



MAY 2012

## Adams County 4-H Newsletter

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### May

May 3	Extension Board Meeting
May 7	4-H Council Meeting
May 8	Ag. Society Meeting
May 11	Sheep/Goat Weigh Day – Only day DNA is taken for State Fair and AK- SAR-BEN
May 11	All Horse ID's & Dist./State Entries Due & Skill Level Tests Passed due by 5:00 PM
May 13	Mother's Day
May 22	Livestock Clinic (Hall County)
May 23	Case of the Dark Night Workshop
May 23	Poultry Judging
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May 24	South Central Livestock Judging
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May 28	Holiday – Office Closed
May 29, 30 & 31	Tennis Lessons
May 30	Tie Dye Workshop
May 30	Stocker Feeder & Swine DNA Samples Due by 5:00 PM
May 31	Food Review & FCS Judging Contest

### 2012 Fairbooks have Arrived

Please pick up your copy at the Extension Office!

### Don't Forget Sheep and Goat Weigh Day

Weigh-in is scheduled for **May 11<sup>th</sup>, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** at the Adams County Fairgrounds. Details in Livestock section of the newsletter.

### Camper Sign-Up for 2012 County Fair

Mark your calendars for **Monday, June 11<sup>th</sup>** as the Camper Sign-up Day for the 2012 County Fair. The sign-up will begin at 8:00 a.m. at the Adams County Fairgrounds. You must be there to get a camper spot!

### Spring Tractor Supply Paper Clover Promotion

Again this spring, the Tractor Supply Company and the 4-H Program are teaming together to have the Spring TSC Paper Clover Promotion from May 2<sup>nd</sup> to May 13<sup>th</sup>. We are asking clubs, families, or different groups to volunteer a day and time for an activity. If your club or family has a day and an activity in mind, please contact Beth at the Adams County Extension Office. Clay, Webster, and Nuckolls Counties are working with Adams to make sure 4-H is present at the Spring TSC Promotion.

### Adams County Extension Office Closed

May 28<sup>th</sup> – Have a wonderful Memorial Day



Extension is a Division of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln cooperating with the Counties and the United States Department of Agriculture.

The 4-H Youth Development program abides with the nondiscrimination policies of the University of Nebraska–Lincoln and the United States Department of Agriculture.

## **Pre-Fair Entry Deadline for Fair 4-H Exhibits/Activities is Friday, June 15<sup>th</sup>.**

Items that **MUST** be pre-entered include: all animal classes in beef, cats, dogs, goats, horse, poultry, rabbits, sheep, small animals and swine, please include breed information; all pre-fair and fair activities – Food Review, Fashion Review, Sheep Lead, Therapeutic Riding, Ice Cream in a Can/Bag, Clover Kids Poles & Barrels, and encouraged but not required the Livestock Judging contest. Please remember to include the carting exhibition class when registering. For the items that **MUST** be pre-entered, a late pre-fair entry sheet will result in the lowering of exhibits by one ribbon. No phone entries will be taken. If you have any questions, please be sure to ask prior to the deadline date. It is highly recommended that you pre-enter all of your static exhibits. If you pre-enter these exhibits, you will not have to wait in line on entry day for those entry tags. The pre-fair entry packet of information will be mailed in early June.

## **Congratulations**

### **Shooting Sports**

#### **BB Gun:**

Beg. Division (age 8): Ashton Duering - Gold, Allie Janssen - Silver  
Jr. Division (ages 9 - 10): Josiah Bronson - Gold, Dylan Anderson - Silver  
Int. Division (ages 11 - 13): Sarah Barfknecht - Gold, Trenton Bruntz - Silver

#### **Air Pistol:**

Jr. Division (ages 9 - 10): Josiah Bronson - Gold, Jacob Uden - Silver  
Senior Division (ages 14 & Up): Tanner Davis - Gold, Tyler Neemeyer - Silver

#### **Archery Freestyle Unlimited:**

Jr. Division (ages 8 -9): Kieren Feeney - Gold  
Int. Division (ages 10 - 11): Jacob Uden - Gold, Chase Paulson - Silver  
Sr. Division (ages 12 - 13): Megean Bartos - Gold, Paige Shestak - Silver  
Adv. Division (ages 14 & Up): Bryson Kniss- Gold, April Carandell - Silver

#### **Archery Barebow:**

Jr. Division (ages 8 - 9): Wyatt Janssen - Gold, Cale Uhrmacher - Silver  
Int. Division (ages 10 - 11): George Janssen - Gold, Chayton Cathcart - Silver  
Sr. Division (ages 12 - 13): Isaac Sergent - Gold, Jonathan Roberts - Silver  
Adv. Division (ages 14 & Up): Carli Johnson - Gold, Brenda Tran - Silver

#### **Shotgun:**

Int. Division (ages 11 - 14): Riley Trambly - Gold, Blake Craig - Silver  
Sr. Division (ages 15 - 18): Cody Newlun - Gold, Andrew Rutt – Silver

April Crandell was selected to compete on the Nebraska Archery Team for Nationals in June.

If there are other congratulations regarding state shoots, livestock shows, etc, please contact the Adams County Extension Office. We are proud of our 4-H'ers and want to recognize them.

### **Graduates**

The Extension Office would like to congratulate all graduating seniors. You have been great assets to the Adams County 4-H program. We wish you the best of luck with all your future endeavors.

### **A Note from the Extension Office:**

April Showers bring May Flowers! Where have the last few months gone? Spring is upon us and summer is just around the corner. Summer means preparation for the fair, a busy time for all of us. Please refer to your newsletter on a regular basis, it is packed full of information needed for a successful 4-H year. Enrollment was wonderful! A special thanks to all the families for turning in your completed enrollment forms in a timely fashion.

## Leaders & Parents Corner



### Giving Your Best Webinar Series

A UNL Extension statewide webinar, "Giving Your Best," will help volunteers, parents and youth development professionals get rejuvenated and gain tools to better serve their organizations and their youth. The live webinars will be May 8, 15 and 22 from Noon-12:45 p.m. Central Time.

Descriptions for the free webinars include:

- Guess Who's Stressed, May 8 -- Learn more about stress by identifying stressors, recognizing the physical and emotional reactions to stress and gaining techniques to eliminate or reduce stress for yourself and youth.
- Revive Through Humor, May 15 -- Develop strategies to create a positive, inclusive environment allowing youth and adults to work, learn and have fun together.
- Ready. Set. Delegate!, May 22 -- Explore why you should delegate, when to delegate and when not to delegate. The sky's the limit when you delegate.

For more information about webinars and to register, visit <http://4h.unl.edu/givingyourbestwebseminars>.

### Junior Leader News Note: Meeting Date Change

The Adams County 4-H Junior Leaders will **not meet in May**, their next meeting is **Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>**, from 2 - 4 p.m. at the Assembly Room. If you have any questions, please contact Marilyn Shaw (402-756-6636) or the Adams County Extension Office (402-461-7209).

### Jr. Leader Food Booth

Anyone interested in working in the 4-H Jr. Leader Food Booth at the fair, please contact Marilyn Shaw at 402-756-6636 to set up your time. The shifts are four hours each. Please wear a 4-H T-shirt and bring a baseball cap to wear while working in the booth. This could be clubs, independents, CWF 4-H'ers or 4-H families.

### 4-H Club of the Month

The Nebraska 4-H Foundation, along with the Nebraska 4-H Ambassadors, put together a new program for Nebraska 4-H Clubs. Any 4-H club can nominate themselves to be the "Club of the Month"(this must be done by the second Friday of the month). Each month, a winner will be chosen and will receive a \$50 cash card from the Nebraska 4-H Foundation and a certificate which can be displayed. Also, the Club of the Month's story will be displayed on the 4-H Foundation's website, Facebook and Twitter and a news release will be sent out to their local newspaper. Nomination forms can be found on the Adams County 4-H page at <http://adams.unl.edu>. Please send the nomination forms to: [ne4hambassadors@unl.edu](mailto:ne4hambassadors@unl.edu)

### 4-H Council Information

#### April 4-H Council Happenings

- Approved the 2012-2013 Budget
- Announced 4-H Summer Workshops
- Discussed Robotics Program
- Discussed 4-H Livestock Auction

#### May 4-H Council Agenda items

- Sheep & Goat Weigh Day Volunteers
- Concessions for Adams County Horse Show



## **Youth Information**

### **Summertime Workshops Schedule**

Remember to sign-up for workshops! We hope that everyone can find at least one workshop that fits their interests. See attached workshop description flyer.

- Livestock Clinic (Hall County) – May 22
- Case of the Dark Night – May 23
- Going Digital – May 24
- Tie Dye (Beginning & Advanced) – May 30
- Create for the Home – June 1
- Clover Kids Camp – June 8
- Food Preservation – June 11
- Exploring Child Care in conjunction with HP Preschool– June 12

### **Career Explorer by Nebraska 4-H**

Get started on the right path to making smart life choices with the Career Explorer Web Site and Career Explorer iPad App! Career Explorer will help you connect the dots between the choices you make every day and the opportunities you could have in the future. You will begin with a Luck of the Draw card and from there you will be in control, making ongoing decisions about your education and future career opportunities. At each stage of the game, you will be able to enter the workforce, get additional education, or explore training programs. You will have access to more than 450 careers with up-to-date salary information and summaries for each!

### **The Experience of a Lifetime - 2013 Citizen Washington Focus**

The countdown begins for an experience of a lifetime! We have T – 13 months until we venture east for those youth who are ages 15 to 19 in 2013. We will travel to the nation's capital to have an interactive classroom with workshops, seminars, and field trips. Traditionally, Adams, Clay, and Webster County 4-H'ers have joined together to take the trip but we will welcome 4-H'ers from other counties. We need more youth to fill our bus. Please talk with friends and relatives about attending the 2013 CWF Trip! We do fundraisers throughout the year to help with costs.

### **CWF Members Your Help is needed at:**

**Good Sam Camper Food Stand** – June 5<sup>th</sup> thru 9<sup>th</sup>. Workers are needed from: 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. on Tue-Sat, also 6 a.m. – 9 a.m. on Friday for the pancake feed. Youth may also volunteer to bring pies (no cream or refrigerated). If interested, please contact the Adams County Extension Office, at (402) 461-7209 for more info. Money earned at this fundraising activity will be applied to your 2013 or 2016 CWF trip fund. If you are unsure about going on a CWF Trip but are willing to help we will welcome your assistance.

### **Adams County Camp: June 11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>**

Our second annual County Camp at the South Central Camp in Alma will be **June 11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012!!**

Adams, Clay, Fillmore, & Webster Counties invite any youth ages 8 to 12 to attend a full camping experience plus 4-H activities! The camp will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, June 11<sup>th</sup> and end at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. The cost of the County Camp is \$135 with transportation included or \$120 if you provide your own transportation. This camp is not only for 4-H'ers, so tell all of your friends! Beth hopes to see you there!



### **Adams County 4-H Camp Scholarships**

New for summer of 2012, the 4-H Council would like to support youth to attend camp. The amount will be based on the number of youth who apply. The application process is still being finalized. If a youth is interested, please contact the Adams County Extension Office.

### **Camp Counselors needed for County Camp!**

Become a camp counselor! We need boys and girls, 14 and older, to be a counselor at County Camp from June 11<sup>th</sup> to the 13<sup>th</sup>. It is recommended that counselors attend the State Camp Counselor Training. Dates and locations for Counselor Training will be coming out soon! By attending the counselor training, you may be a counselor at more than just the County Camp! If interested, please let Beth know!

### **Animal Science 101 & Ag-Citing Adventures Summer Camp**

An adventure awaits you for a summer camp focused on Animal Science and Ag-Citing Adventures. AG-citing Adventures Camp will focus on answering the challenging question of where our food comes from and why agriculture in Nebraska is so important. Animal Science 101: A Walk on the Animal Side Camp will explore the science of animals by thinking like a Veterinarian to learn how animals' bodies work. Of course there will be plenty of time for camp activities such as campfires, canoeing, fishing, swimming and the TRUST course! This camp is for any 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> graders from June 13<sup>th</sup> to June 15<sup>th</sup> at the South Central 4-H Camp in Alma, NE. The cost is \$160 for a three day, two night camping experience. Please register by June 1, 2012. For more information and to register visit [4h.unl.edu/camp](http://4h.unl.edu/camp) or contact Jessie Bauman at 402-472-2854 or [Jbauman4@unl.edu](mailto:Jbauman4@unl.edu).

### **Big Red Summer Academic Camps**

Online registrations through the UNL Marketplace (<http://marketplace.unl.edu/ne4h/brc>) are currently being accepted for the 2012 Big Red Summer Academic Camps, to be held **June 10-15, 2012**. These career exploration camps are open to ALL youth entering grades 10-12 in the fall of 2012. New camp offerings for the upcoming summer include Crop Science and Education. Other focus areas include Culinary Arts and Food Science, Entrepreneurship, Environment, Fiber Arts, Filmmaking, Unicameral Youth Legislature, and Veterinary Science. Additional information, along with a printable brochure, can be found online at <http://bigredcamps.unl.edu>.

### **Nebraska Youth Range Camp**

Participants will learn about rangeland and pasture management, including plant identification, range condition evaluation, range improvements and livestock health management. The program will be held at the Nebraska State 4-H Camp in Halsey, June 11-15. Applications are due May 25. Financial sponsorship is available! Every student that attended last year received a substantial level of sponsorship. Interested individuals can find more information, the Range Camp application, and a brochure by visiting the Nebraska Society for Range Management website at [www.nesrm.org](http://www.nesrm.org) or contact the Extension Office.

### **Adventure Camp about the Environment**

Nebraska's Natural Resources Districts are partnering with University of Nebraska Extension to provide youth an opportunity to explore natural resources and the environment. The camp will be held at the Nebraska 4-H Camp in Halsey, June 17 - 20. Participants will learn about forestry, range and grassland ecosystems, water quality, soils and lands and natural resources careers. There will also be plenty of time for camp activities such as hiking, climbing and canoeing. The camp cost of \$180.00 is to be paid with the registration which is due May 25<sup>th</sup>. Contact the Extension office for information and a registration form.

## State Camperships

With the support of the Nebraska 4-H Foundation and its donors, we are able to offer a limited number of \$100 camperships to support the participation of young people at 2012 4-H camps. The application process for a Campership is simple.

1. A request for Campership support. Please be sure to include the age and gender for each camper and the session each camper would like to attend.
2. A brief statement from the parent of camper expressing why they would like to attend camp this summer.

Requests can be sent to: Jill Walahoski, State 4-H Office, 114 Ag Hall, Lincoln, NE 68583-0700 or via email, [jwalahoski2@unl.edu](mailto:jwalahoski2@unl.edu)

## Scholarships Available

- **CASNR Scholarship** - Any graduating senior planning to attend the University of Nebraska-Lincoln CASNR with an ACT of 26 or higher may be eligible for a \$1,000 scholarship. Contact Ron or Beth for more details.
- **Larry Draper Scholarship:** The Adams County 4-H Council requests applications **by June 1, 2012** for this \$500.00 scholarship. Applicants must be enrolled in Adams County 4-H and must have been an active and consistent participant in the Adams County 4-H livestock auction by either selling market animals or by providing consistent volunteer service at the auction, as documented by the Adams County Extension Office. Please contact the Extension office for more details.

## Adams County 4-H T-Shirts

The official show attire for Adams County 4-H'ers is to wear an Adams County 4-H t-shirt. The 4-H Council selected a new design for 2012. If wanting to purchase a new 4-H t-shirt, the design can be viewed by stopping in at the Adams County Extension Office. Be sure to pick up your order form, orders are due by June 15. The new Green Shirts may be long or short sleeve. Remember long sleeve shirts are recommended for cat and rabbit exhibitors.

## 4-H Project Information

### Communications

#### Photography

The 2012 photography themes are:



- **UNIT II NEBRASKA PHOTOGRAPHY CAREER EXHIBIT PRINT:** Explore a career as a Nebraska photo journalist. The goal of a photo journalist is to tell a story through their work. Capture a photo of a newsworthy event in your Nebraska community.
- **UNIT III NEBRASKA PHOTOGRAPHY CAREER EXHIBIT PRINT:** Explore a career as a Nebraska photographer. The goal of an artistic photographer is to portray a unique or interesting image through their work. Capture photos of Nebraska landscapes where creative composition is the goal.

#### Presentations Contest

The Adams County 4-H Presentations Contest will be **Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.** in the Assembly Room. The types of classes are: 1) Presentation using LCD, slide, video or overhead projector, 2) Presentation using posters, or 3) Multimedia presentation. A 4-H member may participate in only one Presentation class plus the Multimedia class. **Registrations are due June 1<sup>st</sup> by 5:00 p.m.** in the UNL Extension Office in Adams County.

## **Picking Up the Pieces Exhibits for County Fair (omitted in 2012 Fairbook)**

If enrolled in Picking Up the Pieces Project, here are the Exhibits that may be brought to county fair.

- B156901 Body Language Poster – Design a poster that explains a person’s non-verbal cues.
- B156902 Simple Symbols Poster – Design a poster that either investigates current symbols (ex. safety warnings or directions) or create a new symbol. Explain the purpose and location of the symbols.
- B156903 Survey Says – Use a poster or notebook to exhibit a survey that was created and the results from others who have taken the survey.
- B156904 Compose Your Song or Poem – Use a poster or notebook to exhibit a song or poem written since the last county fair.
- B156905 Follow My Lead – Use a poster or notebook to exhibit the Follow My Lead in the manual on page 20 & 21.

## **Family and Consumer Science**

### **4-H Quilts of Valor Two-Year Challenge**

Nebraska 4-H youth, families, and/or volunteers are being asked to participate in a statewide community service effort by creating and donating quilts to the service men and women who are protecting our country and who are “touched by war.” The quilts will be collected and given through the Quilts of Valor Foundation, who has already donated over 36,000 quilts. 4-H members and volunteers can work alone or in groups to make the quilts (Adams County’s group started March 3<sup>rd</sup>, it’s not too late to join us). For more information contact the Extension Office at 402-461-7209.

### **2012 Food Review is scheduled for May 31<sup>st</sup>**

2012 Food Review is scheduled for May 31<sup>st</sup> at Adams County Fairgrounds, Activities Building North Addition. Set up is between 1:00 p.m. and 1:45 p.m. Contest begins at 2:00 p.m.

Themes are:

- Explode with Flavor
- 4-H Picnic
- Husker Scarlet and Cream
- Foods of the World

Remember you must be enrolled in a 4-H foods project to participate. As a participant, it is wise to prepare between a 3 to 5 minute speech about your theme, menu, and the food you selected. The judges will ask you questions about: food preparation, menu planning, nutritional knowledge about your menu and recipe, table service and food safety handling procedures. It is always wise to know about “my plate” menu guidelines, how it has changed and how your menu correlates.

You will need:

- Your own card table.
- Two place settings
- One serving of the food from your menu for the judge to taste. You only need to prepare one of the foods on your menu.
- Two posters (8 ½ x 11 inches)
- Recipe
- Menu

To participate in the contest, you must register by calling the Adams County Extension Office by Friday, May 25<sup>th</sup>.

### **FCS Judging Contest**

Are you ready for life? The FCS judging contest will test your skills with a multiple choice quiz in foods & nutrition, clothing & fiber arts, home environment, entrepreneurship, and financial and money management.

This contest is held in conjunction with the Food Review on May 31<sup>st</sup>, and open to any 4-H member.

Pre-registration is not required.

## Healthy Lifestyles



### Tennis

Lessons are planned for **May 29, May 30, May 31, June 5, June 6 & June 7** at the Hastings College outdoor courts. From 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM (the first hour will be for beginners and intermediates and the second hour will be for the advanced.) Parental consent/medical release forms must be signed and returned as well as a \$5.00 fee for lessons only, to the Extension Office by May 11<sup>th</sup> (this is mandatory). The tournament will be held on Thursday, **June 21 at 4 p.m.** Tennis Tournament - one does not need to take the tennis lessons to compete at the tournament, but you must have enrolled in the Tennis project by April 16<sup>th</sup> and have pre-entered with medical release forms into the Extension Office by June 1<sup>st</sup>. Release forms will be mailed out to 4-H'ers enrolled in the tennis project.

### Golf

The 4-H golf program is being planned with practices on Friday, **July 6<sup>th</sup> and Monday, July 9<sup>th</sup>** beginning at 9 a.m. at Southern Hills Golf Course. The fee is \$5 for non-members and \$1 for members. The tournament (also at Southern Hills Golf Course) will begin at 8 a.m. on **July 12<sup>th</sup>**. You must have enrolled in the golf project on April 16<sup>th</sup> to participate. Release forms will be mailed out to 4-H'ers enrolled in the golf project.



### Bowling

The bowling tournament is set for Monday, **June 18<sup>th</sup>**, with an afternoon and evening session. Just a reminder, you must have enrolled in the bowling project on April 16<sup>th</sup> to participate in the tournament.

## Environmental Ed & Earth Science

### Tree and Horticulture Identification Contest

Sharon Maul from Central Community College will be teaching tree and horticulture identification again this year. You will be able to impress your family and friends with your plant knowledge after participating in the program. **Practice sessions** will be held **May 29, May 30, and June 5**. The **contest** will be held on Thursday, **June 7<sup>th</sup>**. All sessions and the contest will begin at **9:00 a.m.** and will be held in the Webster Building on the Central Community College Campus.

### Tree Planting

The UNL Master Gardeners in Adams County invites 4-H'ers to help plant trees in Highland Park, just south of the Hastings Museum. The tree planting event is scheduled for Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup> starting at 8:00 a.m. The trees that are being planted are a part of the Hastings Highland Park Arboretum project. The arboretum is designed to provide a location for people to learn about trees and gardens. This activity will provide 4-H'ers an opportunity to learn more about trees and will provide a great service to the community.

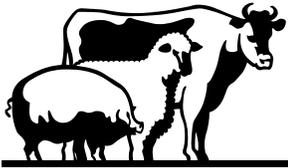
## Science Engineering & Technology (SET)

### Are you interested in Robotics?

Adams County is looking for youth and adults who are interested in Robotics. We are in the planning stages and hope to start a new group. If you are interested or know of someone who is, please contact Beth at the Adams County Extension Office.

## **Rocket Contest**

Enjoy an evening of shooting off rockets at the Adams County Rocket Contest on Thursday, **June 28<sup>th</sup>** at 7:30 p.m. in front of the Grand Stand at the Adams County Fairgrounds. This contest is open to any 4-H members who are 8 years or older as of January 1<sup>st</sup>. Participants do not have to be enrolled in the Aerospace Projects to participate. Youth may build a rocket or purchase a rocket to launch. Each participant will have three launches which may be used for the rocket project requirement. Participants may bring their own launching equipment or use the Adams County Extension Office equipment. To participate, youth must register for the contest by Friday, June 15 on Pre-Fair Entry Sheets.



## **Livestock**

### **Heads Up on Enrollment & ID Deadlines**

As a friendly reminder here are some important deadlines that will be here before we know it! They are:

- **May 11<sup>th</sup>** – Horse ID's, District & State Entries Due to UNL Extension Office in Adams County
- **May 11<sup>th</sup>** – Sheep & Goat Weigh Day – 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Adams County Fairgrounds
- **May 30<sup>th</sup>** – Stocker Feeder & Swine DNA Samples Due
- **June 1<sup>st</sup>** – Animal ID's & Vaccinations (tags need to be purchased and in the animals ear)
- **June 15<sup>th</sup>** – Pre-Fair Entry Forms Due

### **Sheep and Goats Weigh Day**



Weigh-in is scheduled for May 11, 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. All market lambs and goats must be weighed and ear tagged at this weigh date. Tags are \$1.00 each. If you are planning on showing at State Fair or Ak-Sar-Ben, your animals will need to be DNA identified at this weigh-in. Cost will be \$6.00 per head for DNA identification. Please unload your sheep at the north end of the sheep barn, we will weigh and then reload at the south end.

### **Scrapies Tag**

All female sheep and goats (breeding and market) and breeding rams to be exhibited at the Adams County Fair, State Fair or Ak-Sar-Ben must have a scrapies tag in its ear. If you have your own flock, you must order tags and register your flock through the USDA. If you are purchasing sheep or goats, make sure that the producer puts a scrapies tag in the ear before you accept them.

### **Stocker Feeder & Swine DNA's Due**

The Stocker Feeder & Swine DNA samples are due on Wednesday, May 30<sup>th</sup>. Anyone interested in showing Swine at the Nebraska State Fair or Ak-Sar-Ben and Stocker Feeders at Ak-Sar-Ben must contact Beth to find a day and time for her to come out and take DNA samples before May 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **Market Broiler Tentative Arrival Date: Thursday, June 7<sup>th</sup>.**

If you ordered Market Broilers, please mark your calendar for Thursday, June 7<sup>th</sup> to pick up them up from the Extension Office between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

### **Adams County 4-H Carcass Contest**

The carcass contest is a project where youth may enter a beef, sheep, and/or swine to understand the cycle of livestock production. The contest consists of three parts: the carcass, the interview, and the record book. To successfully participate in the contest, all three segments must be fulfilled. Below are important dates for you to know about if thinking of taking this project.

- **Sheep/Swine**
  - July 9<sup>th</sup> – Drop Off (a.m.)
  - July 10<sup>th</sup> – Viewing (p.m.)
- **Beef**
  - July 10<sup>th</sup> – Drop Off (a.m.)
  - July 12<sup>th</sup> – Viewing (p.m.)
- **ALL SPECIES**
  - July 17<sup>th</sup> – Record books due by 8 p.m.
  - July 21<sup>st</sup> – Interviews (afternoon)

### **Animal Science Series – For any and all interested in Livestock**

Attention all youth! Do you enjoy animals or want to learn about the livestock industry? Then attend our Animal Science Series! We are in need of some **youth ages 12 to 18** to participate in **Premier Animal Science Events (PASE)** on June 25th & 26th in Lincoln, NE. You can still join our group! The session dates are:

- Tuesday, May 8th from 7:15 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 22nd – Large Animal Showmanship Clinic in Grand Island, NE
- Tuesday, June 5th at 5:30 p.m.
- Thursday, June 14th at 5:30 p.m.
- Monday, June 18th at 5:30 p.m.

Hope to see you in May & June!

### **Quality Assurance – Updated Information!**

Quality Assurance is required for all youth showing Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goats, Dairy, Rabbits and Poultry. New for 2012 is an on-line module course! Youth are required to complete 3 modules in their appropriate age division by June 15, 2012. To complete the course on-line each youth must:

- Have an email address that is UNIQUE to them. A parent's email address may be used but only with one child.
- Enter their ID Number in their profile. Please contact the Adams County Extension Office to receive this number. This number is how we can tell which person goes to which county.

For youth ages 8 to 10 who prefer a face to face training, we will hold two trainings. Dates are Tuesday, May 29<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, May 31<sup>st</sup> with both sessions starting at 6:30 p.m. Please pre-register if you plan on attending the face to face trainings. Sessions may be canceled due to low attendance. Please look at the last page of the April Newsletter for step by step instructions for use of the modules.

### **UNL Livestock Judging Clinic & Contest in Bladen**

**All area youth are invited to attend this Livestock Judging Clinic and Contest Thursday, May 24<sup>th</sup> in Bladen, NE. The clinic will begin at 8:30 a.m. with the contest to follow.** This livestock judging clinic and contest is designed for youth to improve their basic livestock evaluation and selection skills, and to provide a good foundation for all youth interested in livestock. Classes will include market and breeding beef, sheep, swine and market goats. It will be conducted by **Dr. Matt Ellicott, UNL Livestock Judging Team Coach** and area UNL Extension Staff. The clinic and contest will be open to all youth, ages 8 -18, as well as adults. Parents, leaders and advisors are encouraged to attend. Teams for the contest will consist of 3 or 4 members in the same age division. They can be from the same club, chapter and/or county. Pre-registration is preferred by contacting UNL Extension in Webster County at 402-746-3417.

## Poultry Judging

The South Central Poultry Clinic and Judging Day will be held in Nelson, NE on Wednesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> with the clinic starting at 1:00 p.m. and judging contest at 2:30 p.m. The South Central Poultry Judging counts as the Adams County 4-H Poultry Judging Contest. This is a GREAT opportunity to test the waters or check your knowledge at Poultry Judging.

## Upcoming Livestock and Small Animal Shows and events

Please stop in the office to check for the flyers and complete list of show and livestock judging opportunities available. There are too many to list, so please stop in to check them out!

## District & State Horse Show Entry Forms Due

All youth wanting to participate in District and State Horses must complete, pay, and turn in entry forms by Friday, May 11, 2012 by 5:00 p.m. to the Adams County Extension Office. No late forms will be accepted based on State 4-H Rules.

## Horse Show Dates

### **2012 District 4-H Horse Shows**

- June 11 – Buffalo County – Kearney
- June 12 – Box Butte County – Hemmingford
- June 13 – Cherry County – Valentine
- June 14 – Lancaster County – Lincoln
- June 20 – Knox County – Bloomfield
- June 21 – Lincoln County – North Platte



**2012 State 4-H Horse Show – July 15 – 19, 2012 - Grand Island**

## Other Horse Shows

- May 19 & 20 – Loup Valley Conference Horse Clinic – Burwell
- May 30 – 4-H Horse Judging Contest – Ericson
- June 2 – Lancaster County VIPS – Lincoln
- June 7-9 – Horse Camp – Fort Robinson
- June 27 – 4-H Horse Judging Contest - Gretna
- June 30 – Chase County Horse Show - Imperial

## Dog

### Dog Obedience Classes

The Dog Program Obedience classes offered by Adams County Extension have begun. These classes are led by Keith Penrose and Jennie Theesen. The cost is \$10.00 to participate in the dog classes. Vaccination record forms for all participating dogs must be completed by a veterinarian or person providing the shots before attending the classes. Requirements for participation are: 1) Enrollment in 4-H and in the dog project, 2) Vaccination form completed and 3) Class fee paid to the Adams County Extension Office before attending any class. The classes are held on Monday nights at 7:00 p.m. at the fairgrounds. **Practice will not be held on Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup>.**



### Clover Kids Dog Class

A Clover Kids Dog Exhibition will again be conducted at the county fair dog show. In order to participate, Clover Kids must sign-up for 4-H, must register for the 4-H dog classes, and participate in at least four sessions. The sessions will start on **Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.**

#### **4-H Dog Agility Practices**

Dog agility is a great project for you and your dog to have fun together. Dr. Pam Burr is offering classes to teach your dog to safely run through an agility course. The classes will be held at the Adams County Fairgrounds in Windmill Park **starting May 20<sup>th</sup>** and run every **Sunday** afternoon at **4:00 p.m.** except on holiday weekends. To participate, you must be signed up for 4-H and the Dog Project, sign a medical release form, and provide to the Extension Office a record that your dog has been vaccinated. You and your dog must have completed at least the beginning novice dog obedience class before you can participate in the dog agility classes and you will need a break away type collar for the dog. The cost is \$10.00 unless you have already paid for this year's 4-H dog obedience class. Parental attendance is required at the classes.

#### **2012 Canine Companions for Life 4-H Dog Expo**

The Adams County 4-H dog program and the State Fair dog committee are again planning to offer a statewide educational and competitive dog event. The Nebraska 4-H Dog Expo will be held at the Adams County Fairgrounds in Hastings on **October 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012**. The schedule will include competitions, demonstrations, education clinics, and fun. The competitions will include obedience, showmanship, and agility. The demonstrations will include working dogs such as those used for police, personal assistance, and hunting. The education program will include clinics on nutrition, safety, health, grooming, showing tips and dog related careers. Fun activities will include rally, dog tricks and dog costumes. Please put this on your calendars so we can once again have good local representation. Upcoming information about this clinic can be found by visiting [www.companionanimal.unl.edu](http://www.companionanimal.unl.edu).

#### **UNL Companion Animal Facebook Fan Page**

Make sure to "like" the UNL Companion Animal fan page on Facebook! This new resource will allow you to access articles and information regarding companion animal care. In addition, the fan page will feature a section dedicated to unique companion animal facts. You can access the UNL Companion Animal fan page directly by following this link: <https://www.facebook.com/unlcompanionanimal>

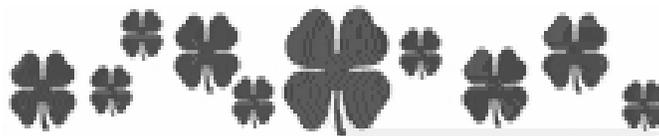
#### **Companion Animal Careers Webinar Series**

The University of Nebraska has helped create an eXtension webpage dedicated to education in companion animal care. One goal of this webpage community is to educate individuals about the different companion animal career options that are available. This site features a companion animal career webinar series that provides archived and future career webinars. Each webinar focuses on a different career in the companion animal industry. To access the archived companion animal career webinar homepage please follow this link: <http://go.unl.edu/companionanimalcareers>.

Also, feel free to visit [http://www.extension.org/companion\\_animals](http://www.extension.org/companion_animals) to explore all of the different resources regarding the health, nutrition, and behavior of a variety of companion animal species.

#### **"Like" us on Facebook**

Please search "UNL Extension in Adams County" to find our page. There you will find up-to-date news, information and upcoming events. Once you "like" us, write on our wall!



## 2012 Adams County 4-H Fair Calendar



### **Wednesday, July 18 (All times after day's beginning times are approximate)**

- Swine Show – 8:00 AM – 4-H Livestock Arena
  - Market Swine
  - Swine Showmanship
  - Pen of Three Judging
- Rabbit Show – 8:00 AM – Tent by Small Animals Barn
  - Rabbit Showmanship
- Entomology / Insect ID Contest – Check- In 2:45 PM – Youth Building
- Opening Ceremonies – 5:00 PM – Community Service Bldg Park
- **Grand and Reserve Champion Static Exhibit Recognition Parade** – 5:00 PM – Community Service Building Park. Photos taken immediately after the recognition parade in the North Conference Room of the Activities Center

### **Thursday, July 19 (All times after day's beginning times are approximate)**

- Sheep Show – 8:00 AM – 4-H Livestock Arena
  - Breeding Sheep Show
  - Market Sheep Show
  - Sheep Showmanship
- Pee Wee Sheep Showmanship – starts at conclusion of the Sheep Show
- Sheep Lead – following Pee Wee Showmanship
- Therapeutic Horse Show – 10:00 AM – Horse Arena
- Cat & Small Animals Show – 2:00 PM – West End of Activities Center
  - Cat Showmanship
  - Small Animal Showmanship
- First/Second Year Bucket Calf Interviews – 3:00 PM – West Conference Room of Activities Center (**Record book due** in the 4-H Livestock Office by 8:00 AM)

### **Friday, July 20 (All times after day's beginning times are approximate)**

- Market Broiler Show – 8:00 AM – Tent by Small Animals Barn – Check-In time 7:00 – 7:45 AM
- Poultry Show – Immediately follow the Market Broiler Show - Tent by Small Animals Barn
  - Poultry Showmanship
- OPEN CLASS Poultry Show following 4-H Poultry Show
- Beef Show – 8:00 AM – 4-H Livestock Arena
  - Breeding Beef
  - Cow-Calf
  - Progeny
  - Stocker Feeder
  - Second Year Bucket Calf
  - Market Beef
  - Beef Showmanship
  - First Year Bucket Calf
- Ice Cream in a Can Contest – 3:00 PM – West End of Activities Center
- Ice Cream in a Bag Team Event – 4:00 PM – West End of Activities Center
- Photos – 5:00 PM – North Conference Room of Activities Center

**Saturday, July 21 (All times after day's beginning times are approximate)**

- Pygmy Goat – **Check-In time 7:00 AM – 7:45 AM**
- Horse Show – Non-timed events – 8:00 AM – Horse Arena – Check-In time – 7:00 AM
- Meat Goat Show – 8:00 AM – 4-H Livestock Arena
  - Breeding Meat Goats
  - Market Meat Goats
  - Meat Goat Showmanship
- Best Dressed Goat Contest – 10:00 AM – 4-H Livestock Arena
- Pygmy Goat Show – 11:00 AM – 4-H Livestock Arena
  - Pygmy Goat Does
  - Pygmy Goat Wether
  - Pygmy Goat Showmanship
- Dog Show – **9:00 AM**– West End of Activities Center - Check-In time **8:00 AM**
  - Clover Kids Dog Obedience
  - Novice Classes
  - Graduate Classes
  - Dog Showmanship
  - Dog Agility
- Dog Skillathon Contest – West Conference Room of Activities Center – will be conducted at the same time as the Dog Show. 4-Hers do not have to be enrolled in Dog to Participate.
- Carcass Contest Interviews – 3:00 PM – North Conference Room of Activities Center

**Sunday, July 22 (All times after day's beginning times are approximate)**

- Junior Leader Pancake Feed – 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM – 4-H Livestock Arena
- Junior Leader Church Service – **9:15 AM** – 4-H Livestock Arena
- Horse Show – Timed Events and Keyhole – 10:00 AM – Horse Arena – Check-In time – 9:00 AM
- Exposition – Horse Drawn Cart Class
- Clover Kids Pole Bending/Barrel Racing – 1:00 PM – Horse Arena – Check-In time – 12:45 PM
- Round Robin Livestock Showmanship – 1:30 PM – 4-H Livestock Arena
  - Check-In time for contestants – 12:30 PM;
  - Written Quiz at 12:35 PM.
- Livestock Judging Contest – Immediately following Round Robin – 4-H Livestock Arena. Check-In time – During Round Robin in 4-H Livestock Office.
- Photos – 4:00 PM – North Conference Room of Activities Center
- Release of Retained Ownership Animals not going through the Livestock Auction – 8:00 PM
- 4-H Dance – 9:30 PM – Community Service Building

**Monday, July 23 (All times are approximate)**

- Carcass Contest Results – 8:45 AM
- **4-H Livestock Auction** – 9:00 AM – Livestock Arena – All
- **Release of livestock** – immediately following the auction. All livestock will need to be released by the superintendent.
- **Release of 4-H exhibits** – 45 minutes after the conclusion of Livestock Auction or 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM – Activities Center
- **Release of 4-H exhibits** – 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM – Activities Center

# 4-H Calendar

## May

May 3	Extension Board Meeting
May 7	4-H Council Meeting
May 8	Ag. Society Meeting
May 11	Sheep/Goat Weigh Day – Only day DNA is taken for State Fair and AK-SAR-BEN
May 11	All Horse ID's & Dist/State Entries Due & Skill Level Tests Passed due by 5:00 PM
May 13	Mother's Day
May 22	Livestock Clinic (Hall County)
May 23	Case of the Dark Night Workshop
May 23	Poultry Judging Contest – Nuckolls County
May 24	South Central Livestock Judging - Bladen
May 24	Going Digital Workshop
May 25	Food Review Entry Deadline
May 28	Holiday – Memorial Day – Office Closed
May 29, 30 & 31	Tennis Lessons
May 29 & 31	Tree & Horticulture Practice
May 30	Tie Dye Workshop
May 30	Stocker Feeder & Swine DNA Samples Due by 5:00 PM
May 31	Food Review & Family Consumer Science Judging Contest

## JUNE

June 1	Animal Id's, Vaccinations, Dairy Entries for Regional Dairy Show, Bowling, Tennis Tournament & Presentation Entries Due by 5:00 PM
June 1	Create for the Home Workshop Day
June 4	4-H Council Meeting
June 5	Tree & Horticulture Practice
June 5, 6 & 7	Tennis Lessons
June 7	Tree & Horticulture Contest
June 7	Extension Board Meeting
June 8	Clover Kids Camp
June 10	Presentation Contest
June 11	Camper Registration for Fair
June 11	Food Preservation Workshop
June 11, 12 & 13	County 4-H Camp
June 12	Child Care Workshop in conjunction with Head Start
June 12	Ag Society
June 15	Pre-Fair Entries & T-Shirt orders and payment Due by 5:00 PM
June 17	Father's Day
June 18	Bowling Tournament
June 21	Tennis Tournament
June 25 & 26	PASE & Life Challenge at UNL
June 28	Rocket Contest

Please Check the Adams County Web site at <http://www.adams.unl.edu/> for current calendar information.

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# Experience Summer with Adams County 4-H Clinics & Workshops

Youth must pre-register for all workshops or clinics at least one week prior to the event you are planning on attending. For more information or to register, please call UNL Extension in Adams County at (402) 461-7209. Workshops are open to all youth to attend until events are full.

## Large Animal Livestock Showmanship Clinic

Spend an evening learning tips, techniques, and test your showmanship skills with hands on experience for the species of Beef, Sheep, Swine, and Goats.

**Date:** Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Time:** 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

**Location:** Big Red Barn – Fonner Park,  
Grand Island NE

**Cost:** \$5.00 per Family

**Ages:** All



## Case of the Dark Night

Through the use of Wind Energy, Electricity, Robotics, Weather and more, you should be able to solve the Case of the Dark Night.

**Date:** Wednesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>

**Time:** 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**Location:** Adams County Office Building,  
Assembly Room

**Cost:** \$15.00

**Ages:** 10 years and older



## Going Digital



Are you interested in photography editing or making a video? Take a day to learn the skills and walk away feeling like a movie producer.

**Date:** Thursday, May 24<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Location:** Adams County Office Building,  
Assembly Room

**Cost:** \$10.00

**Ages:** 8 years and older



## Explode with Tie Dye

Learn the basics, folding, twisting, dipping and rinsing for the Beginners level. Advance Dyers will explore multiple techniques and mediums used for dying.

**Date:** Wednesday, May 30<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** Beginners: 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Advanced: 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Location:** Adams County Office Building,  
Assembly Room

**Cost:** \$10.00 for each session

**Ages:** 8 years and older





**Create for the Home**

Pick and choose from five projects while exploring and learning different crafting techniques: table runner (sewing), coasters (weaving), night light shade (beading), the never ending card (scrapbooking) and color exploration with Crayola® Crayons.

**Date:** Friday June 1<sup>st</sup>

**Time:** 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Location:** Adams County Office Building,  
Assembly Room

**Costs:** Based on the projects selected.  
Max of \$15.00 per project.

**Ages:** 8 years and older



**Clover Kids Day Camp –**

**Exploding with 4-H**

Youth will experience outdoor activities, crafts, and safety in the kitchen while making their own lunch. Experience a day at camp for the younger ages!

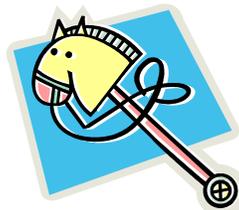
**Date:** Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Location:** Community Service Building,  
Adams County Fairgrounds

**Cost:** \$15.00

**Ages:** 5 to 7 year olds



is **AMAZING!**



**Food Preservation**

Ever wondered how to can your own green beans? Or how to make dried fruits, vegetables and herbs? Take a day to learn the art of preserving foods.

**Date:** Monday, June 11<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 10:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Location:** Adams County Office Building,  
Assembly Room

**Cost:** \$15.00

**Ages:** 12 years and older



**Exploring Child Development**

Observe youth, learn about proper child care while interacting with the children and creating a simple toy and packing a baby-sitting kit.

**Date:** Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

**Location:** Watson Elementary School in  
conjunction with Hasting Public  
Preschool Program

**Cost:** \$12.00

**Ages:** 12 years and older

