



# RENO COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER



## APRIL 2024

### 4-H COUNCIL DATE

**April 22, 2024 @ 7pm**  
**Executive Team will meet at 6 pm**  
**before council starts**  
Reno County Extension Office  
west meeting room

### 4-H Camp Counselors

Calling all teens aged 14 and up: We need counselors for camp June 11-13. Counselors will arrive at camp on June 10 for training. If you're interested in being a counselor, reach out to Katherine at [ksundgren@ksu.edu](mailto:ksundgren@ksu.edu) for a fillable PDF version of the application. Applications are due April 26.

### 4-H Camp

4-H Camp will be June 11-13 this year at Silver Maple Camp in Kingman County. The cost is \$125 including all Meals, Activities and Lodging. Reno County 4-H offers \$30 in scholarships for youth to attend camp from our leadership-camp fund. Additionally, 4-H Council offers a \$25 scholarship that you can apply for. Return the application (found at the end of the newsletter) to the Extension Office by May 1. Payment is also due by May 1. The first 20 to return their application will be automatically accepted and the rest will be put on a waitlist. You can hand it in person or email it to Katherine at [ksundgren@ksu.edu](mailto:ksundgren@ksu.edu).



### Attention in the barns

If you are needing small animals tagged (sheep, goat, swine and bucket calves) please email Donna at [dp96929@ksu.edu](mailto:dp96929@ksu.edu) by April 26<sup>th</sup> with the **EXACT** number of each species you will be needing tagged on May 4<sup>th</sup> from 8 to 10 am behind the extension office. Tags will be \$3.50 each. When you get to the office you will pick up your packet of tags and pay for them. Then you will move on to the next station and have your animals tagged. All animals must be tagged before leaving the grounds.

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**Attention those enrolled in the dog projects**

Dog identification paperwork must be turned into the office by May 1<sup>st</sup> to be eligible to show at fair. Also, if you need to add or drop a project you must either call or email Donna at the Extension Office by May 1st. The Extension Office phone number is 620-662-2371 or Donna's email address is [dp96929@ksu.edu](mailto:dp96929@ksu.edu).

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**If anyone is needing meat sticks we still have plenty to go around. They are now \$1.00 each you can either email Donna at [dp96929@ksu.edu](mailto:dp96929@ksu.edu) or come by the office.**

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### County-Wide Community Service

Join us on April 20 at the Extension Office for the county-wide community service project. We'll be cleaning up around the office so we can plant a pollinator garden to attract local and native wildlife and insects. Sign up here <https://forms.gle/Sm8Z5dKpA76t1JXa6>. If you have questions, email Katherine at [ksundgren@ksu.edu](mailto:ksundgren@ksu.edu).

At the regular meeting of the Mitchell 4-H Club Michael Cota gave a talk on how to bottle feed a lamb. Karie Graham gave a talk on the parts of a chicken and RJ Branscom talked about his puppy.



## County-wide Project Leaders



If you have any questions about the dog project please contact Melaney Dick at (620) 728-9743 or [renoco4hdogclub@gmail.com](mailto:renoco4hdogclub@gmail.com)



If you have any questions about shooting sports, please call Ray Bartholomew at (620) 200-8253



If you have any questions about photography, contact Karolyn Kellogg Howey at (620) 664-0008



If you have any questions about the clothing project, contact Kathy Zongker at (620) 543-2767.

If you have questions about Ambassadors contact

Karolyn Howey at 620-664-0008 or Meghan Miller at 620-200-2544.

If you have any questions about Junior Leaders contact:

Kim Griffith at : 620-899-9453  
[kimberlygriffith27@yahoo.com](mailto:kimberlygriffith27@yahoo.com)



If you have an questions about rabbits, contact Vicki Myers at (620) 727-3980.

If you have any questions about Leathercraft, contact Clint Lanning 620-276-9824

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## Leathercraft Meeting

Thursday April 18 from 6 to 8  
At the Reno County Extension Office in the west meeting room. Please RSVP to Donna at [dp96929@ksu.edu](mailto:dp96929@ksu.edu) or call 620-662-2371 by Tuesday April 15.

## Join the Reno 4-H GroupMe

Scan the QR code or join by [clicking here](#). Join the GroupMe so you have another avenue to get updates and reminders about county and state-wide events. Both the parents and kids are welcome to join the GroupMe.



## Fair Volunteers Needed

We are still needing superintendents in the following departments. You will have other superintendents in these projects.

Lego's - 1

Foods - 1

Photography - 2

Plant Science - 1

## 4-H Trivia

When was Rock Springs Camp established?

A. 1965

B. 1946

C. 1929

D. 1982

Email the correct answer to Katherine at [ksundgren@ksu.edu](mailto:ksundgren@ksu.edu) for a prize!



**WE ARE CLOSING THE DOORS TO THE ALLEY  
AGAIN... WE HAD SO MUCH FUN THE PAST TIMES, SO WE  
DECIDED TO DO IT AGAIN.**

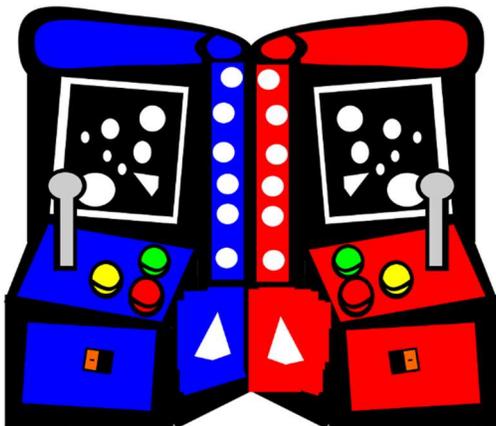
**IT'S FOR ALL 4-H YOUTH & ADULTS!**

**WHERE: AT THE ALLEY 1221 EAST 23<sup>RD</sup> HUTCHINSON  
WHEN: APRIL 14 FROM 2 TO 5 PM**

**IT'S ALL FREE, FREE, FREE!**

**COME SPEND SOMETIME BOWLING, LASER TAG, BUMPER CARS  
ALONG WITH ALL THE ARCADE GAMES  
DID I SAY IT IS ALL FREE?**

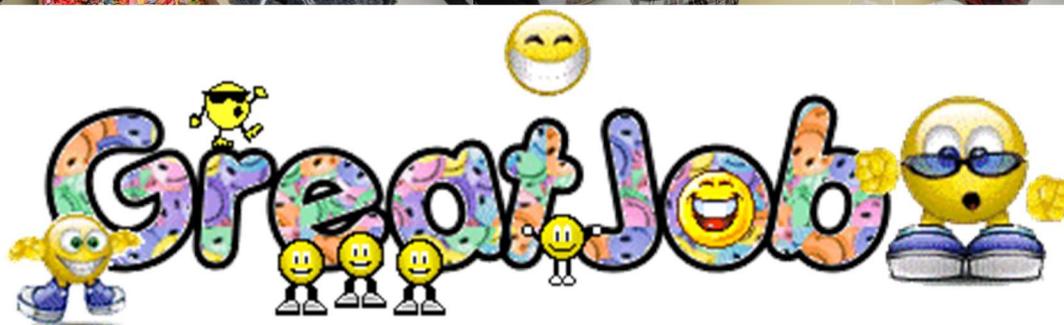
**DON'T FORGET TO BRING A FRIEND!**



## Haven 4-H Club Prepares for the Haven Easter Egg Hunt Written by Amelia Scott

The regular monthly meeting of the Haven 4-H club was called to order on March 17, 2024 at the Haven community building at 4:00 P.M. There were 30 members, 10 leaders and 3 visitors present. For Recreation, the club filled eggs for the Easter Egg hunt that will be held on March 30 at 11:00 A.M. at the Haven High school football field. The meeting had a full agenda of programs that were led by Sadler DeFrain, Sienna DeFrain, Kayden Geffert, Kyler Geffert, Alex Minnis, Bayleigh Minnis, Braydon Blubaugh and Conner Blubaugh. Sadler DeFrain showed the club how to kneebord. Sienna DeFrain showed the club how to check a person's blood pressure. Kayden and Kyler Geffert showed the club how to make a smoothie with yogurt in it. Alex Minnis showed the club how to make a smoothie with honey and protein powder. Bayleigh Minnis showed the club how to do a thumb spica wrap to prevent hyperextension. Braydon and Conner Blubaugh did a talk on the history of Saint Patrick's Day and handed out candy to those who were able to answer questions at the end. Refreshments were provided by the DeFrain and Minnis families. The next meeting will be held on April 21st at 4pm.

Pictured below: Kyler and Kayden Geffert, Sadler DeFrain, Sienna DeFrain and patient Sorel DeFrain, Bayleigh Minnis and patient Sorel DeFrain, Alex Minnis, Connor and Braydon Blubaugh and the club filling eggs for the Egg Hunt.



## 4-H Shutterbugs at the Zoo

[Submitted by Amy Collins](#)

The State Photography Committee will be holding a photography workshop in Garden City, Saturday, May 4 at Lee Richardson Zoo. Doors open at 8:30 am, workshops begin at 9:00 am and will conclude at 12:00 pm. Committee members will be available to teach all aspects of photo composition, how to work with kaleidoscopes, pan blurs, creating a story and more! Please have members bring a smartphone or a camera. There will also be cameras available to check out during the workshop. Members are asked to bring their own SD card so they can take their photos with them when the workshop is over. There is no charge for the workshop, but we ask that you please [register here](#) so we can contact participants in case of inclement weather or last minute changes.

Visit the Kansas 4-H website under Events and Activities to the [Photography Shutterbug page](#) to view the flyer for this event.

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## Kansas 4-H Discovery Days Registration Opens

[Submitted by Dona Sue Ratliff](#)

Kansas 4-H Discovery Days 2024 Registration will be open on March 20th. Please check our [Discovery Days webpage](#) for fliers, the registration link, and the class session descriptions.

We have over 60 class sessions that will provide a wonderful balance of both exploration and fun to our youth delegates. Some of those sessions are limited on how many delegates they can accept, so tell your youth to get out and register early!

We hope they will be ready to "Party All Discovery Days!"

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## Planning for National Volunteer Week April 21-27, 2024

[Submitted by Beth Hinshaw](#)

It is time to get National Volunteer Week on your calendar so you are sure to have a plan to recognize your local 4-H and Extension Volunteers.

Ideas to Celebrate National Volunteer Week:

- Encourage your club members and families to recognize their organizational leaders, project leaders and other important 4-H volunteers during the week.
- Use your news column, radio spot or write a special news release to recognize volunteers in your program.
- Prepare a series of Facebook posts to recognize volunteers during the week and watch for posts on the Kansas 4-H Facebook Page to share.
- Handwrite several notes of appreciation throughout the week to special volunteers in your program.
- Recognize the impact of the number of hours contributed to the organization or program.
- Have a program participant share a success story about the volunteer.

**The Buhler 4-H club met for 4-H Sunday, March 3rd at Holy Cross Church. We attended service together and then met for a Potluck afterward. For recreation we filled Easter eggs as a club for the Buhler Community Easter Egg Hunt. The next meeting of the Buhler 4H Club is scheduled for April 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at the Buhler Mennonite Church. All are welcome!**



# 4-H SHUTTERBUG PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP



SATURDAY, APRIL 27  
WICHITA, KS.

BOTANICA  
GARDENS IN WICHITA



**Who Should Register:** 4-H Photography Members interested in learning more about their camera and photography skills or using your phone to take great pictures. Family members may attend as well. Parents - learn along with your kids! Get a head start on your photography project!

#### Time:

Doors open at 9:00; Workshops begin at 9:30 and conclude at 12:00.

#### Cost:

No charge to attend! Event is sponsored by the State 4-H Photography Committee.

#### What to Bring:

Smartphone or Camera, extra batteries. Bonus: Cameras will be available for checkout! Please bring an SD card so you can take your photos with you.

#### Accommodations:

K-State Research and Extension is committed to providing equal opportunity for participation in all programs, services and activities. Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested by contacting the event contact, Amy Collins, two weeks prior to the start of the event at 785-532-5800 and [acollins@ksu.edu](mailto:acollins@ksu.edu). Requests received after this date will be honored when it is feasible to do so.

#### Workshop Topics:

Photography on smartphones, Pan Blurs, Troubleshoot Modes for new members, tricks with light, photo composition, outdoor photography



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# Here is the 2024 Reno County Fair schedule

## Saturday July 20

8:00 a.m. 4-H Dog Show, Sunflower North Building  
Open Class Dog Show following

## Wednesday July 24

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Camper check-in (No early check in)  
1:00 p.m. Challenge of Champions, Sunflower South Building  
4:00 p.m. Meeting for Superintendents, Assistant Superintendents and Fair Board—Meadowlark Building  
Set up fairgrounds & Volunteer Appreciation Supper  
6:00-8:00 p.m. Early Check-in for ALL static exhibits, including open class  
6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Barns open to receive tack and set-up of stalls

## Thursday July 25

7:30-10:00 a.m. Static Exhibit Check-In, Meadowlark Building  
ALL 4-H/FFA & OPEN CLASS STATIC EXHIBITS MUST BE IN PLACE BY 10:00 AM  
8:00 a.m. Conference Judging for ALL 4-H/FFA static exhibits begin at 8:00 unless otherwise listed  
10:00 a.m. Open Class Market Wheat Show (no conference judging)  
10:00 a.m.- 6:00 pm Photography Judging Contest, Meadowlark Building  
1:00 p.m. Leadership Challenge, Pride of Kansas Building  
2:00 p.m. Demonstrations/Public Speaking For All Age Groups  
5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Poultry Check in & Blood Pull (poultry may not enter the barns before their blood is drawn) (poultry must be checked in by 6:30pm)  
5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Rabbit Check in (rabbits must be checked in by 8pm)  
6:00 p.m. Exhibit Building Closes  
6:00-9:00 p.m. Optional arrival of Beef, Swine & Bucket Calf  
6:00-8:00p.m. Sheep and Goat check in @ Gate 11 (Poplar Street)  
(Sheep & Goats Must be Inspected by Vet)  
7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Goat Weigh In - NO COVERINGS AND NO HALTER AT TIME OF WEIGH IN)  
8:00 -9:00 p.m. Sheep Weigh In - (NO COVERINGS AND NO HALTER AT TIME OF WEIGH IN)  
9:00 p.m. Mandatory Goat & Sheep Meeting

## Friday July 26

8:00 a.m. Exhibit Building Open  
8:00 a.m.-6:00 pm Contest of the Day - Cup Knock Down- Meadowlark Building  
8:00 a.m. Rabbits Show  
8:00 a.m. Goat Show  
Show Order: Showmanship  
Market  
Breeding  
Old Timers Show  
8:00-10:00 a.m. Beef, Bucket Calf and Swine Arrival  
(ALL LIVESTOCK MUST ARRIVE BY 10 A.M.)  
9:00 a.m. Pet Display, Meadowlark Building  
10:00 a.m. Judging of Poultry  
10 a.m.-6:00 pm Photography Judging Contest, Meadowlark Building  
11:00a.m.-1:00p.m. Horticulture Judging Contest, Meadowlark Building  
12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Swine Weigh-In & check in mandatory swine meeting  
immediately following check in  
1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Breeding Heifer Check in @ Beef Office  
2:00 - 3:00 p.m. Market Beef Weigh-In & check in Mandatory Beef Meeting immediately following check in  
4:00 p.m. 1st & 2nd Year Bucket Calf Show & Conference Judging  
6:00 p.m. Exhibit Building Closes  
7:00 p.m. Ranch Rodeo Expo 2 (Outside Horse Arena)  
9:00 p.m. Free Community after party with DJ and food trucks

## Saturday July 27

8:00 a.m. Exhibit Building Open  
8:00 a.m. - 6:00 pm Contest of the Day - Tower Fun  
8:00 - 10:00a.m. Cow/Calf Pair Arrival  
Cow/Calf Release—1 hour after Beef Show  
8:00 a.m. Swine Show  
Show Order: Showmanship  
Market  
Breeding  
Old Timers Show  
1:00 p.m. Fashion Review Pride of Kansas Building

- 2:00 p.m. Barnyard Olympics Hosted by the Ambassadors - Gottschalk Park
- 3:00 p.m. Water Wars @ Gottschalk Park
- 4:00 p.m. Food Trucks Open—Hosted by the Kansas State Fair
- 6:00 p.m. Exhibit Building Closes
- 6:00 p.m. Sheep Show, held in the Goat/Sheep Barns
- Show Order: Market
  - Breeding
  - Showmanship
  - Old Timers Show
- 8:00 p.m. Midway Movie Night at the Grandstand Hosted by the Kansas State Fair, Movie TBA Later

**Sunday July 28**

- 9:00a.m. Beef Show (no adhesive or paint)  
Show order will be as follows:  
Market Steers  
Market Heifers  
Showmanship  
Bred & Owned  
Breeding Heifers  
Cow Calf Pair  
Old Timer Show
- 9:00 - 12:00 p.m. Antique Tractor & Car Show Gottschalk Park
- 12:00 p.m. Exhibit Building Opens
- 12:00 - 6:00pm Contest of the Day - Cup Stacking - Meadowlark Building
- 5:00 p.m. Pedal Pull check-in West of Oz Building
- 6:00 p.m. Pedal Pull
- 6:00 p.m. Exhibit Building Closes
- 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Free Family Fun Night - Gottschalk Park  
Free Inflatable Fun - Gottschalk Park
- 6:00pm Early Release of all Animals Not Selling
- 8:00 - 9:30 p.m. 4-H Dance @ Meadowlark Building

**Monday July 29**

- 8:00 a.m. Exhibit Building Opens
- 8:00 a.m. Livestock Judging Contest Open to all ages—Sheep Barns
- 11:00 a.m. Awards Luncheon Meadowlark Building  
Foods Auction  
Fashion Review Show
- After Lunch Release of All Exhibits
- 2:00 p.m. General fairground clean-up for everyone
- 3:00 p.m. Livestock Round Robin - Beef Barn
- 6:00 p.m. Exhibit Building closes—all exhibits must be picked up.
- 6:30 p.m. 4-H Livestock Sale

**LET'S DIVE INTO 4-H AT THE  
RENO COUNTY FAIR**

**DOG SHOW: JULY 20  
FAIR: JULY 14 – JULY 29  
KANSAS STATE FAIR GROUNDS**



4-H families we are needing help in the following areas. The first part is fair and events that happen thru out the 4-H year. The second list is for the Abbyville rodeo that we as a county have been asked to help with again this year. If you are interested or have any questions please email Donna at [dp96929@ksu.edu](mailto:dp96929@ksu.edu) so that we can get you on the list.

<b>BEEF SHOW</b>	<b>WORKER</b>	
<b>SHEEP SHOW</b>	<b>WORKER</b>	
	<b>WORKER</b>	
<b>SWINE SHOW</b>	<b>WORKER</b>	
<b>CARNIVAL</b>	<b>WORKER</b>	
<b>LIVESTOCK SALE</b>	<b>CALL BUYERS</b>	
	<b>CALL BUYERS</b>	
	<b>CALL BUYERS</b>	
<b>DATE TBA LATER</b>	<b>CALL BUYERS</b>	
<b>FAIR ACTIVITIES - FRIDAY</b>	<b>CUP KNOCK DOWN</b>	
	<b>8-10</b>	
	<b>10-12</b>	
	<b>12-2</b>	
	<b>2-4</b>	
	<b>4-6</b>	
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>TOWER FUN</b>	
	<b>8-10</b>	
	<b>12-2</b>	













**SIGN UP NOW**

# **4-H CAMP 2024**

## **JUNE 11-13**

**AT SILVER MAPLE CAMP  
IN KINGMAN COUNTY  
COST IS \$125 INCLUDING ALL MEALS,  
ACTIVITIES AND LODGING**

**CAMPERS BETWEEN 7 AND 12 YEARS OLD  
COUNSELORS NEED TO BE 14 AND OLDER  
COUNSELORS WILL ARRIVE ON JUNE 10 FOR TRAINING.**

**PARTICIPATING COUNTIES: MEADE, COMANCHE, KIOWA, BARBER,  
HARPER, KINGMAN AND RENO**



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**JUNE 11-13, 2024**

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**ACTIVITIES AND LODGING**

Reno County 4-H offers \$30 in scholarships for youth to attend camp from our leadership-camp fund. Additionally, 4-H Council offers a \$25 scholarship that you can apply for.

Return to your County Extension Office by May 1st

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Male or Female

Phone: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ Work or Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City & Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt Size: (Please Circle) Youth or Adult XS S M L XL

Make Checks payable to your local 4-H Council.

Return form and payment to local County Extension Office.

K-State Research and Extension is committed to providing equal opportunity for participation in all programs, services and activities. Program information may be available in languages other than English. Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities, including alternative means for communication (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, and American Sign Language) may be requested by contacting the event contact Robin Eubank-Callis two weeks prior to the start of the event May 30, 2024, at 620-886-3971. Requests received after this date will be honored when it is feasible to do so.

Language access services, such as interpretation or translation of vital information will be provided free of charge to limited English-proficient individuals upon request.

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# WILD HORSE 4-H CAMP COUNSELOR APPLICATION



**Return this application to your local extension no later than April 26, 2024**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Years in 4-H: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade just completed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please answer the following questions completely. If handwritten, please write neatly and legibly. If you need additional space, feel free to continue on an additional page.**

1. Why do you want to be a 4-H camp counselor?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Why are counselors important to the camping experience?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. In your opinion, what is the most important trait of a camp counselor and why?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. What non-camp experiences have you had working with children?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

5. Have you served as a camp counselor before?

Check:  4-H  Non4-H If non 4-H please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Year(s): \_\_\_\_\_

6. Have you attended camps before?

Check:  4-H  Non4-H If non 4-H please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Year(s): \_\_\_\_\_

7. Wild Horse 4-H Camp Counselor Experience:

Check one:  This will be my first year to serve as a counselor at Wild Horse 4-H Camp

This is my second year to serve as a counselor at Wild Horse 4-H Camp

I have been a counselor at Wild Horse 4-H Camp more than 2 years

8. Do you prefer to work with?

Elementary (1<sup>st</sup>- 2<sup>nd</sup> grades)  Elementary (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades)  Junior High (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades) or  Either



# APRIL CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Ninnescah</b>	<b>Buhler</b>		<b>Fairboard</b>			
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Thomadora Union Valley WRC Family Fun 2 to 5 Bowling Alley</b>						<b>County-wide Community Service Project</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>Haven Mitchell Nickerson</b>	<b>4-H Council 7pm Extension Office</b>				<b>Small animal tag numbers due to the extension office</b>	
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>				

Reno County Extension Office Phone # 620-662-2371

All articles/pictures for the newsletter are due to the Extension office at least one business day before the end of the month.

PLEASE EMAIL DONNA AT [dp96929@ksu.edu](mailto:dp96929@ksu.edu)