It is hard to imagine that we have begun a new 4-H year!

It was exciting to have the Barton County Commissioners proclaim Oct. 3-9 as National 4-H Week throughout Barton County!

We have the BBQ coming up quickly and I’m looking forward to seeing everyone and the project displays. It takes a lot of hands to put this event together and I appreciate the BBQ Committee (Luke/Clarissa McCormick, Shane/Hayley Dicks, Ron/Heather Miessler), all of the club leaders who have helped share information, and every 4-H member who shared a flyer, sold a ticket, and worked a shift at the BBQ!

In addition to livestock entries, we had nearly 70 entries at the Kansas State Fair! No matter your ribbon placing, I hope that you learned something and had the opportunity to see your exhibits on display. Congratulations to our 4th place Intermediate FCS Judging Team (Samantha Negaard, Melody Braddy, Callie Loesch), 4th place Senior FCS Judging Team (Natalie Williams, Ailey Williams), and 5th place Senior Photography Judging Team (Paige Koehn, Alaina Straub, Alexa Straub, Jayla Wyant).

Be watching for a date for Officer Training. If you need resources before the training, check out https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/leader-resources/clubcorner/official-resources/index.html

Life is a Grand Adventure – Make every day count!

Michelle Robertson
484H Projects

Have you registered your club’s 484H Project? If not, please be sure to do so during the month of October at https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/48-hours-of-4-h/index.html

I know that we have lots of projects and activities and we need to share about those! Even if your club is participating in 484H on a different weekend, please register it!

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Did your club have a great recruitment event or activity? If so, please have the reporter write up a couple of paragraphs and send to Michelle (mberan@ksu.edu) to share in the newsletter or on the Facebook page!

2022 4-H Camp!

4-H Camp in 2022 will look a little different and registration will have a much different format.

Families will be able to select 4 day/3 night camps (similar to what we have done) or a 7 day/6 night experience. Registration will be handled through the Rock Springs Ranch 4-H site and begins Sept 1 for 4-H members only! If you sign up by Oct. 31 for the 2022 camping season, you will receive a 10% discount on your session.

Campers will have expanded activities, counselors trained in positive youth development, and the same cinnamon rolls as always!

For more information, including registration: https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/
Family Resource Page

Saturday Sessions! We have a goal to help newer 4-H families or those in new projects to grow and learn about resources, activities, and events. You will need to register for the Saturday Session by noon on the Friday prior via a Qualtics survey link (see below) so we know how many to prepare for and a link will be posted for each session’s sign-up.

For the first few months, we have scheduled the following:

**Oct. 9 10-11:30  Record Books  Extension Office**

Come learn about how to set 4-H Goals, where to find the record books online, and set your family up for record book success!  [https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8dmysvTK23t0xHU](https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8dmysvTK23t0xHU)

**Nov. 6 10-11:30  Beef & Swine  Old 4-H Building** (we will follow this meeting with a light lunch at 11:30 and Livestock Committee Meeting from 12-1:30)

Get basic information about Swine and Beef selection, halter breaking/feeding suggestions, fair & sale process, tagging and paperwork, Round Robin, YQCA (not a class but info about). This is NOT a showmanship clinic but a chance to learn from experienced families.  [https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_d450t6H9NVk8XLE](https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_d450t6H9NVk8XLE)

**Dec. 11 10-11:30  Club Day Preparation  TBD**

Learn about different types of Club Day presentations and ARI, how to register, a schedule overview, and about Regional Club Day and presenting at KSF.  [https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_a5AmPCCRP882XXM](https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_a5AmPCCRP882XXM)

**Jan. 15 10-11:30  Project Day  NEW Extension Office**

Check out project information/resources (including copyright information) and fair exhibit ideas for STEM, Arts & Crafts, and Fiber Arts.  [https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eYgAwxEgwLRdhjM](https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eYgAwxEgwLRdhjM)

**Feb. 12 10-11:39  Record Books!  NEW Extension Office**

Bring your record book and update with activities to date and looking ahead for the next few months.

[https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_b1t97LbAxryJFbM](https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_b1t97LbAxryJFbM)

**Mar. 18 10-11:30  Sheep & Goat  Old 4-H Building** (we will follow this meeting with a light lunch at 11:30 and Livestock Committee Meeting form 12-1:30) ***NOTE THIS IS A FRIDAY*****

Get basic information about Meat Goats and Sheep selection, breaking/feeding suggestions, fair & sale process, tagging and paperwork, Round Robin, YQCA (not a class but info about). This is NOT a showmanship clinic but a chance to learn from experienced families.  [https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_benRPVaRBHAb8ns](https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_benRPVaRBHAb8ns)

More dates to be added soon!!
LEADERS’ CORNER

Project Training! Join us for a free online project volunteer leader training series as we begin our new 4-H program year. The series will feature sessions in Personal Development, STEM, Family & Consumer Science, Creative Arts, Ag & Natural Resources, and Animal Science. Each session will begin at 6:30 pm on Oct. 5, 7, 12, 14. **REGISTER HERE!**

Financial Reviews are due to the Extension Office by **Oct 29.** The financial review process models lessons of accountability, the importance of keeping good records, and assures that 4-H organizations are in compliance with state and federal expectations, as well as IRS requirements, for use of funds generated to support Extension programs. [INSTRUCTIONS; 4-H FINANCIAL REVIEW]

RECRUITMENT — what plans does your club have to recruit new members? NOW is the time to make plans!

**Friend of 4-H Awards**— Clubs need to be thinking of nominations as we will discuss review nominations and make a final decision at the October 4-H Council Meeting.

**CLUB LEADERS**— It is very important that you set up a Volunteer Profile in 4-H Online! This helps us manage volunteer resources, training, and certification. Please remember that in order for a 4-H Club to be in good standing you must have TWO leaders who have current 4-H volunteer certification. Please update this when you enroll your kids in October!
We receive flyers for many regional and statewide events from other 4-H programs. We will provide these as space allows.

**Livestock Judging Clinic and Contest**

![K-State Research and Extension](image)

Saturday December 4th, 2021

**Leavenworth County Fairgrounds - Tonganoxie, KS**

$50 Registration fee per participant

*(Limited number of need based scholarships available; please reach out)*

- Breakfast, Lunch, Snacks, and Dinner provided
- *Take home gift bag for each participant*
- *Clinic Educational Instruction from Butler CC Livestock Team*
- *Contest Awards will be presented for all divisions*

- High Individuals, High Reasons, High Class Placings
- Additional meals for family members available @ $12
- Check in starts at 7 am - Event starts at 8 am

**Registrations due by November 19th**

ALL levels of experience are WELCOME! Souvenir Tee-Shirts available must pre-order!

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Return to: K-State Research & Extension Leavenworth County - Karol Lohman AG & NR Agent

613 Holiday Plaza  Lansing, KS 66043  Email: klohan@ksu.edu  Questions: 913-364-5700

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It is time for enrollment/re-enrollment! Remember, that returning 4-H members must be enrolled BY Dec. 1 to participate in the fair! We begin building email lists very soon so please take time to enroll and update any information.

For enrollment information, check out: [https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-online/index.html](https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-online/index.html)

As you select new or re-enroll in projects, NOW is the time to set goals, look over pin applications for requirements, and get your project records ready for the new year!

This page has a wealth of resources: [https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/index.html](https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/index.html)

We will hold several Saturday Sessions throughout the year to review and update record books!

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**Did you miss picking up a “Find Your Spark” t-shirt at the Kansas State Fair?**

You can place an individual or club order BY November 24th and the shirts will be delivered in December! Sales from the shirts support the Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council.

[https://www.companycasuals.com/4h2021/start.jsp](https://www.companycasuals.com/4h2021/start.jsp)
# UPCOMING EVENTS AND DEADLINES—MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

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**Nov 29-Dec 10—Moving to new office; please be patient!**

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Junior Leaders
October 18 at 6 pm

4-H Council
October 18 at 7:30 pm

Meetings are held at the 4-H Education Building (Hwy 281) OR Zoom Conference Call

Stay in touch with Cottonwood Extension District—Barton 4-H

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