



RENO COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2023



4-H COUNCIL DATE

January 22, 2024 @ 7pm
Executive Team will meet at 6 pm
before council starts
 Reno County Extension Office
 west meeting room

**NEED A GREAT STOCKING
 STUFFER?? WE HAVE MEAT
 STICKS HERE AT THE OFFICE
 FOR JUST \$1.50 EACH.
 FLAVORS THAT WE HAVE
 ARE LISTED BELOW.
 MESSAGE DONNA AT
dp96929@ksu.edu AND SHE CAN
 HAVE THEM PACKAGED UP
 AND READY TO GO FOR PICK
 UP. SUPPORT 4-H AND STUFF
 THOSE STOCKINGS.**

- SWEET MAPLE BACON
- SWEET BBQ
- HOT BBQ
- CHILI CHEESE
- PEPPERONI
- OLD #9
- HOT CAJUN
- SWEET ANNIE BROWN
- GHOST FIRE
- SWEET FIRE
- PICKLE
- BUFFALO STYLE
- MANGO HABANERO

**GET THEM WHILE
 THEY ARE HOT!!!!!!**



4-H council has decided for one of our county-wide community service projects to give gifts to all of those in a nursing home. We are going to be doing it a little different from the last time we did this project. This time we will be making most of the items to go to the homes. With that being said we are down to 2 working days here at the extension office. You can email Donna at dp96929@ksu.edu when you are able to work so that not everyone shows up on the same day. And we would love it if you can work multiple days. Listed below are the dates for the working. Find some dates that work best for your family and come have some fun and let's make some lives a little brighter thru 4-H this holiday season.

December 2nd 10am – 4pm

December 6th 4 – 7pm

**From all of us here at the Reno County
 Extension Office we want to wish everyone a
 very Merry Christmas and here is looking
 to a great New Year.**



The Buhler 4-H Club and the Union Valley 4-H Club met for their monthly meeting on November 13th, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Buhler Mennonite Church. We joined together to celebrate Achievement Night. The Buhler 4-H Club would like to send a special shout out to everyone that finished their record books! And, to everyone that was recognized for their individual achievements. Two achievements we would like to highlight are Kinley Combs for representing our Club by Judging Photography at The State Fair, and Nora Busenbark for being the Reno County Treasurer's Book Champion.

We also had the opportunity to celebrate our seniors! Buhler is proud of its seniors, Ava Combs & Mikayla Milburn.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, December 11th, 2023 at 6:30, location TBD.

Thank you,
Andrew Busenbark



If you have any questions about the dog project please contact Melaney Dick at (620) 728-9743 or renoco4hdogclub@gmail.com



If you have any questions about shooting sports, please call Ray Bartholomew at (620) 200-8253



If you have any questions about photography, contact Karolyn Kellogg Howey at (620)664-0008



If you have any questions about the clothing project, contact Kathy Zongker at (620) 543-2767.

If you have questions about Ambassadors contact Karolyn Howey at 620-664-0008 or Meghan Miller at 620-200-2544.

If you have any questions about Junior Leaders contact: Kim Griffith at : 620-899-9453 kimberlygriffith27@yahoo.com



If you have an questions about rabbits, contact Vicki Myers at (620) 727-3980.

If you have any questions about Leathercraft, contact Clint Lanning 620-276-9824

COUNTY LEADER RESOURCES

Buhler exchange meeting with Union Valley



THE 2024 RENO COUNTY FAIR DATES
July 20th Dog Show
County Fair
July 24th thru
July 29th

The 2024 Fair Theme

Dive into 4-H



4-H Trivia

Be one of the first three to email the correct answer to ksundgren@ksu.edu to win a prize!

What are special interest clubs called in 4-H?

- A. Interest Clubs
- B. SPIN Clubs
- C. ABC Clubs
- D. Original Clubs



4-H OFFICER TRAINING

Learn how to effectively conduct a meeting and meet officers from across Reno County.

 JANUARY 13, 2024

 AT 10 AM TO 12 PM

 2 W 10TH AVE SOUTH HUTCHINSON

RSVP with Donna or Katherine by January 11. Tell us your name and what office you hold. Email ksundgren@ksu.edu or dp96929@ksu.edu.



SAVE THE DATE

SUMMER CAMP

JUNE 11-13, 2024



**AGES
7-12**

GAMES, CRAFTS, SWIMMING, & MORE!

HOSTED AT SILVER MAPLE CAMP IN KINGMAN COUNTY

JOIN SEVEN OTHER COUNTIES FOR A FUN SUMMER 4-H CAMP EXPERIENCE! LAST YEAR, THE COST TO ATTEND CAMP WAS \$125. RENO COUNTY 4-H OFFERS \$30 IN SCHOLARSHIPS FOR YOUTH TO ATTEND CAMP FROM OUR LEADERSHIP-CAMP FUND. ADDITIONALLY, 4-H COUNCIL OFFERS A SCHOLARSHIP THAT YOU CAN APPLY FOR (AMOUNT TBA). 4-H'ERS WILL GET THE OVERNIGHT CAMPING EXPERIENCE THAT IS SIMILAR TO THE OLD ROCK SPRINGS CAMP EXPERIENCE.

YOUTH AGED 14-18 WILL HAVE THE CHANCE TO BE A CAMP COUNSELOR!

2024-25 State 4-H Scholarships and the Vanier Family Scholarship Changes

[Submitted by Sarah Keatley](#)

The 2024-25 scholarship process for State 4-H Scholarships and the Vanier Family Scholarship Program has been streamlined. This process has been designed to encourage more 4-H'ers to apply for these scholarships by simplifying and combining the process. Evaluation criteria has also been included to provide transparency throughout the entire process. Please note several of the larger changes listed below:

1. Applicants will provide a cover letter and resume as part of their application – the same resume may be used for both scholarship processes. Applicants are encouraged to have a separate cover letter for the State 4-H Scholarships from the Vanier Family Scholarship Program.
2. Evaluation materials are provided to increase the transparency of the process.
3. References do NOT submit a letter of recommendation – they will be asked to answer several short answer questions about the applicant. These questions can be found on the Kansas 4-H website (<https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html>).

For questions about the scholarship process, please reach out to Sarah Keatley at keatley@ksu.edu or 620-366-0035.

Registration Open for K-State Junior Producer Days

[Submitted by Lexie Hayes](#)

The 2024 K-State Junior Producer Day dates have been set and registration is now open! We are excited to host families on campus again this spring! The K-State Junior Beef Producer Day will be Saturday, March 2, with K-State Junior Sheep Producer Day scheduled for Saturday, March 16. Both events will be hosted in Weber Arena on the K-State campus in Manhattan. These events are one-day educational events for families to learn more about the selection and management of a specific specie. Beef and sheep events are hosted in even years, with swine and meat goat days in odd years. Youth, adults, extension agents, project leaders, and volunteers of all ages and skill levels are invited to attend! Presentations will be provided by K-State faculty, staff, students, extension agents, former exhibitors, and guest speakers. Topics will range from selection, to nutrition, to meat science, reproduction, health, clipping and grooming, and showmanship.

This is a family learning event! Everyone who plans to attend must register, including both youth and adults. The cost is \$20/person by the deadline, or \$25 after the deadline, for both events. Only those who register by the appropriate deadline will receive a t-shirt. Junior Beef Producer Day registrations are due February 12, with Junior Sheep being due February 26. Registration is open now and can be completed online using this link: <http://bit.ly/ksuasiregister>. Junior Producer Day event registrations are non-refundable.

An optional YQCA instructor-led training and state livestock nomination session will be offered at the end of each program. Specific details about the YQCA certification will be shared directly with those who indicate through their registration that they plan to stay for the additional class. More information about the junior day events, including each of the flyers, are available on the @ksuylp Facebook page and the [KSU YLP website](#), under Events > [Junior Producer Days](#).

For more information, contact Lexie Hayes at adhayes@ksu.edu or 785-532-1264.

From Nickerson Reporter Chandler Poppelreiter:

The Nickerson Clovers met for their monthly meeting on November 19th, 2023 in a joint meeting with the Thomadora 4-H Club at Emanuel Lutheran Church in Hutchinson, KS. They celebrated achievement night with pizza and treats. The next meeting for the Nickerson Clovers 4-H Club will be held on December 16th at Gambino's Pizza in South Hutchinson at 7pm.

The Nickerson Clovers also met at the Nickerson Coop on October 15, at 4:30pm to recognize our new officers President Kaden Ketterl, Vice President Josie Heter, Secretary Ryder Heter, Treasurer Jayce Ohmacht, Parliamentarian Blake Griffith, Club Historians Brady and Lexi Engelland, Reporters Chandler Poppelreiter and Blake Griffith, Safety Leader Lincoln Martin, Flag Leaders Hudson Ohmacht and Lincoln Martin, Recreation Leaders Colyer and Graham Williams and Lucas Griffith and Council Representatives are Kaden Ketterl, Avery Franklin, Josie Heter, and Blake Griffith.



DECEMBER CALENDER

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| Ninnescah | | | County-wide community service project 4-7 | | | |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| Thomadora Union Valley WRC | Buhler | | Fairboard | | | |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| Haven Mitchell Nickerson | Meat Sticks Sale Ends | | | | | |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| | Office Closed | Office Closed | Office Closed | Office Closed | Office Closed | |
| 31 | | | | | | |

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All articles/pictures for the newsletter are due to the Extension office at least one business day before the end of the month.

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