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Greenwood County 4-H News

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December

- 12-15** Kansas Beef Expo - Hutchinson, KS – For more information go to www.kansasbeefexpo.com
- 14** Entomology Project Meeting - Iola, KS
- 15** Junk in a Bucket entries open - SignUpGenius
- 23** Cookie & Card Decorating - Memorial Hall
- 24–31** Extension Office Closed - Christmas Break

January

- 1** Extension Office Closed - New Year's Day
- 3** **Enrollment due to the Extension office by 4:30pm for returning 4-H members**
- 4** "4-H Day with Wildcat Women's Basketball"
- 13** Regional Record Books due by 4:30pm to Ext. Office
- 15** Junk in a Bucket entries close - SignUpGenius
- 20** 4-H Council Meeting
- 17** SEA 4-H Record Book Judging in Fredonia, KS
- 25** Club Leaders check email for County 4-H Club Day Group presentations sign up (Due Friday, January 31st by 4:30 pm)

February

- 1** County 4-H Day registration opens on SignUpGenius (entries due February 8 by 11:59 pm)
- 7** Fair Theme Ideas due to Extension Office
- 15** County Club Day @ Hamilton School
- 16-17** Citizenship in Action (CIA)
- 22-23** Horse Panorama – Rock Springs 4-H Camp



Dates for 2025 are Set!



Although it may be months away, many dates have already been set on many 4-H Events and Activities for 2025. Mark them on your calendars now so your members doesn't miss out on all the fun!

- ⇒ **SEA 4-H Record Book Judging – January 17**
- ⇒ **GW County 4-H Club Day & Favorite Foods Show – February 15**
- ⇒ **CIA – February 16-17**
- ⇒ **Regional 4-H Club Day – March 22**
- ⇒ **Discovery Days – May/June TBD**
- ⇒ **Greenwood County Fair – July 25 - 28**

SEA 4-H Record Book Judging

The SEA 4-H Record Book judging will be held on Friday, January 17th from 9am to 3pm in Fredonia. Eligible project record winners need to resubmit their books to the Extension office by 4:30pm on Monday, January 13th if they wish to compete. If you are interested in helping judge this year, please call or email the Extension office.

2025 Greenwood County Fair Theme

The 122nd Greenwood County Fair is **July 25-28, 2025!** Each 4-H club is encouraged by the Greenwood County 4-H Foundation to be creative and submit a theme for the fair. Last year's theme appeared on fair t-shirts, the fair paper, newspaper advertisements, and on the radio. Entries are due in the Extension by Friday, February 7th. Below is a list of requirements to fit our graphic needs:

- **Black and White Only**
- **Digital Design (no hand drawn ideas)**
- **Size should be 8 inches x 8 inches**

"Junk in a Bucket"

The last page of the newsletter is a flyer describing the 4-H class for the county fair called "Junk in a Bucket." Entries for this class are **due by Wednesday, January 15th**. All entries will be made through SignUpGenius this year. The link will be emailed out on Sunday, December 15th.

A VERY MERRY
CHRISTMAS
and Happy New Year!

Citizenship in Action (CIA)

Citizenship in Action (CIA) will be on February 16th and 17th. Registration should open in early January and will be due early February. More information will be available soon. Each 4-H member attending will receive a \$70 registration sponsorship from the 4-H Council.

Scholarships

Kansas 4-H Scholarship:

The online applications for the 2025-26 Kansas 4-H Scholarship are available and due by March 1st. The process has been modified and changes will take effect for the 2025-26 scholarship application process. Please review all of the documentation thoroughly. The information you will need for this scholarship are available on the following link:

<https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html>

Judy Wiggins Scholarship:

The Judy Wiggins Memorial scholarship application will be due by April 1st. Copies of the application are available by request from the Extension Office.

Shooting Sports Safety Meeting



The Greenwood County Shooting Sports program is growing. For those new to the program, it is **"REQUIRED"** that the 4-H'er attend a shooting sports safety meeting each year to participate. We will be finalizing the date and details soon. We will host this meeting in the early winter months as archery will begin late winter/early spring. We will be hosting a 30-45 minute meeting for shotgun and archery separately but in the same day. These meetings will be a little more in depth, i.e., learning gun and bow maintenance protocols and reasons for malfunction. Make sure your child is enrolled in shotgun and/or archery to receive communications. Watch your email for details. Contact S/S Coordinator Annissa Boulanger with questions; fivebtribe@gmail.com or 620-583-4100.

Horse Panorama



Horse Panorama will be at the Rock Springs 4-H Ranch February 22-23, 2025. Registration will be available soon. Check the [Panorama webpage](#) as it is updated with schedules, contest rules, and registration information.

Registration Papers Reminder!

Registration papers are required for heifers and purebred swine that are registered.

- ⇒ Registration papers for heifers are due to the office by the Spring Animal Weigh-In date.
- ⇒ Registration papers for purebred swine are due by Weigh-In at the Fair.

Entomology Project Meeting

Come join the fun and learn about insects! The next Entomology Project meeting will be on Saturday, December 14th at the Allen County Extension Office beginning at 1:00 p.m. Please bring your pinning boards, pinning supplies and 2 or 3 insects to pin. If you are just starting in this project, I will have pinning set ups available to purchase for \$10. 4-Hers please bring a short talk on Entomology on the subject of your choice. If it is about an insect, please try to do a "Who Am I?" to start out with. We are going to do a group community service project and try to grant a few Christmas wishes for some Senior Citizens. Please call the Greenwood County office for a list of suggested items. Questions: call Vicky at (620)804-9170.

K-State Junior Producer Days

K-State Junior Swine Producer Day:

Date: Saturday, March 1st

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, February 5th

Cost: \$20/person by February 5th (\$25/person after February 5th)

- * Registration must be RECEIVED by February 5th to receive a t-shirt
- * Both youth & adults attending need to register

Online Registration: <http://bit.ly/ksuasiregister>

K-State Junior Meat Goat Producer Day:

Date: Saturday, March 22th

Registration Deadline: Monday, February 26th

Cost: \$20/person by February 26th (\$25/person after February 26th)

- * Registration must be RECEIVED by February 26th to receive a t-shirt
- * Both youth & adults attending need to register

Online Registration: <http://bit.ly/ksuasiregister>

*****An instructor-led YQCA certification class will also be offered at the end of the day for each program. You will need indicate if you plan to stay for this optional class during the registration process. More details on registering for the appropriate course through the YQCA website will be sent only to those who plan to stay and attend. You will need to complete an extra step to register through the YQCA platform and pay the additional \$3.00/child fee. The junior day registration is independent from the YQCA class and does not include that additional fee.*****

County Club Day – February 15th

4-H Day is just ahead, Saturday, February 15th, and it's time to be thinking about your projects. 4-H Day will be held at Hamilton Elementary school. Guidelines are included in this newsletter relating to times, ages, etc. Our county club day follows the guidelines for regional with the exception of adding a younger gavel games division. Cloverbuds may participate in Show & Share and club skits.

- ⇒ **Gavel Games:** Basic (7-9), Junior (7-13), and Senior (14 and up). A team may use a younger member to complete their team, but not one from an older age group. Basic is designed to be an introduction to Gavel Games with only 3 problems and no written test. An alternate (5th member) may be used at county, but not at regional competition.
- ⇒ **Show and Share:** For Cloverbuds and 1st and 2nd year members doing their first talk at 4-H Day. We ask that Cloverbuds enter just as other 4-H'ers will. It is an encouraging experience and will not be judged. The 4-H'er will talk with the judge after their presentation.
- ⇒ **Demonstrations:** Tell or show how to do something. They demonstrate a process and show a finished product.
- ⇒ **Project Talks:** Tell about the 4-H'ers project, or some aspect of it.
- ⇒ **Public Speaking:** Is an informative presentation on a current affair or public policy topic. An outline is presented to the judge.
- ⇒ **Video Presentation-on a Flash Drive or CD:** Allows a 4-H'er to include information and visuals not possible to bring to 4-H Day. It is also a possibility for having an entry when a 4H'er can not attend 4-H Day. Not eligible for regional competition.
- ⇒ **Music:** Present an original set of music with measures numbered. Be sure to put your name on it. Copyright laws prohibit photocopying of music. Pre-recorded accompaniment may be used, but any variations should be noted on the written music.
- ⇒ **Talent:** Includes skits, novelty, juggling, puppets, magic, reading, etc.
- ⇒ **Dance:** Includes square dance and other dance routines choreographed to music.
- ⇒ **Model Meetings:** Join your whole club as they demonstrate their parliamentary procedure skills together as you host a mock meeting. Tips from judges will help your club improve!
- ⇒ **Job Interviews:** Practice and show your public speaking skills via mock interview or a youth volunteer coordinator position. For Seniors only!

County Club Day – February 15th (cont.)

- ⇒ **Favorite Foods:** New this year, Favorite Foods will be included and registration will be part of the SignUpGenius links that go out in member emails.

Registration: An email will be shared with everyone on February 1st to begin signing up for individual presentations, check your email! Register on SignUpGenius by 11:59 pm on February 8th.

We hope you will participate in and enjoy 4-H Day. The ultimate objective is that 4-H'ers feel good about who they are and what they have done. It's always encouraging to see the talent and skills of our members. As you watch other 4-H'ers, remember to compliment them on their performances. The judges will determine the top numbers that day in each division. These will be eligible to represent Greenwood County at Regional 4-H Day on Saturday, March 22nd.

4-H Day with Women's Basketball

Save the date! The annual "4-H Day with Wildcat Women's Basketball" game will take place on Saturday, January 4th as the Wildcats take on Texas Tech with a 4pm tip off. Check out the flyer below for more information.



4-H Council Corner

These items were discussed and voted on during the 4-H council meeting on Monday, November 18th.

1. Elections were held, officers are:
 - ◇ President: Hannah Perrier
 - ◇ Vice President: Addison Westerman
 - ◇ Secretary: Sydney Lindamood
 - ◇ Treasurer: Lydia Mason
 - ◇ Reporter: Jersey Cox
 - ◇ Parliamentarian: Brynn Roth
2. County Club Day will be Saturday, February 15th at Hamilton School. Snow date will be Saturday, February 22nd.

The next meeting will be on Monday, January 20th at 7pm at the Courthouse.



LEADERS' NOTES

- ⇒ SE Area Record Book Screening: We need adults to assist with screening in Fredonia on Friday, January 17th beginning at 9am. Must have some previous experience with Record Books. If interested contact the Extension office.
- ⇒ 2024-25 Kansas 4-H Scholarship: For the 2024-25 Kansas 4-H Scholarship process, the online applications are available and due by March 1st.
- ⇒ Judy Wiggins Scholarship: Applications are available at the Extension office and will be due to the Extension Office by April 1st.
- ⇒ 4-H County Club Day: County Club day will be Saturday, February 15th. Encourage members to make plans now! Entries will be made via SignUpGenius. Club leaders will receive an email with the sign up link on January 25th for the group events at club days (model meeting, gavel games, and skits). Due date to sign up for group events will be January 31st by 4:30pm. **THIS LINK IS FOR CLUB LEADERS ONLY!** Another email containing links to sign up for individual presentations (show and share, demos, project talks, public speaking, video presentations, music, talent, dance, and job interviews) will be sent out February 1st to all 4-H members. Registration will close February 8th at 11:59 pm. This email will include the schedule for group events (model meeting, gavel games, and skits) that leaders signed up for, so members do not double schedule their activities.
- ⇒ **REMINDER!!!! All returning 4-H members must be enrolled by 4:30pm on Friday, January 3rd. Enrollments for returning members WILL NOT be accepted after this date/time!!!! Project drop/add due date will remain May 1st, as will new member enrollment.**



“JUNK IN A BUCKET”

“Junk In A Bucket” is a project that is being sponsored by the Madison Pacesetters 4-H Club. They are using this project as their Club Project. The purpose of the project is for the club’s Leadership Team to learn how to develop a project and follow through every step in order to make an exhibit at the Greenwood County Fair in a special designated class.

“Junk In A Bucket” will be offered again as a class at the 2025 Greenwood County Fair. The project will begin with a special enrollment through SignUpGenius that will be due by January 15, 2025. Drawings for the buckets will be held at County 4-H Club Day on Saturday, February 15, 2025. Each participant will draw for a random numbered bucket on that day. You do not have to be present in order to participate, but you do need to arrange to pick up your bucket at another time.

Ground Rules for Junk In A Bucket:

1. Pre-entry is required and will be due by December 15th. Registration will be open via SignUpGenius. A link to sign up will be emailed out to all 4-H members on December 15th. If you have any issues signing up, please contact the Extension office.
2. Random drawings for the buckets will be on Saturday, February 10th, at County 4-H Club Day.
3. Photos of each bucket will be taken. NO extra materials may be used in the creation of the project.
4. Any of the items in the bucket MAY be cut or reconfigured, but NO items may be added.
5. Items in the bucket may be welded. Baling wire may be used to connect items, but may be used ONLY to connect pieces. No extra wire is allowed. Zip Ties may also be used to connect items in the bucket.
6. In creating the project, all items in the bucket DO NOT have to be used.
7. Projects may be painted, but it is not required.
8. ALL buckets and items not used must be returned along with the exhibit to the Greenwood County Fair in July. All “Junk In A Bucket” projects will be exhibited in a special class at the fair.
9. Only 4-H enrolled members may participate in this project. This is an individual person project; NOT a team or club project.
10. Special prizes will be awarded in the three divisions: Junior, Intermediate, and Senior (ages same as all Greenwood County 4-H Fair activities). Prizes will be based on creativity and originality of the project.



Memorial Hall, Eureka

Cookie & Card Decorating

For our 4-H supporters

The Fancy Mustangs are hosting a cookie and card decorating for all 4-Hers on Monday, December 23rd at 9am. We will decorate and deliver to community members to thank them for their support of our kids.

- Everything provided.



December 23rd @ 9am

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>



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Southwind District

**Thursday,
December 12**

**Eureka Public
Library
606 N. Main St.**

**Meal at 5:45
Program at 6:15**

**For more
information,
contact
Hunter Nickell
620-365-2242
or Ben Sims
620-583-7455**



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Sheep and Goat Management and Marketing Strategies



Designed to help producers, new farmers, and anyone interested in small livestock, this program will cover topics such as animal health, breeding practices, feeding and nutrition, and effective management strategies. Participants will also learn to improve profitability through smart marketing practices.

Presenters: Kelsey Bentley, Small Ruminant Extension Specialist, and Mitch Langvardt, Clay Center Livestock Sales Sheep and Goat Sales Representative

Free to attend, and meal is included.
Please RSVP: 620-365-2242
for planning purposes.

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Deer Processing Workshop

December 6, 2024

6:30 PM

1030 River Rd.

Eureka, KS 67045

Topics:

- Field Dressing
- Basic Processing

Presented by:

- *Dr. Drew Ricketts* – K-State Wildlife Extension Specialists



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Meal Provided

For more information and to register please call the Greenwood County Extension Office at 620-583-7455

or email

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