

# SEPTEMBER



## Highlights:



September 4: Office Closed



September 8-17: Kansas State Fair



September 21-30: 4-H Online down for End of Year



September 22: Record Books due to Office

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# Shawnee County 4-H *Chatterbox*

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## Dates to Remember:

- September 4: Office Closed
- September 8-17: Kansas State Fair
- September 21-30: 4-H Online down for End of Year
- September 22: Record Books due to Office
- September 30: End of 4-H Year
- October 1-8: National 4-H Week
- October 7 & 8: 48 Hours of 4-H

**Please send Chatterbox submissions to Grace, Haley, & Lisa by September 26th**

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## A Word From Your Agent...

September in 4-H is all about the Kansas State Fair and record books! 4-H exhibits will be judged in Hutchinson starting the 7th, before the State Fair opens to the public. We have the entry cards to attach to the exhibits and the State Fair tickets every exhibitor receives here at the office for you. Good luck to all of our youth who are exhibiting!

Record books and achievement pin applications are due to the office by September 22nd. Check with your club leaders to make sure you have met the requirements and have all the right signatures.

This year 4-H Achievement Night will be November 4th at Berryton United Methodist Church. The theme will be announced in the October Chatterbox and clubs can dress up to the theme if they would like. Watch your mailboxes over the next month for postcard invitations!

Lastly, start making preparation for National 4-H Week Oct. 1st-7th. I hope your club can participate in their challenge to promote Shawnee County 4-H!

Opportunities for learning and fun are all over this issue of the chatterbox, be sure to read closely so you don't miss out!  
-Grace





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## Livestock Corner



### Important Dates

September 8-17th Kansas State Fair

September 29 – October 1st Kansas Junior Livestock Show



School Enrichment is needing to restock the supply of egg cartons.

These cartons are used to transport the hatching eggs from the Nelson Hatchery to the schools for the Chicken Embryology Program.

Please bring your empty/used 12 count egg cartons to the office and let someone know they are for school enrichment. Every donation is greatly appreciated.



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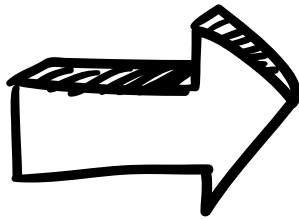
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## County Notes

### Exchange

Exchange is looking for new recruits for the 2024-2025 cycle. They are looking for 10-15 4-Her's who have an interest in learning about 4-H in another state and loves to travel. 4-Her's need to be 4-H age 14 – 19 to be able to host and travel. **Applications are due September 15th** to Karen Perkuhn, one of the chaperones. An e-mail from 4-H online will be sent out to all 4-Hers that are eligible with more information. Applications will also be available at the Office!

Save  
The  
Date



### Officer Leader Training: October 22

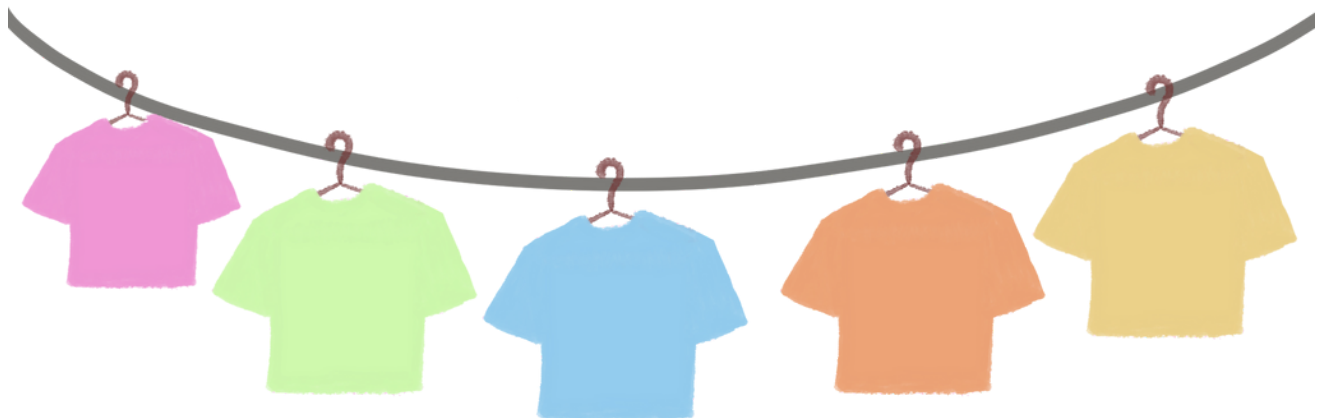
Officer Leader Training will be held Sunday, October 22 from 2-4 pm at the Air National Guard Museum. Sign up by October 16th by following this link: <https://forms.gle/Ut1Ptyx7c2Jj5hcd7>

### Achievement Night: November 4

Achievement Night will be held Saturday, November 4 at Berryton United Methodist Church. More details will be shared in October!

### “Fall” in Love with 4-H Clothing

Interested in the Clothing project? Join us for an informational meeting on October 11 in the Extension Meeting Room! This meeting is open to ALL 4-Hers who have an interest in the clothing project. **Please register by October 1st.** Find the registration form on the website under Current Events! <https://www.shawnee.k-state.edu/4-h/>



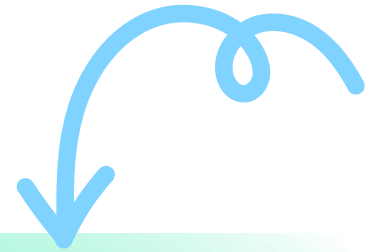
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## County Notes

### Record Book Tip of the Month!

Don't be afraid to ask for help!

With Record Books due this month, if you are struggling or have questions, reach out to a club leader, another 4-Her who has some experience with them, or the Office! Make sure to ask for help sooner rather than later so you have time to make changes or additions!



**RECORD BOOKS  
ARE DUE  
SEPTEMBER 22**

Binders are available at the office if you need one!





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## Community Page

### Daughters of the American Revolution Essay

#### Contests

The Topeka Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution presents two historical essay contests this fall. This contest is open to all youth in Shawnee County!

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Lisa Satterthwaite at [lisa.satt.61@gmail.com](mailto:lisa.satt.61@gmail.com)



### Kansas Farm Bureau Photography

#### Contest

Kansas Farm Bureau is sponsoring a photography contest exclusively for Kansas 4-Hers! All the details and entry form are available at [www.kfb.org/4hphoto!](http://www.kfb.org/4hphoto!) **Entry deadline is October 1st!**



#### Essay Topics:



Grades 5-8: A newspaper reporter writing about John Philip Sousa's "The Stars and Stripes Forever" in 1897.

Grades 9-12: Select an historical figure from the era of the American Revolution and discuss how he or she influenced the war, their history, and their contributions to the new nation.



### Happy Birthday, Kansas! Student Photo Contest

More details to come on this photo contest celebrating Kansas! Promoted by the Kansas Historical Society.



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## State Events



### Kansas State Fair

The Kansas State Fair is **September 8-17, 2023!** Please bring your entries to the office during business hours on September 5th or 6th. If you can't make it then or have a foods entry that you want to be fresh, please come between **7:40-8:00 am on September 7th.** The van will leave the office promptly at 8:10 to head to down Hutchinson.

Please reach out to the office if you have any questions!

### National 4-H Week 2023

**National 4-H Week is October 1st through 8th!** If your club participates, please let the office know! This is a fantastic time to represent and promote 4-H! Stay tuned to our Facebook page for more information about events!

### 48 Hours of 4-H 2023

We hope every Extension Unit will join us this fall in seeing just how much we can give back to our communities! The weekend after National 4-H Week, is the perfect opportunity to setup a service project. Invite your friends, clubs, adult volunteers and 4-H Alums too!

When: October 7-8, 2023

Who: 4-H Members, 4-H Clubs, Friends, Adult Volunteers, Parents, 4-H Alumni

It's time to make plans for your club to participate. More information on the 48 Hours of 4-H Webpage, <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/48-hours-of-4-h/>



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## State Events

### Dog Conference & Quiz Bowl

Dog Conference registration **will open September 15 and close October 1**. The theme of the 4-H event is "Dogz of Oz". The sessions will be about disaster preparedness with your dog, training and starting Rally O in your area, Quiz Bowl, youth presentations, and lots of fun with your dog at Rock Springs Ranch near Junction City.

Find registration and other details at <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/dog/dog-conference/index.html>



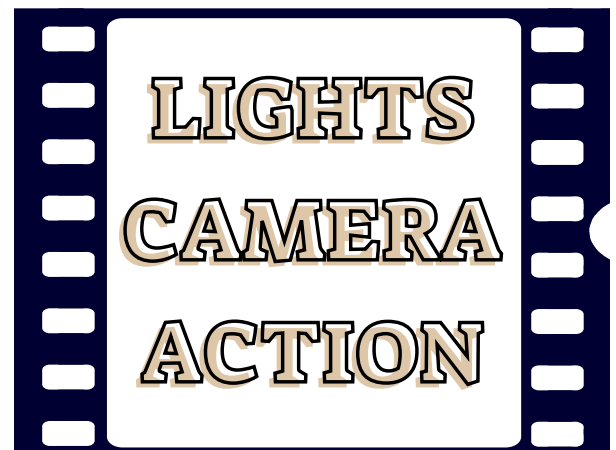
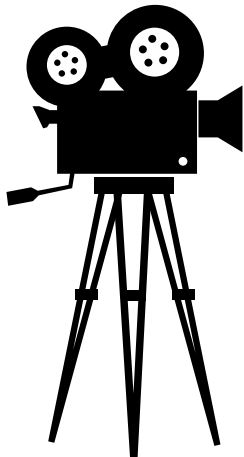
### Kansas Youth Leadership Forum 2023

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION and Leadership is the theme for the 2023 Kansas Youth Leadership Forum! **Saturday/Sunday, November 18-19 - Rock Springs Ranch** - For Youth 14-18 years of age before January 1, 2024.

The Kansas 4-H Volunteer Forum will be held at the same time! A great opportunity for volunteers to learn from each other and get excited about trying some new things in their 4-H Clubs.

Registration is open now and will close on **Monday, October 16, 2023 at 11:59 pm**.

Find all the information at <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/kansas-youth-leadership-forum/index.html>





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## Club Chatter

### Auburn

Auburn's pre meeting activity involved playing some fun yard games. Members enjoyed playing games in the nice weather. During the meeting we talked about how to make motions. We were able to practice this using the motion of having our President stand on one leg. As a club we passed that fun motion! We then listened to club members tell us why they were running for an office before we voted. Once that was done we began to vote. We had a fun 7th inning stretch where we had a Barbie dance party with disco lights to see all the good dancers in our club. We also played a fun game of Simon Says.

### Bunny Bunch

This month for bunny bunch, everybody is getting ready for the state fair coming up. We are also trying our very best to keep our rabbits cool on these hot, hot days. Prayers to everyone who has lost any rabbits to this heat.

### Rossville Rustlers

#### Rossville Rustlers Summer Activities

These past few months have been exciting for the Rossville Rustlers 4-H Club. The club enjoyed a pool party and had a pizza party at the 2023 Shawnee County Fair during July. The club also took part in Rossville's annual Tall Corn Festival Parade.

-Cameron Thompson



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## Shawnee County 4-H Calendar

### September 2023

2 Kansas State Fair Dog Show, Hutchinson

#### **4 Office Closed**

Bunny Bunch Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm

7 4-H Exchange, Farm Bureau Building, 7pm

8-17 Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson

20 Livestock Committee, Conference Room,  
7:30 pm

#### **21-30 4-H Online down for End of Year**

21 Horse Hippology Practice, EMR, 6 pm

#### **22 Record Books due to Office by 5 pm**

25 Paw Prints Dog Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm

26 Chatterbox Submissions Due

28 Horse Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm

29-Oct. 1 Kansas Junior Livestock Show

30 End of 4-H Year

### October 2023

1 New 4-H Year Begins!

#### **1-8 National 4-H Week**

2 Bunny Bunch Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm

5 Shooting Sports, EMR, 6:30 pm

4-H Exchange, Farm Bureau Building, 7 pm

#### **7-8 48 Hours of 4-H**

11 "Fall" in Love with 4-H Clothing, EMR, 6 pm

12 4-H Events Council, EMR, 7 pm

18 Livestock Committee Meeting, Conference  
Room, 7:30 pm

19 Horse Hippology Practice, EMR 6 pm

21-22 Dog Conference & Quiz Bowl, Rock  
Springs Ranch

22 Officer Leader Training, Air National Guard  
Museum, 12 pm

23 Paw Prints Dog Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm

26 Horse Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm

Chatterbox Submissions Due

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All dates and activities are subject to change.