August means changes........

* We want to remind you that we have a closed Edwards County 4-H page on Facebook for only 4-H members. Families have been invited to join this page. Be sure to check this Facebook page regularly to keep up on what's happening! If you have not been added, please contact the Extension Office.

* **Fair Concession Stand** THANK YOU to the concession stand committee for doing a wonderful job of helping 4-H Council make some money this year. There were raves about the specials you served! AND they made a profit of $1163.00! Wahoo!

* **Edwards County Fair Cook Book** Trisha is in the process of putting together a cookbook of the recipes used for food entries for the fair this year. Keep watching the Facebook page to see when it becomes available.


* **Demonstrations at the Kansas State Fair** If you are interested in taking your 4-H Club Day talk to the Kansas State Fair, please contact the Extension Office. Demonstration, Illustrated Talks, Project Talks will be judged virtually this year. You will be making a video of your presentation.

* **4-H Premium Checks & Auction Pool Monies** The Fair Board is working on figuring auction pool money and 4-premium points so they can cut the checks for the 4-H'ers. 4-H'ers will be notified when the Auction Pool checks are ready; they will need to be picked up by the 4-H'ers as they will also be signing thank you cards. The 4-H Premium checks will be mailed out to families. These checks are to be cashed or deposited within 90 days of the issue date. Please take care of them in a timely manner.

* **Edwards County KSRE Harvest Cook Book** It's been talked about, but never done. We are putting together a cookbook full of Edwards County's favorite harvest recipes. Do you have a recipe that's a hit in the field? Share it with us. Please send your Recipe/Recipes, Harvest Meal Tip, and an optional Family Harvest Photo to trishagreene@ksu.edu or drop it by the Edwards County Extension Office.

* **4-H Ambassadors** - Rylie Miller, McKenna Schaller, Rylee Peterson and Levi Taylor are looking for 4-H'ers interested in joining the 4-H Ambassador Team! IF you are interested, please contact Rylie, McKenna, Rylee or Levi, or the Extension Office. Applications are available online at: [https://www.edwards.k-state.edu/4-h/ambassadors.html](https://www.edwards.k-state.edu/4-h/ambassadors.html) Applications are due October 1st.

* **4-H Council Meeting, Monday August 31, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at Offerle Methodist Chruch in Offerle. Trenton Workers 4-H Club are hosts.**

* **FSA Youth Loans** The Farm Service Agency makes loans to youth to establish and operate agricultural income-producing projects in connection with 4-H clubs, FFA and other agricultural groups. Call the FSA county office in Kinsley for additional information: 620-659-3142.

* **Are YOU Working on your 4-H Record Book?** All 4-Her’s (with the exception of Cloverbuds) must complete a 4-H Record book to sell in following years premium auction and to receive achievement pins. A complete 4-H record book, in this order, includes:
  4-H Story (Intermediates & Seniors only)
  4-H Permanent record (brought forward from previous year unless a 1st year 4-Her)
  Project Records (One for each project enrolled, in alphabetical order)

**New this year - 4-H Record Books online.** Edwards County is piloting a new recordkeeping program. The records are ones that you are familiar with, they are just online. Directions are:
To get your families started, direct parents to:
1. Visit [https://4h.zsuite.org/](https://4h.zsuite.org/)
2. Click on “Sign Up”
3. Complete the prompts to register new household
4. Once the household is established, then have them add each 4-H member profile

Please also remember that if a member or family has poor internet access, they may choose to complete the pdf report forms located here: https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-library/record-keeping/pilot.html

Record Book Covers – Covers (new style) are available at the Extension Office. If your record book is full, we encourage you to use a binder.

Record Book INCENTIVES $$$ - This year we are offering incentives for completing your record book early. By doing this we hope you get the bulk of the work done before your busy school schedule starts. We are happy to help 4-Her’s fill out their record books. Call the Extension Office to make an appointment and we will sit down with the 4-Her and help complete the record book.

Due Dates
- September 1 - $10 to Romanos
- September 15 - $5 to Romanos
- October 1 - $0 to Romanos

We understand these deadlines may hinder you from putting state fair records in your book. This will not be counted against you.

 Achievement Pin Applications These applications are also due with your Record Book. “Pin Apps” are an easy 1 or 2 page application for a 4-H’er to fill out each year as a member. These forms are also available at: https://www.edwards.k-state.edu/4-h/record-books.html

 4-H Key Award is given to youth 16 years old or older, who have completed 4 years of 4-H membership, and who have been enrolled in the leadership project for more than 4 years. Youth must meet an additional 9 out of 11 requirements. It is a very prestigious award, and we encourage all who are eligible to apply. This form is also available on our website.

 Club Officer Notebooks – Attention Club Secretaries and Reporters: did you know you can turn in your notebooks for county judging? Please turn them in by the date specified by your club leader.

As always, if you have questions or need more information, please don’t hesitate to contact the Edwards County Extension Office, 620-659-2149. We are here to help!

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