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SPREAD SOME CHEER THIS YEAR!

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“The best way to spread Christmas cheer is signing loud for all to hear!” – Buddy the Elf

The movie Elf is one of my all-time favorite Christmas movies! Buddy the Elf faces a lot of challenges but continues to remain positive and spread a little cheer everywhere he goes. Whether you celebrate Christmas or other wintertime festivities you have an opportunity to spread cheer with everyone around. There are so many ways to spread cheer: a simple wave and a smile, sending a letter, spending quality time with family… the possibilities are endless!

I’d like to challenge each of us to find ways to spread cheer not only during the holiday seasons, but everyday too!
**CURRENT 4-H COVID-19 UPDATES**

4-H staff members are currently working remotely and in office by appointment only. Staff can still easily be reached by email and phone! Our methods are changing but our mission remains the same.

Let us know how we can support you! In compliance with new local Unified Government of Kansas City Kansas orders, effective Friday, November 20, 2020 at 12:01 a.m., WyCo Extension will not have any group face-to-face classes, or programs. We are strongly encouraging virtual club and project meetings at this time.

Extension meeting rooms will not be available for use until further notice. This will remain in effect until it's extended, rescinded, replaced or amended.

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**CHECK OUT THE KS 4-H TIP SHEET**

The Kansas 4-H Tip Sheet is a monthly newsletter that provides valuable information to local Extension offices, as well as Kansas 4-H families. The deadlines posted may be different than those set by local Extension offices.

In addition, local Extension offices may not be able to provide chaperones and/or transportation to statewide Kansas 4-H events, programs, trainings and activities. Always check with your local Extension office before registering.

**BRING YOUR 4-H PROJECT TO LIFE ONLINE**

Bring Your 4-H Project to Life via Online learning during a global pandemic. Read this article about the debut program, and how to get more information on upcoming lessons through Bring Your 4-H Project to Life.

**IMPORTANT DATES**

- Dec 24: Holiday – KSRE Office Closed
- Dec 25: Holiday – KSRE Office Closed
- Dec 28 - Jan 1, 2021: Holiday week – KSRE Office Closed
4-H AT HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

This holiday season enjoy your extra time indoors with these fun science, baking, and crafting activities. Whether you’re a mad scientist, a curious baker (and taster), or a daring dreamer, there’s a little something here for everyone. For example: Use baking soda to make your own ‘snowmen,’ then melt them into bubbling fizz; Learn what makes cookies fluffy, cakey, crispy, and tasty with this recipe for delicious chocolate chip cookies; Turn dreams into actions with this DIY throw pillow. Check it out here!

DON'T MISS THE ONLINE ACHIEVEMENT CELEBRATION!

Join us this year as we celebrate our youth and volunteer’s accomplishments on our Wyandotte County 4-H facebook page due to COVID-19 restrictions. Be sure to ‘like’ and leave encouraging comments!