HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The month of October begins a new 4-H year. It is time to set those goals for the new year. Some basic steps for goal setting are:

Step 1: Decide what you want to achieve.
Step 2: Set a deadline.
Step 3: How will you know if you have achieved your goal? What will be different?
Step 4: What are the things you need to do to achieve your goal?

Congratulations to everyone at the Kansas State Fair

While spending a considerable amount of time at the Kansas State Fair in September, it was great to see so many Midway District 4-H families in Centennial Hall, on the grounds, and in the barns!

Our district had a strong presence in the state fair with over 100 static entries and many livestock entries!

Good work and congratulations to all of the 2022 Kansas State Fair participants!

I am looking forward to hearing about and seeing pictures from service projects. Remember, as you take pictures of your projects, send them to our office to be posted on our Facebook page.
Thank you to the Russell County 4-H Development Fund for continuing to pay the 4-H Enrollment fees for Russell County 4-H members! Your support of our program is greatly appreciated!

2021-2022 Russell County Achievement Banquet

4-H an AXcellent Experience

Sunday, October 23, 2022
Location- Gorham Senior Center
Time- 4:30pm Real Ax throwing for kids 10 and up. Foam pumpkins, virtual ax throwing, and parachute for 9 years old and younger. 6:00pm Supper

RSVP deadline is Monday, October 10th at 5:00pm

4-H Junior Leaders
October 24 at 6:00pm

Russell Fair Board Meeting
October 10 at 7:00pm

4-H Council Meeting
November 28 at 7:00pm

Be prepared for these meetings with officer and committee reports!

Thank you to the Russell County 4-H Development Fund for continuing to pay the 4-H Enrollment fees for Russell County 4-H members! Your support of our program is greatly appreciated!
What is the Russell County 4-H Development Fund and how does it benefit you?

Hello, my name is Beth Pfeifer, longtime 4-H parent, and leader in Russell County. If you are like me, I was involved in 4-H for many years before I began to understand the purpose and function of the Development Fund.

In the spring of 2022, I was appointed to the 4-H Development Fund Board. As we get ready to kick off our 2022 fundraising campaign, I wanted to take this opportunity to both explain this Fund and its purpose and mission. It is my hope that this will help many, more clearly, understand the importance of the yearly campaign.

The Russell County 4-H Development Fund is a not-for-profit 501(c)3 organization whose mission is to secure funds from private and public sectors for the support and enhancement of 4-H programs. Personal and corporate donations, as well as memorial contributions are greatly appreciated and tax deductible.

Every member in Russell County 4-H benefits from the Development Fund. Each year since the state has started assessing a membership fee, the Development Fund has covered that expense on behalf of all Russell County members. At $15 per member that is a big help for many families.

In addition to covering the membership fee, the Development Fund also has numerous scholarships available. 4-H members may fill out applications and get monies to reimburse fees for 4-H Camp, Discovery Days, Kansas Youth Leadership Forum, or any other 4-H sponsored event that has a registration fee.

Also, the Development Fund offers educational scholarships to members who have been involved in 4-H a minimum of three years and are graduating high school. Additionally former members who are enrolled in understudy classes or attending vocational school may also receive an alumni scholarship to help offset their educational expense.

Please consider making a contribution today! Your gift to the Russell County 4-H Development Fund allows us to build bright future for our next generation of leaders.

You may send your donation to Russell County 4-H Development Fund, 309 S Fossil, Russell, KS 67665.
2022 EW County 4-H Council Officers

President
Rebekah Vague

Vice President
Trenton Hays

Secretary
Brekyn Zier

Treasurer
Sam Thielen

Reporter
Abby Dlabal

******************
4-H Council Meeting
October 24 at 6:30pm
Be prepared for these meetings with officer and committee reports!
******************

Fair Association Meeting
October 3 at 6:30pm

******************

Window Displays

Clubs will be placing their window displays in business windows throughout Ellsworth County the first weekend of October. The window displays will be judged by local community members. The winning club's window display will be used for the theme for the 2022-2023 4-H year. Be sure to go check out all of the displays at the following businesses:

* Munchkinz Bakery
* Post Rock Water District
* Grandma's Soda Shop
* Paden's Place
* Reliant Roofing

2021-2022 Ellsworth County Achievement Banquet

4-H is "Nacho Average Club"

When: Saturday October 22, 2022
Location: Wilson Junior/Senior High School
3005 Ave D. Wilson, KS 67490
Time: 6:00pm

Each family needs to bring a dish for the pot luck and their own table services.
4-H in the News
Kansas State Fair
4-H Online Enrollment

It is now time to start enrolling your youth in 4-H Online for the upcoming 4-H year! 4-H Online: [https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in](https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in).

Below is a link to the Family Enrollment Guide and other resources you may find helpful. If you get stuck in the enrollment process, please follow along with the guide. It shows you how to login on the first page. If you had an account in 4-H Online previously, you will use the same login information this year. After logging in, returning members will need to skip to page 6 to enroll current members or page 4 if you need to add another family member.

***Russell County Members:*** Please wait until we get the coupon code before finishing the enrollment process!

If you have problems, please feel free to reach out to our office for assistance!

Enrollment Guide and other helpful resources:
[https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-online/index.html](https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-online/index.html)

---

- **Do you LOVE 4-H?**
- **Are you interested in public speaking and giving presentations?**
- **Are you in ninth grade or above and completed two or more years in 4-H?**

If you answered YES to these questions, you sound like a great candidate for a Midway District 4-H Ambassador!

Applications are due October 18th and may be followed by an interview to discuss your application.

Ambassadors agree to give two presentations per year about 4-H and to assist in promotional activities for 4-H.

For more information and an application, please click on the link below:
[https://www.midway.k-state.edu/4-h/get-involved/clubs/docs/Ambassador%20Application22-23.pdf](https://www.midway.k-state.edu/4-h/get-involved/clubs/docs/Ambassador%20Application22-23.pdf)
LEADERS....

DID YOU...

REVIEW
- 4-H Update Important Dates/Deadlines (Calendar)

TO DO
- Check mailbox at the Extension Office
- Report from 4-H Council Meetings
- Provide any leadership changes to the Extension Office ASAP
- Update Volunteer Renewal information

PROMOTE/RECRUIT
- 4-H members: ask a friend to attend meetings
- Encourage current 4-H members to review and complete applications for KYLF, Citizenship in Action, Citizenship Washington Focus
- Remind all 4-H members and parents who are volunteers to enroll via 4-H Online
- The Extension Office has a copy of the Cloverbud handbook for each club- please provide this resource to your club Cloverbuds
- Provide officers and clubs leadership updates as soon as possible to the Extension Office

---

Welcoming New Members

As we begin a new 4-H year, it is important to help our new members feel welcome. Click on the pictures below to learn some tips and tricks for welcoming new members to your club.

---

Financial Review Time!

Club Financial Reviews are due to the Extension Office by October 19.

Please establish your committee now to carefully review the finances and fully complete the form. Kansas Extension law, as well as federal and state expectations for use of all funds generated in support of Extension programs, require the Director for Extension and Extension Council/District Boards to be accountable for non-appropriated funds generated for Extension programs within their jurisdiction. In other words, the Director for Extension and the Extension Board are accountable for funds raised and/or collected by such groups as 4-H Clubs, 4-H Councils, etc. In order for the local Extension unit to ensure compliance with financial requirements for 4-H and other Extension affiliated groups, a yearly financial review of those accounts is to be conducted by a Financial Review Committee of the club/group. Approval of the reports is documented by the local unit board, recording in their minutes a motion to approve the reports, including in the minutes the name of each club/group. This review and board approval is required of all clubs/organizations.

If you need more information or assistance in completing the financial review, please contact our office.
Kansas Youth Leadership Forum and the Kansas Volunteer Leader Forum

**What:** Build your leadership skills and potential through workshops, consulting groups, inspirational speakers and more. In addition, the 2022 State 4-H Youth Leadership Council will be elected and up to six National 4-H Conference delegates will be selected through an interview process at KYLF.

**When:** November 19-20, 2022

**Where:** Rock Springs 4-H Center

**Who:** Youth 14-18 years of age before January 1, 2023

**Registration Deadline:** Deadline - October 24, 2022

Register Here

October 8-9, 2022 - Join us this fall in seeing just how much we can give back to our communities! The weekend at the end of National 4-H Week is the perfect opportunity to setup a service project. Invite your friends, clubs, adult volunteers, local service organizations and past 4-H’ers too! Go to www.Kansas4-H.org/484H to register and get more information.

A project of the Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council

---

**Estimated Month** | **Event** | **Location**
---|---|---
June 22 | Shutterbug | Midway
Sept 22 | Teens and Volunteers | Hays
Nov 22 | Fiber Arts Shepherds Mills | Phillipsburg
Jan 23 | STEM Space Tech Day | Walnut Creek
March 23 | Rabbit/Poultry | Colby
March 23 | Judging | Colby
April 23 | Producer Days- Beef/Sheep | Golden Prairie

For more information click here

48 Hours of 4-H

A weekend of service. A lifetime of impact.

October 29, 2022 - Shutterbugs at Big Creek

Shutterbug events are photography workshops put on across the state by the Kansas State 4-H Photography Action Team. Workshops are typically scheduled as a morning session and concentrate on a variety of aspects of composition. The events typically end around Noon. Examples of sessions include: Portfolio, I have a camera-now what?, Panning, Close-ups, Aperture Settings & Kaleidoscopes/Reflections.

1. **Where:** Agricultural Research Center, Hays, KS
2. **When:** Saturday, October 29, 2022
3. **Registration begins at 8:30 AM**
Upcoming Events

**October 1**
4-H Online Enrollment Opens

**October 2-8**
National 4-H Week

**October 18**
Ambassador Applications Due

**October 19**
Club Financial Reviews Due

**October 22**
Ellsworth Achievement Banquet

**October 23**
Russell Achievement Banquet

**November 2**
Club Officers to the Extension Office

**November 22**
Officer Training at Russell 4-H Building

If you would prefer receiving this newsletter via mail (in addition to the email and posted version), call the Extension Office at (785) 483-3157 and we will add you to the mailing list.

Upcoming Events: Be sure to regularly check the Midway District website for upcoming shows and clinics.

www.facebook.com/Midway4H
www.facebook.com/MidwayKSRE

@Midway4H @MidwayKSRE

@ksre_midway

www.midway.k-state.edu/events/areashows.html
## October 2022

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sun</th>
<th>Mon</th>
<th>Tue</th>
<th>Wed</th>
<th>Thu</th>
<th>Fri</th>
<th>Sat</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>Club Meetings: BC/LS NATIONAL 4-H WEEK</td>
<td>Club Meetings: ECFA Meeting</td>
<td>NATIONAL 4-H WEEK</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td></td>
<td>Club Meetings: ECFA Meeting</td>
<td>NATIONAL 4-H WEEK</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td></td>
<td>Club Meetings: RS Council</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>NATIONAL 4-H WEEK</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>NATIONAL 4-H WEEK</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>NATIONAL 4-H WEEK</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>4-H ONLINE ENROLLMENT OPENS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>Club Meetings: WCV</td>
<td>48 Hours of 4-H</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Extension Board Meeting - EW</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16</td>
<td>Club Meetings: AC/WW/PC/FF</td>
<td>23</td>
<td>Ambassador Applications Due</td>
<td>Club Financial Reviews DUE</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>17</td>
<td>Club Meetings: Cl. Club Meeting</td>
<td>24</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>18</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>19</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>20</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>24</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>25</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>26</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>27</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>28</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>29</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>30</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

## November 2022

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sun</th>
<th>Mon</th>
<th>Tue</th>
<th>Wed</th>
<th>Thu</th>
<th>Fri</th>
<th>Sat</th>
<th>Sun</th>
<th>Mon</th>
<th>Tue</th>
<th>Wed</th>
<th>Thu</th>
<th>Fri</th>
<th>Sat</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>1</td>
<td>CLUB OFFICER WORKSHEETS DUE</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>Extension Board Meeting-RS</td>
<td>3</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>Club Meetings: WCV</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>Club Meetings: ECFA Meeting</td>
<td>8</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>OFFICE CLOSED VETERANS DAY HOLIDAY</td>
<td>10</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>11</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13</td>
<td>Club Meetings: AC/WW/PC/FF</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>Club Meetings: RS Council</td>
<td>15</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>17</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>18</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>20</td>
<td>Club Meetings: Cl. Club Meeting</td>
<td>21</td>
<td>Officer Training at Russell 4-H Building</td>
<td>22</td>
<td></td>
<td>Thanksgiving OFFICE CLOSED</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>27</td>
<td>Club Meetings: RS Council</td>
<td>28</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>29</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>