Southeast Area Leadership Forum for Youth and Adults
The Southeast Area Leadership Forum (SELF) is sponsored by the Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council. SELF is designed for youth, ages 12 to 18, who are and will be leaders. This one-day leadership experience will allow youth to develop leadership skills, take back great ideas to clubs and make new friends. SELF will be held in Emporia. Sign up now! Registration is due by January 10, 2017, at http://www.kansas4h.org/events/index.html. Contact the Extension Office to have any questions answered.

Adults may also attend the Leadership Forum. It will be a day of ideas, sharing, a presentation on the new 4-H logo, “4-H Grows Here”, building strong clubs, understanding 4-H Impact and more. Visit the above website for more information and registration. Be sure to register by January 10th.

Willie and the Beanstalk
Grow the biggest soybean plant and win the K-State Agronomy Beanstalk Award! Registration will be available January 23rd and is due by February 20, 2017. All entries will be judged on April 1, 2017, in Manhattan. All participants will receive a Willie and the Beanstalk t-shirt. Visit www.agronomy.ks-state.edu/k-12-youth-and-educators/willie-and-the-beanstalk-contest/ for more information.

Fundraising Opportunity
The Power of the Past Tractor Show is needing help for next year’s event. There are several areas in which clubs or groups may assist. Anyone interested in helping and making a little money should contact the Ottawa Office to sign up. This is a first-come, first-served opportunity.

Club Day and Room Monitors
District Club Day will be held March 4, 2017, at West Franklin High School in Pomona. Youth may participate in group or individual events (ex: model meeting, gavel game, choir, demonstration, project talk, reading, etc.). Now is the time for youth/groups to prepare and the Kansas 4-H communication fact sheet series may be helpful. They are available at www.kansas4h.org/p.aspx?tabid=551. Registration information will be available in next month’s newsletter, but be sure to mark the calendar for this eventful day! For room monitors, each 4-H club will be assigned a room and will be responsible for making sure someone is in charge of the room at all times. Those clubs sharing a room should contact each other to make arrangements for monitoring responsibilities. Room assignments will also be in the next newsletter. For those who will be participating or attending, Regional Club Day will be held on March 25, 2017, at Gardner.

4-H Day with the Lady Wildcats
The annual 4-H Day with the Lady Wildcat’s Basketball team has been scheduled for Saturday, February 11, 2017, when they take on the Iowa State Cyclones. Tip-off will be at 1:00 p.m. For $20, an individual will receive a ticket into the game, a game day t-shirt and a $7 meal voucher to use at the main concession stands. Registration is due by January 17, 2017. A flier with more information is available at http://www.kansas4h.org/events/docs/17%204-H%20Day%20Flyer.pdf.

Extension Offices Closed
All Frontier Extension District Offices will be closed on the following dates: January 2nd and 16th and February 20th.

K-State Research and Extension is committed to making its services, activities and programs accessible to all participants. If you have special requirements due to a physical, vision or hearing disability or a dietary restriction, please contact Fran Richmond at 785-828-4438 or at frichmon@ksu.edu.
This calendar includes dates for all three counties. Check it and ask questions if there is a concern. Dates may or may not appear elsewhere in the newsletter. Please, read it carefully!

### District Wide Projects and Leaders Available

District Wide projects are available to any Frontier District 4-H member. Continue to check the list as new leaders are added each month. 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.

#### Citizenship-Genealogy: Jo Ellen Arnold

**Cloverbuds:** Jenna Rubick  
**Dairy:** Dee Ann Shuck (questions and info only)  
**Dog:** OS CO-Devin Ramsey; FR CO-Sandy Woodruff  
**Foods:** Erin Laurie  
**Geology:** Gayla Corley  
**Horse:** AN CO - Curtis & Jenny Hughes; FR CO - Joy Miller  
**Poultry:** Melissa Seacat (questions and info only)  

#### Quilting: Michele Altendorf (questions and info only)

#### Rabbit: Jillian Oberly & Kim Powell

#### Self Determined-Tractor Restoration: Bruce Schoepflin

#### Sheep: Jessica Stalford (questions and info only)

#### Shooting Sports: AN CO - Kevin Maloan; FR CO - Tim Kunard, Sabrina Meador & Amy Livingston

#### Shooting Sports-Western Heritage: John Torrence, Ken Wilk, Sabrina Meador & Amy Livingston

#### SpaceTech - Tara Calley

#### Sportfishing: Jessica Stalford (questions and info only)

| JAN  | 2   | All Frontier Extension District Offices Closed | Garnett/Lyndon/Ottawa |
|      | 2-6 | Photos Due to AN CO Hospital for Contest       | Garnett/Lyndon/Ottawa |
|      | 6   | All Senior KAPs Eligible for Area Judging Due to Extension Office | Garnett/Lyndon/Ottawa |
|      | 9   | AN CO 4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 @ Annex Building | Garnett |
|      | 10  | District Wide Horse Meeting, 7:00 p.m. @ Celebration Hall | Ottawa |
|      |      | Registrations Due for Southeast Area Leadership Forum | Online |
|      |      | Registrations Due for Dog Judges’ (Re)Certification & Leader Trng. | Online |
|      | 15  | Registrations Due for Horse Panorama           | Online |
|      | 16  | All Frontier Extension District Offices Closed | Garnett/Lyndon/Ottawa |
|      | 17  | Last Day to Register for National Festival of Breads | Online |
|      | 20-22 | Dog Judges’ (Re)Certification & Project Leader Training | Salina |
|      | 21  | Southeast Area Leadership Forum                | Emporia |
|      | 23  | FR CO 4-H Council Meeting, 7:30 p.m. @ Celebration Hall | Ottawa |
|      | 25  | District Wide Genealogy Meeting @ Annex Building, 7:00 p.m. | Ottawa |
|      | 27-29 | Horse Panorama               | Rock Springs 4-H Center |
| FEB  | 1   | OS CO & FR CO: Last Day to Pick Up KSF Money in Extension Office | Lyndon/Ottawa |
|      | 11  | 4-H Day with the Lady Wildcats | Manhattan |
|      | 15  | Proposals Due for Discover Day Classes          | Online |
|      | 19-20 | Citizenship in Action                  | Topeka |
|      | 20  | All Frontier Extension District Offices Closed | Garnett/Lyndon/Ottawa |
|      | 21  | District Wide Horse Meeting, 7:00 p.m. @ Celebration Hall | Ottawa |
|      | 26  | FR CO Market Beef Weigh-in and Tagging @ Cottonwood | Ottawa |
|      | 27  | OS CO 4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m. @ Extension Office | Lyndon |
| MAY  | 4   | District Club Day, 9:00 a.m., West Franklin High School | Pomonan |
|      | 11  | Kansas Junior Swine Producer Day              | Manhattan |
|      | 14  | District Wide Rabbit Meeting, 7:00 p.m. @ Celebration Hall | Ottawa |
|      | 16  | Registrations Due for UAS at the Cosmosphere | Online |
|      | 18  | OS CO: Weigh-in and Tagging for All Cattle @ Vet Clinic | Lyndon |
|      | 21  | District Wide Horse Meeting, 7:00 p.m. @ Celebration Hall | Ottawa |
|      | 22  | Project Fair @ Celebration Hall, 10:00 a.m.-Noon | Ottawa |
|      | 25  | Regional Club Day                          | Gardner |
|      | 31-April 1 | UAS at the Cosmosphere | Hutchinson |
| APR  | 1   | Willie and the Beanstalk Contest             | Manhattan |
| MAY  | 6   | OS CO: Weigh-in and Tagging for All Goats, Sheep & Swine @ Frngs. | Osage City |
|      | 30-June 2 | Discovery Days | Manhattan |
| JUNE | 14-17 | County Camp | Rock Springs 4-H Center |
|      | 28-July 1 | OS CO Fair | Osage City |
| JULY | 20-23 | FR CO Fair | Ottawa |
|      | 24-29 | AN CO Fair | Garnett |
End-of-the-Year Financial Report PAST DUE!
The end-of-the-year Financial Report for all clubs and groups was due to the Extension Office by November 1, 2016. Clubs/groups who have not turned in a form should do so as soon as possible. The form is available on the District’s 4-H website under “Forms” or in the Office.

Save the Date for Camp
County Camp June 14-17, 2017, Rock Springs 4-H Center.

New 4-H Family Handbook Available
The New 4-H Family Handbook is available to any family. It is filled with important information explaining what to expect from the 4-H experience, terminology, events, what to do as a parent, etc. All families are encouraged to review the information. The Handbook is available on the District’s 4-H website under “Join”. As always, contact the Extension Office if there are any questions.

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. Items are put in boxes often, so please, plan to check the box on a regular basis.

Care to Share Form Available
We love to hear about all the positive things occurring in the Frontier Extension District’s 4-H program! The Care to Share form has been designed to help create an atmosphere of positive recognition. Completed forms should be sent to Janae in the Ottawa Extension Office. The Office will then send a congratulatory card to the appropriate committee, individual(s), etc. The Care to Share form can be found on the District’s 4-H website under “Join”. As always, contact the Extension Office if there are any questions.

Raffle Policy and Guidelines
It is the time of year when clubs will be discussing fundraising options. Due to the changes in a 2015 Kansas law, it is now possible for nonprofit and education entities to conduct raffles. However, a raffle policy and guidelines must be followed. As of June 1, 2016, 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. All applications must be approved prior to conducting the raffle by the Extension District Board (which meets monthly). A raffle application, raffle final report and other additional requirements may be found on the District website under “Policies” or in the Extension Office. Completed raffle applications for Board approval may be sent to any Frontier District Office.

4-H Name and Emblems Do’s and Don’ts
Clubs and groups should make sure the 4-H name and emblems are being used correctly. Visit http://www.kansas 4-h.org/about/docs/4H_Name_and_Emblem_Policy_Guide_2014. pdf to check out all the do’s and don’ts.

Standards for 4-H and FFA Projects
The purpose of the standards outlined below are to assist in determining eligible participation in FFA and/or 4-H Youth Development learning experiences. Both 4-H and Agriculture Education/FFA promote teaching youth life skills. Each program exists to maximize the participant’s knowledge of agriculture and its value to communities while educating the youth to become a productive citizen. Eligible youth in Osage and Anderson County may participate and show at the County Fair(s) in 4-H and FFA but should avoid duplication. The following standards of participation are used in delivering the 4-H and FFA programs in Kansas:

1. Agriculture Education Teachers, FFA Advisors, Extension Staff and local volunteers are encouraged to cooperate in sharing information and resources to provide educational opportunities for youth.

2. Youth who are members of both 4-H and FFA must plan and manage separate projects and/or supervised agriculture experience (SAE) programs.

3. Youth enrolled in both programs may participate in the same area of experience in 4-H and FFA; however, he/she cannot identify, nominate, manage, keep records on or exhibit the same plants, animals, etc. in both organizations. A member must designate exhibits as either FFA or 4-H at weigh-in, registration or other similar deadline(s).

4. Members may participate in judging contests and other related events in FFA and 4-H but cannot represent both organizations at a contest, show or other event(s) at the same time.

5. When 4-H and FFA are conducting collaborating activities, both the 4-H and FFA organizations must be represented through emblems and information on all signs, printed materials and awards.

6. Collaborating FFA and 4-H activities or events are obligated to have supervision representation from both organizations.

These standards are in agreement with Kansas 4-H and FFA and are hereby affirmed by members and professionals in order to participate in either program.

To have questions answered, please contact Janae at 785-229-3520 or email her at jmcnally@ksu.edu.

Cloverbud Participant Clarifications
The Cloverbud program is designed for youth, ages 5-6, and is an activity-focused group rather than project-focused. A Cloverbud member may showcase his or her exhibits at fairs and public events. Cloverbuds may not participate in any competitive 4-H events and may not have 4-H livestock projects which require long-term, on-going care or weigh-ins. The Cloverbud member may not participate as a competitive 4-H exhibitor within any livestock divisions. If questions still remain, contact the Extension Office.

Host Families Needed
Frontier District had three families sponsor a student last year! Now is the ideal time for families to consider hosting an exchange student. Exchangees from several different areas are available. For more information, contact Mary Kay Munson at 785-238-3631 or email her at munson@ksbroadband.net. Please, let the Office know if you become a host!
Citizenship: Genealogy Meeting Scheduled
Jo Ellen Arnold, District-wide Citizenship Leader, will have a Genealogy meeting on **January 25, 2017**, at 7:00 p.m. in the Franklin County Commissioners Chambers (down the hall from the Extension Office). This will be a great project for anyone wanting to learn more about his/her family history. Those interested are asked to RSVP to the Extension Office.

Dog Judges’ Certification & Project Leader Training
The Kansas 4-H Dog Judges’ (Re)Certification and Project Leader Training will be held **January 20-22, 2017**, in Salina. Registration is due by **January 10, 2017**. More information is available at [http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/volunteer-trainings/dog-leader/index.html](http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/volunteer-trainings/dog-leader/index.html).

Foods: National Festival of Breads
Youth and adults may enter the National Festival of Breads Contest! There are two age divisions for amateur bakers. Entrants should read and follow the rules and then enter a bread recipe online by **January 16, 2017**. Visit [www.nationalfestivalofbreads.com](http://www.nationalfestivalofbreads.com) for more information. The public day for this event will be **July 17, 2017**, in Manhattan.

Kids BBQ Championship Contestant Opportunity
**Kids BBQ Championship** is currently casting kid cooks for this reality show. Talented grill masters from around the country will compete for a chance to win a grand prize. “Young cooking masterminds who can handle the heat and smoke the competition!” should consider entering. Information and an application are available at [www.JSCasting.com](http://www.JSCasting.com). Click on “Now Casting” at the top of the page. Email all questions to [BBQKidsCasting@gmail.com](mailto:BBQKidsCasting@gmail.com).

District Wide Rabbit Meetings Scheduled
Jillian Oberly, District Wide Rabbit Leader, will hold rabbit meetings on the following dates at 7:00 p.m. at Celebration Hall in Ottawa: **March 14th, May 9th and June 13th**. Meetings are open to any Frontier District 4-H member enrolled or interested in the Rabbit project. To have questions answered, contact Jillian at [jnoberly@yahoo.com](mailto:jnoberly@yahoo.com).

Shooting Sports: Western Heritage Meeting
Old West history, living history portrayals and cowboy action shooting…sound like fun? Join a hands-on history group and learn about the Old West and enjoy shooting classic firearms. Any Frontier District 4-H member who is eight years of age by January 1, 2017, may participate. Meetings are usually held on the third Sunday of every month at 2:00 p.m. at the Lebo Baptist Church or at the range the group uses located at 2766 Burlingame Road in Reading, Kansas. Contact one of the leaders to get specific directions to the range. “Like us” on Facebook at “4-H Western Heritage Project-East Central Kansas” or contact one of the following leaders: John at [trap4570@hotmail.com](mailto:trap4570@hotmail.com), Sabrina at [sabrinameador@yahoo.com](mailto:sabrinameador@yahoo.com) or Amy at [livingstonamyr@gmail.com](mailto:livingstonamyr@gmail.com).

State Shooting Sports Newsletter Available
On Target, the Kansas 4-H Shooting Sports newsletter, is available to anyone enrolled in or interested in the project and can be found at [www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/shooting-sports/on-target/index.html](http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/shooting-sports/on-target/index.html).

Unmanned Aerial Systems at the Cosmosphere
This fun, hands-on and science-based event is designed to be an adult-child experience, where 4-H members and adults can interact and learn. Participants will enjoy overnight, indoor camping at the Cosmosphere in Hutchinson on **March 31-April 1, 2017**. Registration will be available in mid-January at [http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html](http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html) and is due by **March 16, 2017**. FYI: All UASs must be registered with the FAA at [www.faa.gov/uas/registration](http://www.faa.gov/uas/registration).

Kansas Junior Meat Goat Producer Day
The 2017 Kansas Junior Meat Goat Producer Day will be held on **March 25th** in Manhattan. Project leaders, parents and youth of any skill level or knowledge base are invited to participate. More information is available at [https://www.asi.k-state.edu/students-and-programs/youth-programs/ks-jr-producer/index.html](https://www.asi.k-state.edu/students-and-programs/youth-programs/ks-jr-producer/index.html).

Other Project Opportunities and Events
The Extension Office receives fliers from other counties for livestock shows and other project opportunities. Feel free to come by and look over this information.

District Wide Horse Meeting
The Franklin County Horse Club meetings are open to any Frontier District 4-H member enrolled or interested in the Horse project. The group will meet on **January 10, 2017** at 7:00 p.m. at Celebration Hall, 220 W. 17th, in Ottawa. For more information, contact Joy at [joy@newhorizonranch.org](mailto:joy@newhorizonranch.org).

Horse Panorama
Kansas 4-H Horse Panorama has been scheduled for **January 27-29, 2017**, at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Registration is due **January 15, 2017**. Information is available at [www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/horse/index.html](http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/horse/index.html).

Photography Opportunities
~“Ingredients for Photo Success”, **March 19, 2017**, Auburn; registration due by **March 11th**; more information available at [http://www.shawnee.k-state.edu/4-h/current-events-pdf2017_photo_workshop_flyer_OFFICIAL.pdf](http://www.shawnee.k-state.edu/4-h/current-events-pdf2017_photo_workshop_flyer_OFFICIAL.pdf) or in the Extension Office
~Shutterbugs at Botanica: **April 29, 2017**, Wichita
~Shutterbugs at the Zoo: **May 1, 2017**, Garden City
Several different workshops are offered at each Shutterbug site. For more information, visit [www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/photography/index.html](http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/photography/index.html).

Kansas Junior Swine Producer Day
The 2017 Kansas Junior Swine Producer Day will be held on **March 11th** in Manhattan. Project leaders, parents and youth of any skill level or knowledge base are invited to participate. Participants will learn about various topics related to swine production and youth swine projects. More information is available at [https://www.asi.k-state.edu/students-and-programs/youth-programs/ks-jr-producer/index.html](https://www.asi.k-state.edu/students-and-programs/youth-programs/ks-jr-producer/index.html).
**VOLUNTEERS**

### 4-H Volunteer Screening Process

Wondering who must complete the 4-H Volunteer Screening process? The following is a quick reminder:

1. Any individual who works in close, ongoing interaction with youth or
2. Any adult or youth with authority to independently plan and conduct 4-H educational experiences for youth with other adults present or in a public setting.

“Any individual” can refer to either an adult or a youth. Parents, grandparents and specialized volunteers serving in roles of club and project leaders, judging team coaches, chauffeurs, etc. and 4-H members who have turned 18 years of age should complete the process. Many younger 4-H members, such as teens, serving in independent leadership roles are encouraged to complete the screening process to fulfill the requirements of serving as a project leader, camp counselor, etc. The step-by-step process is available on the District’s 4-H website under “Volunteers”. Anyone beginning the process or who has questions should contact Sharon at 785-229-3520.

### All Volunteer Renewal Forms Due Now

Club Leaders and club/county/district project leaders (youth or adult) who were previously approved need to fill out a renewal form each year. They are available on the District’s 4-H website under “Volunteers”. It would be helpful to the Office if forms were turned in at the beginning of the new 4-H year, regardless of the expiration date on the previous form.

### Volunteers Needed to Teach Classes

Volunteers are needed to teach classes at Discovery Days May 30-June 2, 2017. Classes will be held May 31st-June 1st. The length of a class session can be 90 minutes, three hours or all day. Anyone with a hobby or passion or anyone who enjoys teaching a specific topic is encouraged to sign up. Past volunteers have found spending time with the deleges to be a rewarding and enjoyable time. Volunteers may register at https://goo.gl/forms/KumsUatP5crEeYKuI. Proposals are due by February 15, 2017.

### Save the Date for Volunteer E-Forums

Mark your calendars now for three virtual 4-H volunteer trainings from across the nation – October 5, 2017, November 2, 2017, and December 7, 2017! Topics in date order are Cultivating an Environment for Growing True Leaders, “Stem”ing into Livestock – Growing True 4-H Leaders, and Helping 4-H’ers Grow in Life and Work. The trainings are scheduled for 90 minutes and will incorporate hands-on learning, listening and group discussions. More information will be available at a later date.

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### OLDER MEMBER NEWS

#### Senior KAP Due Date for Area Judging

All Senior KAPs chosen as 1st place are eligible for Area Judging. After improvements have been made, all KAPs should be returned to the Office by **January 6, 2017**.

#### Kansas 4-H Scholarship Information

The 2017 Kansas 4-H Scholarship application can be found at http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=479. The application is due to the State Office by **February 1, 2017**.

#### Scholarship Opportunity

WinField is keeping the tradition of the Careers in Agriculture Scholarship Program and will award a $1,000 scholarship to ten high school seniors and ten college students in his/her first or second year who demonstrate scholastic achievement, leadership in agriculture and a perceived ability to contribute to agriculture in the future. More information and an application is available at www.winfield.com in the “News” section at the bottom of the page on the left side. All applications must be postmarked by **February 10, 2017**.

#### Save the Date for Discovery Days

**May 30-June 2, 2017**; For youth, 13-18 years of age; Information at www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/

#### Citizenship In Action

Youth, 13-18 years of age, are eligible to attend Citizenship In Action (CIA). This event will teach Kansas youth how the state legislative process works and how his or her voice and participation in the decision-making process can make a difference in local communities. The visit will not only familiarize youth with the Capitol Building, but it will also demonstrate how the legislative process can be affected by involved constituents. Citizenship in Action will be held February 19-20, 2017, in Topeka. Registration is due by **January 15, 2017**. Information is available at www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/citizenship-in-action/index.

#### Save the Date - Camp Counselors Needed!

Camp at Rock Springs 4-H Center for the Frontier District group will be **June 14-17, 2017**! Counselors will be needed and should be 16 years of age or older. Counselors will also be required to attend a camp counselor training (date TBD) and must be an approved volunteer. For information on how to begin that process, see the article above or contact Sharon in the Extension Office at 785-229-3520. Information on how/when to sign up to be a counselor will be available at a later date.
As a new 4-H member and family, the newsletter can be overwhelming! There are three counties, 22 4-H Clubs and almost 750 4-H members and volunteers to whom information must reach. This is a quick review of information already in the newsletter. Do not rely completely on this section. As always, if there are any questions, feel free to contact the Extension Office.

Have you…
- re-enrolled? Go to https://ks.4honline.com
- chosen to participate in the Southeast Area Leadership Workshop, the Willie and the Beanstalk Contest or 4-H Day with the Lady Wildcats?
- realized your club may need a fundraiser?
- marked the calendar for District and Regional Club Day?
- noticed the dates the Extension Office will be closed? See page 1.
- highlighted the events from the calendar that pertain to you and your family?
- noticed the list of District-wide Project Leaders?
- made sure your club turned in a Financial Report?
- read the rules for Cloverbuds, conducting a raffle and using the 4-H emblem and name?
- read the New Family Handbook and chosen someone to check the club box?
- decided to host a foreign exchange student or to acknowledge someone by filling out a Care to Share form?
- read the article about 4-H & FFA Standards and saved the date for camp? See pg. 3.
- realized you still need to turn in the volunteer renewal form?
- noticed the scholarship and leadership (CIA & Camp Counselor) opportunities for older youth? See pg. 5.
- realized you need to learn the 4-H Pledge, Motto and Slogan? See below.
- noticed the date for the next 4-H Council meeting?
- picked up KSF premium money?
- made note of tagging dates and next year’s fair dates?
- decided to help with the Spring Break Project Fair? Anderson County-See page 7; Osage County-See page 8; Franklin County-See page 9.
- decided to record a radio spot and bookmarked the helpful 4-H websites? See page 10.

What are you enrolled or interested in?

Note the list of District-wide projects and leaders on page two.

Dog: Page 4 - Judges’ (Re)Certification and Project Leader Training
Foods: Page 4 - National Festival of Breads; Youth bbq contest information
Horse: Page 4 - District wide project meeting date; Horse Panorama
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Shooting Sports: Page 4 - State 4-H newsletter; Western Heritage meeting/project information
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The 4-H Pledge

I pledge my HEAD to clearer thinking
My HEART to greater loyalty,
My HANDS to larger service, and
My HEALTH to better living,
For my club, my community, my country and my world.

The 4-H Motto

To Make the Best BETTER

The 4-H Slogan

Learn By Doing
Anderson County Hospital Photo Contest

This contest is open to all Anderson County 4-H members. Drop off photos at the Information Desk in the Hospital January 2-6, 2017. A flier with more information and rules is available on the District’s 4-H website under “Anderson Events & Information” or in the Office. For questions, contact Karen Gillespie at 785-204-8004 or kgillespie@saintlukes.org.

Blue & Gold and Anderson Co. 4-H Council Meeting

Blue and Gold meat sale information will be handed out at the January 9, 2017, 4-H Council meeting at the Annex Building at 7:00 p.m. Plan to attend the meeting and be looking for this information from club leaders.

Projects Needed for Spring Fling Project Fair

There will be a 4-H Project Fair at Celebration Hall in Ottawa during Spring Break on Wednesday, March 22, 2017, 10:00 a.m.-Noon. Anyone interested in helping or providing items is asked to email Audra McCurdy at raahcurdys4@aol.com.

Committees and Duties for the Current 4-H Year

Committee assignments for clubs are on a rotation basis.

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<td>District-Wide Activities and New Member Kick Off 2016-2017</td>
<td>Help with any District-wide events and activities. Provide programming, etc. for new members.</td>
<td>Cherry Mound and Dynamite</td>
<td>Year round</td>
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<td>County-Wide Fun Activity 2016-2017</td>
<td>Look at alternatives for an activity all ages can have fun with and also use as a county-wide participation event for pin applications.</td>
<td>Dynamite</td>
<td>September, November</td>
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<td>County-Wide Community Service Project 2016-2017</td>
<td>Suggest an activity Anderson County 4-H members can do for one large community service.</td>
<td>Star Shooting</td>
<td>January</td>
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<td>District-Wide Club Day March 2017</td>
<td>Help with various tasks for the day.</td>
<td>Lucky 13 &amp; Star Shooting</td>
<td>January</td>
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<td>District-Wide Day Camp Summer 2017</td>
<td>Help organize events for Day Camp.</td>
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<td>Recognition of 4-H High School Seniors 2017 County Fair</td>
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Osage County 4-H Council Meeting

The next Osage County 4-H Council meeting will be held on **February 27, 2017**, at the Extension Office. Plan 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 eligible to receive a club seal at the end of the 4-H year. While only club elected Council members are allowed to vote, all 4-H members, parents or volunteers are welcomed to attend any and all meetings.

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There will be a 4-H Project Fair at Celebration Hall in Ottawa during Spring Break on Wednesday, **March 22, 2017**, 10:00 a.m.-Noon. Anyone interested in helping or providing items is asked to email Audra McCurdy at raahcurdys4@aol.com.
Franklin Co. Shooting Sports Practice Schedule
As set forth by National Shooting Sports Policies, a 4-H member must be eight (8) years of age before January 1, 2017, to participate in Kansas 4-H Shooting Sports. Youth must be 12 years of age by January 1, 2017, to participate in Air Pistol, Small Bore Rifle and Shotgun.

This year, Franklin County Shooting Sports will be offering BB Gun, Air Rifle, Air Pistol, Shotgun, Small Bore Rifle and Archery. When properly enrolled, the member will receive project information. There will also be a $25 fee per 4-H member (no more than $75 per family) to cover supplies and equipment. This will help keep fundraising to a minimum.

Practices for BB Gun, Air Rifle and Air Pistol will be held at 3451 Riley Terrace, Wellsville, from 6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. on the dates listed below. A safety lesson will be completed the first night for new shooters. Everyone should bring a chair.

- January 10, 24,
- February 7, 21,
- March 7, 21, 28,
- April 4, 11, 18

Practices for Shotgun, Small Bore Rifle and Archery will be held on the following dates:

- April 1, 15, 29,
- May 13, 27,
- June 10, 24,
- July 8, 22,
- August 5, 19, 26,
- September 2, 9, 16, 23

Practices will be held at the following locations and times:
- Shotgun: Hillsdale or Baldwin City Shooting Range, 10:30 a.m.
- Small Bore Rifle: Hillsdale Shooting Range, 1:00 p.m.
- Archery: Franklin County Fairgrounds, 3:30 p.m.

For questions, contact Sabrina at sabrinameador@yahoo.com or Amy at livingstonamy@gmail.com.

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Franklin County Scholarships Available Now!
Scholarships for Franklin County Seniors are available at http://franklincountygiving.org/scholarships/. Applications must be postmarked by April 1st. Get a jump on applying!
Helpful Websites - Bookmark Them!

1. [www.frontierdistrict.ksu.edu](http://www.frontierdistrict.ksu.edu) - This is the Frontier District's website. Information about upcoming events, the District newsletters, contact information for all agents, etc. is available. The 4-H Youth Development webpage is used to communicate important information and dates from the Extension Office to 4-H families.

2. [Frontier Extension District](https://www.facebook.com/FrontierExtensionDistrict) - This is the District’s Facebook name. Important information and dates are posted, as well as any last minute event changes.

3. [www.kansas4-h.org](http://www.kansas4-h.org) - This is the Kansas 4-H website and is an excellent resource. There is information about state events, project materials and the state newsletter (a.k.a. the “Tip Sheet”).

4. [www.joinkansas4-h.org](http://www.joinkansas4-h.org) - This website does a great job of explaining the concept of 4-H.

5. [http://pinterest.com/kansas4h/](http://pinterest.com/kansas4h/) - This is the Pinterest page for Kansas 4-H. The site showcases 4-H media tips, events, programs, volunteers, community service and club management ideas, as well as helpful hints for projects.

Join Us on the Radio

The Frontier Extension District 4-H program has a ten minute 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, 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. This would look great on a KAP! For more information or to schedule a recording session, contact Janae in the Ottawa Office or email her at jmcnally@ksu.edu.

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