Required online enrollment continues for the 2020-21 4-H year. The system is open at https://v2.4honline.com/. Step-by-step enrollment instructions are available at http://www.geary.k-state.edu/4-h/forms.html. The Geary County 4-H Foundation will pay the $15 enrollment fee for all Geary County 4-H members (there is no fee for Cloverbuds). You will need to input the coupon code FCNYBG. If you pay the fee by credit card or check, you will not be reimbursed. Adult volunteers can enroll at any time. Instructions are available at https://www.geary.k-state.edu/4-h/forms.html.

The Geary County 4-H Foundation has set an enrollment deadline of January 1st in order to receive scholarship funding from the foundation for the current 4-H year. Please make sure 4-H members are enrolled by January 1st in order to receive any event scholarship funds (including 4-H Camp) and/or post-secondary education scholarships made available by the foundation.

New record book forms are coming for the 2020-2021 4-H year. More information will be coming out in December or January. While the forms will be different, you can be sure that project goals will be a part of them, so make your goals today!

4-H Council has chosen Saturday, February 20th for Geary County 4-H Club Day. Please mark this date on your calendars and look for further information and entry materials in the December 4-H Newsletter.

4-H Extension Agents from the Northeast Region of Kansas are planning small group officer sessions via Zoom on Sunday, December 6th at 2:00pm. These sessions will include discussion and time to answer questions that officers may have. Pre-registration is due online at https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6yS7Kx8TAEnWtdX by 11:59pm on November 30th. Registration will be open by November 15th.
**Fair Auction Participation Requirement for 2021**

4-H members will be required to attend at least 4 regular monthly meetings of the 4-H club in which they are enrolled between October 1 and June 30 to participate in the project/livestock auction held at the end of the fair in 2021. Official record of meetings attended will be the club secretary’s book. This requirement does not limit fair participation, only participation in the auction. Plan ahead now to make sure youth meet the requirement if they want to participate in the auction.

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**Geary County 4-H/Extension/4-H Foundation on Social Media**

Are you on social media? Check out the Geary County K-State Research and Extension and the Geary County 4-H Foundation Facebook pages along with the Geary County 4-H Instagram page. All are updated with useful information and reminders about events and activities that may be helpful to you.

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**Happy Birthday Kansas! Photo Contest**

Young people across Kansas from 1st through 12th grade are invited to enter the Happy Birthday Kansas! Photo Contest. The contest theme this year is to capture images of how you have adapted or found creative solutions to learning. Winners will be announced as part of the state’s Kansas Day celebration in January at the Kansas State Capitol in Topeka. Find more information at [www.happybirthdayks.org](http://www.happybirthdayks.org).

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**Kansas Clover Classroom Project Challenges**

Check out the new Kansas Clover Classroom located at [https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/cloverclassroom.html](https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/cloverclassroom.html) for a set of 4-H project challenges to help you in project learning. More project challenges are being added, so check back often!

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**Kansas 4-H Apparel Web Store**

The Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council is offering a variety of apparel items with the new theme: OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL. Orders are due online at [https://www.companycasuals.com/4H2020/start.jsp](https://www.companycasuals.com/4H2020/start.jsp) by November 25th and will be shipped by December 16th. Be sure to click through the product categories to see all of the options and colors. If you would like to pick your order up at NZone in Manhattan instead of paying for shipping, call Anndee at 800-784-3234 extension 205 to place your order.

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**States’ 4-H International Exchange Winter Pen Pal Program**

Online registration will open on November 16th for States’ 4-H International Exchange Pen Pal Program. The program will run January 18-April 18, 2021. Participants must be between the ages of 9 and 18. There is no cost for participation. States’ 4-H will match participants with an international peer from one of the participating countries. Participants are asked to communicate at least two times per month with their international pen pal using methods available to both such as email, postal mail, social media, facetime, Skype, or Zoom. Spaces will fill fast, so don’t wait to register. More information and the link to the application site will be available soon at [https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/global-citizenship/kansas-4-h-international-exchanges/](https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/global-citizenship/kansas-4-h-international-exchanges/).
4-H Shooting Sports Shotgun Meeting

The first 4-H Shooting Sports Shotgun meeting of the year will be held Wednesday, November 18th from 6:30-8:00pm at the 4-H/Senior Citizens Center. Plan to wear a mask and don’t forget your calendar so future meetings can be scheduled. Questions can be addressed to instructor Lara Strauss at 785-210-6288 or laragstrauss@gmail.com. Make sure to enroll in 4-H for the current year so you are eligible to participate.

4-H CALENDAR

November
15 Blue Line Officer Training @ 4-H Building – 6pm
15 Blue Line Awards Presentation @ 4-H Building – 7pm
18 Shooting Sports Shotgun Meeting @ 4-H Building – 6:30-8pm
21-22 Virtual Kansas Youth Leadership Forum
22 Lyon Creek Officer Training @ 4-H Building – 5:30pm
22 Lyon Creek Awards Presentation @ 4-H Building – 6:30pm
23 Humboldt Officer Training @ 4-H Building – 6pm
23 Humboldt Awards Presentation @ 4-H Building – 7pm
24 4-H Club Leader Gathering @ 4-H Building – 6:30pm
30 Pre-registration due for 4-H Officer Check-in Sessions
30 RSVP due for December Project Meeting Evening by 5pm

December
2 4-H Ambassador Meeting @ 4-H Building – 7pm
6 Northeast Region Virtual Officer Check-in – 2pm
7 4-H Project Meeting Evening @ 4-H/Senior Citizens Center – 6:30pm

January
4 4-H Project Meeting Evening
25 4-H Scholarship Applications due to Extension Office by 5pm

February
1 4-H Council Meeting @ 4-H/Senior Citizens Center – 7pm
14-15 Citizenship in Action Virtual Conference
20 4-H Day

Important Future Dates
March 1 4-H Project Meeting Evening
March 27 Regional 4-H Day
April 5 4-H Project Meeting Evening
May 3 Horse ID’s Due to Extension Office by 5pm
May 3 Project Drop/Add Deadline
May 3 4-H Project Meeting Evening
May 20 Bucket Calf ID’s Due to Extension Office by 5pm
June 7 4-H Council Meeting, 7pm @ 4-H/Senior Citizens Center
June 17 Camp Counselor Training at Rock Springs
June 18-21 4-H Camp at Rock Springs
June 30 Fair pre-entries due
July 18-22 Geary County Free Fair
August 2 4-H Project Meeting Evening
September 10-19 Kansas State Fair
October 1-3 Kansas Junior Livestock Show
Do you know the five life skills on which Kansas 4-H has chosen to focus? Here they are: a positive self-concept, an inquiring mind, a concern for the community, healthy interpersonal relationships, and sound decision making. What wonderful skills that we can all work on developing through our 4-H experiences!

Best wishes for a very Happy Thanksgiving!

Ginger D. Kopfer
County Extension Agent
Join us to make fun holiday pennants to take home and to share with nursing home residents.

Date: 12/07/2020
Time: 6:30pm
Location: 4-H/Senior Citizens Center

Future 4-H Project Meeting Evenings will be held on the first Monday of January, March, April, and May. Topics to be announced.

Please RSVP to the Extension Office by 5:00pm on Monday, November 30th by calling 785-238-4161 or emailing gkopfer@ksu.edu. No late registrations will be taken since we will need to buy supplies.