SUMMER ACTIVITY FUNDS AVAILABLE
4-H Members did you know you can complete an application for a scholarship to attend summer 4-H activities? Well you can! Stop by your local Extension Office and pick up an application or find the form online: [Here](#).

PHOTOGRAPHY PROJECT
Photography project meetings will be held on the following dates 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. at 1202 W. Main in Chanute, KS at Zion Lutheran. Bring your cameras to each meeting. Parents are welcome to attend. Contact Susan Stich H: 620-431-6986 or C: 620-212-2943 to RSVP or for more information.
- May 14, 2024
- June 11, 2024 Location to be determined
- July 9, 2024 - Mounting fair photos

4-H SUMMER CONTESTS – SAVE THE DATES!
Youth Challenge Day – June 25th at Emporia
- Horticulture
- Crops
- FCS
- Favorite Foods
- Photography
Youth Livestock Day – June 27th at Iola
- Livestock
- Meats
- Skillathon
More details to come!

2024 KANSAS 4-H GEOLOGY FIELD TRIP
Northwest Kansas Chalk Beds, June 14th-16th. The headquarters for the 2024 4-H Geology State Field Trip is the Trego Community High School, 527 Russell Avenue, WaKeeney, KS. A variety of workshops and activities are planned for Friday and Saturday evenings. A variety of stops are planned on the Field Trip Saturday and Sunday. Project members are encouraged to participate in judging and quiz bowl. A catered supper will be provided Saturday evening for $15.00 per person and we will have a variety of educational publications for sale through the Kansas Geological Survey. Registration Deadline is May 24th [Here](#).
CRAWFORD FAMILY KITCHENAID MIXER 4-H CHALLENGE
Sponsored by Carol & Larry Crawford. Open to Senior Division (ages 14-18) 4-H’ers enrolled in the Food & Nutrition Project within the Southwind District. To qualify, 4-H’ers must exhibit specific food & nutrition items at their local county fair in the 4-H Division. Points will be assigned to the ribbon placings and totaled to determine the winner. Specific Items:
- Angle Food or Chiffon Cake
- Yeast Bread
- Preserve Vegetable
- Preserved Soft Spread
- Gift Basket
Winners will be announced in August!

4-H LIVESTOCK CAMP
Improve judging skills, enhance reasons scores, learn about livestock skillathon, quiz bowl and meats judging. Bourbon County Fairgrounds on June 17-18, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. each day. Cost is $20 which includes materials, lunches and snacks. Register by Friday, June 7th at: https://forms.gle/Se1nV9fCAZABE5t58

2024 STATE LIVESTOCK NOMINATION
The information for state livestock nominations has been released. Information may be found under the "Nomination Information" tab on the youth livestock website Here.

DISTRICT HORSEMANSHIP CLINIC
Neosho County Fairgrounds, Erie, KS on June 4th and 5th from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (ish). For more information click Here.

ENTOMOLOGY MEETING
We will have an Entomology Project meeting on Saturday, May 4th at the Allen County Extension Office. We will have a split day. You can come for either session or both. From 9 to 11 a.m. we will work on identifying insects you have caught. We will break for lunch. Then from 1 to 3 p.m. we will work on pinning and getting labels on insects. If you haven’t finished your dragonflies, you can get that done. Questions: call Vicky at (620)804-9170.

KANSAS 4-H INSECT SPECTACULAR
It’s time to get registered for the 32nd Kansas 4-H Insect Spectacular, which will be held Friday and Saturday, June 21-22. The event will be held in Hays, KS at the Sternberg Museum. This event is open to all youth and adult volunteers interested in 4-H entomology! One parent/guardian from each family must register and attend with children. Learn about collecting, storing, identifying, and pinning your insects for exhibit. All levels of experience are encouraged to attend, from beginning to advanced. This is a fun event, designed to encourage curiosity and the sharing of knowledge. For event info, and to register, visit: Here. Registration closes May 30.

SAVE THE DATE: 4-H WHEAT EXPO
The 2024 Kansas 4-H Wheat Expo will be held Monday, August 12th at Pottorf Hall in Manhattan, KS. The day includes contest and exhibit opportunities for Crops ID, Photography, Foods, Wheat, Project Displays, and Cloverbuds. Participants will also have the opportunity to learn more about Kansas wheat through tours of industry partners. Additional information is forthcoming.

REVISIONS AND UPDATES TO 4-H DOG AGILITY
Changes and updates were made to Kansas 4-H Dog Show Agility rules and obstacles beginning with the 2023 4-H program year. Those changes were made for the 2023 State 4-H Show and will be used in 2024 as well. Changes can be found Here.

YOUTH LIVESTOCK EVENTS
Locate Spring Shows Here click on the events tab.
**ALLEN COUNTY NEWS**

**DAY CAMP - Save the Date**
Allen County 4-H Council will hold their annual 4-H Day Camp on June 14th from 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the Extension Office. All 4-H’ers who would like to help, please reach out to Jennifer and please plan to mark your calendars.

**ALLEN COUNTY FAIR**
Fair is scheduled for July 25-29, 2024. Static exhibits will be judged on Wednesday, July 24th from 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. The Allen County Fair theme selected by the 4-H Council is "Over the Moon With 4-H."

**BOURBON COUNTY NEWS**

**BOURBON COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL**
4-H Council will meet Wednesday, May 22 at the Hubenett Pavilion. This will be the last meeting before the Bourbon County Fair.

**BOURBON COUNTY FAIR**
Fair is scheduled for July 15-19, 2024. The Fair theme is "Walk the Red Carpet With 4-H". Members are encouraged to use Hollywood decorations for all Livestock Stall Entries, Poultry and Rabbit Exhibits, 4-H Club Banners and Booth Displays.

**BOURBON COUNTY FAIR PAPER**
The 2024 fair book will be available by May 1st and will be located on the Southwind website [Here](#).

**SEWING & TEXTILE DESIGN REVUE/SHOPPING IN STYLE REVUE**
Both events will be held at the F.S.C.C. Round Room on Tuesday, July 9. More information and times will be e-mailed to all project members.

**PUBLIC STYLE REVUE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**
Script narrators and ushers are needed at the County Fair Public Revue to be held Thursday, July 18 at 5:30 p.m. Any 4-H’er can volunteer you do not need to be enrolled in the clothing projects. Please contact Jennifer at jkterrell@ksu.edu or call 620-223-3720.

**NEOSHO COUNTY NEWS**

**FINANCIAL SUPPORT**
The Neosho County 4-H Development Fund plans to provide financial support to 4-H events this year. The events and amounts include: Rock Springs campers $100; $100 towards state events such as Discovery Days or CIA; support Greenbush campers with $25. To be considered for financial support, you must complete an event request form.

**NEOSHO COUNTY FAIR PAPER**
The 2024 fair book will be available by May 1st and will be located on the Southwind website [Here](#).

**NEOSHO COUNTY FAIR THEME**
The County Fair theme is "Unveiling Potential, Unleashing Heroes". 4-H members are encouraged to use Super Hero decorations for all Livestock Stall Entries, Poultry and Rabbit Exhibits, 4-H Club Banners and Booth Displays.

**CLEAN-UP BEFORE FAIR ASSIGNMENTS**
All buildings must be ready by Monday, July 22nd.

- **Best Yet:** Beef Barn & Show Arena
- **Hillcrest:** Neosho Valley Event Center
- **Jolly Jayhawkers:** Sheep/Hog Barns & Wash Racks
- **Neosho Valley Busy Bees:** Open Class Building
- **Southeast Sunflowers:** Dairy/Goat Barn
- **Sunrise Challengers:** Bath House & Poultry Barn
- **Willing Workers:** Horse Barn/Arena

**BOURBON COUNTY BORN**
The Fair Board Association has announced there will be Bourbon County Born Breeding classes in all Beef, Meat Goat, Sheep and Swine.

**POULTRY PROJECT MEMBERS**
4-H Poultry project members that wish to participate in the Youth Livestock Auction at the Bourbon County Fair will need to have Broiler Chickens ordered by May 3rd. All birds for this project will come from the same hatch and will be Cornish cross and will be available approx. 6-7 weeks before fair. 4-h’ers will be notified when birds are ready for pickup. Price per bid TBD hatch time but approx. $3.15 per bird. Number of bird’s minimum order of 10. Contact the Extension Office before May 3, 2024 by calling 620-223-3720.
2024 PHOTOGRAPHY FUN CLASS THEME
This year, take a picture of an everyday hero in your life for this extra photography class.

FAIR AWARD SPONSORS NEEDED
Neosho County 4-H needs award sponsors for the following, cost will be $35.00 each.
➢ Horticulture Judging 1st Place Intermediate
➢ Horticulture Judging 1st Place Junior
➢ Horticulture Judging 1st Place Senior
➢ Horticulture Judging 2nd Place Intermediate
➢ Horticulture Judging 2nd Place Junior
➢ Horticulture Judging 3rd Place Intermediate
➢ Horticulture Judging 3rd Place Junior
➢ Horticulture Judging 3rd Place Senior

NEOSHO COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL
4-H Council will meet on May 12th at 5:00 p.m. in the Neosho Valley Event Center in Erie.

4-H SHOWCASE
Neosho County 4-H Development Fund will be sponsoring the 4-H Showcase at the county fair. We had great participation last year and are anticipating the same in 2024! Booth theme should showcase 4-H, a particular project or a community service activity that the club has participated in. Cash awards will be paid as follows: 1st place - $500 2nd place - $400 3rd place - $350 4th place - $300 5th place - $250 6th place - $200 7th place - $100

FAVORITE FOODS SHOW AT FAIR
You will have an opportunity to participate in this during the foods judging at the fair. The Favorite Foods Show was developed to help 4-H members learn valuable skills in table setting, planning a menu, and food preparation. It is important for participants to identify a theme, a menu that compliments the theme, and a favorite food item from the menu selected. This can truly be anything. The item could be a snack, dessert, soup, salad, drink, side, or an entrée.

Prior to foods judging, please do the following:
* Practice preparing your favorite food
* Practice serving your favorite food
* Understand the nutritional value of your favorite food and if there is a way to make it healthier
* Select the table service and dishes
* Practice setting up your table to be attractive and proper for your favorite food. This can be formal or informal (paper plates are acceptable as long as the setting is informal).

Items needed for the Favorite Food Show:
* Card table (we will not provide them)
* Proper table setting for one (the judge)
* Menu
* Recipe card for favorite food
* Sample of your favorite food for one to be on display (judge will not sample due to the potential of safety concerns)
* Anything else you might need
This event is a conference style judging, so it is important for participants to be knowledgeable about each aspect of the display. Participation in this event helps youth learn valuable skills they can use for a lifetime with menu planning and table setting.

WOODSON COUNTY NEWS

WOODSON COUNTY FAIR
Woodson County Fair is scheduled for July 17-20, 2024. New schedule has been sent via e-mail.