



JULY 2012

Adams County 4-H Newsletter

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July 2	4-H Council Meeting
July 3	Static & Livestock Superintendent Meeting
July 4	Office Closed
July 5	Extension Board Meeting
July 6 & 9	Golf Practice
July 9, 10 & 12	Carcass Contest
July 11	Fashion Show Judging & Public Show
July 12	Golf Tournament
July 13	Clothing Construction
July 14	Fair Parade
July 15	Fair Clean-up & Set up
July 16	Static Entry Day
July 17	Livestock Entry Day
July 18 – 22	Fair
July 23	Livestock Auction
July 27	Due to Office: State Fair Post Cards, State Fair Entry Form& Fees, Ak-Sar-Ben Entries & Fees, 4-H Families Exhibitor Tickets ordered and paid for.

Attention

This is the last Newsletter before Adams County Fair and 2012 Nebraska State Fair! PLEASE read it all carefully!

Extension Office Closed

Wednesday, July 4th for Independence Day

Moving to the Fairgrounds

Extension Office will be closed from noon Friday, July 13 through Tuesday, July 24 at 8:00 a.m. Contact us at the 4-H Livestock Office on the fairgrounds.

The Livestock Office Phone Number is (402)462-8140.

A Note from the office:

County Fair is just around the corner, we would like to take a moment to reflect on the upcoming fair. We believe fair is a time to highlight 4-H projects and to socialize with fellow 4-H families. Fair should be a time of learning and FUN. We would hope that you too share in our vision and practice. With that being said, we would hope all of us are positive and cooperative while being great role models for our youth during the fair. Good luck to everyone on your 4-H projects!

For Parents Only... Encouragement and helping youth with their projects is part of the learning process in 4-H. Participation, competition, and the educational experiences are the reward and purpose of 4-H. Winning is secondary. Not everyone receives a champion or even a purple ribbon. This is one person's opinion on a particular day, and that person is the judge. The judge is always right; please remember this. Disagreements with other adults at the fair teach our youth nothing. If you have a problem, please come to the 4-H Livestock Office, and we will try to help solve it.



Thank you

- Thank you to Sharon Maul for providing the practice sessions and conducting the Tree and Horticulture Contest.
- Thank you to Diane Wigert for providing tennis lessons and conducting the Tennis Tournament.
- Thank you to the many helpers and instructors for your assistance during the summertime workshops.

Congratulations

- Wedding Bells have rung for Beth and Paul, they were united in marriage on June 23rd. Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Paul Janning.

Tree Identification and Horticulture Identification Contest

- Tree Identification Contest: Intermediate: Purple - Chase DeVries (Medalist); Blue – Morgan Stromer; Red – Brock Hinrichs; Senior: Purple - Bailey Hinrichs (Medalist); Red – Jonathan Niehueser
- Horticulture Identification Contest: Intermediate: Purple - Chase DeVries (Medalist); Blue – Morgan Stromer; Red – Brock Hinrichs; Senior – Purple - Bailey Hinrichs (Medalist); Red – Jonathan Niehueser

Presentation Contest

- Junior Division: Purple – Chance Mignery

Dist. Speech & PSA Results

- Speech Intermediate Division: Purple – Sarah Barfknecht
- PSA Intermediate Division: Blue – Rachel Kort

Food Revue Contest

- Jr. Division: Purple – Michaela Novak (Champion), Alexis Anderson (Reserve); Blue – Kieren Feeney, Morgan Mousel
- Intermediate Division: Purple – Abby Klammer (Champion); Blue – Morgan Stromer
- Senior Division: Purple – Carli Johnson (Champion), Ashley Petr (Co-Reserve), Megan Petr (Co-Reserve), Courtney Anderson; Blue – Casi Johnson

FCS Judging Contest

- Jr. Division: Purple - Alexis Anderson (Medalist), Kieren Feeney, Morgan Mousel, Michaela Novak
- Intermediate Division: Purple – Sarah Barfknecht (Medalist), Abby Klammer, Morgan Stromer
- Senior Division: Purple – Courtney Anderson (Medalist), Carli Johnson, Casi Johnson, Ashley Petr, Megan Petr

Bowling

- Jr. Division Individual: Purple – Jade Utter (Medalist), Hailey Schukei, Maguire Gangwish, Allison Everhart, Corbin Burbach, Cale Uhrmacher, Michaela Novak, Linnea Howie, Maggie Buhr; Blue - Jaiden Stiegemeier, Josiah Bronson, Paityn Jameson, Andrew Katzberg, Mya Engel,
- Intermediate Division Individual: Purple – Isaac Stutesman (Medalist), Cale Pleak, Casi Johnson, Landon Wright, Shianne Everhart, Lanay Grothen, Alex Heier; Blue – Sam Schukei, Hannah Buhr, Shailey Stiegemeier, Dariana Burr, Robert Binfield, Morgan Stromer; Red – Reggie Gangwish, Bricyn Jameson, Sarah Barfknecht, Kelsi Robinson, Abby Engel
- Senior Division Individual: Purple – Emily Klein (Medalist), Brenda Tran, Heiden Burbach; Blue – Kaley Shriver, Kory Heier, Emilie Kotas, Megan Petr, Breanna Jacobitz, Mariah Everhart; Red – JD Ochsner, Selena Burbach, Danielle Katzberg, Gavin Robinson; White - Katelyn Shriver, Cole Shurigar
- Team Bowling: Top Bowling Team Emily Klein/ Dalton Monnier; Purple – Emily Klein, Breanna Jacobitz;
- Blue – Heiden Burbach, Brenda Tran, Kory Heier, Jade Utter, Emilie Kotas, Megan Petr, Alex heier, Hannah Buhr, Maguire Gangwish, Cale Pleak, Dariana Burr, Casi Johnson, Laney Grothen Selena Burbach, Reggie Gangwish, Cale Uhrmacher; Red – Maggie Buhr, Landon Wright, Corbin Burbach, Brycin Jameson, Paityn Jameson, Kaley Shriver, Katelyn Shriver

Tennis

- Jr. Division Singles: Purple – Cale Uhrmacher (Medalist); Blue – Michaela Novak; Red – Joshua Niemeyer
- Intermediate Division Singles: Purple – Jacob Placke (Medalist); Blue – Catherine Schiffler; Red – Logan Collingham, Morgan Stromer, Abby Queen
- Senior Division Singles: Purple – Megan Petr, Carli Johnson, Brenda Tran; Blue – Adam Heier; Red – Casi Johnson

- Doubles: Purple – Lanay Grothen/Dariana Burr (Medalist); Blue – Kory Heier, Danielle Katzberg; Red – Sarah Barfknecht, Abby Klammer, Alexis Anderson

Regional Dairy Show

- Jr. Goat Showmanship: Blue – Amanda Smidt
- Intermediate Goat Showmanship: Purple – Kelsie Robinson (two animals) (Reserve Champion)
- Dairy Goat Under 5 months: Purple – Kelsie Robinson; Blue – Amanda Smidt
- 1 – 2 non-milking: Purple – Kelsie Robinson(two animals) (Champion)
- 2 -3 milking: Purple – Kelsie Robinson; Blue – Kelsie Robinson
- Mother/Daughter: Purple - Kelsie Robinson

District Horse Show Results

- Sr. English Pleasure, 15 & up: Purple – Ali Stark; Blue – Emily Bonifas
- Sr. English Equitation, 15 & up: Blue – Emily Bonifas
- Sr. Western Pleasure, 15 & up: Blue – Sadie Miller, Kylie Mohling, Meeka Reiman, Brenna Schneider; Red – Victoria Korth
- Jr. Western Pleasure Horses, 12 – 14: Blue – Lindsey Bowen; Red – Carie Murman
- Sr. Western Horsemanship, 15 & up: Purple – Brenna Schneider; Blue – Meeka Reiman, Sadie Miller; Red – Victoria Korth, Kylie Mohling, Ali Stark
- Jr. Western Horsemanship, 12 – 14: Blue – Lindsey Bowen, Carie Murman
- Sr. Pole Bending, 15 & up: Purple – Emily Bonifas (Medalist), Jordan Dassinger (Trophy), Sadie Miller; Blue – Ali Stark; Red – Victoria Korth, Kylie Mohling, Meeka Reiman, Brenna Schneider; White – Chelsea VonDorfecht
- Jr. Pole Bending, 12 – 14: Blue – Carie Murman
- Sr. Barrel Racing, 15 & up: Purple – Emily Bonifas (Trophy), Jordan Dassinger, Sadie Miller; Blue – Victoria Korth; Red – Kylie Mohling, Meeka Reiman, Brenna Schneider, Ali Stark, Chelsea VonDorfecht
- Jr. Barrel Racing, 12 – 14: Red – Carie Murman

Important Fair Information

Entry Tag Pick up

Entry Tags will be available for pick up on Wednesday July 11, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the North End of the Fairgrounds Activities Center, Friday July 13, in the West Conference Room of the Fairgrounds Activities Center 7:00 a.m. until noon and on July 15 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the West Conference Room of the Fairgrounds Activities Center. They will also be available during entry day at the North Entrance from 7:30 a.m. until 10:00 a.m.

Fair Clean-up

Please plan to help prepare the fairgrounds for the 2012 Adams County Fair. Clean-up will be held on **Sunday, July 15 from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. or until done.** Remember to bring cleaning supplies (both inside and outdoor). If you exhibit at the fair, this is a great way to help do some community service while getting your exhibits ready. Bonus points for herdsmanship will be given to clubs helping with clean up.

Premium List

Please remember to review and carefully read the rules in the Fair Book. This will help get exhibits displayed correctly, with the correct number of items, all information sheets and descriptions for items. For example, all foods must be entered with recipes and information sheets, and clothing items must be entered with clothing labels. Information sheets are no longer required for Clothing and Home Environment. If you are showing animals, make sure to follow the dress code and substitute showman rules.

Clover Kids Static Check-in

Clover Kids will have a “Show and Tell” during exhibit check-in on Monday, July 16th during Static Entry Day. The youth entering the exhibit will be asked questions such as: Who helped you make your exhibit? What was the best part about making this? What did you learn? This is to give Clover Kids an opportunity to talk about their exhibits and to learn about the interview process. We hope this is a fun and exciting learning experience!

Clothing Exhibits Entry

All Clothing and Fiber Arts exhibits including Decorate you Duds accessories (jewelry and leather) are required to be entered on Friday, July 13th. Please note this does not include any sewing that is done in the Home Environment area. Such as quilts, pillows etc. these are entered on Monday July 16th with the rest of the static exhibits.

Reminder for Entering Static Exhibits

Static Exhibits, except Clothing, are required to be entered from **7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on Monday July 16th**. Please use the North Doors at the West End of the Activities Center. If you have not picked up your entry tags or are bringing items that were not pre-entered, please proceed to the West Conference room to receive your entry tags. The superintendents, assistants and helpers will be floating around to help and answer any questions. Flower Barrels are entered at the West side of the breezeway. Any exhibits not entered by 10 a.m. will be considered a late entry and dropped one ribbon placing.

Oversized Static Exhibits

Arrangements must be made with Beth, Ron or Julie **prior to July 9th** for displaying your oversized exhibit (Restored vehicle, large woodworking or engineering items).

Interview Judging on Entry Day

Interview Judging is available for all non-animal areas, except foods and food preservation. You have the opportunity to discuss your exhibit with the judge. Please call the Extension Office (402-461-7209) for interview times or sign up before 10:00 a.m. on entry day. We will be filling the time schedule starting at 10:45 a.m. on Monday, July 16th on a first-come, first-serve basis. The times will be filled in order on the day they are received. You will only have 5 minutes with the judge for each exhibit; therefore, you will need to pick which exhibits you will want to interview judge. We highly encourage youth to participate in the interviews. This is an outstanding learning opportunity.

4-H Council Food Sale

This sale will take place from **12:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.** in the Activities Center on entry/judging day, July 16th. This is an excellent opportunity to taste many of the recipes made by the 4-H’ers.

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 project that your exhibit will fit into, feel free to enter in Open Class.

Release of Livestock

The release of retained “non-auction” livestock is Sunday, July 22nd at 8:00 PM. Release of retained auctioned livestock is Monday, July 23rd immediately following the auction. Any animals removed without approval will forfeit any premium money for that animal.

Release of Static Exhibits

The exhibits in the Activities Center will be released on Monday, July 23rd, 45 minutes after the conclusion of the Livestock Auction or 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m., or from 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Any items left after pick up times, the premium money will be forfeited.

Leaders & Parents Corner



Junior Leader News

The Adams County 4-H Junior Leaders will meet on **Sunday, July 15th**, 2:00 p.m. at the Jr. Leader food booth on the fairgrounds. If you have any questions, please contact Marilyn Shaw (402-756-6636).

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.

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 dates are Saturday, July 21st from about 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and then Sunday, July 22nd from about 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 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 someone you know is interested.

Jr. Leader Pancake Feed

The 4-H Jr. Leader Club would like to invite all 4-H'ers and their families to the Jr. Leader Pancake Feed on Sunday, July 22nd from 8:00 - 9:00 a.m., during the Adams County Fair. This is a free breakfast, table service and drinks are provided. The breakfast will be in front of the 4-H Livestock Office on the Fairgrounds.

Jr. Leader Church Service

The Jr. Leaders also invite you to join them in worship Sunday, July 22nd, during their 9:15 a.m. church service in the 4-H Livestock Arena.

Jr. Leader Dance

The 4-H Jr. Leader Club will be holding their annual 4-H Dance, Sunday July 22nd from 9:30 p.m. until midnight, in the Community Service Building at the Fairgrounds. The cost is three dollars (\$3.00) per individual. The dance is open to youth from 8-19 years of age. Pop will be available to purchase.

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 6 we will be assigning times to 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

"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!

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 Council Information

June Happenings

- Representatives for Fair Events
- Summer Workshop Updates
- Concessions for Adams County Horse Show

July Agenda Items

- Final Fair Prep



Youth Information

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2012 State Fair Information

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

The Experience of a Lifetime - 2013 Citizen Washington Focus

The countdown begins for an experience of a lifetime! We have T – 11 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.

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.



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.

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

Fashion Revue & Clothing Construction

Please watch the mail for letters sent to you specifically outlining the times and details for modeling your garment, and judging for construction. Clothing labels need to be attached to all exhibits, they are available at the Adams County Extension Office or you may make your own based upon rules in Adams County Fairbook. Information sheets are no longer required on clothing exhibits, however if you have special information that would be useful for a judge to know about your exhibit, it is highly recommended that you include it with your exhibit.

Fashion Board Meeting

Mark your calendar for **our next meeting Tuesday, July 10th, at 5:00 p.m. at the fairgrounds.** We will be decorating for Fashion Review.

Take the FCS Web Quiz!

Do you like computers? Are you between ages 8 and 12? If so, the Family and Consumer Science Web Quiz is just for you! This quiz lets you test how much you know about things like making food, staying healthy, baby-sitting, and much more. You can find the quiz on the 4-H website (<http://4h.unl.edu>). Once you take the quiz, your answers will be immediately graded and you will be able to find out how you did. You will also get a ribbon from the Adams County Extension Office. This is a GREAT way to have fun and keep learning!

Ice Cream in a Can or Bag

Remember there can be no raw eggs in your ice cream recipe. Youth must use an official 4-H recipe, copies are available in the Adams County Extension Office or on the Adams County website under Adams County 4-H.

Healthy Lifestyles

Golf

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



Environmental Ed & Earth Science

Insect Identification Contest

Insects are fun to work with and to identify. An identification contest has been scheduled for Wednesday, July 18th with check-in at 2:45 p.m. and the contest at 3:00 p.m. on in the Youth Building at the Adams County Fairgrounds.

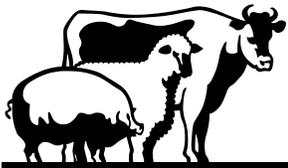
Grass, Weed, Forb, and Crop Identification Contest

The project practice sessions will change this year where growing plants found in fields and pastures will be highlighted. An initial meeting and practice session is scheduled for 7:00 pm on Tuesday, July 31 at Randy and Julie Ochsner's home located south of Juniata. Additional practice sessions will be scheduled at the first meeting. The contest is scheduled for 7:00 pm on August 16th Avolon Nelson's home.

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.



Livestock

Heads Up on Entry Deadline of July 27th

- All 4-H State Fair Livestock, Dog, Cat, Small Animal, Fashion Show and any contest entries are due to the Adams County Extension Office by Friday, July 27th at 5:00 p.m.
- July 27th - AK-SAR-BEN - all entries and fees due by 5:00 p.m. in the Adams County Extension Office
- State Fair Eligible Static Exhibit postcards due by 5:00 PM
- NO State Fair or AK-SAR-BEN Entries will be taken at the Livestock Office during Fair

Watch your mail for Livestock Packets to be mailed in early July!

Packets contain parking passes, ethics affidavits and more county fair information for animal exhibitors. Please look for these, as you will need to bring the paperwork with you to the fair.

Livestock Fair Check In

All beef, sheep, swine and goats are **entered** from **noon until weigh in time** on July 17th. Sheep, Goats and Swine weigh from 4:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Beef will begin weighing in at 8:00 p.m. Any livestock that is not entered during this time will be considered a late entry and dropped one ribbon placing. Remember that all ear tags or tattoos must match the Identification Sheets that were previously turned into the Extension Office. If an animal loses a tag, you must contact the Extension Office with the old ear tag number and get a replacement tag. The number will then be changed on your identification sheet. This must be done prior to entry time at the fair. **Attention Swine Exhibitors** the hog wash racks will be available on July 17th from noon until 3:30 p.m. and then reopened at 6:30 p.m. Please take these times into consideration when planning for your hogs to be washed prior to the Swine Show.

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.

- **Swine**
 - July 9th – Drop Off (a.m.)
 - July 10th – Viewing (p.m.)
- **Beef**
 - July 10th – Drop Off (a.m.)
 - July 12th – Viewing (p.m.)
- **ALL SPECIES**
 - July 17th – Record books due by 8 p.m.
 - July 21st – Interviews (afternoon)
- ***Carcass Contest Interview Sign up & Record Book Deadline:*** Call the Extension Office by July 17th at 8:00 p.m. for an interview time on Saturday, July 21st. Time slots are available starting at 3:00 p.m. Interviews will be held on the North End Conference Room of the Activities center. Record book information will be available to pick up at the office on July 13th. Record Books are due Tuesday, July 17th by 8:00 p.m. Please watch the mail for interview schedule times.

Bucket Calf Interview Sign Up & Record Book Deadline

Interviews will be held in the North Conference room in the Activities Center on Thursday, July 19th, starting at 3:00 p.m. You must sign up at the 4-H Livestock Office on the fairgrounds by noon on Thursday, July 19th. If you do not schedule a time, one will be scheduled for you. Your record books are also due by 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 19th, in the 4-H Livestock Office. If you would like to have the information from your record book to study from, please make a copy of the materials before you turn them in.

Swine Bred and Fed

Due to lack of participation, there will not be a Bred and Fed Market Hog Contest at the 2012 Adams County Fair.

County Sheep Shearing Day

All 4-H sheep participants are invited to sign up for the County Slick Shear on Sunday, July 15th. No reservations will be taken it is first come first serve (starting very early approximately sunrise).

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 by calling 1-866-USDA-TAG or 1-866-873-2824 for your free Scrapies tags. If you are purchasing sheep or goats, make sure that the producer puts a scrapies tag in the ear before you accept them.

Pee Wee Sheep Show

This year's Pee Wee Sheep show will be held on Thursday, July 19th, after Sheep Showmanship. Youth ages 4 to 7 can participate. The Pee Wee showmanship is sponsored by West Blue Wranglers 4-H Club. To sign-up, please stop by the 4-H Livestock Office on July 19th. We will not register show participants though the Adams County Extension Office. Participation is limited due to the number of donated awards. In order to show, you must borrow a lamb from someone you know. Much fun is had by all, hope to see you there!

Upcoming Horse, Livestock and Small Animal Shows and events

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

Horse Show Dates

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



2012 AK-SAR-BEN Dates

September 15th & 17th – 4-H Horse Show at the Lancaster Event Center in Lincoln
September 27th – 30th – Stock Show at the Quest Center in Omaha

Dog



Dog Obedience Classes

The 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.

Two classes have been added to the Obedience Division:

- L701045 ADVANCED GRADUATE NOVICE – heel on leash and figure 8 (off leash), drop on recall, dumbbell recall, recall over high jump, recall over broad jump, and long down.
- L701055 GRADUATE OPEN – signal exercise, scent discrimination, directed retrieve, moving stand and examination, go out, and directed jumping.

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.

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 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.

Dog Agility Fair Class Designations

The dog agility designations for classes at county fair have changed as following to coordinate with the state fair classes please see the fair premium book for a description of these classes:

- L702001 Pre-Beginning Agility is equal to Level 1 agility
- L702003 Beginning Agility is equal to Level 2 agility
- L702005 Intermediate Agility is equal to Level 4 agility
- L702006 Advanced Agility is equal to Level 5 agility

A new agility class has been added:

- L702004 Level 3: This level includes 10 obstacles – same obstacles as Level 2 (aka Beginning Agility) but dogs run off leash for Level 3.

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 13th and 14th, 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.

STATE FAIR INFORMATION

2012 State Fair Information

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

State Contests Pre-entries

Please note that State contest pre entries are due to the Adams County Extension Office by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, July 27th. Examples: Fashion Show & Presentation Contest

Static State Fair Exhibits

All static State Fair exhibits, which received a state fair sticker and letter at County Fair must return the reply card to the Adams County Extension Office no later than July 27th. Exhibits going to State Fair should be brought to the office on Monday, August 20th and Tuesday August 22nd by 4:00 p.m. We will not accept exhibits any day other than these. No early arrivals will be accepted.

2012 State Fair Ticket Procedure Policy:

Exhibitor tickets are available to **4-H families only**. The cost is \$4.00 each. 4-H livestock exhibitors will receive one exhibitor livestock badge; additional badges may be purchased for \$20.00 each. A 50¢ handling fee will be added to your total order. **These tickets must be ordered and pre-paid through the Adams County Extension Office by July 27th at 5:00 p.m.** Outside gate admission will be \$10.00, with \$5.00 days on Monday, Aug 27th, and Wednesday, Aug 29th. Children 6 to 12 will be \$3.00 every day and children 5 and under will be free every day. Parking on the fairgrounds is FREE again this year. The State Fair Ticket Office cannot accept orders for exhibitor tickets from anyone but the Extension Office - **NO EXCEPTIONS**. 4-H'ers participating in Fashion Shows, Companion Animals, Dog Show, Presentations, events and contests will receive one admission for each day they participate. **Sponsors or chaperones will not receive a free ticket this year.**

Join the Fun at the State Fair as a Volunteer!

The Nebraska 4-H program is seeking volunteers to help with exhibit entry day, judging, and serving as 4-H exhibit building hosts and greeters. Volunteers will be needed for educational activities in the 4-H building, serving as the Lil' Green Mascot and assisting with all 4-H contests and events throughout the fair. State Fair 4-H volunteers will receive a fair pass for the day(s) they volunteer. Volunteers can sign-up by visiting <http://4h.unl.edu/becomevolunteer> or by contacting your local extension office. A complete list of volunteer opportunities is also available on the site. If you have questions about being a 4-H volunteer at the Nebraska State Fair, please contact Cathy Johnston, Extension Educator, at (402) 472-1762 or cjohnston1@unl.edu.

Some things to think about during show seasons...

Eleven Commandments for Parents with Youth showing animals...

(this can also be applied to any project)

- Thou shalt not feed, train, and take care of the animal for thou art trying to teach the child responsibility.
- Thou shalt forgive a child for making mistakes in the show ring for thou hath made mistakes too.
- Thou shalt not get mad when thy child forgets items in the show box for one day thou may forget the show box.
- Thou shalt help the show management for they are doing a job that thou would not want to do.
- Thou shalt make sure thy child has animals entered and registration papers in order by the designated time.
- Thou shalt teach thy child that winning a blue ribbon is a desirable goal but making friends along the way is a more worthy goal.
- Thou shalt not complain about the judge for it is THEIR opinion that has been sought.
- Thou shalt remember that animal science projects are teaching projects, not necessarily money making projects.
- Thou shalt remember that the livestock project is a family project that shall be enjoyed and supported by the entire family.
- Thou shalt show good sportsmanship by encouraging and supporting all 4-H youth in their endeavors.
- Thou shalt have fun, and enjoy showing whether we win or lose.

4-H Calendar

JULY

July 2	4-H Council Meeting – 7:00 PM
July 3	Static Superintendent Meeting - 6:30 PM – Assembly Room
July 3	Livestock Superintendent Meeting – 8:00 PM – West Conference Room Fairgrounds
July 4	Independence Day – Office Closed
July 5	Extension Board – 7:00 PM
July 6	Golf Practice – 9:00 AM
July 9	Golf Practice – 9:00 AM
July 9	Carcass Contest Swine drop off
July 10	Carcass Swine Viewing
July 10	Carcass Contest Beef drop off
July 10	Ag Society – 7:30 PM
July 11	Fashion Show Judging – 9:00 AM & Public Fashion Show – 7:00 PM
July 12	Beef Carcass Viewing
July 12	Golf Tournament – 8:00 AM
July 13	Clothing Construction Judging & Interview– 7:30 – 10:00 AM
July 14	4-H Parade – 10:00 AM
July 15	Fair Clean up – 2:00 PM
July 15 - 19	State Horse 4-H Show in GI
July 16	Entry Day – Static Exhibits (except Clothing) – 7:30 AM – 10:00 AM
July 17	Entry Day – Livestock – stalled after 12:00 noon – weighed according to species
July 18-22	FAIR WEEK
July 21	Carcass Interviews – 3:30 AM
July 23	4-H Livestock Auction – 9:00 AM
July 23	Release Static Exhibits – (45 min after auction or 1:00pm to 2:30pm AND 5:30pm to 6:30pm)
July 27	State Fair animal entries & contests along with fees due by 5:00 PM to Extension staff
July 27	State Fair Static cards returned and AK-SAR-BEN entries and fees due by 5:00 PM
July 27	State Fair Family Discount Tickets ordered and Paid for by 5:00 PM

AUGUST

August 2	Extension Board – 7:00 PM
August 14	Ag. Society – 7:30 PM
August 16	Weed & Grass ID County Contest – 7:00 PM
August 20 – 21	Bring State Fair Entries to Extension Office
August 24 – September 3	NEBRASKA STATE FAIR

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

2012 4-H Council

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**Please take time to THANK these above individuals for their
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