










AUGUST 2024

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-  August 8: Events Council Meeting
-  August 9: State Fair Entry Forms Due to Office
-  August 10: State Horticulture Judging Contest
-  August 17-18: State Livestock Sweepstakes
-  August 21: 4-H Horse Clinic & Livestock Committee Meeting
-  August 31: State Fair Dog Show

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Shawnee County 4-H *Chatterbox*

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- August 10: State Horticulture Judging Contest
- August 17-18; State Livestock Sweepstakes
- August 31: State Fair Dog Show, Hutchinson
- September 2: OFFICE CLOSED- Labor Day
- September 6-15: Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson

Please send Chatterbox submissions to Lisa and Grace by August 26

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A Word From Your Agent...

Happy August everyone! I hope you have all rested and recovered from the fair. I would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to all of our volunteers, superintendents, sponsors, and families for all of your hard work and dedication to make the fair happen!! So many people went above and beyond this year, and we really can't put on a fair without your help. It was a really wonderful fair, and I look forward to doing it again with you next year!

Since we have gratitude on our minds, make sure you are writing thank you notes! A handwritten note to a sponsor or volunteer goes a long way toward assuring that they continue to give to Shawnee County 4-H, as well as centers your mind around the larger picture of what all goes into making the fair happen. If you are unsure of who to write thank you notes to, please reach out to the extension office and we can point you in the right direction!

State fair entries are due to the extension office by 5 pm on August 9th. You can find the entry form under the current events tab on our homepage: <https://www.shawnee.k-state.edu/4-h/>. We will be taking your projects down to Hutchinson this year on Thursday, September 5th. All static exhibits should be dropped off at the office during business hours on September 3rd or 4th, or between 7:30-7:50 am on the 5th. Because the space in the van is limited, you will need to make your own arrangements for projects that are larger than a geology box. If you need to check if your project qualified, or need help with your entry form, please reach out!

Ambassador Information

4-Hers who are program age 12 or older and who have been in 4-H for at least 3 years need to remember to RSVP by August 12th to the kick-off party at GreatPlay! We're looking forward to a fun community building night!

If you are interested in joining this group and receiving email updates, please sign up for the official Ambassador's email list here:

<https://forms.gle/4yTw5tZoGNtzRwwGA>

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Livestock Corner

92nd Kansas Junior Livestock Show

**Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS) September 27-29, 2024,
Hutchinson, KS**

Entries for KJLS are now open at <https://kansasjls.fairwire.com/>. Please have your entries in by 11:59 p.m. on **August 15**. Late entries will be accepted through August 31, but fees will double for those submitted after August 15. While entering your livestock, be sure to enter Showmanship and the KJLS LEAD Challenge. All KJLS details, including rules and the show schedule, can be found at www.kjls.net. **Reminder – a complete nomination does NOT constitute show entry; it only makes animals eligible.**

If you have questions about the entry process or anything related to KJLS, do not hesitate to reach out to Ryan Higbie, Director of Livestock Show & Events at kjls@kla.org or 785-273-5115.

County Fair Thank You Lists

If you sold an animal at the county fair, keep an eye on your email! Thank you note lists will be going out this week. It is very important to write thank you notes to the sale buyers, without their support we could not have a livestock auction!

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Fair Recognitions



2024-2025 4-H King & Queen

Cameron Thompson and Megan Louderback



2024-2025 Prince & Princess

Keaton Mengarelli and Harper Dudley

Kyndal Lynch

People's Choice in Visual Arts

CONGRATULATIONS

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State Judging Events

Shawnee County will be represented in the following State level events in the coming weeks!

Kansas 4-H Horticulture Judging

Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes

Kansas State Fair Agricultural Challenge of Champions

Kansas State Fair 4-H Crops Judging

Kansas State Fair 4-H Fashion Revue

Kansas State Fair 4-H Photography Judging

Good luck to all our youth participating in these contests!!!



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Ag Partners Coop's "Back to School BBQ and Ag Career Expo"

From Ag Partners Coop:

"Our goal for this event is to showcase the agriculture opportunities available to students right in their back door! This will be a casual evening for students to enjoy with their parents to see and touch equipment, hear testimonials from our employees, learn about the benefits and opportunities Ag Partners has to offer, enjoy a BBQ meal, games, and receive a free t-shirt!

We are inviting all area FFA Chapters and 4-H Clubs in our Ag Partner's territory to attend one of our 3 centralized events." Check the flyers below for more details!

- **Belvue Ag Partners Location: Tuesday, August 20, 2024**
- **Seneca Knights of Columbus: Wednesday, August 21, 2024**
- **Hiawatha Ag Partners Location: Wednesday, September 4, 2024**

Back To School

FFA & 4H

Career Expo & BBQ

FFA & 4H STUDENTS & PARENTS


Join Ag Partners & area FFA & 4H students & parents for an informative evening BBQ and career expo to kick-off the 2025 school year! Are you curious about careers in the ag industry or want to learn more about possible opportunities you may be able to take advantage of this school year (job shadows, scholarships, apprenticeships)? You won't want to miss hearing about these opportunities right in your back door!

BELVUE - AG PARTNERS SHOP BUILDING

TUESDAY	5:30 - 7:30 pm
August 20, 2024	STARTS AT 5:30 DINNER SERVED 6:00 - 7:30

305 NOBLE AVE BELVUE, KS 66407

- T-SHIRT FOR STUDENTS
- DINNER & DOOR PRIZE DRAWING
- EQUIPMENT "SEE & TOUCH"
- CAREER TESTIMONIALS FROM AG PARTNER EMPLOYEES
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SENECA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

WEDNESDAY	5:30 - 7:30 pm
August 21, 2024	STARTS AT 5:30 DINNER SERVED 6:00 - 7:30

211 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DRIVE SENECA, KS 66538

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HIAWATHA - AG PARTNERS LOCATION

WEDNESDAY	5:30 - 7:30 pm
September 4, 2024	STARTS AT 5:30 DINNER SERVED 6:00 - 7:30

801 SOUTH 12TH STREET HIAWATHA, KS 66434

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State Fair News

Reminder: Presentations Are Eligible for State Fair!

Did you know you can take your presentations from Club Day to the Kansas State Fair? Please remember that purple ribbons or top blue ribbons of those age 9 and older (before January 1) can take their project talks, demonstrations and illustrated talks to the Kansas State Fair. Poetry entries can also be entered as non-competitive presentations.

There are some great resources for project talks, illustrated talks, demonstrations, and public speaking on the 4-H Communications Project Page: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/leadership-personal-development/communications.html>

Volunteer at the State Fair!

From the State Office:



“One of the highlights of the Kansas 4-H program year is the Kansas State Fair. This year's fair is scheduled for September 6-15th, with static exhibit judging being conducted starting September 5th at 9 am. We need your help to reach our goal of making the fair an educational experience for participants and spectators. In the 4-H Division at the State Fair last year, it took people in over 900 different roles assisting with all the exhibit areas, contests, and shows! Duties range from accepting entries, to clerking for judges, to displaying exhibits, to assisting with contests and shows. The Extension Office has additional information about the different volunteer roles and responsibilities. If you are interested in volunteering with a 4-H exhibit area at the Kansas State Fair, please sign up here or with your Extension Office. (This includes State Project Action Team members who help.) An admission ticket will be provided for each day you serve as a volunteer and the Kansas State Fair will provide a meal ticket for volunteers who work at least four hours and are not receiving reimbursement from other sources. We would love to have your help at the Kansas State Fair!”

Sign up to volunteer here: https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_5v9G1vkccXKYPB4

Want more information before signing up? Reach out to the office!

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Club Chatter

Indian Creek

Our July meeting was held at the fair Sunday morning. During our meeting we walked around and looked at the different projects displayed around the fair along with members of our club explaining some of their projects as we went.



Rossville Rustlers

The Rossville Rustlers 4-H Club members were busy at the 2024 Shawnee County Fair. The club helped with the Kids Activity Corner, Pancake Feed, and served lunch at Sunday Funday. Thank you to the Indian Creek 4-H Club for partnering with us on the Kids Activity Corner and Sunday Funday.

Members of the club enjoyed making friends, learning by doing, and growing leadership at the fair. The club will be busy in August with the Tall Corn Festival and will promote 4-H with a float at the parade. We will finish out the month with Officer Elections.



Silver Lake

Silver Lake 4-H Club had a pool party & potluck for our July meeting. We also had a few project talks from a few of our members who talked about their pigs and how they cared for them. Also in July, our club had members who participated in the County 4-H Fair.

Submitted by: Tyler Thomas



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Shawnee County 4-H Calendar

August 2024

- 1 Shooting Sports: Rifle II, EMR, 6:30 pm
- 3-4 4-H Open Horse Show, Domer Arena
- 5 Bunny Bunch Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm
- 8 4-H Events Council, EMR, 7 pm
- 9 State Fair Entry Forms Due to Office**
- 10 State 4-H Horticulture Judging, Manhattan
- 12 Kansas 4-H/FFA Wheat Expo, Manhattan
- 17-18 Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes, Manhattan
- 21 4-H Horse Clinic, Domer Arena
 - Livestock Committee Meeting, Conference Room, 7:15 pm
- 22 Horse Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm
- 26 Chatterbox Submissions Due**
 - Paw Prints Dog Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm
- 27 Shawnee County Fair Board, EMR, 7 pm
- 31 Kansas State Fair Dog Show, Hutchinson, 9 am

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- 2 Office Closed- Labor Day**
 - Bunny Bunch Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm
- 5 Shooting Sports: Rifle II, EMR, 6:30 pm
 - 4-H Exchange, Farm Bureau Building, 7 pm
- 6-15 Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson**
- 18 Livestock Committee Meeting, Conference Room, 7:15 pm
- 23 Paw Prints Dog Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm
- 24 Shawnee County Fair Board, EMR, 7 pm
- 26 Chatterbox Submissions Due**
 - Horse Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm
- 27 Record Books Due to Office, 5 pm**
- 30 End of 4-H Year**

- October 1 4-H Enrollment OPENS!**
- October 7-13 National 4-H Week**
- October 12-13 48 Hours of 4-H**

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All dates and activities are subject to change.