitelist” the address from which the broadcasts originate: reply@4honline.com. Whitelisting means taking manual steps to ensure that an email from a particular recipient is not blocked or does not go to the junk/spam folder. Simply Google “how to whitelist an email address,” and follow the instructions for the family’s specific email client (Outlook, Gmail, Yahoo, etc.).

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

**Raffle Policy and Guidelines**
It is the time of year when clubs begin discussing fundraising options. Nonprofit and education entities may conduct raffles. However, a raffle policy and guidelines must be followed. Any Extension unit-affiliated group (e.g. 4-H club, 4-H project group, etc.) wanting to conduct a raffle must first fill out and submit an application. The Extension District Board meets monthly (beginning of the month) and all applications must be approved by them prior to conducting the raffle. A financial report must then be presented to the Board upon completion of the raffle. Completed applications for Board approval may be sent to any Frontier District Office.
Add/Drop Project Deadline
The Extension Office will need to be contacted to have information changed. Any adding or dropping of projects must be done by May 1st in order for the member to enter in the 4-H division of the Fair. Members will not be able to change project information after the deadline. Direct all questions to the Extension Office.

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

District Wide Projects and Leaders Available
The new 4-H year is here! A list of District-wide projects and leaders is available to Frontier District 4-H members. Leader contact information is available in the Extension Office. Meeting and project information will be posted in the newsletter and/or emailed to those enrolled in the project.

Dog: Rochelle Nelson
Geology: Gayla Corley
Fiber Arts, Quilting: Michele Altendorf
Horse: AN CO-Curtis & Jenny Hughes
FR CO-Kathy Hinderliter
OS CO-Dorothy Christiason & Niki Schoepflin
Livestock Judging: Hyatt Frobose
Rabbits: Jillian Oberly
Shooting Sports: (available disciplines vary by county)
   FR CO-Tim Kunard & Amy Livingston
Shooting Sports-Western Heritage: Amy Livingston,
   Dave Sielert, John Torrence, Ken Wilk
STEM-Architect. Block Constr. (Legos): Tara Calley
Wildlife: Rochelle Nelson

Kansas Clover Classroom
The Kansas Clover Classroom is an amazing 4-H project supplemental guide available to 4-H families.

Beef Cattle Information from the Experts
Practical beef cattle economic information, health, and nutrition will be shared by a team of experts from Kansas State University and delivered right to an email account! Sign up now to receive the Beef Cattle Institute’s weekly e-newsletter. Send an email to bci@ksu.edu and let them know you want to be added to the mailing list. Along with providing valuable information, the e-newsletter will also link readers to the weekly Cattle Chat podcast. This 25-minute podcast features practical advice for cattle producers representing all segments of the industry.

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

Entomology Meeting
There will be an Entomology project meeting in Iola, Kansas at the Allen County Extension Office on Saturday, March 11th, at 1:30 p.m. The meeting will be on pinning. If you don’t have a pinning board or insect pins, Vicky will have basic pinning sets available to purchase for $10. Please bring a zip drive or laptop and she will get a spreadsheet set up for you to do labels. Direct all questions to Vicky at (620) 804-9170.

Entomology: Insect Art Contest
It is time for K-State’s Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Insect Art Contest! This year’s theme is “Insect Superheroes”. Participants will enter an art piece showing how insects benefit us as a society and why they are important. Selected artwork will be used to promote the importance of insects and to create other educational items. A winner will be selected from each category and one overall winner will be selected from those entries. Be sure to add the participation to the PRRF or pin application! Entries are due by April 14th.

Entomology: Insect Spectacular
Save the date! Insect Spectacular will be June 16-17, 2023 and is open to all youth and adult volunteers interested in the project. Event details will be available at a later date!
**Horse Project Changes for the New 4-H Year**

1. A Horse ID form or a breed registration paper with ownership listed in the member’s/family’s name is now due by June 1st.
2. Horse Achievement Levels will no longer be required to participate at the Kansas State Fair 4-H Horse Show.
3. Eligibility for the KSF 4-H Horse Show has changed.
4. Those planning on to participate at the Kansas State Fair must fill out and upload an affidavit when entering.

**Horse Webinar Recordings**
The Kansas 4-H Equine Webinar series gives Kansas 4-H members, Horse volunteers and parents an opportunity to gain skills and knowledge about horses and the horse industry in Kansas. Topics will include basic 4-H Horse project knowledge, horse health and college and career readiness. Recordings are available to watch at your leisure!

**Kids N Horses Newsletter**
The Kids N Horses Newsletter is a great resource!

**DNA Envelope Purchase**
Families planning to participate in the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive or the Kansas Junior Livestock Show will need to Order DNA envelopes. Families will purchase envelopes directly through ShoWorks for each animal to be nominated. The cost will be $12/animal. DNA envelope orders will close April 20th for market beef and June 5th for small livestock. **Families must get envelopes ordered early! DO NOT WAIT!**

**Important Livestock Dates**
Check out the Youth Livestock Program Newsletter or “like” the Kansas State Youth Livestock Program on Facebook!

- **5/1/23:** Market Beef **Nominations Due** for KSF & KJLS
- **6/15/23:** Commercial Heifer, ALL Swine, ALL Sheep and ALL Meat Goat **Nominations Due** for KSF & KJLS
- **7/15/23:** Online Entries due for KSF Grand Drive
- **8/15/23:** Online Entries due for KJLS
- **8/19-20/23** Kansas Livestock Sweepstakes; Manhattan

**Local Livestock Show**
WHAT: Blazin’ the Ring Spring Classic (search on Facebook)
WHEN: May 20th & 21st, 2023
WHERE: Franklin County Fairgrounds, Ottawa, KS
NOTES: Entries due by May 5th

**Livestock: KS 4-H Animal Science Recordings**
This is an opportunity to learn more about the livestock industry, career opportunities, and good animal husbandry practices. The recordings are available!

**Plant Science: Horticulture Newsletter**
This is a fabulous resource!

**Backyard Poultry**
Dr. Scott Beyer, K-State Poultry Specialist, will be in the Frontier District presenting on Backyard Poultry **March 30th** at 7:00 p.m. at the Garnett Community Building. This is a great opportunity for youth to come and learn more about poultry and be able to ask questions!

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

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

**District’s 4-H website:**
[www.frontierdistrict.ksu.edu/4-h/](http://www.frontierdistrict.ksu.edu/4-h/)
Kansas 4-H Discovery Days 2023
Discovery Days 2023 is **June 7-9th** at Kansas State University Campus. This will be the 100th Anniversary of Discovery Days! Be on the look-out for more information!

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

Scholarships
The **Kansas 4-H Scholarships** are now available. There is the 4-H scholarship, the Vanier Family Scholarship and a Geology and Dog Scholarship! They are all due **March 1st**. Be sure to read the instructions.

The Farm Bureau Scholarship applications are available! **Franklin County** is due by **March 31st**. **Osage County** is due by **March 30th**. It is available in the Extension Office. Be sure to follow the instructions.

Youth Exchange Trip Opportunities
States’ 4-H International Exchange Programs (States’ 4-H), Kansas 4-H’s partner providing International Exchanges for 4-H members to travel abroad in 2023, have been announced. They include an eight week and a four week exchange in Japan, a four week exchange in Costa Rica and a four week exchange in South Korea. This is an awesome opportunity!

EASY Citizenship Opportunity
The Ottawa Quilt Guild is hosting its annual quilt show on Saturday, **April 22nd**, at the Goppert Center in Ottawa. Four or five 4-H members are needed for each shift to help participants move quilts, etc. into the building (8-8:30 a.m.) and then back to vehicles (5-5:30 p.m.). To sign up or to have questions answered, contact Jo Ellen at jeanold@ksu.edu.

Citizenship Project
The Homewood Schoolhouse is looking for an individual or group of youth to build a ramp. The Homewood Schoolhouse will provide all of the materials. It is located in the 1700 block of Idaho Road Southwest of Ottawa. If you would like to help or have any questions, please contact Mary Schleicher at 785-764-0704.

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

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

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

Fair Judges Training
Marais des Cygnes District is hosting a judge’s training in different project areas on **April 15th** at the Paola Middle School from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This is open to anyone interested in being a Fair Judge.

Volunteers Must Be Up-To-Date!
All 4-H volunteers must be up-to-date on required paperwork (online). Jo is making sure all volunteers have the proper paperwork completed. Volunteers needing updates will be contacted via email. Please promptly complete any directions or requests received. If a volunteer is not making an effort to be updated, he/she will not be allowed to be a volunteer within the Frontier District 4-H program and/or will not be recognized at the end of the year. The Extension Office is happy to help or answer questions. Volunteers are welcomed to use office computers, if needed! Anyone with questions may contact Jo at 785-828-4438.

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

Stay informed and read the newsletter!

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District’s 4-H website:
www.frontierdistrict.ksu.edu/4-h/
4-H Council and Club Fundraiser
Delivery for Blue and Gold is expected in mid-March. Watch for more information in an email soon.

Selling Anderson County Ads
Ad forms and money (payment must be collected at the time of selling ads) are due to the Extension Office by March 6th. 4-H Clubs will receive a percentage of money from the ads sold. Changes to an ad or questions may be directed to Extension Office.

4-H Council and Club Leader Meetings
The Anderson County 4-H Council meetings are held on the second Monday of each odd numbered month at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting will be March 13th, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Extension Office in the Annex. Be sure to attend and represent your club as there must be a representative from each club at every meeting in order for the club to be on track to receive a purple seal at year’s end. While only club elected Council members are allowed to vote, all 4-H members, parents or volunteers are welcomed to attend.
Save the date! Club Leader meetings will be held in January, May and September at 6:00 p.m. before the 4-H Council meeting. All club leaders are encouraged to attend!

| Council Committees: Assignments will be in effect October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2024. |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| National 4-H Week | CM & LI3 |
| Achievement Celebration | CM |
| County-Wide Fun Event | DYN |
| County-Wide Community Serv. | LI3 |
| Club Day | S |
| Recognition of 4-H Seniors | SNS, SS & DYN |
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Weigh In Dates
BeeF - March 19, 2023; 2:00-4:00 p.m. at Ron Ratliff’s Cattle Buying Station, 25982 NW Mitchell Road, in Garnett. We highly encourage having cattle halter broke before weigh-in.
Small Animal - May 3rd, 2023; 4:00-6:00 p.m. at the Fairgrounds on North Lake Road in Garnett.

2023 Fair Dates:
The 2023 Richmond Fair will be July 13th-15th. The 2023 Anderson County Fair will be July 24-29th the theme will be “Once Upon a FAIR-ie Tail”.

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Anderson County 4-H members who are high school seniors this year and who plan to participate in any post high school education are encouraged to apply for the Anderson County 4-H Scholarship. Applications are due by 5:00 p.m. to the Garnett Office by Saturday, March 24, 2023.
Available for all Anderson County 4-H youth: Anderson County 4-H Council will offer a $50 scholarship to 4-H members attending any out-of-county event (Camp, Discovery Days, State Geology Field Trip, Insect Spectacular, etc.). This scholarship can be used to help cover the cost of an in person or virtual event. Youth are eligible to receive the scholarship only once per 4-H year (Oct. 1st-Sept. 30th).
Also available is the Jeanette Arnett Event Scholarship. This $20 scholarship will be awarded to youth attending any 4-H event that promotes personal or project development. There is no limit to the number of times a youth may apply.
One application covers both event scholarships and must be submitted prior to the event payment deadline.
Add/Drop Project Deadline
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The 2023 Osage City will be July 19th-22nd.
The 2023 Overbrook Fair will be August 2nd-5th.

4-H Council and Club Leader Meetings
The 4-H Council meeting will be Monday, March 27th. Council members should plan to attend as each club must be represented at every meeting in order for the club to be on track to receive a purple seal at year’s end.

At this time, club leader meetings will be held before every other Council meeting in December, April, and August.

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County-Wide Fundraiser  NO
Club Day  WW
Achievement Celebration  BG
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4-H Council and Club Fundraiser
Delivery for Blue and Gold is expected in mid-March.

Livestock Weigh-In & Ownership Dates
Beef: March 29th; 4-6 p.m. at Overbrook Fairgrounds. This will include all cattle (breeding, market, and bucket calf). Bucket calves may be tagged at either tagging date. We highly encourage you to have your cattle halter broke before weigh-in.
Small Animal: May 2, 2023; 4-6 p.m. at Osage City Fairgrounds. Small animal includes bucket calf, and market and breeding in swine, sheep, and goat. Youth enrolled in Breeding Beef, Dairy, Market and Breeding Meat Goat, Sheep and Swine must own and have possession of animals by May 15th.

The ownership deadline for all Rabbits and Fowl is June 15th.

Dairy: New for the 2023 Fair Season
Dairy cows and dairy goats will no longer need to be tagged to show at the county fairs in Osage County. Each dairy goat will still need to have a scrapie tag. As in the past, all market and breeding animals (beef, goats, swine, sheep) will still need to be tagged. Please contact the Extension Office if there are any questions.

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Osage Shooting Sports
Osage County Shooting Sports program has a volunteer that will be retiring at the end of this year, and that leaves a position open for an adult instructor. Adult instructors openings are available for: Pistol, Archery and Shotgun. It is a wonderful and rewarding experience to help local youth learn about shooting sports. Anyone interested in becoming a certified instructor or for more information, please contact Marcie at mqrq1228@embarqmail.com or call 785-654-3981. Make sure your 4-H member is ENROLLED in shooting sports and in each desire discipline BEFORE the first practice. Participants must be 8, 4-H age, to enroll in Shooting Sports and MUST attend the safety meeting. The current schedule for the year is as follows:
WHEN: Archery at 2:00 p.m.
  Shotgun at 3:30 p.m.
April 2nd, 16th, and 23rd.
WHERE: 15303 S Osage Rd, Burlingame
**Weigh In Dates**

**Beef** - **February 26, 2023**: 2:00-4:00 p.m. at Cottonwood Animal Hospital, 3161 K-68, in Ottawa. We highly recommend having cattle halter broke before weigh-in.

Small Animal - **April 26, 2023**: 4:00-6:00 p.m. at the Fairgrounds, 220 W. 17th, in Ottawa.

**2023 Fair Dates**

The 2023 Richmond Fair will be **July 13th - 15th**.

The 2023 Franklin County Fair will be **July 18th - 23rd**.

**4-H Council and Club Leader Meetings**

The Franklin County 4-H Council meetings are held the last Monday of each odd numbered month (not July). The next meeting will be **March 27th, 2023**, at 7:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers, 1418 S. Main, in Ottawa (down the hall from the Extension Office). Be sure to attend and represent your club as there must be someone from each club at every meeting in order for the club to be on track to receive a purple seal at year’s end. All 4-H members, parents, and volunteers are welcomed to attend a meeting but only club elected Council members are allowed to vote.

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

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**Event Scholarship Have Risen**

Franklin County Council has voted to increase all event scholarships. This includes KYLF ($150), Discovery Days, ($110), Rock Springs Ranch ($150), CWF ($200) (CWF is only given out in even numbered years). This is a big factor as every dollar saved for events benefits everyone! I hope this encourages more to sign up for camp at Rock Spring Ranch as registration is almost closed.

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**Franklin County Ag Ambassador Program**

Check out the Farm Bureau Ag Ambassador Program in Franklin County. This is a great opportunity for teens to get involved with their county, and learn the behind scene of Farm Bureau. Applications are due by May 5th, and is attached.

**Kansas Farm Bureau Safety Poster Contest**

It’s time to kick off the 2023 Kansas Farm Bureau Safety Poster Contest to help youth visualize ways to stay safe on the farm. This year’s theme is “Leading the Way for Farm Safety.” Will be awarded for 1st and 2nd place winners in each division in Franklin County. The first place poster in each division will be sent to Kansas Farm Bureau in Manhattan for state competition with the other county winners. State level awards include 1st – 3rd places in each division: 1st place = $100, 2nd place = $75 and 3rd place = $50. In addition, the teacher of each of the top three winners in all divisions will receive a $50 gift card to use to promote agriculture in their classroom.

**Livestock Family Nominations**

This year at spring weigh-ins and taggings, 4-H livestock will be tagged under a family name. Previously, families had to indicate at weigh-in which 4-H member was paired with what animal. That information will no longer be needed until fair stall reservations are due to the office. When registering for stall reservations in June, families will need to be specific and indicate which 4-H member is showing which animal. In trying to make this a positive and smooth transition, please direct all questions to the Ottawa Extension Office.

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

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

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

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

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