The 2017 LVCO 4-H Achievement Celebration will be held in November (date & location TBD). Specific details will be out soon. To be considered for awards—your Record Book/KAP, Key Award Application, Membership Pin Applications and the “I Dare You Award” are due in the Extension Office on Sept. 27. No late items will be accepted. These items will be due to club leaders before this date, so check with your leader to find your club’s due date. All forms can be found on our webpage under the 4-H Tab, then select Awards and Scholarships.

The “I Dare You!” Leadership Award was first offered in 1941 by William H. Danforth. Mr. Danforth was a successful businessman who dared young people to achieve their highest potential and to influence others through lives of leadership and service. The “I Dare You!” Leadership Award recognizes those who, with a little encouragement, are ready to see themselves as leaders—young adults who are ready to take the dare.

American Youth Foundation sponsors the award. It is awarded to one 4-H member each year. Leaders complete the nomination forms. (May nominate more than one member from club). For complete rules and application go to the Leavenworth County 4-H website or pick up a copy at the Extension Office. Nominees should have completed Sophomore year in high school and be currently enrolled in the Leadership project.

First year members may pick up a record book cover (free) in the Extension Office. A record book containing a personal page, permanent record, story and pictures is required to attend Achievement Celebration. To be considered for record book awards the member must submit one complete KAP notebook/folder for each project wishing to be judged and one copy of Permanent Record. Pictures and story in KAP relate only to that project. To help answer questions about completing a KAP please go to our webpage and review the KAP hints and How to Assemble your Record Book/KAP.

Each Community Club needs to select at least one adult volunteer to help judge record books on Oct. 4 in the Extension Office beginning at 9:00 a.m. We will be judging Riley County KAP books. Each club also needs to have one leader come to the Extension Office at 6:30 p.m. that evening to review the Club Summaries and Membership Pin Applications.
Applications are available for the 2018 National 4-H Conference to be held April 7-12, 2018 at the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland. Delegates must be 15 to 18 years old as of January 1, 2018. The National 4-H Conference is a working conference in which youth and adults assist in the development of recommendations to help guide 4-H Youth Development Programs nationally and in their communities. Up to six Kansas youth may be selected as delegates via an application and interview. Applications are due to the Extension Office Sept. 22 to be able to get required signatures and meet the State deadline. Contact the Extension Office for further information.

Applications are available for the Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council and are due October 2nd. Council members plan and conduct the Kansas Youth Leadership Forum, Citizenship in Action, Campference, and other events along with other duties. Go to http://www.kansas4-h.org/tipsheet/announcement.php?id=35383 for more information.

The Kansas Youth Leadership Forum is an exciting event for youth 14-18 years old as of January 1, 2018. This event will be held November 17-19, 2017 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Early bird registration is due October 15, 2017. Regular full rate registration is due Nov. 1. Highlights of the forum will be inspirational speakers, workshops, and meeting new people. Contact the Extension Office or visit http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html and select Leadership Forum for more information. Full details of registration will be sent from State Office via online email. Classes will fill up, so don’t delay.

The LV CO 4-H Council meets 6 times a year. Each club should elect 4 youth (3 reps and one alternate, at least 10 years old with 2 or more years in 4-H) and 2 adults as 4-H Council Representatives. Representatives are expected to attend all council meetings and be an active member on at least two committees. This means the representative works with the committee at the meeting to help plan and conduct assigned activities. Most importantly they attend and fully participate in the event planned. They are to report back to their club members the activities and decisions of the council. 4-H Council Representatives will be able to offer suggestions regarding the LV County 4-H program and help plan and assist in leading 4-H Council events. The next council meeting will be Sept. 25 at 7:00 pm in the Brown 4-H Building on the Fairgrounds. We will be electing officers and signing up for committees for the coming year. The Budget Committee will begin the new 4-H year’s budget.

The Fall 2017 Paper Clover Fundraiser is October 4-15, 2017! Your 4-H Club can participate with the local store in Lansing during the event to help increase fundraising dollars. Use the Fundraising Connections page on the TSC website to set up your activity. http://www.tractorsupply.com/landing-pages_4-h_4h-paper-clover.html. (Ctrl + Click to follow link) Friends, family and community members shopping at the Lansing store are invited to contribute $1 at checkout to support Leavenworth County 4-H programs, including leadership experiences. Clubs participating in an activity with the store can get a share of the total collected for Leavenworth County 4-H in this Fall campaign. The Spring 2017 Campaign provided a little over $700 to assist with scholarships for leadership in Leavenworth 4-H programs.
2017 Upcoming Dates

August
17-18—KS All Breeds Jr. Dairy Show. Salina
19 - Horticulture Judging Contest, KSU
19-20 KS 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes
31 KJLS late entries accepted until this date at double the cost

September
7 — Exhibits to be taken to State Fair DUE in Extension Office by 5 p.m.
9-18 - Kansas State Fair
25 - LVCO 4-H Council meeting, 7:00 p.m., Brown 4-H Building, Fairgrounds
27— Record Books/KAPS/ Pin Apps/Club Summaries/I Dare You DUE @ Extension Office—Check w/club leader for club due date
29—Oct. 1 - Kansas Junior Livestock Show, Kansas State Fairgrounds

October
1 - New 4-H Year begins. Enrollment for the 2017-18 4-H Year opens online
1 - Dog Conference Registration Due
1-7— National 4-H Week
2 - Kansas Youth Leadership Council Applications DUE
4-15 Fall 2017 TSC Paper Clover Fundraiser
4 - Record books, KAPs will be judged in Extension Office beginning at 9 a.m.
and Club Summary and Membership Pin applications will begin at 6:30 p.m.
7-8 - 48 Hours of 4-H
15 - KS Leadership Forum early bird registration DUE—Youth and Adults
21-22 KS Dog Conference

November
? Achievement Celebration—Date and location TBD
1 - NEW DATE! Financial reports and club organizational forms due.
1 - KS Leadership Forum full rate registrations DUE—Youth and Adults
17-19- Kansas 4-H Leadership Weekend
27 - LVCO 4-H Council meeting, 7:00 p.m., Brown 4-H Building, Fairgrounds

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4-H Online Enrollment Suggestions & Reminders:

• Visit https://ks.4honline.com (beginning October 1)
  4honline functions best with the Chrome or Firefox web browser
• It is advised not to attempt to enroll or re-enroll using your cell phone.
• NEVER create a new individual or family profile if one already exists
  LOGIN to existing family profile for reenrollments
• If you have forgotten your password, it can easily be reset.
• Print the flyer from our local site BEFORE you go online to enroll or re-enroll
  (1 flyer gives re-enrollment guidance; 1 flyer gives new member enrollment guidance.)
  • Call or come into the office for assistance

PLEASE REMEMBER to go into 4honline prior to the add/drop date to review
the projects to which you have enrolled. Also remember to update
any pertinent information (email address, phone numbers, etc.) as the year progresses.
National 4-H Week  Oct. 1-7

More than 6 million youth across the country will celebrate National 4-H Week, Oct. 1-7. During National 4-H Week, have your club showcase the great things that 4-H offers and show our community how the youth work each day to make a positive impact. Help promote 4-H!

Visit http://www.4-h.org/resource-library/4H-marketing-online-resource-center/4H-campaign-assets/.

48 Hours of 4-H Service Challenge

We hope every Extension Unit will join us October 7-8, 2017 in seeing just how much we can give back to our communities! The weekend after National 4-H Week, is the perfect opportunity to setup a service project. Invite your friends, clubs, adult volunteers and 4-H Alums too! Find all the information on the state 4-H website and start planning your projects.  www.Kansas4H.org/484H  Our planning guide is available and the link for t-shirt orders and registering projects is available now.