It is that time of year to be thinking about next year’s projects. Enrollment begins October 1st to November 1st. Once again this year we have a sponsor that is going to pay for the enrollment for all of the youth in Reno County. So please make sure that you mark payment will be paid for by sponsor.

Even though state fair is looking a little different this year we want to congratulate the following youth for their participation in the state horticulture judging contest. We had 3 of our youth place in the top 10. In the intermediate division Emma Mathes from WRC took 6th overall and Noah Miller took 10th. In the senior division Taylor Mathes WRC took 7th overall.

Great job by all that participated.

October 7th is the deadline for the following items:

- RECORD BOOKS
- PIN APPLICATIONS
- CLUB FINANCIAL INFORMATION
- FINANCIAL REVIEW
- CLUB SEAL APPLICATIONS
- FAMILY OF THE YEAR
- LEADER OF THE YEAR
- CLUB OF THE YEAR
- PROJECT LEADER LIST
- CLUB OFFICER LIST
- WINDOW DISPLAY FORM

Don't miss the Deadline
ACHIEVEMENT PIN APPLICATIONS

Achievement pins are awarded to 4-Hers who have been active in 4-H projects, leadership and other 4-H related activities. Pin applications should contain 4-H activities from October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020. If you have activities that take place between the date you have to turn them into the club leader and Sept. 30th, go ahead and list them. Achievement pins (in order of increasing requirements) are:

1-Membership  6-Silver Guard
2-Bronze       7-Leadership
3-Clover       8-Gold
4-Emerald      9-Gold Guard
5-Silver

If you need Achievement pin applications, check our website, click on 4-H forms and achievement pin applications. The link will be in the bottom right hand corner.

All applications must be turned in to your CLUB LEADER. Check with your club leader to see what date you have to turn them into the club leader. Club Leaders: Pin Applications are due on Wednesday, October 7, 2020 by 5 pm. Achievement pins will be awarded at Achievement Night the date & location to be announced at a later date.

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RECORD BOOKS

I encourage each 4-Her to complete a record book and turn it into their club leader (please do not bring them to the office – your club leader will do that). Again, this year only record books will be turned in and judged for county medals. Winners of county medals will have the choice of converting their record book into a KAP if they would like to compete at the area level. Forms for record keeping can be found on the Reno County 4-H website.

Club Leaders: Record books are due to the Extension Office no later than 5 pm on Wednesday, October 7, 2020.
Questions? Call Donna at 620-662-2371.

CLOVERBUD RECORD BOOKS

All Cloverbuds must turn in a Cloverbud Record Book. Those turning 7 will get to go through graduation if they have turned in their record books and will get their trophy at Achievement Night. Forms will be available on the website. Please turn them into your club leader – do not bring them to the office.

Club Leaders: Cloverbud Record Books are due in the office by 5 pm Wednesday, October 7, 2019 If you have questions, please call the office at 620-662-2371.
PROJECT NEWS:

If you have any questions about the dog project please contact Melaney Dick at 620-728-9743 or melrussdick@gmail.com

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

Please contact Kerri Melton (620) 960-5674, Kerri-Stephen701@live.com or Tammy Brown (620) 899-4792 for questions about the rabbit project.

If you have any questions about photography, contact Karolyn Kellogg Howey at (620)663-5731 ext. 344.

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

If you have any questions about the horse project, contact Jackie White at 785-893-2563.

If you have any questions about the citizenship project, contact Kristen Armstrong at 913-549-2391 or email her at armstrong.kristen.m@gmail.com

Looking for a new adventure? Look here!
Outdoor Adventure Project Club
Do you enjoy the outdoors? Are you interested in learning outdoor adventure skills, outdoor safety and how to be a good environmental steward while enjoying the outdoors? Be sure to enroll in the new Reno County 4-H Outdoor Adventure Project Club.

You will learn outdoor safety, decision making, outdoor ethics and more, as you try:
- camping and hiking
- wildlife watching
- outdoor photography
- fire building
- outdoor cooking
- canoe and kayaking
- outdoor safety and first aid
- outdoor navigation
- wilderness survival

Open to all 4-Hers, ages 8-18 as of January 1st. No experience or equipment needed, just an interest to learn and enjoy the outdoors. For more information, contact Pam Paulsen at the Reno County Extension Office 620-662-2371 or ppaulsen@ksu.edu
2020 Reno County Horse Project Calendar

I have added a second day each month to the calendar so hopefully the locations and the dates will give more flexibility in everyone’s schedule.

This schedule is subject to change due to weather conditions.

September 22nd, 2020- Sandhills Arena

September 24th, 2020- Pretty Prairie Rodeo Arena

October 20th, 2020- Sandhills Arena

October 22nd, 2020- Pretty Prairie Rodeo Arena

Due to the holiday season and weather, there will not be practices in the December, and January 2021.

48 Hours of 4-H

Has your unit considered 48 Hours of 4-H projects yet? We hope every Extension Unit will join us this fall in seeing just how much we can give back to our communities! Invite your friends, clubs, adult volunteers, potential 4-H members and 4-H Alums too!

When: October 10-11, 2020

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

It's time to make plans for your club to participate. With COVID-19 we may have to be more creative this year, but there are still ways to serve! Clubs and groups should consult with their local staff about their plans and ways to mitigate risk.

Check out the state website for a helpful guide, and soon you will be able to register your projects(s). Be watching for the Facebook Event to win some prizes and get excited about serving our communities.

BEST OF LUCK TO EVERYONE THAT WILL BE COMPETING IN THE KANSAS STATE FAIR AND KJLS
New 4-H Club Corner Resources Available

As an essential part of a successful 4-H Youth Development club program is trained volunteer club leaders. As you begin to plan for the new 4-H year, know that there are new 4-H Club Corner resources available. These resources are designed for you to use with your club leaders in creating a dynamic 4-H club environment.

The link to the recording of the webinar showcasing the new documents can be found in KSRE resources TEAM, youth development channel, 4-H Youth Development professional development folder.

Club Corner resources can be found at: https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/ClubCorner.html

These documents were created by the Club & Project Pathway Working group.

Kansas Youth Leadership Forum-Virtual for 2020

What: Build your leadership skills and potential through workshops, consulting groups, inspirational speakers and more. In addition, the 2021 State 4-H Youth Leadership Council will be elected at KYLF.

When: November 21-22, 2020

Where: Your Device (computer, tablet or phone) connected to the internet

Who: Youth 14-18 years of age before January 1, 2021

Registration: Open late Summer of 2020

Early Registration Deadline: October 15, 2020

Virtual Kansas Youth Leadership Forum

The dates for the Kansas Youth Leadership Forum are Saturday, November 21 and Sunday, November 22.

We are looking for workshop presenters that would be willing to present on a leadership related topic virtually! Dates and times for workshops are: Saturday, November 21 - 11 a.m. to noon Sunday, November 22 - 2:30-3:30 pm.

Find submission information on the KYLF webpage. Deadline for submissions is August 25. Be watching your email for more detailed schedules, registration and additional information. The Kansas Youth Leadership Council is working to transform their in person plan to a virtual plan as quickly as possible. Components should include a speaker, election of the new council, workshops, some small groups and some fun too.

The tentative plan looks like: Saturday 9 a.m. to noon session Saturday 1:45 p.m. to 4 p.m. session Sunday 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
National Conference and Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council Application Process

The Youth Council Application and National Conference Application will be combined again this year, with applicants indicating if they are applying for one or both opportunities.

The information is available on the KYLF webpage and the National Conference webpage on the State 4-H Website. Any Kansas 4-H member between the ages of 14 and 18 before January 1, 2021 may apply as a Council Rep and those 15-18 before January 1, 2021 may apply for National Conference. This year’s virtual KYLF delegation will elect representatives from the four extension program areas (NE, NW, SE, SW) for one year terms on council. Up to 6 National Conference Delegates will be selected through an application and interview process and they serve a two year term on council.

Youth Council members work to involve youth with K-State Research and Extension in promoting, developing, implementing and evaluating Kansas Extension 4-H Youth Development programs in order to reflect the needs and interests of the youth in the state. Council members will also plan and conduct the Kansas Youth Leadership Forum, Citizenship in Action, Campference, 48 Hours of 4-H and other events.

Please encourage those outstanding young leaders in your local unit to apply for these opportunities. Applications and reference forms are due on an online form on September 21, 2020 before 11:59 p.m. CST. Applicants will also be asked to prepare a short video and email or upload that link or file by the above deadline. The signature page (both conference or council rep) and agreement page (conference only) must be postmarked by September 21, 2020, or emailed on or before September 21.

This year the Council Elections will include the application process detailed above and from those applications up to 12 young people per area will be invited to interview by zoom prior to KYLF. From those that interview, up to 6 candidates will be selected to be in the election.

If you have questions, please contact Beth Hinshaw bhinshaw@ksu.edu

SAVE THE DATES

2021 RENO COUNTY FAIR

DOG SHOW: JULY 17TH

FASHION REVIEW: JULY 20TH

FAIR: JULY 21ST TO JULY 26
2020 RENO COUNTY 4-H SERVICE PROJECT

The community service committee presented a county project to the group last meeting and they voted to move ahead with the project. I am sending out this message so that we can get started on it for a successful outcome and so that we have plenty of time to work on our service project. The council voted last meeting that we are going to try and give every person that is in a nursing home in Reno County a gift and a card this year for Christmas. I know that this sounds like a lot to take on but I know that this group of kids can do it. We all have people that have been affected by this awful pandemic but who more than any have suffered but the elderly. Unable to see families, friends even the outside world. We are asking for you to do this as a club, as families or as individuals. We are looking for small trinkets, homemade crafts, crossword puzzles, puzzles, lotion, etc. If you need more ideas please let me know. The talent in this county is amazing so why not put your projects and the things you have learned to good use. Cards are easy to make so that everyone gets one. Tell them about why you like 4-H and the projects that you are enrolled in and why you enjoy them. People love to hear about these things and it might bring back old memories of their younger years and you might meet a new pen pal. We have lots of crayons, markers, and construction paper. If you need some please let me know and we will have it ready for you to pick up.

As for the gifts, below are some of the things that were talked about last night that kids could do and show the people their talents:

**Arts & Crafts** - anything goes
**Photography** - pictures that you have taken that a person would enjoy sitting on a table or hanging on a wall that brightens their day. Sunflowers, sun sets wildlife, flowers the list goes on and on. Let me know the size and we will frame the photos.
**Leather craft** - coasters, book marks use your imagination
**Sewing** - lap blankets, back pillows, etc. If sewing is up your alley please let me know. I have a TON of material that I am willing to donate so that you don't have to spend a lot of money. Just let me know when you would like to pick some up and I will let you come look at it.
**Fiber Arts:** make a scarf or do a needle point
**Woodworking:** make some coasters, maybe a bird house for outside their window.

How many of you have amazing projects that your kids have made or pictures that have been taken but you don't know what to do with them. Here is your chance to brighten someone’s life with a small gesture. Or if your club would like to donate money but would rather have someone else do the purchasing let me know and we will see the different items that we need and we can purchase them. If you know someone that has a talent that is not in 4-H but might be willing to donate a few of their craft items or may donate some money for this event ask you never know unless you ask. One thing that we will not be able to do is baked goods. Now with that being said a jar with individual wrapped candies might be a great item for them to sit on their table.

Items may be dropped off at the extension office starting anytime. They will be put in the east room so that we can know everything that we have to give out. We are starting this project now so that will give us 3 months to be able to make so many lives a little happier. We will end the collection Monday November 30th. That way the items can sit for at least 2 weeks just to be on the safe side.

I am so excited that we have taken this on and that people are going to be able to see all the amazing talent that Reno County 4-Her's have that I am always bragging about. If you have any questions or need anything to complete your project please let me know we might have it.

Have fun and let’s put smiles on some not so happy faces.

Donna
Calling all Junior Leaders!
(4-H age 12 and up and should be enrolled in the Leadership Project)

Do you want to?

1) Have fun
2) Meet 4-Hers from various clubs
3) Gain leadership skills
4) Learn organizational skills
5) Share creative ideas

Tentative Calendar for 2020-2021:
October - Elect Officers/Enjoy a meal together
December - Host Parents Day Out
February - Game Night
April - Visit Nursing Homes
June - Ropes Course
August - Plan/Attend Summer Splash

Contact Kim Griffith at 620-899-9453/ kimberlygriffith27@yahoo.com
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All articles/pictures for the newsletter are due to the Extension office by the 20th of the month.

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