



**JUNE 2013**

## Adams County 4-H Newsletter

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### June

June 3	4-H Council Meeting
June 4 – 8	Good Sam Campers
June 4, 5 & 6	Tennis Practice
June 6	Extension Board Meeting
June 6	Tree & Hort. ID Contest
June 10 – 12	County Camp
June 11	District Horse Show
June 11	Ag Society Meeting
June 12-14	District Horse Shows
June 14	Pre-Fair Entry Forms Due
June 17	Bowling Tournament
June 18	Tie Dye Workshop
June 18-19	District Horse Shows
June 19	Presentation Contest
June 20	Tennis Tournament
June 24	Workshop - Pastries & Cookies ... Oh, my!
<b>June 25 &amp; 26</b>	Golf Practice
June 25	Workshop – Explore Nature
June 26	Workshop – Is there a scientist in my house
June 27	Workshop – Dressed ready to go....now Accessorize
June 27	Golf Tournament
June 27	Rocket Contest
June 28	Clover Kids Day Camp

### 2013 Fairbooks have Arrived

Please pick up your copy at the Extension Office!

### 4-H T-Shirts Orders are Due June 14th

### Important

Due to postal regulations, if you move please let us know asap. A lot of pre-fair mailings will be sent out this summer we need to be able to get the information to you in a timely & cost effective manner.

### Pre-Fair Entry Deadline for Fair 4-H Exhibits/Activities is Friday, June 14<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 horse 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 placing. 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 was mailed on May 31<sup>st</sup>.*

**Quality Assurance Training must be completed by June 14<sup>th</sup>.**



## Congratulations

### District Speech Contest

- Noah Pagel – Purple
- Sarah Barfknecht – Purple & Medalist

## Leaders & Parents Corner



### Junior Leader News

The Adams County 4-H Junior Leaders will NOT meet in June. 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 Council Information

### 4-H Council May Happenings

- Due to no quorum, the meeting was not held.

### June Agenda Items

- Review and make suggestions to improve 4-H Council Scholarship
- Fair Event Representatives
- County Camp Update
- Sheep & Goat Weigh Day Update
- Ribbons for Sponsors
- Spring Tractor Supply Paper Clover Promotion

### Concession Stand at County 4-H Horse Show

We are seeking youth or a club to sponsor and run a concession stand during the Adams County 4-H Horse Show. The date is Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup> from about 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity to give back to the program and be a part of the Adams County Fair. This is open to any youth or organization, not just 4-H youth or clubs. Please let Beth know if you or you know someone who is interested.

### Activity Center Volunteers

We are looking for 4-H Clubs and Independent Families to building sit during the County Fair. We are asking for you to call in to the Extension Office to sign up for a time when your club or family can help out. If volunteers do not step forward and sign up by July 5 we will be assigning times to families.

### Extension Corner

Have you ever had a question either relating to your 4-H project, needed information for a report, or were just curious about something? University of Nebraska–Lincoln Extension publications offer research-based, peer-reviewed objective information in a wide range of topics. Written by specialists and educators in UNL's Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, publication topics range from crop production to flower gardening and from managing your wildlife to managing your finances and communicating with your teenager.

## **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" 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)

## **Youth Information**

### **Summer Workshops**

Remember to sign-up for workshops! We hope that everyone can find at least one workshop that fits their interests. See workshop description flyer in last month's newsletter.

- June 18 – Tie Dye Workshop (Beginning & Advanced)
- June 24 – Pastries & Cookies, oh my.....!
- June 25 – Explore Nature Day Camp
- June 26 – Create for the Home Day
- June 27 – Dressed ready to go...now accessorize! Decorate you Duds Workshop
- June 28 – Clover Kids Camp

### **Recruiting youth for 2015 & 2017 CWF Conferences**

Youth who are 14 to 18 years old in the years of 2015 & 2017 are invited and welcomed to sign up for a trip of a lifetime! Youth will experience the cities of Chicago, New York City, Washington D.C. and more. We will stay at the 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland for a week of the Citizen Washington Focus Conference. We have fundraising opportunities throughout the year to help with the cost of the conference. If you are interested in attending any future conferences, please contact UNL Extension in Adams County at (402)461-7209. It is never too early to sign up!

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

**Good Sam Camper Food Stand** – June 4<sup>th</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup>. Workers are needed from: 10 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 2015 or 2017 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 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>**

Calling all youth ages 8 to 12 years old from Adams, Clay, Fillmore & Webster Counties to attend our **County Camp**. Due to some unplanned changes, the location will be changing. Final decision will be made soon. The dates will still be from **June 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013!!** Again this year we will take a bus for those that would like transportation to camp. We will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Adams County Extension Office. The cost of the county camp is \$135 with transportation or \$120 without transportation. Camp will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup> and end at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. Come have the **full camping experience** plus 4-H activities! This camp is not only for 4-H'ers, so tell all of your friends! **Registration is due to UNL Extension in Adams County by June 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Beth hopes to see you there!



### **2013 Big Red Summer Academic Camps**

The 2013 Big Red Summer Academic Camps, to be held **June 9-14, 2013**, are just around the corner! New camps for 2013 include App Development, Beef, and Engineering. Also offered are the focus areas of Crop Science, Culinary Arts and Food Science, Education, Fashion Design, Filmmaking, Unicameral Youth Legislature, and Veterinary Science. More information regarding Big Red Camps is available online at <http://bigredcamps.unl.edu>.

### **NEW -- BEEF Big Red Summer Camp**

New in 2013 Big Red Summer Camp – BEEF! Youth will have the opportunity to interact with Extension personnel (Educators and Specialists), industry representatives, and producers to gain a better understanding of the beef industry. As the youth work together to solve problems they will not only develop team building skills but also better understanding of all aspects of the beef industry! Early bird deadline ended April 1, but you can still register past that date. More information regarding Big Red Camps is available online at <http://bigredcamps.unl.edu>.

### **2013 Nebraska Youth Range Camp**

The Nebraska Youth Range Camp, to be held **June 10-14, 2013**, at the Nebraska State 4-H Camp at Halsey, consists of a dynamic curriculum that appeals to students with a wide array of interests including, but not limited to, rangeland management, conservation, ecology, animal science, and wildlife. With nearly 50 years to perfect and evolve this curriculum, every student, no matter what prior experience they have, will learn substantial information that will help them become more aware of Nebraska's most prevalent land use. Rangelands cover nearly 50% of Nebraska and approximately 60% of the United States. These numbers convey the dominance of this land use, but recently there has been several political issues regarding the management of these rangelands which further emphasizes the reason it is imperative for us to educate the youth so we may enable them to become proficient and effective leaders in resource management as well as educated voters. The students that attend this camp will be actively involved with lectures, field activities, hand-on experience, and recreational leadership and team-building activities that are all led by up to 20 of Nebraska's most respected and dedicated leaders, teachers, and professionals from various agencies, colleges, and universities. Each student will be sent home with a binder that is filled with educational materials. Must be 14-18 years old. Camp application and other information can be found online at <http://www.nesrm.org/YouthRangeCamp.html>.

### **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 16 - 19. 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 is \$190.00 that is to be paid with the registration which is due May 25<sup>th</sup>. Scholarships are available for the camp that may pay up to \$150 of the cost. Please contact the office for scholarship information. For more information about the program contact the Little Blue Natural Resources District at [www.nrdnet.org](http://www.nrdnet.org) or contact the Extension office.

### **NPower Leadership Conference**

The NPower Leadership Conference is the premier leadership development experience for Nebraska's future leaders. NPower has a partnership between 4-H, FFA, FBLA, FCCLA, DECA, SkillsUSA, HOSA, and Nebraska Human Resources Institute to provide a leadership development opportunity for all Nebraska youth leaders entering 6th-12th grades. NPower is all about: Nebraska's youth leaders Networking to INfluence community change and INitiate positive action for the Next generation. The conference will be July 8-10, 2013 or July 11-13, 2013. Youth can pick which 3-day session they wish to attend. The cost is \$150 and registration is available at [www.nestudentleadership.org](http://www.nestudentleadership.org). For more information, call 402-472-2805.



## **Tractor Safety Course**

Mark your calendar for the Nebraska Tractor Safety Course to be held for teens wanting to attend classes to learn to drive farm equipment. All youth aged 14 and 15 and working on a farm or ranch other than their own MUST be certified through a Hazardous Occupations Course. Successful completion of the course will allow trained youth to operate a tractor 20 PTO horsepower, or to connect or disconnect an implement or any of its parts to or from a tractor. Cost of course is \$60. Advanced registration is required; please check at the Extension Office for the registration form.

Training Dates & Locations:

- June 3-4 Farm/Ranch Museum, Gering
- June 6-7 Fairgrounds, Valentine
- June 10-11 Fairgrounds, Osceola
- June 13-14 WCREC, North Platte
- June 17-18 College Park, Grand Island

Training Courses are from 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM  
each day

## **Exhibiting Your School Projects at Fair**

Several projects 4-H members are completing at school can also be exhibited at the fair. Examples of these are family heritage books, bug collections, art projects and shop projects. Visit with the Extension Office Staff to make sure you are enrolled in the appropriate 4-H project and make sure you are following the 2013 Adams County Fairbook for your class entries.

## **County Fair Reminder**

If you are enrolled in a 4-H project, you cannot enter that category in Open Class. For instance, if you are enrolled in a foods project you are not allowed to enter any type of cooking in Open Class. Any entries made in Open Class will be disqualified for any ribbon/premium when the 4-H'er is enrolled in that project area. However, if you are not enrolled in a 4-H project that your exhibit will fit into, feel free to enter in Open Class.

## **Plan Ahead - Premier 4-H Science Award at State Fair**

**Objective:** Recognize 4-H youth static exhibits incorporating or demonstrating concepts from the areas of 4-H Science (science, technology, engineering, or applied math) at the Nebraska State Fair. Exhibits in all curriculum areas will be considered for the award.

**Curriculum Areas Targeted:** Animal Science, Communications/Expressive Arts, Consumer & Family Sciences, Environmental Education and Earth Science, Healthy Lifestyles, Leadership & Citizenship, Plant Sciences, Science Engineering & Technology (SET).

**Exhibit Entry:** Youth will identify exhibits to be considered for the Premier 4-H Science Award. They will be entered along with State Fair static entries. The Premier 4-H Science Award Application must be submitted along with a photograph of the exhibit.

**Judging:** Members of the 4-H Science work-group will serve as judges for the award. A score sheet will be used to judge each exhibit.

**Recognition:** All projects entered in this class will be recognized with a certificate attached to the original exhibit. Exhibits will be displayed within their original class.

Up to 20 top 4-H Science exhibits will be chosen from all curriculum areas and will receive a \$100 cash award sponsored by the Nebraska 4-H Foundation.

## **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. 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 14<sup>th</sup>**. The shirts may be long or short sleeve. Remember long sleeve shirts are recommended for cat and rabbit exhibitors. The order blank is attached.



## 2013 State Fair Information

The State Fair Premium and Rule book is now online at <http://4h.unl.edu/>

## 4-H Project Information

### Shooting Sports



#### Upcoming Shooting Sports Contests

- June 8-9 State 4-H Outdoor 3-D Archery, Norfolk

### Communications

#### Photography

The 2013 photography themes are:

- ***Unit II, Class 60 - 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.

- ***Unit III, Class 60 - NEBRASKA PHOTOGRAPHY CAREER EXHIBIT PRINT***

Explore a career as a Nebraska photographer. Portrait photographers specialize in individual or family portraits. Capture photos of *individuals or groups of people* and consider creative locations or props for your photo shoots.



#### Presentations Contest

The Adams County 4-H Presentations Contest will be **Wednesday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 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 Friday June 14<sup>th</sup> on Pre-Fair Entry Form by 5:00 p.m.** in the UNL Extension Office in Adams County.

### S.E.T. (Science, Engineering and Technology)

#### Rocket Contest

Enjoy an evening of shooting off rockets at the Adams County Rocket Contest on Thursday, **June 27<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 14<sup>th</sup> on Pre-Fair Entry Forms.**

## **Family and Consumer Science**

### **Fashion Review**

If you want to model in the Public Fashion Review, the night of July 11<sup>th</sup>, you must model before a judge earlier that day, with the exception of those 4-H'ers enrolled in Sewing for Fun or 4-H'ers wanting to model their workshop items. But they are highly encouraged to practice modeling from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. in the Activities Center, west end. Any 4-H'er modeling must complete a narration sheet and turn it into the Extension Office by June 14<sup>th</sup>. Please watch for the forms. They will be mailed in early June.

### **Sheep Lead**

A 4-H'er must be enrolled in a sheep or clothing project to participate. The sheep to be led can be owned or borrowed but must have been in the live Adams County Sheep Show (breeding ewe lambs or yearling ewes can be used.) They need to be halter broke. At least one of the garments worn by the contestant must be a minimum of 50% wool; this garment may be sewn, purchased or borrowed. Narration form and registration is due by June 14<sup>th</sup>.

### **2013 Food Review**

Start planning now for the food review contest on **July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1:00 PM** (set up starts at 12:00 PM).

*Food Review Themes for 2013 are:*

- **Fishing sack lunch** – Pack an on-the-go lunch that will be both safe to eat and deliciously satisfying to keep you going throughout a long day of fishing. Get creative and display what your sack lunch site might look like, too!
- **Take me out to the ballgame** – Baseball, America's pastime, has many traditions, including foods spectators eat while watching. Choose a sport you enjoy playing or watching and prepare a menu of game day foods. Don't forget to include lots of creativity in your display – the spectators at your Food Review display want to feel like they're sitting in the bleachers with you.
- **Goldenrod picnic** – Highlight Nebraska's state flower with your menu and Food Review display. Anything from a festive outdoor feast to formal indoor dining event works. Be creative!
- **MyPlate the international way** – Visit [choosemyplate.gov](http://choosemyplate.gov) to become more familiar with MyPlate, its key messages and major components. Then, create your own international version of MyPlate (keeping in mind MyPlate's messages and components) with a menu from a faraway country or culture different from yours.

Remember you must be enrolled in a 4-H foods project to participate. As a participant, it is wise to prepare 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 Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup> on the Pre-Fair Entry Form.**

## 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 July 3<sup>rd</sup>, and open to any 4-H member.

## Healthy Lifestyles



### **Tennis (you must be enrolled in Tennis for lessons and the tournament)**

Tennis lessons are held June 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> at Hastings College. The tournament will be held on Thursday, **June 20 at 4 p.m.** 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 15<sup>th</sup> and have pre-entered with medical release forms into the Extension Office by May 10<sup>th</sup>. Release forms were mailed out to 4-H'ers enrolled in the tennis project.

### **Golf**

The 4-H golf program is being planned with practices on **Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup>** beginning at 9:00 a.m. at Southern Hills Golf Course. The tournament (also at Southern Hills Golf Course) will begin at 8:00 a.m. on **Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup>**. The tournament fee is \$5 for non-members and \$1 for members. If you would like to participate, please remember you must be currently enrolled in the golf project and a signed current release form must be on file in the Extension Office. Release forms were mailed out to 4-H'ers enrolled in the golf project.



### **Bowling**



The bowling tournament is set for Monday, **June 17<sup>th</sup>**, with start times of 1:00 PM and 7:00 PM. Bowling **registrations are due to the Extension Office by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>**. The cost will be \$8.00 per person to be paid the day of the tournament. Each Participant will be allowed to bowl three games. You must have enrolled in the bowling project to participate in the tournament.

## Environmental Ed & Earth Science

### **Attention: All 4-H Exhibitors enrolled in Floriculture, House Plants, and Garden Projects**

As you establish your gardens this spring remember to keep the plant labels. Read the rules for exhibiting long before the fair arrives. You will find that the rules require you to include the cultivar or variety name on your entry card. If you do not include the cultivar or variety name, your entry is dropped one ribbon placing. What is the cultivar or variety name and where do you find it?

When you go to purchase your seeds and/or plants, the seed packet or container has a name on it. Example: Tomato. There are hundreds of different cultivars or varieties of tomatoes. You need to look closely at the seed packet or plant container to see which variety or cultivar you have purchased: Beefsteak, Brandywine, Early Girl, Park's Whopper, Celebrity, etc.

Cucumber—Burpless Beauty, Straight 8, Sweet Success, etc.

Green Beans—Tenderpick, Blue Lake, Big Kahuna, Burpee's Stringless Green Pod, etc.

Zinnia—State Fair Mix, Purple Prince, Jazzy Mix, Cut & Come Again, Double Fire, etc.

Apples—Granny Smith, Red Delicious, Gala, Yellow Delicious, Jonathan, etc.

Oriental Lilies—Bonbini, Casa Blanca, Golden Star Gazer, Tiger Edition, etc.

You will notice that variety and cultivar names are usually English words. If the seed packet or plant container does not include the variety or cultivar name, do not purchase it. (It is rare that this information is absent.)

HINT: Save seed packets and plant container markers.

**Ensure that you enter your project in the correct class and then add the variety or cultivar name.**

**ALERT ALERT ALERT ALERT ALERT ALERT**

There is no longer a weight limit for container-grown houseplants, hanging baskets, dish gardens, desert gardens, and terrariums. The current rule states that container-grown plants must be in containers no greater than 12 inches in diameter (inside opening measurement).

### **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 **Tuesday May 28, Thursday May 30, and Tuesday June 4**. The contest will be held on **Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>**. All sessions and the contest will begin at 9:00 am and will be held in the Webster Building on the Central Community College Campus.

### **2013 On-line Horticulture Judging Contest- June 14-24<sup>th</sup>**

Do you know what it takes to pick out the best produce at the grocery store or what judges are observing when they look at plants during county fair? We are excited to offer the opportunity to learn this and other important horticulture skills through the On-line Horticulture Judging Contest. This contest is open to 4-H members, their families, and Extension professionals and it can be used as a county contest or a qualifier contest for the State 4-H Horticulture Judging contest at State Fair (or for bragging rights among your peers). The horticulture judging contest consists of three parts; judging, knowledge exam, and identification of plant material which can include looking at plant parts, seeds, flowers, or vegetables. The link for this years' quiz is <http://www.proprofs.com/quiz-school/story.php?title=2010-nebraska-horticulture-judging-contest>. The quiz will be available from June 14-24<sup>th</sup> @ midnight and the password is Nebraska.

### **Insect Collecting Workshop**

Ron Seymour will be leading an insect collecting workshop in Hall County on **Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm**. This day of bugs will provide participants an opportunity to collect insects and learn how to make a county fair exhibit. If you are interested in participating, please call the UNL Extension Office in Hall County to register.

### **Insect Identification Contest**

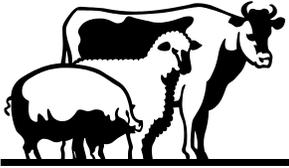
Insects are fun to work with and to identify. An identification contest has been scheduled for Wednesday, July 17<sup>th</sup> with check-in at 2:45 p.m. and the contest at 3:00 p.m. in the Youth Building at the Adams County Fairgrounds.

### **Project WILD and Growing Up WILD Workshops**

Project WILD is a national program designed to help educators teach about habitats, ecosystems, adaptations, biodiversity, cultural perspectives, human impacts on the environment, and wildlife management. In addition, Project WILD teaches basic observation skills, problem-solving and decision making skills. This interdisciplinary program teaches learners “how to think, not what to think!” All activities utilize a hands-on approach and ask students to be engaged in their learning. Activities are geared to students in kindergarten through 12th grades. Growing Up WILD is an early childhood education program that builds on children’s sense of wonder about nature. This program invites children to explore wildlife and the world around them through a wide range of fun and engaging activities and experiences. Growing Up WILD provides an early foundation for developing positive attitudes and behaviors about nature and life-long social and academic skills. Activities are designed for children ages 3-7 years old. Project guides for Project WILD and Growing Up WILD are available through attending a workshop. A list of upcoming workshops, led by the Nebraska Game and Parks, can be found at <http://outdoornebraska.ne.gov/wildlife/programs/projectwild/workshops.asp>

## **Crops Webpage for Youth**

The objective of this webpage is to provide a one spot stop with crop production information, some of it specific for Nebraska and some general crop information that can be used for a variety of locations. The webpage is divided into four main sections: crop and plant science facts, activities for youth, 4-H & FFA projects, and teaching activities & resources. “Crop and plant science facts” provides a short summary of crop statistics and other fun facts. “Activities for youth” has some fun crossword puzzles, word searches and other interactive activities for youth to participate. The 4-H and FFA project page has some of the opportunities available through 4-H and FFA such as Crop Science Investigation workshop series and other events related to crops. Finally, the “Teaching Activities and Resources” page currently has nine lessons available for anyone to download and teach hands-on activities to any age group. Check it out at <http://cropwatch.unl.edu/youth>



## **Livestock**

### **Market Broiler Tentative Arrival Date: Friday, 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.

### **Quality Assurance – Three Modules Due June 14<sup>th</sup>**

Quality Assurance is required for all youth showing Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goats, Dairy, Rabbits and Poultry. Again this year, we will be using the on-line module course! Youth are required to complete 3 modules (different modules than previously completed) in their appropriate age division and certificates turned in to the Adams County Extension Office by June 14, 2013. Each youth is required to have their **OWN** email address to participate in the on-line module course. You are to use the same user name and password that you used in 2012 for 2013. Please refer to April’s newsletter for step by step instructions for use of the modules. **Face to Face Quality Assurance – Held in Webster County** - For youth who prefer a face to face training, one will be held on June 7<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30 p.m. in Webster County. For more information, please call and register by contacting the Webster County office @ 402-746-3417.

### **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.

### **Poultry Judging**

The South Central Poultry Clinic and Judging Day will held in Nelson, NE on Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup> starting at 1:00 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.

### **Regional Dairy Show & Llama Exhibition Show**

Mark your calendars for the Regional Dairy Cow – Dairy Goat Youth Show to be held on Saturday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Clay County Fairgrounds in Clay Center. The show starts at 10:00 a.m. with Dairy Cows and Dairy Goats to follow or 12:00 p.m. Llama show to follow or 3:30 p.m. Remember Dairy Animals ID sheets and entry forms are due by June 14<sup>th</sup> to the Clay County Extension Office.

### **South Central Livestock Judging**

The South Central Livestock Clinic & Judging Contest will be held on Wednesday, June 19<sup>th</sup> in Bladen. Registration will be from 8:15 to 9:00 am with the clinic starting at 9:00 a.m. The Judging Contest will follow the clinic. This clinic and contest is to improve the skills for those that want to judge beef, sheep, swine, and goats.

### **South Central Livestock Exposition June 22**

The 4-H Junior Leaders of Webster County have announced that they will be sponsoring a South Central Nebraska Livestock Exposition that will be held in Bladen at the Webster County Fairgrounds on Saturday, June 22. The Exposition is a progressive show for market and breeding beef, market and breeding sheep and for market goats. There will also be showmanship classes in each species. The show is open to all 4-H and/or FFA exhibitors who are in good standing within their respective club or chapter and state association. Exhibitors can take advantage of an early entry fee of \$25.00 per beef entry and \$10.00 per sheep or goat entry which will be assessed if registrations are received by June 19. Fees can be sent with early registration or may be paid on site on June 21 & 22. For more information and entries, please contact any of the Webster County 4-H Young Leaders or Carol Kumke (Jr. Leader director, at [ckumke2@unl.edu](mailto:ckumke2@unl.edu)). Flyers, rules and entry forms are also available from the Webster County UNL Extension Office in Red Cloud at 402-746-3417 or on the web at [www.webster.unl.edu](http://www.webster.unl.edu). You may also email Dewey Lienemann (UNL Extension Educator for Webster County) at [dlienemann2@unl.edu](mailto:dlienemann2@unl.edu).

### **Animal Science Series**

Are you interested in learning more about livestock animals? Then attend the Animal Science Series! This is for any **youth that is 12 to 18 years old** and has an interest in beef, goats, poultry, sheep, and swine. You do not have to show an animal to be a part of the series. Unfortunately the deadline to go to Lincoln with the PASE team is past, however if you would like to attend the remaining sessions on June 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Assembly Room, please join us.

### **18th Annual Nebraska Livestock Judging Classic**

4-H'ers and parents the 18th Annual Nebraska Livestock Judging Classic will be held on **Saturday, June 15, 2013**, in Kearney. This is an excellent contest to get both senior and intermediate county teams seasoned for the state livestock judging contest. It's also small enough to send younger members to compete and get some valuable judging experience. Teams and individuals can register on-line at: <http://www.unl.edu/nljc>. The cost for each participant is \$15.00. We will also register individuals and teams the morning of the contest. If you have any questions regarding the event please contact Brian Bosshamer, Extension Educator in Buffalo County at 308-236-1235 or <mailto:bbosshamer1@unl.edu>

### **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 8<sup>th</sup> – Drop Off (a.m.)      July 9<sup>th</sup> – Viewing (p.m.)
- Beef:                      July 9<sup>th</sup> – Drop Off (a.m.)      July 11<sup>th</sup> – Viewing (p.m.)
- ALL SPECIES:              July 16<sup>th</sup> – Record books due by 8 p.m.      July 20<sup>th</sup> – Interviews (afternoon)

### **American Society Of Animal Science's Junior Member Magazine**

The American Society of Animal Sciences is launching a new magazine for Junior members. It is for elementary and middle school students to learn more about animal science and the careers available to them. For more information please visit their website at <http://takingstock.asas.org/?p=5323>. You can also contact Alli Raymond, Admissions Coordinator Animal Science Department, UNL, PO BOX 830908, Animal Science Building, Lincoln, NE 68583 or at 402-472-0204.

## State Fair Livestock Information

State Fair Livestock information is up at <http://statefair.org/fair/competitions/livestock.asp>. Please refer to this site for the general information, general rules, 4-H and FFA rules, youth dairy rules, health requirements. The 4-H fairbook can be found at <http://4h.unl.edu/nebraskastatefair>.

## 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!



### Horse Show Dates

#### **2013 District Horse Show Dates & Locations**

June 11 – Chadron

June 14 – Beatrice

June 12 – McCook

June 18 – O'Neill

June 13 – Lexington

June 19 – West Point

**The 2013 Fonner Park State 4-H Horse Show will be July 15-18.**

### Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Horse Show

The 2013 Ak-Sar-Ben Horse Show is scheduled for September 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Lancaster Event Center in Lincoln. Entries and Fees are due in the Adams County Extension Office July 26<sup>th</sup>.

## Dog

### Dog Obedience Classes

Dog Program Obedience classes, offered by Adams County Extension, continue to be held each Monday evening at 7:00 pm at the Adams County Fairgrounds in the west end of the Activities building. 4-H'ers can still participate as long as they have 1) Enrolled in 4-H and in the dog project, 2)

Vaccination record form completed and turned into the Extension Office and 3) \$10.00 class fee paid to the Extension Office before attending any class.



### Clover Kids Dog Class

A Clover Kids dog class will again be conducted at the county fair dog show. In order to participate, Clover Kids must have signed-up for 4-H, must have registered for the 4-H dog classes, and participate in at least four sessions. The sessions started on May 13<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 on May 19<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, and have received at least a red ribbon at a previous fair 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 practices.

# 4-H Calendar

## June

- June 3 4-H Council Meeting – 7:00PM @ Assembly Room  
June 4 – 8 Good Sam Campers @ Fairgrounds  
June 4, 5 & 6 Tennis Practice – 7:00 – 9:00PM @ Hastings College Outdoor Courts  
June 6 Extension Board Meeting – 7:00PM @ Assembly Room  
June 6 Tree & Hort. ID Contest – 9:00AM @ Webster Building – Central Community College  
June 10 – 12 County Camp  
June 11 District Horse Show @ Chadron  
June 11 Ag Society Meeting – 7:30PM @ Fairgrounds  
June 12 District Horse Show @ McCook  
June 13 District Horse Show @ Lexington  
June 14 District Horse Show @ Beatrice  
June 14 Pre-Fair Entry Forms Due by 5:00PM @ Extension Office  
June 17 Bowling Tournament – 1:00PM & 7:00PM @ Past Time Bowling  
June 18 Tie Dye Workshop – 10:00AM (Beginners) 1:30PM (Advanced) @ Assembly Room  
June 18 District Horse Show @ O’Neil  
June 19 Presentation Contest – 7:00PM @ Assembly Room  
June 19 District Horse Show @ West Point  
June 20 Tennis Tournament – 4:00 PM @ Hastings College Outdoor Courts  
June 24 Workshop - Pastries & Cookies ... Oh, my! - 9 to noon  
June 25 & 26 Golf Practice – 9:00AM @ Southern Hills Golf Course  
June 25 Workshop – Explore Nature – 10 to 3 pm  
June 26 Workshop – Is there a scientist in my house (Home Environment) – 10 to 3 pm  
June 27 Workshop – Dressed ready to go....now Accessorize (Decorate your Duds) – 10 to 3 pm  
June 27 Golf Tournament – 8:00 AM @ Southern Hills Golf Course  
June 27 Rocket Contest – 7:30PM @ Fairgrounds  
June 28 Clover Kids Day Camp – 10 to 2 pm

## July

- July 1 4-H Council Meeting– 7:00PM @ Assembly Room  
July 1 & 2 PASE & Life Challenge @ UNL  
July 3 Food Review & FCS Judging Contests– 1:00PM @ Fairgrounds  
July 4 Extension Office Closed  
July 8 Sheep/Swine Carcass Drop Off @ Butcher Shop, Fairfield  
July 8 Superintendents Meetings – 7:00PM Static & 8:00PM Livestock @ Fairgrounds  
July 9 Beef Carcass Drop Off @ Animal Clinic  
July 9 Sheep/Swine Viewing @ Butcher Shop, Fairfield  
July 9 Ag Society Meeting – 7:30PM @ Fairgrounds  
July 10 Fashion Show – Judging AM & Public Show 7:00PM @Fairgrounds  
July 11 Beef Carcass Viewing @ Butcher Shop, Fairfield  
July 12 Clothing Construction AM @ Fairgrounds  
July 12 Fair Clean Up – 5:00PM @ Fairgrounds  
July 13 Fair Parade – 10:00AM @ Downtown Hastings  
July 15 Static Entry Day & Judging @ Fairgrounds  
July 15 – 18 State Horse Show @ Fonner Park, Grand Island  
July 16 Livestock Entry Day @ Fairgrounds  
July 17 – 21 Adams County Fair @ Fairgrounds  
July 22 Livestock Auction – 9:00AM @ Fairgrounds  
July 22 Release of Static Exhibits – 45 minutes after the conclusion of the Livestock Auction or 1:00PM to 2:30PM or Evening Pick up – 5:30PM to 6:30PM @ Fairgrounds  
July 26 State Fair Static Exhibits, Contests & Livestock Entries Due by 5:00PM @ Extension Office

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

### 2013 4-H Council

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Order Deadline: JUNE 14th

2013 4-H SHORT SLEEVE T-SHIRT ORDER FORM

COST: YOUTH (10-12 Only) - \$9.00 ADULT (S - 1XL) \$10.00 ADULT (2XL OR 3XL) \$11.00

COLORS AVAILABLE: 4-H GREEN or ASH GRAY (Light gray)

	YOUTH - 10-12 Only	ADULT SMALL (is Youth 14-16)	ADULT MEDIUM	ADULT LARGE	ADULT 1X-LARGE	ADULT 2X-LARGE	ADULT 3X-LARGE
QUANTITY							
COLOR WANTED							

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

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2013 4-H LONG SLEEVE T-SHIRT ORDER FORM

COST: YOUTH (10-12 only) - \$13.00 ADULT (S - 1XL) \$14.00 ADULT (2XL ONLY) \$15.00

COLORS AVAILABLE: 4-H GREEN or ASH GRAY (Light gray)

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