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Adams County 4-H Newsletter

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Extension Office will be Closed for Labor Day on Monday September 7th.

Record Books, Career Portfolios, Diamond Clover Applications and Golden Clover Applications are due in the Extension Office by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 15th.

Fair Evaluation

The 4-H Council would like to invite you to attend the Fair Evaluation on August 24th at 6:30 p.m. in the Assembly Room. Everyone is welcome to attend. No action on items will take place at the meeting however, we would like to hear your thoughts on the 2015 Adams County Fair and pre-fair events.

Static State Fair Exhibits

All Exhibits going to State Fair should be delivered to the Assembly Room in the Adams County Office Building (300 N St. Joseph) on Tuesday, August 25th from 7:30 AM to 6:00 PM. We will not accept exhibits any other day. No early arrivals will be accepted. Pick up for the static exhibits will be from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM on Wednesday, September 9th in the Assembly Room.

4-H Council Challenge to Members

We are very excited that the Adams County Ag Society is continuing the work toward a new facility for the fairgrounds. To help them out with their fundraising for the building and items to be used in this facility we would like to challenge the Adams County 4-H members and families to help raise some money. Clubs and independent members are challenged to help us raise $10,000 by the end of 2015. You can do this by fundraising and/or donating, we ask you not to solicit businesses, but you can be creative in your efforts to help out. Some ideas might include: car washes, bake sales etc….
A Note from the office:
Our office wants to say Thank You to the:

- Youth for participating and making the 4-H program and fair worthwhile.
- Superintendents and assistants for all their hard work and time.
- Leaders, parents, and grandparents for assisting our youth to get them ready for fair.
- Volunteers for their time and belief in the program.
- Jr. Leaders for their food stand throughout the week of County Fair.
- Judges for their constructive criticism to help our youth learn & improve for next year.
- Ag. Society for working with us and supporting the 4-H program.
- Chamber of Commerce for organizing and supporting the Livestock Auction.
- Ruhter Auction for running the Livestock Auction.
- All businesses that attended and bought animals at the Livestock Auction.
- 4-H Council for their guidance throughout the year.
- Community for visiting the fair, giving donations, and supporting the program.
- Summer Intern at the Extension Office: “Thanks for all your help and assistance, Crystal Barfknecht.”

Remember Thank-Yous
Please remember to send your special thank you notes. Some of the people that you may need to thank are: the Ag. Society members, Fairgrounds Staff, Morrison Enterprises (ribbons), livestock auction buyers, Hastings Chamber of Commerce Ag. Committee and Doug Nienhueser, Ruhter Auction Company, Gaylin Prior and Adams County Bank, Marilyn Shaw and the Jr. Leaders (food booth), your leaders and your parents (who are always supportive of you and your adventures).

To all our fine 4-H contestants at the 2015 Adams County Fair, Regional & District shows, and State Events you all deserve another round of applause.

Golf
- Senior Division: Medalist Landon Wright
- Intermediate Division: Medalist Cale Uhrmacher
- Junior Division: Medalist Xander Uhrmacher

Tennis
- Senior Division - Single: Medalist Lanay Grothen
- Intermediate Division – Single: Medalist Cale Uhrmacher
- Junior Division – Single: Medalist Xander Uhrmacher

Bowling
- Senior Division: Medalist Brenda Tran
- Intermediate Division: Medalist Corbin Burbach
- Junior Division: Medalist Taylor Ablott

Dog Skillathon Contest
- Senior Division: Medalist Amber Hollister
- Intermediate Division: Medalist Allison Everhart
Junior Division: Medalist Ellie Marker

Livestock Judging Contest
- Senior Division: 1st place Medalist – Megan Petr; 2nd place – Ashley Petr; 3rd Place – Carie Murman
- Intermediate Division: 1st place Medalist – Nathan Anderson; 2nd place – Gage Wright; 3rd place – Blake Frink
- Junior Division: 1st place Medalist – Brooke Allen; 2nd place – Mikealya Samuelson; 3rd place – Cameron Czekai

Poultry Judging Contest
- Senior Division: Champion – Chase DeVries

Round Robin Showmanship
- 1st Place: Calvin DeVries
- 2nd Place: Chase DeVries

Herdsmanship Winners
- Beef: Wanda Drovers
- Swine: Lucky Leaf
- Sheep: Wanda Drovers
- Goats: Wanda Drovers
- Rabbits: Wanda Drovers

Carcass Contest
- Beef – Champion – Grace Eckhardt; Reserve Champion – Drew Katzberg
- Swine – Champion – Allison Everhart; Reserve Champion – Shianne Everhart

Insect Identification Contest
- Senior Division Medalist: Calvin DeVries
- Intermediate Division Medalist: Kieren Feeney
- Junior Division Medalist: Evan Frink

Horticulture Identification
- Intermediate Division – Medalist: Ben Kamrath
- Junior Division: - Medalist: Noah Kamrath

Tree Identification
- Intermediate Division – Medalist: Ben Kamrath
- Junior Division – Medalist: Noah Kamrath

Ice Cream in a Can Contest
- Senior Division: Champion – Dariana Burr; Reserve Champion – Catherine Schiffler
- Intermediate Division: Champion – Blake Frink; Reserve Champion – Claire Binfield
- Junior Division: Champion – Kassie Kimle; Reserve Champion – Jenna Csecrle

Rocket Contest
- Grand Champion – Katelyn Csecrle; Reserve Champion – Taylor Ablott

Flower Barrel Contest
- Senior Division: 1st Place – Courtney Anderson; 2nd Place – Abby Queen; 3rd Place – Kira Middleton
Intermediate Division: 1st Place – Alexis Anderson; 2nd Place – Grace Eckhardt; 3rd Place – Jaiden Stiegemeier
Junior Division: 1st Place – Bailey Middleton; 2nd Place – Xander Uhrmacher; 3rd Place – Cameron Czekai

PASE – State Event
- Team members: Robert Binfield, Dariana Burr, Chase DeVries, Kieren Feeney, Blake Frink, Alex Heier, Chance Mignery & Elizabeth Trausch
- Livestock Judging – 5th Place Beef Intermediate Individual – Chance Mignery; 10th Place Overall Intermediate Team – Chance Mignery, Blake Frink & Kieren Feeney

Life Challenge – State Event
- Team members: Sarah Barfknecht, April Crandell, Grace Eckhardt, Hailey Griswold, Bailey Johnson, Casi Johnson, Catherine Schiffler, Shailey Stiegemeier, Morgan Stromer, Rachel Svoboda and Brenda Tran.
- Child Development Challenge: Casi Johnson, Shailey Stiegemeier & Rachel Svoboda – 5th place, Greatest Motivation to Change Behavior
- Healthy Living Skillathon: Brenda Tran, Sarah Barfknechet, Morgan Stromer & Grace Eckhardt – 4th Place; April Crandell, Catherine Schiffler, Bailey Johnson & Hailey Grizwold – 6th place
- Design Challenge: Brenda Tran, Sarah Barfknechet, Morgan Stromer & Grace Eckhardt – 1st place, Best over all design
- Food & Nutrition Challenge: April Crandell, Catherine Schiffler, Bailey Johnson & Hailey Grizwold – 7th Place

Regional Dairy Goat Show
- Sr. Dairy Goat Showmanship: Purple - Kelsie Robinson (Champion)
- Under 5 months: Purple – Kelsie Robinson; Blue – Kelsie Robinson
- Year to 2 year, non-milking: Purple – Kelsie Robinson (2)(Champion)
- Under 2 year, milking: Purple – Kelsie Robinson
- 2 years, milking: Purple – Kelsie Robinson (Overall Reserve Champion)
- 3 years, milking: Purple – Kelsie Robinson
- 4 years and over, milking: Purple – Kelsie Robinson (Champion)
- Dairy Goat Herd: Purple - Kelsie Robinson
- Mother/Daughter: Purple – Kelsie Robinson

District Horse Results
- Sr. Hunter Under Saddle, 15 & up: Blue – Carie Murman
- Sr. Western Pleasure Horses 15 & up: Blue – Breanna Schneider
- Jr. Western Pleasure Horses 10 – 14: Purple – Chance Mignery (Grand Champion); Red – Tara Allen, Ashlyn Mohling, Gage Wright
- Sr. Western Horsemanship 15 & up: Blue – Brenna Schneider
- Jr. Western Horsemanship 10 – 14: Purple – Chance Mignery (Grand Champion); Blue – Tara Allen; Red – Gage Wright, Ashlyn Mohling
- Sr. Pole Bending 15 & up: Blue - Carie Murman
- Jr. Pole Bending 10 – 14: Blue – Ashlyn Mohling
- Sr. Barrel Racing 15 & up: Purple – Carie Murman (Grand Champion)
- Jr. Barrel Racing 10 – 14: Purple – Ashlyn Mohling

State Horse Results
- Sr. Hunter Under Saddle Horses: Blue – Carie Murman
- Jr. Showmanship 10 – 14: Purple – Tara Allen; Blue – Chance Mignery
- Rance Horse Pleasure: Red – Ashlyn Mohling
• Jr. Western Pleasure 10 – 14: Blue – Chance Mignery
• Sr. Western Pleasure 15 & up: Blue – Brenna Schneider
• Jr. Western Horsemanship 10 – 14: Purple – Chance Mignery (4th place); Blue – Tara Allen
• Sr. Western Horsemanship 15 & up: Red – Brenna Schneider
• Jr. Pole Bending: Purple – Ashlyn Mohling (7th Place)
• Sr. Pole Bending: Red – Carie Murman
• Jr. Barrels: White – Ashlyn Mohling
• Sr. Barrels: Purple – Carie Murman (10th place)
• Horse Judging Contest: Red – (Team) Tara Allen, Chance Mignery, Ashlyn Mohling & Gage Wright
• Horse Judging Contest: Blue – (Individual) Tara Allen, Chance Mignery, Ashlyn Mohling & Gage Wright

Nebraska State 4-H 3D Tournament
• CMBB: Nate Raney – 3rd, Dietrich Raney – 7th
• CMFU: Ashten Duering – 1st, Jacob Deckert – 13th
• YFFU: Kristina Sheppard – 5th, Allison Haller – 6th
• YMFU: Luke Chamberlain – 10th, Jaiden Stiegemeier
• YAFBB: Morgan Stromer – 1st
• YAFFU: April Crandell – 3rd, Sarah Allen – 4th, Shailey Stiegemeier – 6th

Nebraska State 4-H Outdoor 600 Target
• CMBB: Nate Raney – 4th, Dietrich Raney – 5th
• CMFU: Ashten Duering – 3rd, Jacob Keen – 5th
• YFFU: Allison Haller – 9th, Kristina Sheppard
• YMFU: Luke Chamberlain & Dylan Anderson – 7th, Jaiden Stiegemeier – 9th
• YAFBB: Morgan Stromer – 1st
• YAFFU: April Crandell – 3rd, Shailey Stiegemeier – 6th

Leaders & Parents Corner

Junior Leader News
The next Adams County 4-H Junior Leaders meeting will be posted in the next newsletter. They will be gearing up for the 2016 year. If you have any questions, please contact Marilyn Shaw (402-756-6636) or the Adams County Extension Office (402-461-7209).

4-H Council Information

July 4-H Council Happenings:
• Merlyn Lay Memorial
• Safety at Adams County Fair

August – September 4-H Council Agenda Items:
• Fair Evaluation meeting at 6:30 PM
• Achievement Party & Leaders Banquet
• Committee Meetings
STATE FAIR INFORMATION

2015 State Fair Information
The State Fair Premium and Rule book is now online at http://4h.unl.edu/

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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.

Youth Information

Recruiting youth for 2016 & 2019 CWF Conferences
Please take note we have changed the year we are going!
Youth who are 15 to 18 years old in the years of 2016 & 2019 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. If you are interested in attending any future conferences, please contact NE Extension in Adams County at (402)461-7209. It is never too early to sign up.

Record Books, Career Portfolios, Diamond Clover Applications and Golden Clover Applications are due in the Extension Office by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 15th.

4-H Career Portfolio Workshops
The 4-H Career Portfolio is a great way to wrap up the 4-H year. Career Portfolios helps record:
• 4-H Project Accomplishments (which projects you did this year and what did you learn from them).
• Leadership community service, volunteer, citizenship and educational experiences (what community service and leadership experiences did the youth have this year).
• Non-4-H experience (what other activities does the 4-Her participate in (i.e. sports, band, school clubs, community activities).
• 4-H Career Story allows youth to share the progress within a single project area (start to explore a 4-Hers passions, what do you particularly enjoy or excel in).
You can download the 4-H Career Portfolio templates and tips on how to complete from the following website: http://4h.unl.edu/careerportfolio or go to http://adams.unl.edu/adamscounty4h
If you’re curious about doing a Career Portfolio and want more information, this month Julie and Steve will be presenting some tips on how to complete it. The dates are Tuesday, August 18 at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, August 22 at 9:00 a.m. both held in the Assembly room at the Adams County Building. We are requiring youth to pre-register for this workshop by Monday, August 17.
Project Information

Shooting Sports

Adams County 4-H Shooting Sports Participants – please pick up your items in the Extension Office!

Family and Consumer Science

Quilts of Valor Statewide Challenge
Nebraska 4-H will be accepting Quilts of Valor at the 2015 Nebraska State Fair. Quilts that received purple ribbons at the county fair can be entered and judged in the Quilt Quest, Home Environment and Citizenship project areas. All other Quilts of Valor that will not be judged can be dropped off in Adams County during the Adams County state fair drop off time on Aug 25th. We plan on displaying all Quilts of Valor at the fair and have the “Quilts of Valor Presentation” on Saturday, August 29th beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the 4-H Building. 4-H’ers and volunteers who have made and donated quilts will be recognized as their quilt is shown on stage.

Environmental Ed & Earth Science

Agronomy Projects
As crop harvest approaches, it is a good time to consider creating an agronomy exhibit that you may show at next year’s fair. These projects provide an excellent opportunity to learn the requirements in producing a crop. If you or someone in your family raised a field crop, simply sit down and create a two-page report about the procedures required to grow the crop. Then fill a gallon container of the grain or select ten grain ears, (corn or milo), for display and you are done. Stop by or call the Adams County Extension Office if you would like more information on these projects.

Largest Ear of Corn Contest
We plan to continue this contest, with sponsorship of a cash prize to the winners. Now is a good time to start to think about next year’s project. If a 4-H’er grew a corn crop or helped a member of their immediate family grow a corn crop this year, then you can exhibit a collection of ten corn ears at the 2016 Adams County Fair. The contest will have two classes, one for yellow corn and one for white corn. Call the Extension Office if you would like more information about this contest and project.

Livestock

2015 AK-SAR-BEN Dates
September 19th & 20th – 4-H Horse Show at the Lancaster Event Center in Lincoln
September 24th – 27th – Stock Show at the Century Link in Omaha
UNL Recruitment

The Animal Science Department will be hosting an open house this fall on October 26 from 6-8 p.m. held at the Animal Science Complex in Lincoln. This opportunity will provide potential students more information about majors, opportunities and careers relating to animal science. More information can be attained by contacting Lisa Karr-Lilienthal, 402-472-6458, karr-lilienthal2@unl.edu

Red Letter Days are an opportunity for you to explore college life at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln during your senior or junior year of high school. At this open house event, you'll get to:
Explore campus with a current UNL student as your guide
Attend academic informational sessions
See what it's like to live in a residence hall
Learn about ways to get involved on campus
Find out important admissions, scholarship and financial aid information
If you’re interested in attending the following dates, please contact: Liz Adams, Special Events Assistant Coordinator: lizadams@experience.unl.edu

Dates include:
- September 25
- October 9
- October 23
- November 2
- November 13
- November 20
**AUGUST**

August 19     Grass & Weed Contest – 6:30 PM @ Ochsners
August 24     Fair Evaluation Meeting - 6:30 p.m. @ Assembly Room
               4-H Council Meeting following Fair Evaluation Meeting
August 25     State Fair Static Entries Due by 6:00 PM @ Assembly Room
August 28 – September 7     Nebraska State Fair @ Grand Island

**SEPTEMBER**

September 3     Extension Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m. @ Assembly Room
September 7     Holiday – Labor Day
September 8     Ag. Society Meeting – 7:30 p.m. @ Fairgrounds
September 9     Pick up your State Fair Static Exhibits 10:00 a.m – 5:00 p.m. @ Assembly Room
September 15     Premium Checks mailed
               Record Books, Career Portfolios & Golden Clover Applications due by 5:00PM @
               Extension Office
September 19 - 20     AK-SAR-BEN 4-H Horse Show
September 24 – 27     AK-SAR-BEN 4-H Stock Show

Please Check the Adams County Web site at [http://www.adams.unl.edu/](http://www.adams.unl.edu/) for current calendar information.
2015 4-H Council

Lynn DeVries  Ange Shipman  JR LEADER REPS:  Doug Nienhueser – Chamber
Mike Eckhardt  Kathleen Stromer  Chase DeVries  of Commerce Rep
Kirk Feeney  Morgan Trausch  Morgan Stromer  Twila Bankson – Ag Society
Brett Mohling  Lori Vorderstrasse  Brenda Tran  Rep
Michael Schukei  Amy Wilson

Please take time to THANK these above individuals for their hard work and dedication to the Adams County 4-H Program!!!

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