Chautauqua County
4-H Update

4-H Calendar

October
1  Beginning of New 4-H Year
1-7  National 4-H Week
7-8  48 Hours of 4-H
7-8  4-H Working the Gregg Theater
11  4-H Council
21  4-H Bingo Fundraiser

November
10  Veteran’s Day—Offices Closed
18-19  Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Forum
18  County 4-H Achievement Banquet and
    Supporters’ Appreciation Dinner, noon, Fair/Bowman Building
23-24  Thanksgiving—Offices Closed

December
22-1/2/2024  Christmas/New Year Break—Offices Closed

48 Hours of 4-H
Help us work the Gregg Theater!

October 7, 6:00 p.m.
October 8, 1:00 p.m.

We need 2 adults & 2 kids per shift
More for Clean-up after the movies!
4-H Enrollment

September 30 is the end of the 4-H year and October 1 starts re-enrollment for the new 4-H year. Enrollments and re-enrollments will all be done on 4-H Online, [https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in](https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in). If you can’t remember your log on or are having trouble, call Jenny at (620) 725-5890.

Remember, you must be 7 by January 1, 2024 to enroll in 4-H. Kids ages 5-7 may sign up to be in Cloverbuds. Cloverbuds can also sign up using 4-H Online free of charge.

Enrollment Deadline for competing in the county fair will be February 1st. Drop/Add Deadline will still be May 1st.

NOTE:

If you fully participate in Bingo mark “pay with check” and I will input the coupon code when I approve you.

Explore 4-H!

Don’t forget you need to be enrolled in a project to participate in the fair. Don’t limit yourself by not en-rolling in what could be your new favorite project. [https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects](https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects)

County 4-H Appreciation Dinner & Achievement Banquet

The Achievement Banquet will be November 18, 2023 at NOON in the Fair/Bowman Building at the Sedan Fairgrounds. 4-H Council will provide the meat and tableware. Each 4-H Family is to bring a side dish or dessert.

Remember to invite any supporters! This includes banner & buckle donors, bucket calf donors, Premium Sale supporters, leaders, grandparents, family members, anyone who helps us “Make the Best Better!”

Spook Walk Cancelled for 2023!

Due to scheduling conflicts and Fall Break we are going to cancel the spook walk for this year.
4-H Council Meeting
The Chautauqua County 4-H Council Meeting will be held on October 11, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the Sedan Courthouse.

If you have any pictures from the fair or other 4-H events during the year, please share with me. I am needing pictures for the slide show at the Achievement Banquet.

Kansas Youth Leadership Forum
Registration Due:
October 16, 2023, 11:59 a.m.
Fees: $200 and additional optional $50 for Friday overnight and breakfast.
https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/kansas-youth-leadership-forum/index.html

And other really important stuff...

New 4-H Year Begins
October 1, 2023

Volunteer orientation meeting
Wednesday, October 4, 6:00pm
Courthouse
(Chili & Fixin’s Provided)

Premium Sale Committee Meeting
Wednesday, October 4, 7:00pm
Following Volunteer Orientation
Courthouse
(Chili & Fixin’s Provided)
FAQ

What are each 4-H family’s responsibilities for the Bingo fundraiser?

Each family is to sell 10 tickets (these were given to the leaders.) Each member needs to bring a basket for a prize and a dessert for the concession stand. There will also be a sign up for concession stand. If you need ideas for baskets call Jenny at the office or Lindsey Carter.

What does the $10 ticket get you?

Each person presenting a ticket will get a book of 10 pages of Bingo cards. These can be used during the regular bingo games that will start at 6:00 pm. Extra books of cards will be available to purchase the night of bingo for $5.

What other opportunities are there for people to participate that night?

⇒ Starting at 5:30 we will do mini games. These games will cost a $1 a card and the winner will get half the pot. (IE If we sell 50 cards for the first game the winner will get $25.)

⇒ We will also have a raffle for a scratch off lottery ticket tree. Tickets will be a $1 or 6 for $5. Winner will be drawn that night.

⇒ Concession stand will be available. We will have nachos, Frito chili pie, hot dogs, baked potatoes, walking tacos, drinks and desserts. Items will be sold individually, and we will also have a meal deal available.

4-H Members must participate in the Bingo fundraiser to get their $15 program fee paid for by council. Participation includes: Selling 10 tickets per family, working a shift for Bingo and donating a bingo prize or concession stand item for each member.

See link below to sign up for shifts

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084EABA62BA7F4CF8-44753930-bingo

See link below to sign up for to bring items for concession stand

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084EABA62BA7F4CF8-44755024-bingo

4-H Bingo Prize Ideas:

- Fishing Tackle
- Movie Night
- Goods from local businesses
- Holiday baskets
- Grilling baskets
- Family Game Night
- Gift Certificates for services (massages, hair, nails, lawn mowing, house cleaning, etc.)
- Dinner in a basket (Tacos, pasta, chili, etc.)
- Baking basket
- Spa basket

Typically prizes are between $10-$15.
Chautauqua County 4-H

October 21, 2023
6:00 pm
Doors Open at 5:00 pm
Mini Games start at 5:30 pm
Fair Building Sedan, Kansas
Tickets: $10 in advance
$12 at the door
Additional cards available for $5 each.

Concessions Available

Proceeds go towards Livestock Events and Fairgrounds Improvements.

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Traits of a Strong 4-H Club

It's time to start looking at our Club Health. No, that doesn't mean a Health Club for working out. Club Health is evaluating your 4-H Club to see if it is on the right track. Here is a checklist of traits of a strong club that is thriving.

- Fun for members!
- Standard meeting times and places
- Growing in numbers
- Doing things
- Strong leadership (adult and youth)
- Visible in the community
- New members (and their families) feel welcomed and supported
- Members receive recognition for MANY accomplishments
- Members participate in and beyond the club level activities, events and trainings.
- Family involvement
- Lots of parents at the meetings & activities
- Good communication
- Meetings belong to the members
- Club officers run the club meetings.

Congratulations!

Adalyn Leonard was the winner of the drawing for the Aunt B’s $10 gift certificate! She got this amazing award for completing and turning in her Record Book by October 13.

Adalyn is in the 7th grade this year and is an active member of the Cedar Vale Go Getters 4-H Club. She participates in several projects, including Beef, Sheep, Swine, Foods & Nutrition, Photography, and Visual Arts. She recently took her photography and visual arts projects to the State Fair! Adalyn has also participated in the county wide Favorite Foods Show, BINGO, and Spook Walk. Way to get things done, Adalyn!

Thanks to all who participated in the Early Record Book drawing! You are all MUCH appreciated!
Volunteer Mandate

While volunteerism is crucial to the success of 4-H, it is a privilege, not a right to be a 4-H volunteer.

According to the KSU Department of 4-H Youth Development, all individuals who work directly with youth are required to complete the Kansas 4-H Volunteer screening process. Volunteer screening is done in order to assure a safe, positive, and nurturing environment for all youth involved with the Kansas 4-H programs and provide protection for the child, the volunteer, the agent, the Extension Board, and the Kansas State Research and Extension.

Initial screening of all volunteers and staff will occur when they sign up to volunteer or are employed as an Extension professional. Re-screening for volunteers will be done every three years from when the original screening was completed.

Requirements:

Those roles that need Board certification are included, but not limited to, those positions that follow:

⇒ Each club needs two Extension Board certified volunteers to be 4-H Adult Leaders.
⇒ Each project leader needs Extension Board certification.
⇒ Volunteers who have access to funds raised on behalf of 4-H
⇒ Any individual that supervises 4-H’ers needs to be a Board Certified volunteer.

Board Certification is not difficult. It can be done online, but it must be done in cooperation with the County Extension Agent.

Consequences: If there are not Board Certified Volunteers, the 4-H Club runs the risk of losing it’s charter until certified volunteers are in place.

Volunteer Screening Checklist:

The first thing to do is Create a 4-H Online Account. Many of you already have one. If not, create one at https://4honline.com/#/user/sign-in

On the 4-H Online website, create your Adult Volunteer record.

To complete this process, you will need to provide information for the Volunteer Application. Some information you may need to collect beforehand, such as:

♦ Employer and supervisor contact information
♦ Residential history
♦ Previous 4-H volunteer history
♦ Volunteer experiences
♦ 3 References and their contact information (preferably not related to you)
♦ Health Insurance and doctor contact information (this is NOT proof of insurance)
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