

# In the Loop

October 2019

Butler County 4-H Newsletter

## Important Dates

October 1– 4-H Online opens/

NEW 4-H year STARTS!

October 5– Shooting Sports State  
Shotgun Match

October 6-12– National 4-H Week

**WEDNESDAY– OCTOBER 9–**

**Wear your 4-H shirt day!**

October 10– 4-H Council meeting  
7 pm

October 12-13– 48 Hours of 4-H

October 13– 4-H Expo

1:30-4:00 Community Building

October 15– Livestock Judging  
Team Informational meeting 7 pm

October 15– Deadline to register  
for Horse Extravaganza and KYLF/  
KVF

## From the Agent

It is a NEW 4-H year! For me it feels like Christmas. All the excitement of new opportunities to push and challenge ourselves to grow and develop in our skills. I can't encourage you enough to go online and select your projects for the 2019-2020 4-H season ASAP! Here are a few tips for starting your new year off on a great foot!

**1– LOCATE A BINDER OR FOLDER.** Put paper, pencil and a calendar in the folder. Place it in an easily accessible location. Review it every month, adding activities you have done to the calendar!

**2– SIT DOWN AND SET GOALS!** As you consider the entire 4-H year, set a short term goal for each month to accomplish a part of the long term goal for the year.

**3– PRINT THE YEARLY OR MONTHLY 4-H CALENDAR.** Located on the Butler County website, this will be a great resource to have available for deadlines and events! Post the calendar on the fridge!

**4– PRINT OFF/DOWNLOAD THE KAP AND PIN APPLICATION FORMS.** Know what tasks are needed to reach the next level! As the year unfolds, record in your calendar when you attend a meeting or work towards an overall goal! These forms are also on our website!

**5– LOOK FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW!** Consider attending a workshop at an art studio, going to a 4-H leadership workshop, livestock fitting and showing clinic or create your own! Plan to get together with other 4-Hers to share your knowledge and work on projects!

**6– SET YOURSELF UP FOR SUCCESS.** Attend your monthly club meetings! Monthly club meetings are SO vital to success in your 4-H years. At club meetings, you are building relationships with other 4-Hers, gaining knowledge from the presentations, and have opportunities yourself to lead through giving a presentation, making a motion, or helping on a committee!

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## Butler County 4-H State Fair Results

Our 4-H participants had a tremendous 2019 Kansas State Fair! Congrats to all! Thank you for representing Butler County so well!

- First Place- Senior FCS Judging Team- Taylor Barlett, Savannah House, Lillie Haller, and Lucy Haller
- Second Place- Intermediate FCS Judging Team- Kylee Barlett, Andrew Tien, and Ivalea Tien
- Fourth Place- Senior Photography Judging Team- Elizabeth Mitsch, Savannah House, Sarah Hinnen and Taylor Barlett
- Sixth Place- Intermediate Poultry Judging Team- Kolby Hebb, Korbin Hebb, Kylee Nichols, Kimber Borg

We also had projects selected by Kansas 4-H to be displayed at Kansas 4-H locations around the state. Congratulations to those who had items selected:

- Hannah Auger- Kansas 4-H Foundation Building
- Clayton Carr- Kansas State University
- Halie Duff- Kansas 4-H Foundation Building
- Morgan Harvey- Rock Springs 4-H Ranch
- Kaleb Mashke- Rock Springs 4-H Ranch

Receiving special awards for their displays were also Delaney Parr, Sunflower Award, for photography and Brandy Rigg, Wool Art award, for her Fiber Arts project.



Butler County Dairy Goat Exhibitors

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## UPCOMING LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

### Local event: 4-H EXPO: October 13– 1:30-4:00

Our 48 Hours of 4-H activity, is a come and go event for new 4-H families! An email went out earlier this week to volunteer to have a booth to share about your club, favorite project or other element of 4-H! Sign up to tell others about why they should join us in 4-H! Open to the public and anyone wanting to know more about 4-H!

### Area event: November 17– Butler/Cowley/Sedgwick Officers Training

Hosted by Butler County at the Community Building from 1:30-4:00. All club officers and leaders are encouraged to attend to learn more about their particular area but this event is OPEN TO ALL! Presenters will host small group sessions with specifics to each office position. Younger 4-Hers are encouraged to attend to learn more about running for that office in the future.

### State event: November 23-24-Kansas Youth Leadership Forum/Kansas Volunteer Forum (KYLF/KVF)-

Registration due by October 15. This is an opportunity for our 14 and older youth and volunteers. A weekend at Rock Springs 4-H Center to polish your leadership skills, meet others from around the state and bring ideas back to the county! Volunteers have their own activities to develop their skills as well! 4-H Council will cover the cost for up to 5 registrations, so register soon!

## State Shooting Sports Matches

Our Butler County Shooting Sports teams have had a very busy fall! Competing in shotgun, archery, small bore rifle and pistol our team members traveled the state to various qualifying matches for a chance to qualify for the state matches. We would like to congratulate all our participants on a job well done! All state match results were not available at time of publication so look in the November newsletter for detailed results!

For more information about the Butler County Shooting Sports project contact our office. Practices are going on now to prepare for the Spring competition season!

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## **SHOUT OUTS!**

*To all 4-Her's who completed a pin application or a KAP record book this year! You will be recognized at the Achievement Night dinner. Look for your invite in the mail soon!*

*Record books/KAP/Pin applications are available all year round on our website. Working on them every month will make completing them that much easier!*

## Great 4-H Websites to Bookmark

You will find local, regional, state and national 4-H information on the following sites. I encourage you to bookmark these pages for quick reference and information.

<https://www.butler.k-state.edu/4-h/> -

Local Butler County Information

<https://www.kansas4-h.org/> - Kansas 4-H info

<https://4-h.org/> - National 4-H information

## **School Programming**

*As the 4-H/Youth Development Agent, my passion is seeing kids succeed! As you attend Parent/Teacher conferences this month, share with your child's teacher about 4-H and how it is helping your child grow and develop. Share my contact information with them to contact me anytime to be a partner in their classroom! Kansas 4-H has some tremendous educational curriculum in a variety of subjects that could help enhance learning in the classroom! I love when I go to schools and see our 4-H youth excelling in the classroom and leading their schools.*

*We are our own best advocates when we share how 4-H is helping our child learn and discover new knowledge and leadership skills!*

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## Livestock Judging Team

### Information Meeting

October 15, 2019 7 PM Extension Office

Are you interested in learning more about livestock judging competitions? Would you like to expand your knowledge base about what to look for in livestock as you select your project animals?

Need more information? Contact the Extension Office at 316-321-9660.

  
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## Achievement Celebration

Tuesday, November 12

6 pm- Dinner- Taco Bar

6:30 pm- Program begins

Clifford Stone Room-

BCC Campus-El Dorado



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