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Great Things Happening in Frontier 4-H

Be on the lookout for change! Over the next few months, the newsletter will begin to look a bit different. We are excited to share with you what we've been learning the last few months and are super eager to begin this process. We hope you guys build up the same excitement we are!

Please bare with us as we work out all the kinks, and let us know if something just isn't working quite right! We are always here to help "To Make The Best Better"!

National 4-H Week

National 4-H Week will be **October 6-12, 2024!** Celebrate all things 4-H and help others understand what 4-H entails. Clubs and project groups are encouraged to promote 4-H at school, at church, to local civic groups, etc. through demonstrations, talks, posters, skits or other fun events. Youth can even do a radio program (see back page)!

Dancing Fun for the Whole Family

The Ottawa Promenaders have created an opportunity for 4-H members and families to learn dancing! This is open to all in the District, so bring the whole family. The Promenaders will be teaching square and line dancing! Classes will be **September 5th, 12th, and 19th**, from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at Celebration Hall. Please dress casual and appropriate. Dancing can bring joy and happiness to all. We encourage families to take advantage of this great opportunity! Keeping the form of these dances alive for the next generations is important! You do not need to sign up in advance. For any questions, please contact Shirley ay 785-893-4034.

Officer Books, and Project Record Reports Due

ALL officer books and project record report forms are due to the Extension Office by **September 20th**. Check with the club leader as books may be due earlier to them. More information on page 3. Direct any questions to the Office!

Livestock Sweepstakes Results

Thank you to those who participated in the Kansas Livestock Sweepstakes. They did a fantastic job and represented Frontier District 4-H in magnificent fashion! Congratulations to Anah, Calla & Elim, Appanoose Trailblazers; Lacy, Appanoose Trail Blazers; Bryce, Burg Go Getters; Hal, Hans & Graham, Princeton Goal Busters; Carson, Rambling Ranchers; Hope, Lucky 13; Holden, Star Shooting and Braden, Seekers Not Slackers. A big round of applause to those who competed! The following results are of those placing in the top 20. All results are available at the above link.

Quiz Bowl: Frontier I, 10th

overall Meats (78): Braden, 20th; Team (19): Frontier, 8th

Skillathon Overall (156 individuals): Calla, 13th; Teams (19): Frontier 1, 12th

Livestock Judging - Overall (199 individuals): Braden, 7th; Calla 10th; Holden, 16th; Teams (93): Frontier 1, 2nd

Placings in Livestock Judging areas (199):

Reasons: Calla, 6th; Braden, 18th

Placing: Holden, 1st; Braden, 4th; Calla Higbie, 19th

Beef: Braden, 9th; Calla, 14th

Sheep/Goat: Braden, 8th; Bryce, 13th; Holden, 20th

Swine: Calla, 4th; Braden, 20th

Sweepstakes (62); must be of senior age and participate in Livestock Judging, Livestock Skillathon and Meats Judging to be eligible) Teams (10): Frontier 1, 7th

Offices Closed

Frontier Extension District Offices will be closed **September 2nd**.



FRONTIER DISTRICT 4-H CALENDAR



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.

SEPT.	3	OS CO: Ambassador Applications Due	Lyndon
	4	State Fair Pre-registered Perishable Items Due @ 4:00 p.m.	Garnett/Lyndon/Ottawa
	6-15	Kansas State Fair	Hutchison
	9	AN CO: 4-H Club Leader Meeting 6:00 p.m. @ Extension Office	Anderson
		AN CO: 4-H Council Meeting.; 7:00 p.m. @ Extension Office	Anderson
	20	All Officer Books & PRRF's Due to Extension Offices	Garnett/Lyndon/Ottawa
		OS CO. Friends of 4-H and Alumni Awards Nominations Due	Lyndon
		OS CO. 4-H Family of the Year Nominations Due	Lyndon
	23	FR CO: 4-H Club Leader Meeting 6:00 p.m. @ Commission Chamber	Ottawa
		FR CO: 4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m. @ Commission Chamber	Ottawa
	27-29	Kansas Junior Livestock Show	Hutchison
OCT.	1	2025 Enrollment for 4-H Opens	Online
		Youth Leadership Council Applications Due	Online
	I-4	World Dairy Expo. At Madison, Wisconsin	Wisconsin
	6-12	National 4-H Week	
	12	48 Hours of 4-H	
	28	OS CO: 4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m. @ Extension Office	Lyndon
NOV.	4	OS CO: Achievement Celebration	Lyndon
	5	FR CO: Achievement Celebration	Ottawa

TEEN MEMBER NEWS

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!

Save the Date

The Kansas Youth Leadership Forum will be **November 23-24th, 2024**. Rock Springs Ranch; Youth, ages 14-18, before **January 1, 2025**.

Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council

The Youth Council and National 4-H Conference application will be combined, with applicants indicating if they are applying for one or both opportunities. Any Kansas 4-H member between the ages of 14 and 18 before **January 1**, 2025 may apply as a Council Rep and those 15-18 before **January 1**, 2025 may apply for National Conference. Applications are due October 1, 2024.

VOLUNTEER NEWS

4-H EZ: Recipe for Club Success

This online resource for club leaders includes six videos and handouts and resources that go with the videos. They are designed to help create a better club experience. Help yourself be a better leader and check it out! Also included is the "4-H EZ Application Guide". It allows for reflection of the videos and application of the info for the Club.

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District's 4-H website:



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PROJECT RECORD REPORT FORMS

Get a Head Start!

It's never too early to get started! Check with Club Leaders as their due date may be earlier than the Office's. All books eligible for judging are due to the Extension Office by **September 20th.** Direct all questions to the Office. Reminder, PRRF'S are the only Project Record available.

4-H Project Record Report Form

The 4-H Project Record Report Form (PRRF) will emphasize project learning and growth and resembles a record. It will also help develop career readiness skills. Only those filling out the PRRF will be eligible for county awards.

The PRRF, an instructional guide and check sheet, an evaluation rubric, a form fillable personal page and a permanent record are available, as is a *free* download of the current Adobe Reader DC (this download is required to use the new forms). Videos are also available! **Be sure to follow directions!**

Members are still encouraged to fill out the permanent record, the record book check sheet and a pin application (if applicable). These items and whatever project records are chosen should be turned into the leader first. The leader should then turn in the required information.

When filling out the PRRF, first choose the correct age level (use Jan. 1st, 2024 to determine age): Junior, ages 7-9; Intermediate, ages 10-13; and Senior, ages 14-18. Secondly, choose the correct PRRF version - an animal form (includes ALL livestock) or a general form (static projects, also includes dog, cat and handpet). Next, READ THE GUIDE! This will answer many questions! Finally, be sure to have the current version of Adobe Reader DC (it is free). Open the forms, save before filling anything out and name the file accordingly. Not doing so in this order may results in loss of info. Read and follow the directions and save often! COUNTY JUDGING: 4-H members will submit to the club leader a project record report form for each project in a separate folder/binder and label it with the member's name, club, age group and project. Only one Project Report Form is required for project areas that have more than one level (i.e. shooting sports-all 10 disciplines, livestock-market and breeding, clothing-construction and buymanship, etc.). Project Champions will be chosen in all eligible project areas in all three age divisions in all three counties. All PRRFs submitted will be judged against those in the same project from the same county and within same age division. The record includes the form, project reflection and photos. The page with the three signature lines should be filled out and printed so all signatures are physically written. Electronic signatures will not be accepted. AREA/REGIONAL JUDGING (for senior level only): For each eligible project (must have been chosen as a county champion), submit a project record report form, cover letter and resume.

STATE JUDGING (for senior level only): For each project area, the top two senior 4-H members from the area/regional screening will submit his/her project record report form, cover letter, resume **and a video.**

As always, if there are any questions, please contact the Extension Office.

Member Achievement Pins

Member Achievement Pin Applications are available and will need to be printed and signed by the appropriate persons. Those wondering what pin is next may log on to the 4-H Online System and look at the member's "Awards".

To fulfill the criteria to receive a pin, members must fill out some sort of project record for one project in which they are enrolled. Records can be the Project Record Report Forms, generic records or a combination of the two. Achievement Pin applications require a club leader's signature, so plan accordingly. Direct any questions to the Extension Office.

GENERAL NEWS

ZBooks

Record keeping and project reporting are valuable skills taught to Kansas 4-H members. They are encouraged to keep a permanent record of all 4-H and non-4-H experiences and to summarize project experiences on the Kansas 4-H Project Record Report Form for end of the year project recognition. Youth may now choose to use either record keeping option: a.) the fillable PDF Project Record Report Form or b.) the new online ZBooks software. The Permanent Record is included in ZBooks. Prior activities need not be transferred into the online new version. Just start using it this year and attach it to the previous years' documents. This new option is very exciting! What a great way to stay on top of your expenses while you are on the go!

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. 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.

Electronic Treasurer's Book Available

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

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.

GENERAL NEWS

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.

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.

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. I). 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 4-HOnline 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.).

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!

PROJECT NEWS

Add/Drop Project Deadline

October will be here before we know it! It is time to start thinking about what project you want to enroll in. The Extension Office will need to be contacted to have information changed after the initial enrollment. Any adding or dropping of projects must be done by **May 1st** in order for the member to enter in the 4-H division of the Fair. Members will not be able to change project information after the deadline. Direct all questions to the Extension Office.

48 Hours of 4-H

The weekend after National 4-H Week is the perfect opportunity to do a service project to see just how much can be given back to the community! Invite friends, parents, other clubs, adult volunteers and 4-H Alumni to participate in 48 Hours of 4-H on **October 12-13**, **2024**. Be sure to register your club's activity!

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 Christiason
Livestock Judging: Hyatt Frobose
Rabbits: lillian & 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

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 <code>bci@ksu.edu</code> and let them know you want to be added to the mailing list. Don't forget to check out their 25-minute podcast!

Club Seal Applications Due

Club Seal Applications are due to the Extension Office by **September 20th**. Now is the time to get started. Also due by this time are PRRF's, pin applications, etc. Check with the club leader to find out if there is an earlier club due date!

GENERAL NEWS

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!

World Dairy Expo

World Dairy Expo: **October 1– 4, 2024**, in Madison, Wis. More information to come!

Save the Date!

Kansas 4-H Dog Conference The Kansas 4-H Dog Conference will be **October 19-20, 2024** at Rock Springs. Youth and adults can participate in different project-based learning opportunities. This year's theme is "Dogz of Oz". More Information coming soon!

Entomology Meetings

The next Entomology Project meeting will be on **Saturday**, **September 21st** at the Allen County Extension Office beginning at 1:00 p.m. Please bring your pinning boards and pinning supplies. Questions: call Vicky at (620)804-9170.

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.

PROJECT NEWS

Reminder! Horse Project Changes

- I). 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 Qualifying Shows

Lyndon Saddle Club will be hosting 4 Open Fun Shows this year which can serve as a pre-qualifing show, with the exception of the last one since it is later in the year. They will be hosting the shows **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!

Plant Science: Horticulture Newsletter

This is a fabulous resource!

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.

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!



NEW MEMBER NEWS

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?

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ANDERSON COUNTY NEWS



4-H Council and Club Leader Meetings

There will be a Club Leader and 4-H Council meeting **September 9th, 2024**. The Club Leader meeting will begin at 6 pm and the Council meeting will begin at 7 pm. Both will be held in the Extension Office meeting room. Be sure to attend and represent your club! Many upcoming Fall activities will be discussed.

AN CO Fair Checks and Livestock Premiums

Checks for fair ribbon premiums and livestock base bids will be available soon. Please watch your email for a notice of when they become available. Each Anderson County 4-H member who sold an animal at the market sale and has not collected his/her livestock premium money should do so directly from the bidder. Anyone with questions should contact Debbie Davis at (785) 204-0641.

4-H Members

The Anderson County Fair has come and gone. Livestock Buyers and award sponsors were quite generous! It is very important that YOU send a thank you note to the buyers in a timely manner. The award sponsors have received a thank you note that you signed at the fair.

Officer Books, and Project Record Reports Due

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Adult Judges Needed for (PRRFs)

Adult volunteers are needed to judge PRRFs on **September 30th** - **October 4th**, 8:00-5:00 pm, in each Frontier Extension Office. Adults (not youth) may come and go as time permits. **Please call and schedule a date and time to judge**. Each club is asked to provide at least three adults, as this is a required point on the Club Seal Application. Each office will remain open for judging until 7:00 pm on **October 2nd**. Direct all questions to the Extension Office.

Achievement Night

Achievement Night will be held in November, with the date still to be determined. A 4-H Online message will be sent out as soon as the date is set.

KSF Items to Extension Office

All pre-registered items going to the State Fair must be delivered to the Extension Office by 4 pm on **Wednesday**, **September 4th**, **2024**. All offices are closed on Monday, September 2nd for Labor Day, so plan accordingly. Please check the State Fair Book to make sure the project has everything needed for exhibition and is displayed correctly.

	National 4-H Week	CM & LI3
	Achievement Celebration	CM
Council	County-Wide Community Serv.	LI3
Committees: Assignments	Club Day	SS
will be in effect	Recognition of 4-H Seniors	SNS, SS
October I,	District-Wide Day Camp	SNS
2022 to September 30, 2024.	Judge Project Record Report Forms (PRRFs)	Parents & Leaders
	District-Wide Activities & New Member Kick Off	All Clubs





OSAGE COUNTY NEWS



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 **October 28th**, **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!

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Fair Premiums Available

The Osage City and Overbrook Fair premium money is available in the Extension Office (this is for ribbons, not market sale). The money should be picked up by **December 1st**. Money not claimed by the deadline will be donated to Osage County 4-H Council.

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Friend of 4-H and Alumni Awards

Acknowledging the volunteers is important! Nominations for the Osage County Friend of 4-H and the 4-H Alumni Award are due to the Lyndon Extension Office by **September 20th**. The Friend of 4-H Award is for anyone who has made significant contributions to 4-H but was never a 4-H member. The Alumni Award is for past 4-H members. Nomination forms are available in the Extension Office and from Club Leaders. A list of previous winners is also available.

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.

4-H Ambassador Applications

Applications for Osage County 4-H Ambassadors for the 2024-2025 4-H year will be available online and, in the office, starting in August. 4-H members who will be I4 by **January I**, 2025, are eligible to apply for this awesome leadership opportunity! Applications & letter of reference are due **September 3rd**.

Adult Judges Needed for (PRRFs)

Adult volunteers are needed to judge PRRFs September 30th-October 4th, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., in each Frontier District Office. Adults (not youth) may come and go as time permits. For space purposes, please call and schedule a date and time to judge. Each club is asked to provide at least three adults (required point on the Club Seal Application). On Wednesday, October 2nd, each office will remain open until 7:00 p.m. for judging, as well as be being opened over the lunch hour. Direct any and all questions to the Extension Office.

Has a Thank You Note Been Sent?

It is very important that YOU, the 4-H member and seller, be sure to write a thank you note to the buyer and deliver it in a timely manner. Adding a baked goody is a nice touch!

4-H Family of the Year

The Osage County 4-H Family of the Year will be honored at this year's 4-H Achievement Night. A nomination may be submitted by anyone and is due in the Lyndon Office by September 20th. Nomination forms are also available from Club Leaders or in the Extension Office. Complete the required form explaining why the family is deserving of the honor. To be eligible, at least one member of the family must be a current 4-H member or volunteer. The following criteria will determine selection: ~Balance of total family involvement in 4-H ~Contributions the family has made to the 4-H program (most weight given to club and county level) ~Involvement and contributions in the community ~Evidence the family has benefited from 4-H Direct any and all questions to Jo in the Lyndon Office.

Save the Date!

The Osage County Achievement Celebration will be held **November 4th**. Details will be in next month's newsletter.

	County-Wide Fundraiser	NO
	Club Day	WW
Council Committees:	Achievement Celebration	BG
Assignments will be in effect	District-Wide Day Camp	CW
October I,	Judge Project Record	Parents &
2022 to	Report Forms (PRRFs)	Leaders
September 30,	Council By-Laws &	
2024.	National 4-H Week	LL
	District-Wide Event	MJH



FRANKLIN COUNTY NEWS



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 **September 23, 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!

Save the Date!

The Franklin County Achievement Celebration will be held **November 5th**. Details will be in next month's newsletter.

Adult Judges Needed for (PRRFs)

Adult volunteers are needed to judge PRRFs September 30th-October 4th, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., in each Frontier District Office. Adults (not youth) may come and go as time permits. For space purposes, please call and schedule a date and time to judge. Each club is asked to provide at least three adults (required point on the Club Seal Application). On Wednesday, October 2nd, each office will remain open until 7:00 p.m. for judging, as well as be being opened over the lunch hour. Volunteers can also judge in the Ottawa Office during the 4-H Council meeting on September 25th, if desired. Direct any and all questions to the Extension Office.

Franklin County awards and Scholarship

The Eric Piotrowsky "Spirit of a Leader" award and scholarship (\$300) is available for Franklin County 4-H members. Nominees do not need to be a senior to receive this honor and nominations must come from someone other than the 4-H member or a family member. Nominations are due by **September 25th** in the Extension Office.

The Glen Hayward Leadership Award application is due to the Extension Office by **September 25th**.

Both applications are located on the website!

KSF Items to Extension Office

All pre-registered items going to the State Fair must be delivered to the Extension Office by 4 pm on **Wednesday**, **September 4th**, **2024**. All offices are closed on Monday, September 2nd for Labor Day, so plan accordingly. Please check the State Fair Book to make sure the project has everything needed for exhibition and is displayed correctly.

	Club Day	BGG & AR
	District-Wide Day Camp	HS
Council Committees: Assignments	Livestock Buyers Appreciation	GA & TC
will be in	Market 4-H & Nat'l 4-H Week	RW
effect	Judge Project Record Report	Parents &
October I,	Forms (PRRFs)	Leaders
2022 to September	Achievement Celebration	PGB
30, 2024.	District-Wide Event	AT
	Community Service & Fair Goody Plates	RR

Has a Thank You Note Been Sent?

It is very important that YOU, the 4-H member and seller, be sure to write a thank you note to the buyer and deliver it in a timely manner. Adding a baked goody is a nice touch!

Junior Medallions

At the annual Franklin County 4-H Achievement Celebration, medallions are awarded to junior and intermediate members showing excellence in a project through a PRRFs. Two awards will be given in most project areas for the junior level and one in the intermediate level (a pin is awarded to the top PRRF). Medallions can be sponsored by anyone for \$3.00 each. Sponsorships and payment are due by **October 1st**. A list of sponsors will appear in the celebration program and in the newsletter. Anyone interested in sponsoring may contact the Ottawa Extension Office. Checks should be made payable to the Franklin County 4-H Council.

Officer Books, and Project Record Reports Due

ALL officer books and project record report forms are due to the Extension Office by **September 20th**. Check with the club leader as books may be due earlier to them. Record books and generic record forms do not come to the Extension Office. Judging rubrics for officer's books are available for those planning to participate in County judging. See page four for details regarding Record Books and the 4-H Project Record Report Forms (PRRFs)! Direct any questions to the Office!



Club and Group Tax Exempt Status Paperwork

Kansas 4-H is a 701(c)1 and has a tax exempt status. How ever, 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!

- **I. 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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