






# NOVEMBER 2024

## Highlights:

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-  November 9: Achievement Night
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-  November 14: New Family Zoom
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# Shawnee County 4-H *Chatterbox*

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## Dates to Remember:

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- November 9: Achievement Night
- November 11: Office Closed-Veteran's Day
- November 14: New Family Zoom
- November 20: Office Opens at 10 AM- Extension Annual Meeting
- November 28-29: Office Closed-Thanksgiving

**Please send Chatterbox submissions to Lisa and Grace by November 26**

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## A Word From Your Agent...

Hello 4-H Families! I hope your 4-H year is off to a good start and that you are enrolled. This will be the last Chatterbox you receive via email if you have not yet enrolled in 4-H Online for the 2024-2025 year.

We are excited to see you at Achievement Night on the 9th at Berryton United Methodist Church! Doors open at 6 and the program starts at 6:30. There will be door prizes and snacks!

If you are interested in camp at Rock Springs this year, we will have \$100 scholarships again! Registration opens November 15th. Once we have the coupon code set up, we will email it out via 4-H Online. This is limited to enrolled Shawnee County 4-Hers, so if you sign up for camp before enrolling you will have a week to enroll or you will be sent a bill for the scholarship amount.

Have a great November and Thanksgiving season!  
-Grace



### Shawnee County GroupMe

Interested in text updates about Shawnee County 4-H activities? Sign up for our new GroupMe:

[https://groupme.com/join\\_group/102815469/5JDLS55L](https://groupme.com/join_group/102815469/5JDLS55L)

Requests to join are subject to approval, and we will only accept enrolled members and their parents/guardians as listed in 4-H Online.

### Ambassador Information

4-Hers who are program age 12 or older and who have been in 4-H for at least 3 years are encouraged to join the group! For email updates, please sign up for the official Ambassador's email list here:

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

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## Livestock Corner

### Change Made to Shawnee County Livestock Sale Requirements

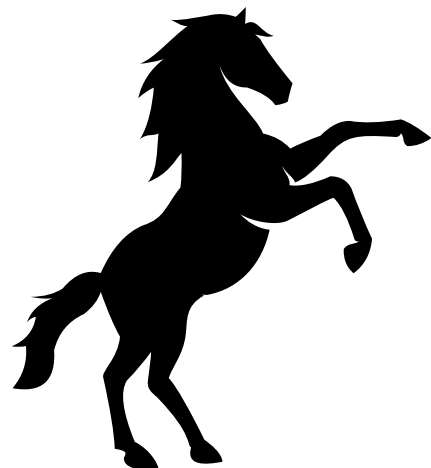
On September 24, 2024, the Shawnee County Fair Board voted to amend the requirements for participation in the Shawnee County Fair Livestock Sale. In addition to completing YQCA training, completing buyer forms, making minimum sale weights, and meeting withdrawal deadlines, the Livestock Committee will be hosting 3 educational meetings for 4-H & FFA youth. Youth are required to attend at least 2 of these meetings. There will be make-up opportunities available in case a youth is not able to attend in person. 2 of the meetings will be held at tagging and weigh-in dates. The intent to sell deadline will also be implemented again this year. 4-H and FFA members who plan to sell an animal through the premium auction must have their information in the intent to sell book by 30 minutes after the conclusion of the beef show.



If you have any questions, please reach out to the office!

### Changes to Beef Limits for Shawnee County Fair Show

At their October meeting, the Livestock Committee voted that youth will be able to **show up to 3 market beef and 3 breeding beef** at the Shawnee County Fair in 2025. Changes for other species may be made in the future, but no decisions have been made for them.



### Horse ID Forms Updated

Horse ID papers have been updated! All members intending to show horses in 4-H events next summer must have this form completed and signed by Grace or Abigail by June 1, 2025. **THE OLD FORM WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED BY THE STATE.** Find the new form in the K-State Bookstore at [https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/item/horse-identification-certificate\\_P1039](https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/item/horse-identification-certificate_P1039).

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## Elite Livestock Judging Clinic & Contest- Leavenworth County

The Elite Livestock Judging Clinic and Contest will be held at the Leavenworth County Fairgrounds in Tonganoxie, KS on Saturday, December 7th. This contest is open to all 7 to 19-year-olds. New this year will be meats identification training hosted by KSU Meats Science Department.

Please address any questions to Karol Lohman of the Leavenworth County Livestock Committee. Karol's email is: [klohman@ksu.edu](mailto:klohman@ksu.edu) and her phone number is 913-683-4277. Thank you.



*The Elite Livestock Judging  
Clinic and Contest*

*Saturday December 7th 2024*

*Leavenworth County Fairgrounds  
Tonganoxie, KS*

*Come learn livestock evaluation from Butler County  
Community College Livestock Judging Team*

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hosted by KSU Meats Science Department*

*Follow us on Facebook for more info  
Leavenworth County Livestock Committee*

**Leavenworth County**

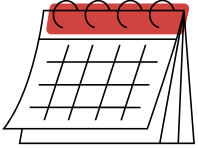


**Livestock Committee**



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## County Notes

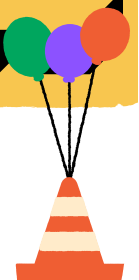
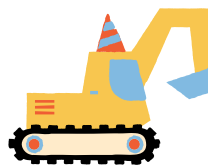
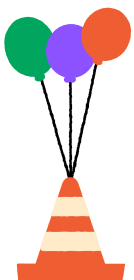
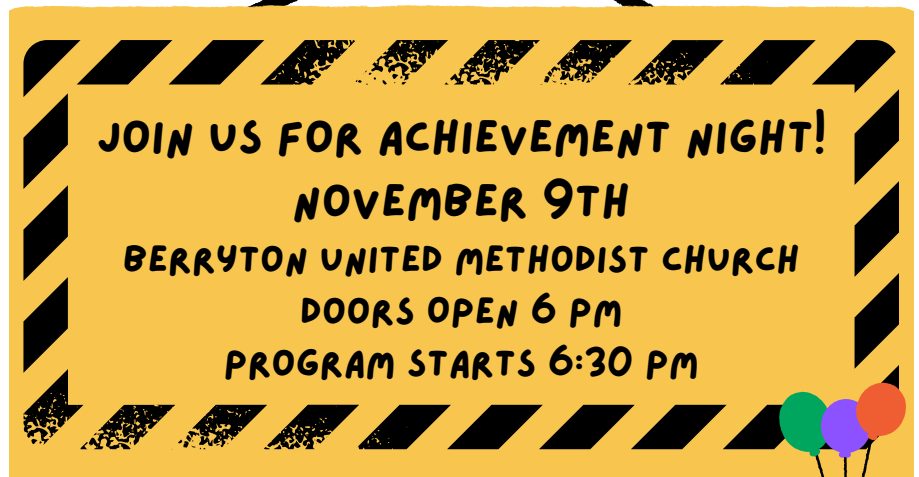
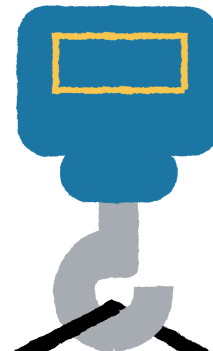


### Mark Your Calendars!

Achievement Night: November 9th,  
Berryton United Methodist Church  
New Family Zoom: November 14th, Zoom

#### The office will be closed the following days this month:

November 8: Staff working remotely, Demolition Derby at SVEC  
November 11: Veteran's Day (thank a veteran!)  
November 20: 8-10 am, Extension Annual Meeting  
November 28-29: Thanksgiving




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## State Events

### K-State Junior Producer Days 2025 Dates Announced




**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 serve 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  
9:15AM Project Selection  
10:00AM 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  
3:00PM Wrap-up  
3:30PM YQCA Training (optional)



**Registration**

- ☑ \$20/person by February 5
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- ☑ 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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Find more information at  
<https://www.asi.k-state.edu/extension/youth-programs/events/ks-jr-producer/>





**K-State Junior MEAT GOAT PRODUCER DAY**

# 3.22.25



### 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

**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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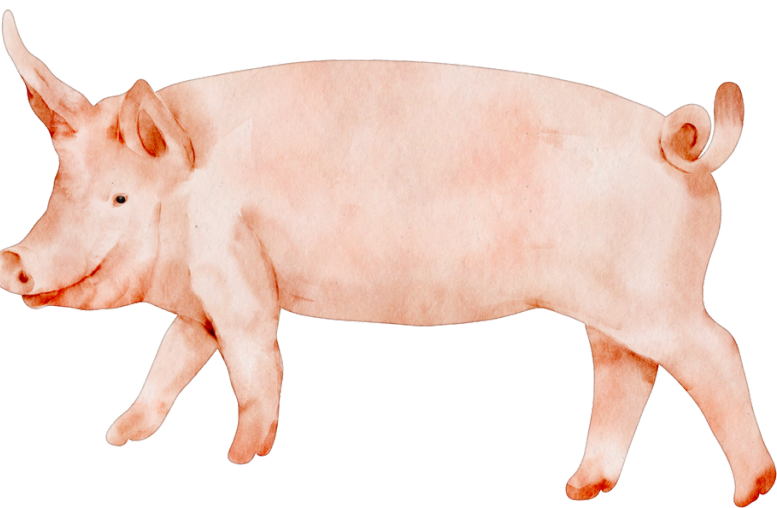
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## Club Chatter

### Rossville Rustlers

On October 13, 2024 the Rossville Rustlers 4-H club volunteered along side the Indian Creek club at the Ronald McDonald House. We did yard work and cleaned inside the house. Afterwards the Rossville went to Gary's Fall Fest and wrapped up the day with their October Club meeting.

-Valencia Crawford



### Deer Trail



On Sunday, October 13, the Deer Trail 4-H club met at 53rd and Adams to clean up Landon Trail for 48 hours of 4-H. We had a lot of fun picking up trash and making the trail cleaner. On Saturday, December 7, the Deer Trail 4-H Club will have a float in the Miracle on Kansas Avenue Parade. Decorating starts at 3 pm, and the parade starts at 6 pm. All 4-Hers are welcome to join in decorating, walking in the parade, and having fun! More info to follow.

-Cecelia Schafer

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## Dover

The Dover 4-H club had a fun and festive October meeting. During the meeting we had the installation of new officers. We decided to reimburse members enrollment fees that attend half of the meetings. After the meeting we had a potluck dinner, painted pumpkins and had s'mores.

-Ella Atwood



## Bunny Bunch

Bunny Bunch had a costume party at our October meeting where we also did our elections. It was a fun meeting with lots of guests in attendance. We voted to donate money to help buy rabbit feed for the victims of the recent hurricanes.

Costume winners were,  
 Best Rabbit: Where's Waldo owned by Cooper N.  
 Best Human: Bee Keeper McKenzie  
 Best Rabbit-Human Couple: Kierstyn T.

Newly elected seats  
 President: Jake L.  
 Vice President: Christian  
 Secretary: Kierstyn T.  
 Treasurer: Cooper N.  
 Reporter: Brooklynn P.





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## Shawnee County 4-H Calendar

### November 2024

- 4 Bunny Bunch Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm
- 7 Shooting Sports II, EMR, 6:30 PM
  - 4-H Exchange, Farm Bureau Building, 7 pm
- 8 Extension Office Closed-Staff Working Remotely, please e-mail staff if needed
- 9 Achievement Night, Berryton United Methodist Church, doors open at 6 pm
- 11 Office Closed- Veteran's Day**
- 14 New 4-H Family Zoom
- 20 Extension Office Opening at 10 AM-  
Extension Annual Meeting
  - Livestock Committee Meeting, Conference Room, 7:15 pm
- 23-24 KYLF, Rock Springs
- 25 Paw Prints Dog Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm
- 26 **Chatterbox Submissions Due**
  - Shawnee County Fair Board, EMR, 7 pm
- 28-29 Office Closed- Thanksgiving**

### December 2024

- 2 Bunny Bunch Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm
- 5 4-H Exchange, Farm Bureau Building, 7 pm
- 12 4-H Events Council, EMR, 7 pm
- 18 Livestock Committee Meeting, Conference Room, 7:15 pm
- Paw Prints Meeting TBD
- Shawnee County Fair Board TBD
- Horse Club Meeting TBD
- Chatterbox Submission Deadline TBD
- Bread Kit Assembly TBD
- 24-25 Office Closed- Christmas

*For dates to be determined, watch our Facebook page and your email for details!*

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