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4-H UPDATES

Official Newsletter of Barber County 4-H

Enroll in 4-H Online

All 4-H Members and Volunteers need to log into 4-H Online v2.4honline.com. Each year, you will complete the health form information, code of conduct, publicity release, and evaluation release.

If you do not approve the publicity release, we will not be able to use photos or even list the name of the member in the 4-H Newsletter, Facebook, or other printed material.

Returning members and volunteers need to complete all of the steps by December 1. New members have until May 1 to enroll. New leaders will need to enroll and complete the background check before they can start working with members.

If you have problems with your password, logging in, or knowing if it worked, please reach out. We do not want this to become a frustrating process.



4-H Project Selection Guide is available online but also attached at the end of this newsletter.

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Congratulations to County Project Record Champions

This is judged in 3 age groups.

Junior - 7-9 years old

Intermediate - 10-13

Senior - 14 years old & up

Check Your Club Bylaws

According to 4-H Policy, "All clubs are to function formally through a constitution and bylaws. These are the organizing documents of a club and describe how the club operates. A current copy of the club Constitution and Bylaws must be kept on file in the local extension office.

A template for clubs to use is on the Club Resources webpage: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/4-h-programs/clubs/strengthening-clubs-2/docs/club-constitution-bylaws.pdf>."

One of the options included in this template is to define a club quorum. The suggested wording is a "majority of members present for the regular meeting". This option could help clubs that struggle with attendance at regular club meetings.

If you would like Robin or Matt to attend one of your meetings to walk members and parents through completing a constitution and bylaws, just ask.

Congratulations to County Officer Book Champions





Achievement Banquet

The Achievement Banquet was held on November 2 at St. Boniface in Sharon. Callan Smith, 2024 4-H Council President served as master of ceremonies. The 2023 and 2024 4-H Council Officer teams helped hand out awards. Pictures of the evening are scattered through out this newsletter.

Congratulations to 2024 Friends of 4-H: Ediger Family (below), and SC Telecom (above)

Congratulations to 2024 4-H Alumni Tyler Hiltner (right), and Kirkwood (not pictured)



Leader | in command

Project Leaders

Thank you to all of our 4-H Leaders. This year, we recognized 3 leaders for completing their 1st year as leaders: Lindsey Rhodes (far right), Kody Hass (not pictured), and Tyler Hiltner (far left)

5th Year Leaders: Misty McMurray (center left) and Debbie Davis (not pictured)

10th Year Leader: Heather Smith (center right)

15th Year Leader: Patricia Cargill (Not pictured)

Thank You!





Awards not in the printed program

Every year, several awards are handed out that are not printed in the program. A complete list is sent with each club packet of awards. But here are a few of them.

Above: The State Champion Meats Judging Intermediate Team and Callen Smith, the Kansas All Star Team Member and National 8th High Individual

Right: Cloverbuds

Below: The Reserve State Champion Intermediate Crop Judging Team



ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

MEMBERSHIP ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Dacia Avritt	Koen Brattin
Ryker Gosvener	Taten Graves
Aspyn Mason	Livia Miller
Kye Settle	

BRONZE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Paisley Marshall

CLOVER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Liam Brattin	Tanith Erikson
Averie Hill	Hayden Hutson
Dani Mixon	Piper Rhodes
Braylee Waggoner	Fiona Walz

EMERALD ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Shayleigh Hill

SILVER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Boyd Banks	Dyson Inman
Vonda Landwehr	

SILVER GUARD ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Callen Corr	Jancey Goodno
Janda Goodno	Breckyn Hiltner
Cara Whitaker	Chloe Whitaker

LEADERSHIP ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Keagan McMurray

GOLD ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

GOLD GUARD ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Garen Cantrell

ACHIEVE

Achievement Awards

Kansas 4-H has 9 Achievement levels. The levels increase in requirements. Some levels take members 2 or 3 years to earn.



Membership Award



Bronze Award



Clover Award



Silver Award



Silver Guard Award



Leadership Award

The Emerald and Gold Guard Awards were also received, but those recipients were unable to attend.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership Seals

4-H Council set the guidelines on awarding Membership Seals: In order to receive a membership seal annually, 4-H members must: complete Personal Page (including 4-H Story), complete Permanent Records, and attend at least half of their community club's meetings.





4-H Council Meetings

FEBRUARY 24, 2025
IN MEDICINE LODGE
7:00 PM

MAY 19, 2025
IN MEDICINE LODGE
7:00 PM

SEPTEMBER 22, 2025
IN MEDICINE LODGE
7:00 PM
FOLLOWED BY
RECORD BOOK
SCREENING

Office Closed Days:

- November: 11, 28, 29
- December: 24, 25, 26, 27, 30, 31
- January: 1, 20

Looking Ahead. . . .

November

- November 23 and 24: KYLF and KVA Weekend

December

- December 1: Re-Enrollment Deadline for Returning members.

January 2025

- January 16: SW Record Judging

February 2025

- February TBD: Club Day
- February 16 and 17: Citizenship in Action
- February 22 and 23: Horse Panorama-Rock Springs
- February TBD: Shooting Sports Leader Training

March 2025

- March TBD: Regional Club Day
- March TBD: State 4-H Horse Judging Contest
- March 1: Swine Jr. Producer Day
- March 22: Super Saturday @ Colby, Goat Jr. Producer Day

April 2025

- April 17: Youth Entrepreneurship Challenge

June

- June 4-6: Discovery Days

July

- July 24-27: Barber County Fair



Record Book Roundup

MONTHLY TIPS FOR COMPLETING YOUR RECORD BOOK

Take Note This Month

- Enroll Now!
- Make plans for your 4-H projects.
- Start a Calendar of 4-H events and activities. This will make your record book easier to complete. School year calendars are on clearance racks now, so get one just for 4-H notes.
- Returning 4-H Members need to be enrolled by December 1 to be able to exhibit at the County Fair.

Record Book are coming in January

Record Books with all of your project report forms will be returned to you at your January Club Meeting. The forms are not changing from last year. If you used Z-Books, you can start with your goals now.

But the more pressing issue right now could be project selection. Kansas 4-H has released a new project selection guide. It is attached to the end of this newsletter. Consider adding a new project or think about if it is time to start helping plan project meetings for a project you have done for 3-5 years. Talk to your club leaders about helping a project leader or talk to the county-wide project leader, if we have one.

Please keep in mind that 25% of the 4-H year is over before you get your project record forms. This means you need to be making notes in a notebook or on a calendar to add to your forms later.

As you make plans for your January Meeting, maybe you can plan some time to go through all of the forms in the record books. If families have lost their books, we sell the covers at the office (the first one is provided at no charge). We will also provide extra copies of permanent record forms if they are needed.

The bottom line, get a jump start now to make August and September easier when finishing up and applying for awards.

May 1
Project
Drop/Add
Deadline



Kansas
4-H
T-Shirts
for order!



Kansas 4-H T-Shirts

There are 2 designs available this year and they can be ordered online through **December 1, 2024** and will be shipped before December 25, 2024.

<https://bit.ly/4HGROWN2024>

The link to the online order form is up on the Kansas 4-H Website under **News and Updates**. You can order either design on any color listed.

Group or club orders will help you minimize shipping fees.

Thanks for supporting this 4-H Youth Leadership Council Fundraiser and showing Kansas 4-H Pride!

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State Wide Events

Flyers, Images, Notes about State Wide Events

2024 Kansas 4-H Scholarships

Scholarships are due March 1st, 2023 by 11:59PM CST.



Full details are available on the [Kansas 4-H Website under Scholarships](#). For the sake of clarity in the following information, there will be two types of scholarships referenced; State 4-H Scholarships and the Vanier Family Scholarship Program (VFSP).

Eligibility

The new scholarship process has combined the State 4-H Scholarships and the Vanier Family Scholarship Program (VFSP) applications together. We hope that this encourages more applicants to pursue both of these scholarship opportunities. Please review the chart on the [webpage](#) to see which scholarships you are eligible for.

What You Will Need to Apply:

Application

Part 1: Select the scholarship program(s) that you are applying for (State 4-H Scholarships and/or the Vanier Family Scholarship Program).

Part 2: Answer questions regarding demographics, general 4-H participation, and academic information.

Part 3: Attach your Cover Letter and Resume (in a PDF). Please reference the Cover Letter and Resume handouts for additional information.

Guidelines

[Cover Letter](#)

[Resume](#)

Part 4: Submit!

References

You need two references for your application to be considered complete. When identifying references, select individuals who can speak to the leadership, dedication, and commitment you have demonstrated. You should NOT use family members as a reference. There are no requirements and/or restrictions for how you should know your references.

References will NOT submit a letter of recommendation. References will be asked specific questions.

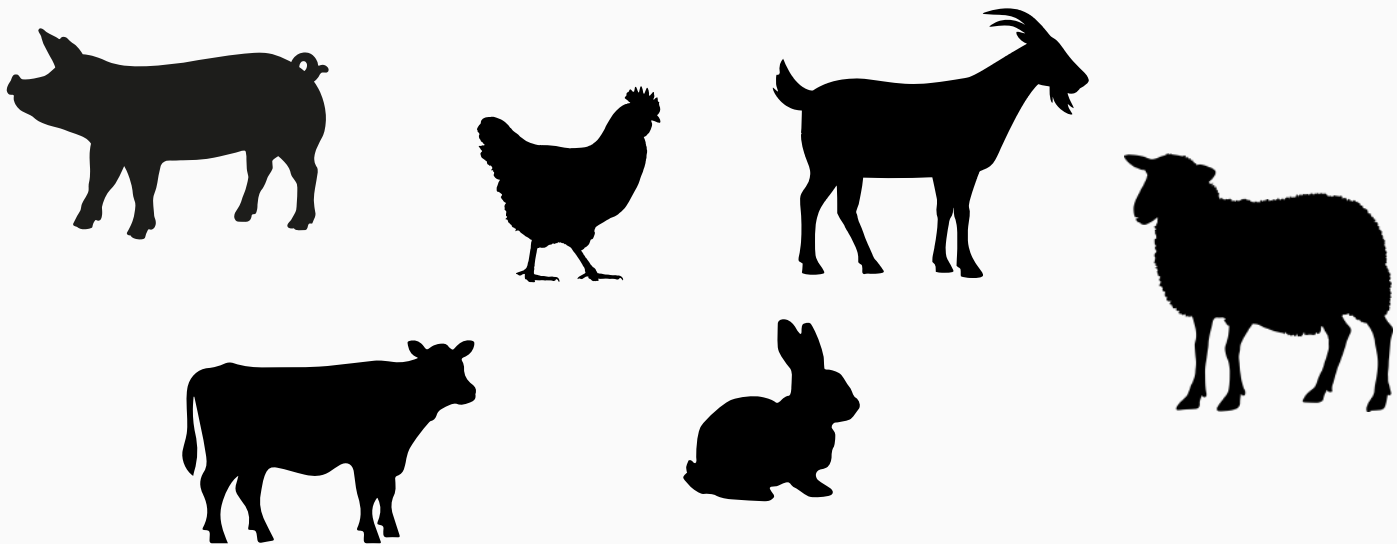
This is separate from the Barber County 4-H Foundation Scholarship.

More State Wide Events

Flyers, Images, Notes about State Wide Events

Save the Date for Junior Producer Days

Mark your calendar!! The 2025 K-State Junior Producer Day dates have been set for next spring. Junior Swine Producer Day will be Saturday, March 1, with Junior Meat Goat Producer Day following on Saturday, March 22. More registration details to come. See flyer at end of newsletter.



Youth for the Quality Care of Animals New Program Year Launched on October 1

The new YQCA program year began on October 1. The learning modules for 2024-2025 are now available to complete the training. The Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and KJLS are expected to continue requiring all exhibitors to complete YQCA to be eligible to exhibit in the 2025 shows. Certification is valid for one year, so you need to re-certify annually. For more information, call Matt Rhodes at the extension office: 620-886-3971

Kansas 4-H Day with K-State Women's Basketball



K-State Research and Extension Barber County is excited to give you a heads up about a K-State Women's Basketball Event. 4-H Day is coming to Bramlage Coliseum on Saturday, January 4th, 2025 at 4 pm. For anyone interested in attending, please see flyer at end of newsletter. It has pertinent information.



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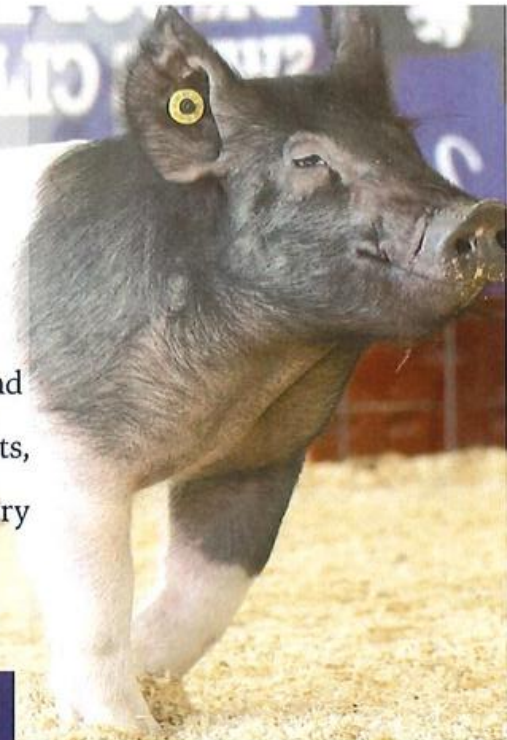
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2025 K-State Junior Swine Producer Day



Join us on Saturday, March 1, 2025 for the biennial K-State Junior Swine Producer Day at the Stanley Stout Center in Manhattan. This educational event will be a fun-filled day in which youth, parents, agents, ag teachers, and swine project leaders can increase their knowledge of youth swine projects. Presentations will be provided by K-State faculty members, graduate students, former exhibitors, and guest speakers. All ages and skill levels are invited! Participants will receive a K-State Show Pig Guide, t-shirt, and complimentary lunch. Only those who register by February 5 will receive a t-shirt. The registration fee is \$20/person for those who sign up by the registration deadline, or \$25/person after that date. Registration is limited to 400 attendees, on a first come, first served basis. This is a family event! Anyone attending must register, including all youth and adults.

March 1



Tentative Schedule

- 8:00AM Registration Opens
- 9:00AM Welcome
- 10:15AM Project Selection
- 11:00AM Breakout Sessions
 - Nutrition, Meats, Facilities & Equipment, Breeds & Ear Notching
- 12:00PM Lunch
- 12:45PM Health
- 1:30PM Breakout Sessions
 - Showmanship, Daily Care & Clipping, Show Day Prep, Resources
- 2:00PM Wrap-up
- 2:30PM YQCA Training (optional)



Registration

- ✓\$20/person by February 5
- ✓\$25/person after February 5
- ✓Late registrants will not receive a t-shirt.
- ✓All attendees must register, including youth, parents, and adults.
- ✓No refunds.
- ✓ Attendance is limited to the first 400 participants to register.



Questions?

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Register By February 5

Limited Attendance

Location
Stanley Stout Center

Register Online
<https://commerce.cashnet.com/KSUASIND>



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K-State Junior MEAT GOAT PRODUCER DAY

3.22.25

Event

Join us on Saturday, March 22, 2025 for the biennial K-State Junior Meat Goat Producer Day at the Stanley Stout Center north of the K-State campus in Manhattan. This educational program will be a fun-filled day in which youth, parents, agents, ag teachers, project leaders, and volunteers can increase their knowledge of youth meat goat projects. Presentations will be provided by K-State faculty members, graduate students, former exhibitors, and guest speakers. All ages and skill levels are invited! Participants will receive a K-State Meat Goat Show Guide, t-shirt, and complimentary lunch. Only those who register by the deadline on February 26 will receive a t-shirt. The registration fee is \$20/person before February 26 and \$25/person after the deadline. This is a family event! Anyone attending must register, including all youth, parents, and adults. Registration is limited to 400 participants, filled on a first come, first serve basis.

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Tentative Program

Friday, March 21
5:00-7:00PM *Optional Tour*
Sheep & Meat Goat Center

Saturday, March 22
8:00AM Check-in
9:00AM Welcome
9:15AM Selection
10:00AM Breakout Sessions
-Nutrition
-Facilities & Equipment
-Doe Management & Kidding
11:15AM Health & Wellness
12:00PM Lunch
1:00PM Breakout Sessions
-Showmanship
-Reproduction
-Clipping & Grooming
3:15PM Wrap-up
3:30PM YQCA Training (*optional*)
4:00-6:00PM *Optional Tour*
Sheep & Meat Goat Center

Register Online

<https://commerce.cashnet.com/KSUASIND>

By
February 26



KANSAS 4-H HORSE PANORAMA

SAVE THE DATE!!

FEBRUARY 22-23, 2025 ROCK SPRINGS

Save the date! Registration
information coming soon!!!



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Saturday, January 4, 2025, 4:00 PM

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Kansas 4-H Day with K-State Women's Basketball

Opponent: Texas Tech Red Raiders

\$25: Ticket, Voucher (\$10 Concessions), & Shirt
\$15: Ticket & Voucher (\$10 Concessions)



How to Get Tickets?

- ✓ Register! Use the QR Code or the link below!
- ✓ Pick up ticket packages - Location TBA closer to event. (1/4/2024) 2:30pm - 3:30pm
- ✓ Doors open for the general public (1/04/2024, 3:00pm)
- ✓ Tip-off! (1/04/24, 4:00 pm)



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Online registration for this event will be due December 13, 2024. No paper registrations will be accepted. To register, go to:

<https://tinyurl.com/4HDaywiththeCats2025>