Great Things Happening in Frontier 4-H
Congressional to the Frontier District Seniors! Thank you for your leadership and we wish you all the best in your future endeavors while you continue to strive “To Make the Best Better!” Be sure to watch for the Senior Spotlight posts on social media! Ronin Calley, CM; Katie Cameron, BGB; Kenna Cooley, BGB; Hershy Corley, L13; Emma Cubit, SS; Gracie Ferguson, ATB; Lilly Grigsby, RR; Riley Guenther, NO; Bryce Hatfield, Adelle Higbie, ATB; BGB; Carter Kimball, AR; Quincy Koger, NO; Landon Kraft, SS; Erin Livingston, RR; Taryn Morrow, SS; Zander Robb, SNS; Spencer Rockers L13; Landrie Rolla, NO; Cole Thompson, WW; Owen Tomlison NO; Liam Vandruff, BG; Laura Wingert, RR; Reagan Witherspoon, CM. We wish you the best, and to keep striving!

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Tagging Date for State Shows
Livestock tagging (previously known as (“last call”) for state shows (KSF, KJLS, etc.) for Frontier District 4-H members will be May 30th, 5:00-6:00 p.m., at the Franklin County Fairgrounds, 220 W. 17th, in Ottawa. Staff will not enter trailers. Be prepared to tag your own animals!

2024 Fair Books
Anderson County Fair Book will be available in the office in the middle of June.
Osage County Fair Book is on the website.
Franklin County Fair Book is on the website May 3rd.

KSF and KJLS Nomination; Order DNA envelopes
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Visual Arts and Woodworking Day Camp
Save the date for June 12th! The Osage County 4-H Ambassadors along with the Frontier District Summer Interns will be hosting a Visual Arts and Woodworking Day Camp from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. at the Osage City Community Building. Registration will be required and space will be limited. Be watching for a registration email Mid-May.

Foods and FCS Day of Fun!
On June 17th, 2024 we will be doing a day of fun at Celebration Hall, 220 W. 17th, in Ottawa. We will be learning how to make an edible arrangement. Then later in the afternoon, we will be hosting a FCS Judging Contest! More information on page 4!

Back to Nature with 4-H Day Camp!
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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.

MAY
1  State Market Beef Nominations Due
   Last Day to Add/Drop Projects
   Online
2  AN CO: Small Animal Weigh-In 5-7 p.m. @ fairgrounds
   Last Day to Tag for Anderson County Fair
4  Shutterbug at the Zoo
   Entomology Meeting, 1:00 p.m. @ Allen Extension Office
   Garden City
7  OS CO: Small Animal Weigh-In 4-6 p.m. @ Osage fairgrounds
   Last Day to Tag for Osage & Franklin County Fair
15  Blazin' the Ring Spring Classic
20  Franklin County Horse Club Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
30  Tagging for State Shows, 5:00-6:00 p.m. @ Franklin CO. fairgrounds

JUNE
1  Horse ID Forms Due to the Office
   Garrnett/Lyndon/Ottawa
5  Last Day to Order Small Animal DNA Envelopes for Nominations
   Online
11-14  Kansas Range Youth Camp
12  Visual Arts and Woodworking Day Camp 9 a.m.-3 p.m. @ OS CO.
15  Small Animal Nominations Due
20  PT Testing 8 - 10 a.m. @ Franklin County Fair Grounds, BBQ Pavilion
27  SE Area Contest; Livestock, Meats and Skillathon
30-1  Dr. Bob Hines Kansas Swine Classic

JULY
6  PT Testing, 8 - 10 a.m. @ Anderson County Show Arena
9  PT Testing, 5 - 7 p.m. @ Osage City Show Arena
12-13  DR. Bob Hines Swine Classic @ Riley County Fairgrounds
16-21  Franklin County Fair
16-20  Feed your Future Camp
24-27  Osage City Fair
29-2  Anderson County Fair

AUG. 6-9  Overbrook Fair

Check county pages for fair dates and information!
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 Policy
Frontier District 4-H families are encouraged to review the State 4-H Policy. This year they have been updated! 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.

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.

Enrollment
The new 4-H year began October 1st. The cost will remain $15. Cloverbuds and volunteers will not be charged. Returning 4-H members and volunteers should be re-enrolled by December 1st. When enrolling, projects and clubs will not pre-populate. Returning members will need to select the club and all the desired projects. If selecting a project in which the youth was enrolled last year, the years in the project will increment correctly based on what was on the enrollment the year before. Some of the project names have changed. Check these when enrolling! Families are also encouraged to confirm the email address for the family and for each member/volunteer.

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.

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.

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.

GENERAL NEWS

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

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Kansas Clover Classroom
The Kansas Clover Classroom is an amazing 4-H project supplemental guide being offered to 4-H families. Taking photos, designing a cabinet, building rockets, collecting insects, tending to livestock…those activities are part of a much bigger, project-based learning process to prepare youth for the future. Which challenge will you take on?

Mass Emails Not Received or Going to Junk/Spam
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 “unsubscribed” to 4HOnline emails. If so, each member must re-subscribed to receive “Broadcasts” (emails) again. 3). “Whitelist” the address from which the broadcasts originate: no-reply@4honline.com (RegMax-4-H). 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 Camp at Rock Springs 4-H Center
Summer Camp 2024 registration is open! This includes half week, full week, LIT (Leader in Training) and Counselor in Training (CIT) sessions. There are eight different traditional 4-H camp dates in June and July. We recommend Session two! There are also three CIT dates in June and July and two LIT dates in June. Each have the opportunity to attend for free! They have also added a two night mini camp for rising 1st-3rd graders, as well as a Specialty camp for rising 6th-9th graders. Transportation schedules are being finalized. Check out which date and/or camp works best for you! Campships (scholarships) are available for all levels!
**PROJECT NEWS**

**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**
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.

- **Cloverbud:** Jennifer Whiteford-Houk
- **Dog:** Rochelle Nelson
- **Geology:** Gayla Corley
- **Fiber Arts, Quilting:** Michele Altendorf
- **Horse:** FR CO-Kathy Hinderliter
  - OS CO-Dorothy Christison & Niki Schoepflin
- **Livestock Judging:** Hyatt Frobose
- **Rabbits:** Jillian & Mat Oberly
- **Shooting Sports:** (available disciplines vary by county)
  - FR CO-Tim Kunard & Becky Cain
- **Shooting Sports-Western Heritage:** Becky Cain, Dave Sielert, John Torrence, Ken Wilk
- **Sheep:** Diane Spisak
- **Wildlife:** Rochelle Nelson

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3) **NOTE: ENTRY IS ONLINE ONLY!**

**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. Don’t forget to check out their 25-minute podcast!

**PROJECT NEWS**

**Entomology Meeting**
An Entomology Project meeting will be on Saturday, May 4th at the Allen County Extension Office. It will be a split day. You can come for either session or both. From 9 to 11 a.m. You will be working on identifying insects you have caught. Then from 1 to 3 p.m. you will work on pinning and getting labels on insects. If you haven't finished your dragonflies, you can get that done. Questions: call Vicky at (620)804-9170.

**Entomology: Insect Art Contest**
This year’s theme for K-State’s Integrated Pest Management (IPM) is “Incognito: Insects in Disguise”. Participants will enter an art piece showing how insects are beneficial. 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 15th.

**Geology: GeoCAT Bites**
The newsletter offers a variety of resources that can be used by anyone and be helpful to everyone. This month's GeoCAT Bites includes a 'yummy' activity, introducing the rock cycle using chocolate. This activity was developed by the Geological Society of London and adapted for Earth Science Week by the American Geosciences Institute. Check it out!

**District-Wide Favorite Foods Contest**
The Frontier District 4-H Favorite Food Contest will be June 17, 2024, at Celebration Hall, 220 W. 17th, in Ottawa. Set up will be at 12:30 p.m. and judging will begin at 1:00 p.m. The contest is for properly enrolled Frontier District 4-H members, ages 7+, currently enrolled in the Foods project. Sign-up by contacting the Extension Office by June 10th. A winner from each age division in each county will be chosen and will be eligible to participate in the Area Favorite Food Show on June 25th in Emporia.

Contest Details: Each contestant will select a favorite food recipe from the following food groups: snack, salad, dessert, soup, meat, vegetable plate, sandwich, fruit, bread, drink, casserole and other. The prepared favorite food should then be displayed with 1) a proper table setting (formal or informal, depending on the food choice), including a centerpiece, which is optional; 2) a recipe card for the favorite food and; 3) a planned menu which includes the favorite food. The 4-H exhibitor is responsible for providing all equipment including a card table. Electrical appliances are not allowed. Judges WILL NOT taste the food due to food safety concerns. Be prepared to explain how to prepare and serve the favorite food, discuss the nutritional value, state why the table service and dishes were selected and why the centerpiece is suitable.

**Reminder! Horse Webinar and Quiz**
Last year the rules changed for the State Fair! Follow the link above for more information!
**District-Wide Horse Groups**

Join the group and watch for updates and reminders on Facebook!

Franklin County Horse Club - Facebook name: Franklin County 4-H Horse Club. Contact Kathy at 785-242-5506 or at kathy.hinderliter@gmail.com.

Osage County Horse and Youth (H.A.Y.) - Facebook name: 4-H H.A.Y Club (no period after the “Y”): Dorothy: 785-806-5786 or Niki: ncfml234@hotmail.com or 785-219-1829.

**Reminder! Horse Project Changes**

1. Horse Achievement Levels will no longer be required to participate at the Kansas State Fair 4-H Horse Show.
2. Eligibility for the KSF 4-H Horse Show has changed.
3. Those planning to participate at the Kansas State Fair must fill out and upload an affidavit when entering.

**Horse ID Due**

Horse ID form or a breed registration paper with ownership listed in the member’s/family’s name is now due by June 1st.

**Kids N Horses Newsletter**

The Kids N Horses Newsletter is a great resource!

**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!

**Horse Qualifying Shows**

Lyndon Saddle Club will be hosting 4 Open Fun Shows this year which can serve as a pre-qualifying show, with the exception of the last one since it is later in the year. They will be hosting the shows May 18, July 13, August 10 and September 21. Please take some time to review all the necessary steps now, so you can ensure that you are doing what you need to do. You can find that information on the Kansas 4-H Horse Project webpage. The show affidavit and other needed forms can be found on this page as well.

**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!

**Animal Science Leadership Academy**

The Kansas State University Animal Sciences Leadership Academy is an intensive four-day educational experience designed to enhance the leadership skills and animal science knowledge of students in grades 9-12. This is the 15th year of the academy, hosted by K-State’s Department of Animal Sciences and Industry in Manhattan and set for June 5-8. Applications are due April 15.

**Local Livestock Show**

WHAT: Blazin’ the Ring Spring Classic (search on Facebook)
WHEN: May 18th, 2024
WHERE: Franklin County Fairgrounds, Ottawa, KS
NOTES: Entries due by May 6th. Show order and schedule change!

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**PROJECT NEWS**

**Save the Date!**

June 27, 2024 SE Area Livestock, Meats, and Skillathon Day. Location to be determined. June 25, 2024 SE Area Program Day held in Emporia. More information coming soon!

**Plant Science: Horticulture Newsletter**

This is a fabulous resource!

**Poultry: #FlockDefender**

For those interested in the Poultry project, an outreach effort is aimed at helping youth poultry owners learn about and practice good biosecurity. This 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!

**PT Testing 2024**

Last year, the KDA implemented Poultry PT testing to be done on a 5-year rotation. 2024 is Frontier District’s year to test. All poultry (except ducks and pigeons) must test negative for Pullorum-Typhoid (P-T) within 90 days of any Kansas fair or exhibition. Frontier District 4-H members enrolled in the Poultry project are welcome to utilize the date that works best for them. Testing will be $1.00 per bird. Exact change is appreciated! The exact locations are TBD.

Franklin County - June 15th; 8 - 10 A.M. @ FR CO: BBQ
Anderson County - July 6th; 8 - 10 A.M. @ AN CO: Arena
Osage County - July 9th; 5 - 7 P.M. @ Osage City Arena

**Photography Workshop/Shutterbug Opportunities**

Shutterbugs at the Zoo: May 4th, Garden City.

**State Fair Changes!**

As some of you may have noticed, there have been some changes at the state fair. Please read over your projects and if you have any questions, don’t hesitate to call the office. Some big changes that have been made are the project names. Please read over and see the differences in the Project Names. The top part is the updated project names, and the bottom is the previous project names. Some projects that have had some changes are Clothing and Textiles as a whole, Shooting Sports and STEM projects. Please feel free to reach out for any questions!

**Dr. Bob Hines Swine Classic**

The Dr. Bob Hines Swine Classic will be July 12-13, 2024 at the Riley County Fairgrounds in Manhattan. It is comprised of educational opportunities, including a swine skillathon, photography contest, showmanship and a hog show. Participants, ages 7+, should register online by June 24th.

**Save the Date: 2024 4-H Wheat Expo**

The Kansas 4-H Wheat Expo is scheduled for Monday, August 12th, 2024, at the Pottorf Hall in Manhattan KS.
Volunteers Must Be Up-To-Date!
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Feeding your Future Camp
KSU is hosting a camp with Agronomy and Grain Science Departments in an effort to increase awareness of the departments offered for future enrollments with K-State Ag. The camp will take place July 16-20, 2024. Camp will feature Agronomy, Milling Science, Bakery Science and Feed and Pet Food Science. Only 30 participants are allowed, so please fill out the interest form, and a registration will be provided!

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!

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Volunteering News

TEEN MEMBER NEWS

Kansas 4-H Discovery Days 2024
Discovery Days 2024 is June 5-7th at Kansas State University Campus. The theme for this year is “Party All Discovery Days”. This camp gives youth the opportunity to experience the college life, as well as explore classes available. For teens, ages 13-18! Registration is due May 5th.

Scholarships
What’s In Outdoors Scholarship - Due May 1st

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!

Additional Summer Camps
Every summer, K-State hosts summer programs at Manhattan and Polytechnic (Olathe and Salina) campuses. They are designed to educate and inspire youth in a variety of athletic, academic, and extracurricular endeavors. Participants have the opportunity to further education and skills while experiencing life at K-State and making new friends! Most camps are geared toward high school youth. Check it out!

Kansas Range Youth Camp
WHO: Youth (sophomore, junior or senior in high school) interested in conservation and grassland/range management.
WHAT: Kansas Range Youth Camp
WHEN: June 11-14, 2024
WHERE: White Memorial Camp - Council Grove, KS

2026 CWF Delegate Applications
The Frontier District will, once again, be taking a delegation in the Summer of 2026. The delegation will be selected early so funds may be raised and decisions can be made. Frontier District 4-H members, 15-18 years of age by January 1, 2026, are eligible to apply. Interested members must fill out an application and be approved in order to attend. Applications have been due to any Frontier Extension District Office. If still interested, please turn in ASAP! Contact the Extension Office to have questions answered.

VOLUNTEER NEWS

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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!

In which projects are you interested or enrolled?

All Projects: Page 4 - List of District wide project leaders
   Page 3 - Kansas Clover Classroom
Entomology: Page 4 - meeting information
Geology: Page 4 - Geocat Bites
Horse: Page 4&5 - District-wide leader, meeting and FB info; Project changes new year; Equifest; webinar recordings; Kids N Horses
Livestock: Page 5 - Webinar series; Important Livestock Dates; KSU Jr. Producer Days, Beef & Sheep
Plant Science: Page 5 - Horticulture Newsletter
Poultry: Page 5 - PT Testing; Poultry News; Flock Defender

District’s 4-H website: www.frontierdistrict.ksu.edu/4-h/

4-H Basics

The 4-H Symbol
A green 4 leaf clover with a white “H” on each of its leaves.

4-H Pledge
I pledge my head to clear thinking, My heart to greater loyalty, My hands to larger service, And my health to better living, For my club, my community, my county, and my world.

The Motto
“To Make the Best Better”

Slogan
“Learn by Doing”

Colors
Green and White
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 May 13th, 2024 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 13th, 2024 and September at 6:00 p.m. before the 4-H Council meeting. All club leaders are encouraged to attend!

DNA Envelope Purchase

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Weigh-in Date

Small Animal; May 2nd @ 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. at the fairgrounds on North Lake Road in Garnett.

Note: Fairboard has voted a new rule for the 2024 fair. All tagging for county fair must be done on or before weigh-in only. If missed, the animal will be ineligible to be shown at the Anderson County Fair.

Note: You are able to take your animal prior to the dates above if you are unable to make it. Please contact the office to let me know if you need to tag earlier than the dates above!

Fair Information and Pre-Entry

Geology Judging will be July 20th, 2024 at the County Annex. NOTE THE DATE! IT IS DIFFERENT THAN PRE-FAIR JUDGING THIS YEAR.

Pre-fair judging will be held July 27th, 2024. All Fair entries must be pre-entered online. A link will be available June 10th - July 10th. Anyone not entered during the allotted time will be assessed a $25 late fee.

Important Anderson County Fair Dates and Schedule

Richmond free Fair: July 11th - 13th; 100th Anniversary Anderson County Fair: July 29th – August 2nd, 2024.

Anderson County Born forms for the fair are due in the Garnett Office by July 10th. Forms can be found on our website or at the Extension Office in Garnett. Youth enrolled in the Rabbit, Fowl or Breeding Livestock project(s) must own and have possession of his/her animal(s) by June 1st.

A work day has been set for July 27th, 12:00 noon, for Livestock, and the Community and Quonset Buildings.

Bedding/Stall REQUIREMENTS For Fair

Youth must provide his/her own LARGE SIZE shavings for pens/stalls. Small shavings or straw will not be allowed. Youth are also responsible for keeping the pens/stalls clean. Wash stations will be provided.

Anderson Co. Scholarship

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.

Quilt Raffle

Ticket packets for the quilt raffle will be given to club leaders by the first part of June. The money raised will be used for the Anderson County 4-H Scholarship for graduating Senior.

Fair Books

Fair Books will be in the Garnett Extension Office sometime in June. Watch your email. A notice will be sent through 4-HOnline when they are available.
4-H Council and Club Leader Meetings

The Osage County 4-H Council meetings are held on the forth Monday of each even numbered month at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting will be June 24th, 2024, at the Extension Office. 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 December, April, and August at 6:30 p.m. before the 4-H Council meeting. All club leaders are encouraged to attend!

Osage City Fair Pre-Entry

Osage City Fair Pre-Entry will be July 1st-15th. All entries (static, livestock and small animal) must pre-enter for the Osage City Fair using the FairEntry system. Late entries will be charged $25 per exhibitor. A link will be provided when Pre-Entry is open.

Save the Date

Richmond free fair: July 11th-13th; 100th anniversary.
Osage City Fair: July 24th-27th, 2024
Overbrook fair: August 6-9, 2024; this is now a Tues-Fri.

Schoepflin Scholarship

In honor of Deloris Schoepflin and to continue her commitment to 4-H, the family is offering a full scholarship to one Osage County 4-H member to go to 4-H Camp or Discovery Days. Complete the application and submit by April 19th. Read the link for more information!

Visual Arts and Woodworking Day Camp

Save the date for June 12th! The Osage County 4-H Ambassadors along with the Frontier District Summer Interns will be hosting a Visual Arts and Woodworking Day Camp from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. at the Osage City Community Building. Registration will be required and space will be limited. Be watching for a registration email Mid-May.

Style Review Judging and Show

Style Revue Judging will take place before the fair on July 17th at 9:00 a.m. at Lyndon’s First Baptist Church, 129 W. 15th Street. Registration will be required. Registration form will be emailed out mid-June and will be due July 3rd. The public Style Revue will be July 24th at 5:00 p.m. in the Community Building at the Osage City Fair. Style Revue is open to all 4-Her’s enrolled in Sewing & Textile Design and Shopping In Style.

Leadership Event Scholarship Information:

Osage County 4-H Council will offer a $50 scholarship to properly enrolled Osage County 4-H members who attend any out-of-county event (4-H Camp, Discovery Days, KYLF, CIA, etc.). For camp only, the scholarship will be reimbursed to the camper upon returning from the event and submitting proof of payment to the Office. All other scholarships will be taken off the price when payment is made in the Office. Please contact the Office with questions.

Livestock Weigh-Ins

Small Animal: May 7th, 2024 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.

Youth enrolled in the Rabbit and poultry project must own/have possession of animal(s) by June 15th.

A Bucket Calf must have been born Jan. 1st-May 1st of the current 4-H year.

Overbrook Fair Only!
The 2024 Overbrook Fair will be a premium only sale this year. You will need to make spots for animals to be processed and find your own floor buyer ASAP! Contact the office for any questions.

Poultry Member Announcement

Participants planning to bring birds larger than standard chickens and ducks (i.e. turkeys or peacocks), the Osage City Fairboard has requested that you bring your own cages for these birds.

Fair Horse Show Scheduled

Osage City Fair Horse Show: July 20th at Burns Skyview Ranch; Pre-registration is due by July 15th on FairEntry Check-in will be from 8:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m.; Horse Show will begin at 9:00 a.m.

Overbrook Fair Horse Show: August 3rd at the LQ Farms; Check-in will be from 8:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m.; Horse Show will begin at 8:30 a.m.; Forms will be available in the Osage County Fairbook. Pre-Entry is due August 1st.

Livestock Family Nominations

Tagging in Osage County will be recorded as it was in the past few years. The “Family Tagging” rules will continue to parallel the State tagging nomination rules. Family Nominations due June 1st to Jo. Direct any and all questions to the Lyndon Office.

For those selling at Osage City

The Osage City Fairboard is requesting youth that will be selling their animals at the sale to bring a side dish or dessert to share at the Buyer’s Appreciation Dinner. For questions or more information, please contact an Osage City Fairboard Member.

PT Testing 2024

Last year, the KDA implemented Poultry PT testing to be done on a 5-year rotation. 2024 is Frontier District’s year to test. All poultry (except ducks and pigeons) must test negative for Pulmonary- Typhoid (P-T) within 90 days of any Kansas fair or exhibition. Frontier District 4-H members enrolled in the Poultry project are welcome to utilize the date that works best for them. Testing will be $1.00 per bird. Exact change is appreciated! The exact locations are TBD.

Franklin County - June 15th; 8 - 10 A.M. FR CO: BBQ
Anderson County - July 6th; 8 - 10 A.M. AN CO: Arena
Osage County - July 9th; 5 - 7 P.M. @ Osage City Arena
4-H Council and Club Leader Meetings

The Franklin County 4-H Council meetings are held on the last Monday of each odd numbered month (not July) at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting will be June 3, 2024, at 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 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.

Fair Grievance Policy

There is a Fair Grievance Policy for the 2024 Franklin County Fair. It will be in the Fair Book. Please contact the office with questions and concerns you may have.

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.

Horse Club

The Franklin County 4-H Horse Club meetings will be on Monday May 20th at 6:00 p.m. Make sure to follow the group on our Facebook page: “Franklin County 4-H Horse Club”. This is where any updated information will be!

2024 Franklin County Fair Dates

The 2024 Franklin County Fair will be July 16th-21st. Fair set up will be on July 16th at 8:00 am, and fair clean up will be on July 19th at 5:00 p.m. and July 10th at 1:00 p.m.

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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Franklin County Fair Information

Franklin County Born & Raised Forms: Due June 21st for all market species.

Bucket Calf & Clothing: Members enrolled in Clothing or Bucket Calf have paperwork which must be presented at judging time during the Franklin County Fair. Bucket Calf members must present the project record sheet and Clothing members must present a Wardrobe Planning Packet.

Fair Pre-Registration: Fair pre-registration forms will be available May 24th - June 21st. This includes fashion revue cat/handpet, dog, poultry, rabbit, and livestock. Also, youth who wish to participate in conference-style judging for the following projects will be required to pre-register online: Energy Management, Entomology, Forestry, Geology, Home Environment, STEM, Self-Determined, Shooting Sports, Wildlife and Woodworking. The Extension Office will assign judging times. Direct all questions to the Extension Office.

Concession Stand Sign up: Sign-up will be open June 1st-21st. Each family will need to have one adult sign up to work as well as every 4-H Member!

Mr./Miss 4-H: All properly enrolled Franklin Co. 4-H members who are/will be in high school a few more years are encouraged to apply for Mr. or Miss 4-H. Applications are due by June 21st. The mandatory interview will be July 2nd at the First Baptist Church, 410 S. Hickory, in Ottawa beginning at 9:00 a.m. Deliver or email applications to the Ottawa Office. Call to schedule an interview time!

Pre-Fair Judging: July 2nd-Clothing, Fiber Arts, Mr./Miss 4-H Interviews; 1st Baptist Church, 410 S. Hickory, Ottawa
July 8th-Horse Show at 5:00 p.m.; Check-in at 4:30 p.m.
July 15th-Foods (9 AM-11 AM, club assigned times), CB Hall; Photo & Visual Arts (3-7 PM, club assigned times), CB Hall
July 20th - Awards Ceremony & Ice Cream Social.

Franklin County Born (Purebred) Forms

ALL pure bred Market/ Breeding species must have papers in the child’s name (not family name) by May 1st. Must then turn copy in by June 21st into office, or email Josie at josie03@ksu.edu.

Foods and FCS Day of Fun!

On June 17th, 2024 we will be doing a day of fun at Celebration Hall, 220 W. 17th, in Ottawa. We will be learning how to make an edible arrangement. And in the afternoon, we will be hosting a FCS Judging Contest! More information coming soon!

Fair Kick Off and Food Drive

The 2024 Franklin County Fair Kick off begins at 6:00 p.m. Monday, July 15th. There will be games, food, etc.. Bring your best dance moves!

The Rambling Ranchers will be doing a Food Drive again this year. More information to come!

Scholarships

Franklin County Farm Bureau - April 1st, 2024
Ottawa Co-op - April 1st, 2024
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.

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.kansas4-h.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.

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.

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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