



RENO COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2024



4-H COUNCIL DATE

February 26, 2024 @ 7pm
Executive Team will meet at 6 pm
before council starts
 Reno County Extension Office
 west meeting room

The Extension Office is closing at 4:30pm until the further notice.

Attention in the barn's Household nominations are due March 1st to the Extension Office. If you are a family with more than 1 child in a species you will need to fill one of these out. You will only need to mark what the species you will be showing is Donna will fill in the tag numbers. This is so when you tag your animals you do not need to specify which animal is with which child at the time of tagging. If you have any questions please contact Donna at dp96929@ksu.edu Forms are at the end of the newsletter or on the website.

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4-H Day

Get your project talks, demonstrations, speeches, and par-law teams ready!
February 10, 2024
 Reno County Extension Office
 (Specific Locations by Sign Up)
 Sign up by February 2, 2024
 Slots are available through the
 SignUpGenius:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B4AACA828A0FB6-47035592-4hday#/>

If you are showing beef, goat, sheep or swine at county fair here are some changes for the upcoming year.

Drug withdrawal forms no longer need to come into the extension office. The only animals that will need this form on file will be goat and sheep that are going on the trailer for sale. You will be given in your packet at county fair a card that states the following.

Sheep and Goat Exhibitors,

Sheep and goats, at the discretion of the exhibitor and their families, may be sold at a floor (base bid) price or taken home. A set floor price (per pound) will be determined by the floor buyer and announced as soon as possible. The selling weight shall be the official set of 'weigh-in' weights of each animal.

Complete this form ONLY if you plan to sell any of your animals on the floor.

Notice: By signing this card you are also stating that at the time of loading your sheep & goats they are withdrawn from ALL medications according to FDA regulations and medication label instructions.

Please turn this form into the respective superintendent within 30 minutes after the show.

Also, the state office has removed the rule from the 4-H policy book saying that an animal that goes thru the sale at fair can never be shown again. Our livestock sale committee has decided to also remove this statement from our fairbook. So, if you show beef, goat, sheep or swine and you take an animal thru the auction at the fair. It may be shown at KJLS or the state fair. If you have any questions you can contact Donna at the extension office or a livestock sale committee person.

Save the Date 2024 48 Hours of 4-H

[Submitted by Beth Hinshaw](#)

Join us this fall in seeing just how much we can give back to our communities! The weekend after National 4-H Week, is the perfect opportunity to set up a service project for the Kansas 4-H Service Challenge, 48 Hours of 4-H. Invite your friends, clubs, adult volunteers and 4-H Alums too!

When: October 12-13, 2024

Who: 4-H Members, 4-H Clubs, Friends, Adult Volunteers, Parents, 4-H Alumni

[Reno County Fair Livestock Scholarship](#)

This form is for the Reno County Fair Livestock Sale Scholarship. Details are listed on the form that you can find on the Reno County Extension Website. Due to the Extension office by March 18, 2024.

The Nickerson Clovers met for their monthly meeting on January 21st at the Nickerson Coop.

They met at 4pm to make Valentine door hangers that will be delivered to an area nursing home.

The Nickerson Clovers next monthly meeting is scheduled for February 18, 2024.



If you have any questions about the dog project please contact Melaney Dick at (620) 728-9743 or 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



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

Save the Date

Save the date for the Rice-Reno Beef Show on Saturday, March 9, 2024. More details to come.

Leathercraft Meeting

Friday February 16 from 6 to 8
At the Reno County Extension Office in the west meeting room. Please RSVP to Donna at dp96929@ksu.edu or call 620-662-2371 by Wednesday February 14.

THE 2024 RENO COUNTY FAIR DATES

July 20th Dog Show
County Fair
July 24th thru
July 29th

The 2024 Fair Theme

Dive into 4-H



4-H Trivia

Where is the Kansas 4-H Youth Development Program State Office located?

Email Katherine (ksundgren@ksu.edu) with the correct answer to win a prize!

- A. Manhattan
- B. Wichita
- C. Lawrence
- D. Kansas City

Haven 4-H Receives County Awards Amelia Scott and Harper Krol

On Sunday, December 17 the Haven 4-H club met at the Haven Community Building. Our program for the meeting was County Achievement Awards led by the Reno County Extension Office. County achievement awards are given to 4 H-ers who turned in exceptional record books over their projects. These record books are judged against all other record books in the county. Officer books for the office of Historian, Secretary and Club Reporter are also judged. The Haven 4 H club received county recognition for both Club Reporter and Secretary. All Haven 4 H members who submitted a record book received some type of recognition. Haven 4 H Club received their Purple Seal and were the Club of the Year for Reno County 4 H

In addition the Schmidt family donated 4 H items for a raffle. Club members' names were drawn out of a hat and refreshments were provided by the Reno County Extension Office. Since the last article Zach, a former reporter was elected for secretary and Harper Krol was elected for the other reporter. Harper and I look forward to bringing you the news about the 4H club. The next meeting will be January 28th at 4pm at the Haven Community Building.



Haven 4-H Members with their County Awards!

The Buhler 4-H Club met for their monthly meeting on January 21, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Buhler Mennonite Church. The meeting was delayed for two weeks due to snow and ice, but finally happened! We had Natalie Roberts and Jacey Combs give project talks. Natalie's project talk was about raising cattle and about the different steers and heifers she has worked with. Jacey told us about the three dogs she has and the tools she uses to train them. Then, for recreation, we played snow ball get to know you! Our next meeting is scheduled for February 12, 2024 at 6:30 P.M. at the Buhler Mennonite Church.

Thank you,
Andrew Busenbark



NEWS FROM THE NICKERSON CLOVERS

On December 16th, the Nickerson Clovers 4-H Club delivered door hangers to residents at Wesley Towers and later had their December club meeting at Gambino's Pizza in South Hutchinson for pizza, games, and prizes. The club members went to Wesley Towers to deliver and visit with the residents. They were all very glad to see some young visitors bring them such wonderful Christmas surprises. Later, at Gambino's the club had fun playing many games with their fellow club members. They also had their December meeting and pizza. It was a night full of fun and new experiences for the Nickerson Clovers 4-Hers.

By: Garrett Griffith



It's that time of year when we are looking for superintendents for the 2024 county fair. Here is a list of the positions we are needing help in at this time. If any of these you would like to help at please contact Donna at dp96929@ksu.edu.

Reminder if we do not find superintendents for some of these areas we may not be able to have them at the fair. The projects highlighted in red have no superintendents.

Legos - 1

Horse – 2

Foods - 1

Pet Display – 1

Photography – 2

Plant Science – 1

Shooting Sports Displays – 1



Visit <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html> or scan the QR code.

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CALLING ALL SENIORS!
KANSAS 4-H
SCHOLARSHIPS
NOW OPEN

Deadline
March 1, 2024

APPLY TODAY BY VISITING THE PROVIDED URL
OR SCANNING THE QR CODE.



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SAVE THE DATE

SUMMER CAMP

JUNE 11-13, 2024

**AGES
7-12**



GAMES, CRAFTS, SWIMMING, & MORE!

HOSTED AT SILVER MAPLE CAMP IN KINGMAN COUNTY

JOIN SEVEN OTHER COUNTIES FOR A FUN SUMMER 4-H CAMP EXPERIENCE!

LAST YEAR, THE COST TO ATTEND CAMP WAS \$125. RENO COUNTY 4-H OFFERS \$30 IN SCHOLARSHIPS FOR YOUTH TO ATTEND CAMP FROM OUR LEADERSHIP-CAMP FUND. ADDITIONALLY, 4-H COUNCIL OFFERS A SCHOLARSHIP THAT YOU CAN APPLY FOR (AMOUNT TBA). 4-H'ERS WILL GET THE OVERNIGHT CAMPING EXPERIENCE THAT IS SIMILAR TO THE OLD ROCK SPRINGS CAMP EXPERIENCE.

YOUTH AGED 14-18 WILL HAVE THE CHANCE TO BE A CAMP COUNSELOR!

Reno County 4-H Livestock HOUSEHOLD NOMINATIONS:

Household Name: _____

(Ex: Willie Wildcat Family. Include at least **one first name**. Use the same name each year.)

Individual exhibitor names in Household:

_____ **Initial** (youth and parent) to certify you have read the rules of Household Nominations.

Housing and Care: Reno County 4-H exhibitors are responsible for the proper care of their animal(s) by following acceptable methods of good animal husbandry. 4-H'ers choosing to household nominate livestock are responsible for following the rules for Reno County 4-H'ers and in the Reno County Fairbook. Please check the box for each species you will be household nominating:

Market Beef Tag #'s: _____

Commercial (Market) Heifers Tag #'s: _____

Swine Tag #'s: _____

Sheep Tag #'s: _____

Goats Tag #'s: _____

Exhibitor(s) Primary Residence:

Physical Address: _____

City: _____ State: Kansas Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ - _____ Email: _____

Declaration: I attest that I have owned, possessed and cared for my livestock projects since the specified date by specie. I hereby certify that I have read the household nomination information and will comply with these rules. I understand that false information provided concerning household nominations will result in show and/or sale awards and/or premiums being forfeited. Exhibitors presenting false statements are also subject to further penalties by the Reno County Extension Council.

Exhibitor(s) Signature(s)

Parent/Legal Guardian

Signature Date



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**FREE OF
CHARGE!**



JOIN THE GARDENING SPIN CLUB

Join a county-wide gardening SPIN club! If your youth would like to learn more about gardening, this is the club for you. We're taking a survey of who is interested in joining. What is planted will be led by what the kids are interested in growing. All of the gardening and meetings will take place at the Reno County Extension Office. There will be structured meetings and times where youth can come on their own to garden. Scan the QR code or [click here to sign up!](#)



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 so that we can get you on the list.

BEEF SHOW		
	BACK MIC	
	GATE 1	
	GATE 2	
	RIBBONS	
	CARDS	
	RING STEWARD	
	RING STEWARD	
SHEEP SHOW		
	ANNOUNCER	
	BOOK KEEPER	
	BACK MIC	
	GATE 1	
	CARDS	
	RING STEWARD	
	RING STEWARD	
SWINE SHOW		
	BACK MIC	
	GATE 1	
	GATE 2	
	RING STEWARD	
	RING STEWARD	
FAMILY FUN DAY	THE ALLEY	
CARNIVAL	WORKER	
	WORKER	
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LIVESTOCK SALE	CALL BUYERS	
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FAIR	HAUL SHAVINGS	
	HAUL SHAVINGS	
FAIR ACTIVITIES - FRIDAY	CUP KNOCK DOWN	
	8-10	
	10-12	
	12-2	
	2-4	
	4-6	
SATURDAY	TOWER FUN	
	8-10	
	10-12	
	12-2	
	2-4	
	4-6	
SUNDAY	CUP STACKING	
	12-2	
	2-4	
	4-6	
SUPERINTENDENTS	BUILDING CONNECTIONS (LEGO)	
	FOODS	
	HORSE	
	PETS	
	PHOTOGRAPHY	
	PHOTOGRAPHY	
	PLANT SCIENCE	
	SHOOTING SPORTS/DISPLAYS	
FAIR WORKERS	FOODS HELPER AT FAIR	
	FOODS HELPER AT FAIR	
	FOODS HELPER AT FAIR	
	FOODS HELPER AT FAIR	
	PHOTOGRAPHY HELPER AT FAIR	
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ABBYVILLE RODEO	CONCESSION STAND	
FRIDAY MAY 17TH		
5:30 TO 7:00	TAGAN METZGER - WRC	YOUTH
2 CASHIERS PER SHIFT		
MUST BE 16/ADULT	KATE COMBS – WRC	ADULT
	SHALA METZGER – WRC	ADULT
7:00 – 8:30		
8:30 – 10:00/CLEAN UP IS DONE		
SATURDAY MAY 18TH		
11:00 – 1:00	SHALA METZGER – WRC	ADULT
4:30 – 6:00		

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Flint Hills Jr. Shooters Match

- Eli Showalter

Reno County 4-H Shooting Sports had five 4-Her's participate at the Flint Hills Jr. Shooters Match on Saturday, January 20, 2024, at Wabaunsee High School in Alma, Kansas. Brendan Clark, Michael Cota, Addison Showalter, and Eli Showalter all competed in BB Gun. MiKayla Milburn competed in Air Rifle.

In BB gun, Brendan Clark shot an individual score of 338-6 and Eli Showalter shot an individual score of 340-5 which qualified both 4-Her's for the Kansas 4-H State BB Gun Match that will be held April 20, 2024, in Great Bend, Kansas. To qualify for the Kansas 4-H State BB Gun Match, the minimum individual score is 335. It was both Michael Cota and Addison Showalter's first competitive BB gun match. In the first year junior division in the sitting position, Addison Showalter placed second and received a medal with a score of 91-4.

In Air Rifle in the beyond senior division, MiKayla Milburn did outstanding! She received first place (gold medals) in each position and overall. In prone, she received first place with a score of 186-6. In standing, Mikayla Milburn received first place with a score of 163-1. In kneeling, she received first place with a score of 176-2. MiKayla Milburn's received first place overall with her individual score of 525-9.

It was Reno County 4-H Shooting Sports first match of the 2023-2024 year in BB Gun and Air Rifle. Keep up the good work!



Photo on left: Overall Individual Score in the Beyond Senior Division – First Place: MiKayla Milburn, Reno County, 525-9. Second Place: Henry Bird, Wyandotte County, 519-13. Third Place: Ian Reimer, Johnson County, 507-6.

Photo on right: Bruce Milburn (Reno County 4-H Shooting Sports Coach), MiKayla Milburn with her four first place medals in the Beyond Senior Division, and Bryan Clark (Reno County 4-H Shooting Sports Coach).




First photo: Michael Cota shooting the kneeling position.

Second photo: Addison Showalter shooting the sitting position.

Third photo: Eli Showalter shooting the prone position.

Fourth photo: Addison Showalter with her second place medal for first year junior division in the sitting position.

FEBRUARY CALENDER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
					DEADLINE FOR 4-H DAYS SIGN UP	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Ninnescah			FAIRBOARD			4-H DAYS EXTENSION OFFICE
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Thomadora Union Valley WRC	DELIVER ROSES TO HOMES Buhler					
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Haven Mitchell Nickerson	OFFICE CLOSED					
25	26	27	28	29		
	4-H COUNCIL MEETING					

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