

Harvey County 4-H Happenings

The Informer

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Congrats to all the 4-Hers who exhibited at the county fair! It is a lot of hard work to make sure your project shows up to fair, all intact and for you to showcase it in the best way possible! Applause to you! We love getting to see the 4-Hers at fair showcasing their projects, watching their passions come to life, and having some fun with them. Also big thank you to all the volunteers and parents who help shuttle kids around, make sure kids are where they are supposed to be, helping us where we might need help, and so much more! It takes everyone and we appreciate all your help in putting on a great fair!

If you have not stopped by the office to pick up your premiums or buyer's information please do so asap. It is not fair for our front office staff to field phone calls form buyers asking about individual's whereabouts. We also have the open class premiums in office and left over 4-H exhibits hanging out waiting for their owners to pick them up.

As September and October creep up, we do not slow down in the 4-H world. This newsletter is jam packed with end of year documents, scholarships, awards, and much more. Please look it all through, ask any questions you may have and most importantly submit nominations for awards. Come October, we will open up re-enrollment for the 4-H year. Please make sure to get that completed by the end of the 2023 year so you don't miss any emails or future newsletters. Some new things to keep in mind as your navigate the enrolment process. If you are interested in Livestock Judging please enroll in that project, that is where we will do all of our communication, and the last major thing to make note of is that some projects will have a different name this coming year and we will send out an email with those specifics when the State passes it along to us. The major one to make note of is Buymanship will be called Shopping in Style.

Lastly, I invite every 4-H family to 4-H Recognition Night on October 14th. You can find the rsvp link and more details in the newsletter but we will have a meal, raffle items, will be showcasing projects and 4-Hers and our awards ceremony plus more! It will be a great time for all families to get together and celebrate the past year and thank our volunteers and supporter's for their hard work.

If you have any questions please let us know, we are happy to help! Happy 4-H New Year!





County Wide News

2023-2024 4-H Council Schedule



October 26th December 14th* February 22nd April 25 June 27th August 22nd October 24th *date subject to change Thursdays 7:00-8:00 pm Location: 4-H Building More information will be emailed around 4-H Council meeting times. Contact Information: Anne Pitts aelpers@ksu.edu

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Please Join us in Attending:

4-H Recognition Night 5:30 pm, meal at 6:00 pm October 14, 2023

Salem United Methodist Church

Newton KS

This event will highlight all the great things happening in Harvey County 4-H and allow our Supporters along with 4-H Families to celebrate our amazing Harvey County 4-Her's!

RSVP HERE:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScYUG4fdDvR9ZsEeQ5VPvymHeCAppbSKyw PfC3mzTkDjQa2-Q/viewform?usp=pp_url

County Scholarship information

4-H Development Fund- Senior Scholarship Due by midnight on September 22,2023

This scholarship application is intended for students who have been active Harvey County 4-H members and will be enrolled as full-time post-secondary students for the first time this fall. (those who graduated May 2023)

Submitting this application does not equal selection to receive this scholarship. This scholarship application must be fully completed to be considered for an award. Scholarship recipients will be presented with their award at the 4-H Recognition Night, October 14th!

Link to apply:

https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_a3h5fQkunqMMZT0

Gary & Krista Baehler Memorial Scholarship Due by Midnight on September 22,2023

Gary Baehler was a long time advocate of 4-H. He was active as a 4-H member in Sharon Springs and Collegiate 4-H at KSU. He got his girls Kendra & Krista, involved in 4-H as well and was their biggest fan. He was active as a 4-H parent, volunteer, project leader, fair board member, and sponsor for the Harvey County 4-H Program. Dr. Baehler owned and operated Hesston Veterinary Clinic for 35 years until he passed away tragically from a heart attack in May 2021. His patient nature allowed him to pass on knowledge to others and mentor students that were interested in veterinary medicine. His youngest daughter, Krista Baehler passed away after battling leukemia in April 2020. Krista was active in livestock and food/nutrition projects through her involvement in Harvey County 4-H. She pursued a degree in dietetics from Kansas State and utilized her knowledge to teach and create a food and nutrition program for youth in Omaha, NE.

In memory of Gary and Krista, the family has set up this scholarship program to recognize the achievements of students pursuing a degree in Veterinary Medicine, Animal Science, or Dietetics, Food Science.

Link to apply: <u>https://kstate.gualtrics.com/ife/form/SV_dchgNSVxBcgbL8i</u>

HARVEY COUNTY 4-H AWARDS

In preparation for our 1st Annual 4-H Recognition Night, all Project Record Books, pin applications, and other award applications are due in the Extension Office no later than **September 22nd, 2023**. Please respect the due dates that your community leaders have set up for your club.

These applications, forms, and instructions are available on our website:

https://www.harvey.k-state.edu/4-h/record keeping and awards/index.html

Project Record Books: Harvey County uses the Record Books to select County Champions in 4-H projects. The winners will be recognized at the 4-H Achievement Banquet.

• Please follow the Record Book Guidelines for how to assemble your record book.

Achievement Pin Award Applications

The 4-H Achievement Pin Awards are based on individual 4-H project work and participation. Pins include: Membership, Bronze, Clover, Emerald, Silver, Silver Guard, Jr. Leadership, Gold, and Gold Guard. A 4-H'er may receive only one of these a year. 4-H members should turn these applications into their **Community Leader along with their record book.**

Forms needed: Individual achievement pin applications

4-H Club Awards

We will recognize 4-H Clubs for **Club Seals** (purple, blue, red, etc.) and **Project Awards** such as: Safety, Health, Citizenship, Community Service, etc. These reports need to be completed and turned in by <u>September 22,2023.</u>

Completed forms needed:

For Club Seal - Club Planning & Goat Worksheet

For Project Awards - Club Project Report Form

Outstanding 4-H'er Award

This award recognizes Harvey County 4-H members who have demonstrated leadership and dedication to the Harvey County 4-H program. Club leaders can nominate deserving members, or 4-H members can nominate themselves for consideration by completing the application.

There are four, \$50 awards available each year. 4-H'ers who have already been given this award are not eligible to reapply.

Forms needed: Outstanding 4-H'er Award application

to apply or nominate somebody for this award, you will find the link under the "Awards, Recognition, and

Scholarships section on the Harvey County Extension Website.

HARVEY COUNTY 4-H AWARDS CONTINED

Volunteer Award:

4-H is a community of young people across Kansas who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills. Volunteers are the heartbeat of the 4-H program serving as mentors, teachers and friends. The Volunteer of the Year Award recognizes a Harvey County 4-H volunteer who demonstrate exceptional service to Harvey County 4-H. The Harvey County 4-H Office has decided to award, recognize and promote Harvey County 4-H volunteers who have excelled in their roles and continue with nominating them for The Kansas 4-H Salute to Excellence Award.

Nominations, by parents, 4-Hers, and other volunteers, may submit their answers by September 22, 2023. These individuals then will have an opportunity to be selected and recognized during our 4-H Recognition Night, October 14th.

Please submit your nominees using this link: <u>https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/</u> <u>SV_31MOUWWML5km7qK</u>

Want to become a 4-H Ambassador??

Our Ambassador Program is made up for a group of individuals that represent Harvey County 4-H. Ambassadors are active at events, programs and work with our stakeholders to help share our 4-H Story. Ambassadors are 13 years of age and older and meet monthly.

Find the application and the Roles and Responsibilities of an Ambassador Here: <u>https://www.harvey.k-state.edu/4-h/events/index.html</u>

THANK YOU for all that you do!!

As we end our 4-H year I want to take the chance and say thank you. Thank you to the 4-Hers who showed up, who had the energy to find their passion and spark and show it to others. Thank you to the families who also played a huge role in driving kids, volunteered their time, and supported our 4-H'ers in many ways. Finally thank you to the supporters and volunteers, without your support our program would not be what it is. Thank you!

K-STATE Research and Extension **48 HOURS of 4-H**

Join us this fall in seeing just how much we can give back to our community! The week during National 4-H Week, Harvey County will be taking part in a week long service project. 4-H youth and families will take part in providing service to others October 1-8.

Two years ago we completed 200 hours of community service!

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY FAMILY? You can do anything that provides a service to others. For example:

- help your neighbor clean up their yard
- bake goods delivered to others
- cards or crafts for nursing homes
- collect for the food bank
- volunteer your time
- join your club with club service projects

TRACK YOUR TIME HERE: <u>HTTPS://BIT.LY/3JX4DZB</u>

CALL TO ACTION

Plan and implement service learning projects. That can be with your club or your family. These projects can be simple or more complex. The goal is to provide **100 hours** of service in Harvey County the week of October 4-10. **100 hours** can be easy to achieve if each family did 3 hours of service.



STARTING OCTOBER 1ST

IT'S TIME TO ENROLL RE-ENROLL ONLINE AT: <u>HTTPS://V2.4HONLINE.COM/</u>

MAKE SURE TO CHECK YOUR EMAIL FOR A VERY IMPORTANT 4-H ONLINE EMAIL REGARDING DATES!

Happy 4-H New Year!

The 4-H Year begins every October. It is time to reenroll and is also time to select 4-H project to participate in.

As a reminder, in order to exhibit an item at the County Fair, 4-H'ers are required to be enrolled in the corresponding project in 4-H Online by May 15th.

Why not try something new? Choose from over 30 4-H Projects to enroll in.

Local support for projects may vary. Learn more about local projects <u>HERE</u>.

VOLUNTEER SERVICE

Step by Step guide here

Previously screened 4-H Volunteers are required to renew 4-H Online account each year. If you have any questions, please email Anne at aelpers@ksu.edu.

4-H PROJECTS

BEEF CITIZENSHIP CLOTHING AND TEX-TILES

COMMUNICATIONS

DAIRY CATTLE

DAIRY GOATS DOG CARE AND TRAINING

ENERGY MANAGE-MENT

ENTOMOLOGY

ENVIONMENTAL SCI-ENCE

EXPLORING 4-H

FAMILY STUDIES FIBER ARTS

FOODS AND NUTRI-TION

GEOLOGY

HEALTH/WELLNESS

HOME ENVIRONMENT

HORSE

HORTICULTURE

LEADERSHIP

MEAT GOATS

PERFORMING ARTS

PETS

PHOTOGRAPHY

PLANT SCIENCE

POUILTRY

RABBITS

READING

SELF DETERMINED

SHEEP

SHOOTING SPORTS

SPACE TECH

SWINE

VISUALARTS

WILDLIFE



State & Other News

Kansas Youth Leadership Forum (KYLF)

The Forums will be held November 18-19, 2023 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. KYLF is for youth ages 14-18 before January 1, 2024. KYLF will feature leadership workshops, Youth Council Elections, and opportunities to learn and have fun. For more information, visit the website below.

Registration Link will be available soon!

https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/kansas-youthleadership-forum/index.html

Upcoming 4-H Dates

September 8th-17th	Kansas State Fair
September 22nd	All Pin Applications, Scholarship Applications, Club infor- mation, Record Books, Outstanding 4-H'er Applications Due!
October 1st	Enrollment Opens
October 1st—7th	National 4-H Week
October 7th– 8th	48 Hours of 4-H
October 14th	4-H Recognition Night
October 26th	4-H Council Meeting
November 18th-19th	KYLF

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