



SEPTEMBER 2011

Adams County 4-H Newsletter

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SEPTEMBER

September 1	Extension Board
September 5	Holiday – Labor Day
September 7	Pick up your State Fair Static Exhibits
September 12	4-H Council
September 13	Ag. Society
September 15	Distribution of Premium Checks
	Record Books due
	Career Portfolios due
	Diamond Clover Applications due
	Golden Clover Applications due
September 13 – 15	Husker Harvest Days
September 17 & 18	AK-SAR-BEN 4-H Horse Show
September 22 – 23	AK-SAR-BEN 4-H Stock Show

Static State Fair Exhibits

Pick up your exhibits after State Fair on Wednesday, September 7th, from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. in the Assembly room of the Adams County Office Building.

Premium Checks for club leaders and independent members will be ready on Thursday, September 15th.

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

Remember Thank-You's

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).

National 4-H Week – October 2nd – 8th, 2011

Let's show our 4-H pride in Adams County by *Joining the Revolution of Responsibility*. As 4-H members, we know and understand what we gain from being a member of Adams County 4-H. This year, let's spread the news! We challenge 4-H'ers to create a short 2 to 4 minute video on why they are a part of 4-H. This could be done by a club, family, or individual. These videos will be posted on the UNL Extension Adams County 4-H website. In addition, we need youth to participate in a radio series that will be aired the week of October 2nd – 8th, 2011. Please feel free to do this in a group, individual, or a family! If you are interested, please let Beth know by Friday, September 9th to allow time to pre-record in the KHAS radio station.



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

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

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 help at the Extension Office: Morgan Meyer, Crystal Barfknecht and Adam Heier “Thanks for all your help and assistance.”
- Ken Stein for hauling the Adams County 4-H exhibits to the State Fair.

Items Left in Office

Please, Please, Please stop by the office and pick up your award/certificates, and/or record books. People have donated money and time for these materials. Please show them that you appreciate their efforts by at least picking up your material. Many people have come in and picked up their items and that is greatly appreciated.



*To all our fine 4-H contestants at the 2011 Adams County Fair,
you all deserve another round of applause.*

Bowling Tournament Results

Junior Division (8-10 years old)

Purples: Jade Utter (Medalist), Maguire Gangwish, Allison Haller, Abby Queen, Haley Schukei

Blues: Josiah Bronson, Cosette LuVaas, Michaela Novak, Cale Uhrmacher

Reds: Alexis Anderson, Allison Everhart, Andrew Katzberg, Jaden Nienhueser

Intermediate Division (11-13 years old)

Purples: Isaac Stuesman (Medalist), Shianne Everhart, Mariah Everhart, Megan Petr

Blues: Michael Bates, Dariana Burr, Alex Heier, Kory Heier, Jonathan Nienhueser, Ashley Petr, Cale Pleak, Cole Shurigar.

Reds: Sarah Barfknecht, Reggie Gangwish, Noble Henderson, Regan LuVaas, Samuel Schukei, Morgan Stromer

Senior Division (14-18 years old)

Purples: Justin Kotas (Medalist), Cara Crandell, Kayla Hurd, Emily Klein, Jamie Klein, Katherine Kotas

Blues: Adam Heier, JD Ochsner, Kaley Shriver, Katelyn Shriver

Reds: Devon Burr, April Crandell, Carli Johnson, Danielle Katzberg, Austin Schroeder, Brenda Tran

Teams

Purples: Emily Klein/ Katie Wilkenson (Top Team), Devon Burr/Derek Jensen, Jamie Klein/Katie Wilkinson, Kayla Hurd/Andrew Schulte

Blues: Cara Crandell/Richard Crandell, Adam Heier/Keith Heier, Megan Petr/Randy Petr, Kaley Shriver/Sharon Shriver, April Crandell/Liz Harman, Katelyn Shriver/Sharon Shriver, Cale Pleak/Denise Pleak

Reds: Reggie Gangwish/Mark Gangwish, Kory Heier/Deidra Heier, Alex Heier/Deidra Heier, Brenda Tran/Dayna Rundle, Michael Bates/Matthew Moller.

Tennis

- Singles - Junior. Division: Purples – Abby Queen (Medalist); Blues – Josiah Bronson, Cale Uhrmacher; Reds – Joy Berg
- Singles – Intermediate. Division: Purples – Ashley Petr (Medalist), Megan Petr; Blues – Mariah Bates, Michael Bates; Reds – Casi Johnson
- Singles – Senior. Division: Purples – Chelsi Johnson (Medalist); Blues – Carli Johnson; Reds – Brenda Tran
- Doubles – Intermediate Division: Purples – Dariana Burr/Lanay Grothen; Blues – Sarah Barfknecht/Abby Klammer

Golf

- Junior Division: Purples – Gage Wright (Medalist), Cale Uhrmacher; Blues – Cale Henderson, Jaiden Stiegemeier
- Intermediate Division: Purples – Landon Wright (Medalist), Megan Petr; Blues – Jonathan Nienhueser, Ashley Petr; Reds – Shailey Stiegemeier
- Senior Division: Blues – Jay Kort

Dog Skillathon Contest

- Senior Division Medalist – Chelsea VonDerfecht
- Intermediate Division Medalist – Courtney Anderson
- Junior Division Medalist – Alexis Anderson

Livestock Judging Contest

- Senior Division Medalist – Austin Schroeder
- Intermediate Division Medalist – Alex Heier
- Junior Division Medalist – Claire Binfield

Round Robin Showmanship

- 1st Place – Taylor Kort
- 2nd Place – JD Ochsner
- 3rd Place – Cale Buhr

Herdsmanship Winners

- Beef – Wanda Drovers
- Swine – Blue River Champs
- Sheep/Goats – Wanda Drovers
- Horse – Blue Valley Blazers

Poultry Judging Contest

- Junior Division: Purples – Chase DeVries (Medalist)
- Senior Division: Purples – Ryan Pavelka (Medalist), Blues – Calvin DeVries, Trevor DeVries

Insect Identification Contest

- Junior Division: Purples – Chase DeVries (Medalist)
- Senior Division: Purples – Trevor DeVries (Medalist), Calvin DeVries

Food Revue

- Junior Division: Purples – Alexis Anderson (Medalist), Becca Arneson, Michaela Novak; Blues – Morgan Mousel
- Intermediate Division: Purples – Abby Klammer (Medalist), Courtney Anderson, Cassandra Karr, Ashley Petr, Megan Petr; Blues – Mariah Bates, Casi Johnson, Amanda Karr
- Senior Division: Purples – Chelsi Johnson (Medalist), Carli Johnson, Blues – Emily Streff

FCS Contest

- Junior Division: Purples – Michaela Novak (Medalist), Alexis Anderson, Becca Arneson, Morgan Mousel
- Intermediate Division: Purples – Abby Klammer (Medalist), Courtney Anderson, Cassandra Karr, Megan Petr; Blues – Mariah Bates, Casi Johnson, Amanda Karr, Ashley Petr
- Senior Division: Purples – Emily Streff (Medalist), Chelsi Johnson, Blues – Carli Johnson, Elaine Streff

Rocket Contest

- Junior Division: Blues – Zachery Griswold, Jaiden Stiegemeier
- Intermediate Division: Purples – Riley Paulson (Medalist), Michale Bates, Isaac Stutesman

Grass and Weed ID Contest

- Junior Division: Blues – Jaiden Nienhueser
- Intermediate Division: Purples – Jonathan Nienhueser (Medalist); Blues – Alex Heier, Kory Heier, Brody Auen
- Senior Division: Purples – Adam Heier (Medalist); Blues – JD Ochsner; Reds – Cara Crandell

PASE

- Champion State Poultry Team members: Jared Brockman, Calvin DeVries, Trevor DeVries and Ryan Pavelka
- Adams/Clay County Team members: Jared Brockman, Cara Crandell, Calvin DeVries, Trevor DeVries, Cara Felber, Adam Heier, Bailey Hinrichs, Harrison McMahon, Allysa Novak and JD Ochsner.

Life Challenge

- Adams County Team members: Crystal Barfknecht, April Crandell, Carli Johnson, Casi Johnson, Chelsi Johnson, Carissa Kopisch, Madison Pleak, Dana Rundle, Morgan Stromer and Brenda Tran.

State Clover Challenge

- Champion Team – Adams County: Crystal Barfknecht, April Crandell, Chelsi Johnson and Madison Pleak

State Horse Results

- Sr. English Pleasure: Blues – Emily Bonifas
- Sr. Western Pleasure Horses: Purples – Meeka Reiman, Blues – Victoria Korth
- Sr. Western Horsemanship: Blues – Victoria Korth
- Sr. Barrel Racing: Purples – Emily Bonifas (Champion), Reds – Victoria Korth
- Sr. Pole Bending: Whites – Emily Bonifas
- Sr. Showmanship: Blues – Victoria Korth, Danielle Nordby, Reds – Meeka Reiman
- Yearling Fillies (Lunging Halter): Purples – Victoria Korth (Reserve), Meeka Reiman
- Yearling Geldings (Lunging Halter): Purples – Brenna Schneider (Champion)
- 2 Year Old Geldings (Lunging Halter): Purples – Meeka Reiman (Champion)
- 3 Year Old Western Pleasure: Purples – Victoria Korth
- 4 & 5 Year Old Geldings: Purples – Victoria Korth
- Jr. Western Pleasure Horses: Purples – Brenna Schneider
- Jr. Western Horsemanship: Reds – Brenna Schneider
- Jr. English Pleasure: Blues – Jordan Dassinger
- Jr. Pole Bending: Purples – Jordan Dassinger
- Jr. Barrel Racing: Purples – Jordan Dassinger
- Jr. Showmanship: Whites – Jordan Dassinger
- Trail Horse: Reds – Victoria Korth

Loup Valley Livesock Challenge

- Lacey Uden – First place in swine showmanship

Clover Caughts during Fair

- **Jake Trausch** - He helped out his sister, He helped break up pigs fighting in the holding pens & helping the round robin participants on how to show a sheep.
- **Patrick Hermann** - Helping other exhibitors at the Hog show.
- **Taylor Kort** - Assisting younger youth during the Swine show. Also a strong advocate for animal agriculture. Went above and beyond to help throughout the entire day and show.
- **Jay Kort** - Helping out at the Hog Show & hauled woodchips to Cattle showing exit, where cattle were all sinking and spooking, on his own initiative.
- **Mariah Everhart** - Mariah was in the pig barn when a lady walking through came up to her telling her a pig was not looking good; she immediately got an adult and a leader to help the pig.
- **Grace Eckhardt** - For letting me use her sheep for Pee Wee Sheep Show & good job on your first year in 4-H!
- **Bailey Hinrichs** - For helping me with my cows.
- **Chase DeVries** - Thanks for helping Emma in the Pee Wee Sheep Show! It meant a lot to her!
- **Trevor DeVries** - For helping Sam in the Pee Wee Sheep Show! “Thank you for letting me help you make ice cream”. Helping younger 4-H kids work on poultry showmanship.
- **Lance McKay** - Lance has kept his calf area in the beef barn in great shape & cleaning my alleyway and by my stalls while I was busy at the Sheep Show!



- **Ashlyn Mohling** - Ashlyn helped me walk and wash my sheep.
- **Garrett Nathan** - Thank you for helping me with my 1st year in 4-H!
- **Mashaylla Peterson** - Thank You for helping me with my sheep!
- **Abby Shipman** - She helps me show all of my animals.
- **Rachel Kort** - Helped catch a loose lamb & for being a great 4-Her, helping with Sheep Lead.
- **Chance and Brody Vorderstraue** – Catching a girl’s loose goat for her.
- **Brandon Bankson** - Helped fellow 4-H member during the Beef Show.
- **Ryan Kleier** - Ryan filled fellow 4-H'er's waters for swine and was not asked or told to do so.
- **Sierra Salazar** - Stuck with showing her steer and never gave up!
- **Drew Katzberg** - Picked up empty soap bottles down by the wash rack after the Cattle Show & helped younger child in Pee Wee Sheep Show.
- **Jack & Christian Barry** - Greeting & being friends to the residents of Mid-Nebraska Individual Services.
- **Hailee Stark** – Hailee watered my calf while I was away.
- **Chase DeVries** – Helped his brother Trevor set up his Ice-cream in a Can supplies while he was showing poultry.
- **Jon Nienhueser** – Helping a youth clean his cow stall.
- **Calvin DeVries** - He helped in the 4-H Small Animal Clinic and the presentation at the Hastings Public Library.
- **Ali Stark** - Helped with Therapeutic Horse Riding without hesitation and stepped up to fill in & worked with the Allen girls on Showmanship for Horse Show on Saturday.
- **Elaine Streff** – Checked on Genny’s rabbit & poultry yesterday morning.
- **Dariana Burr** – Heard about your thoughtfulness during Intermediate Chicken Showmanship!
- **Carie Murman** – Helped me catch my horse!
- **Abby Shipman** – Abby showed my steer.
- **Emil Sommerfeld** – Has always helped with my steer without being asked.
- **JD Ochsner** – For being a great 4-H'er, helping with Sheep Lead.
- **Emily Bonifas** - Helped me learn to show horses.
- **Lacy Uden** - Helped me learn to show a cow.
- **Quinten St. John** - First year in goat showmanship.
- **Megan Shipman** - Cooling hot pigs.
- **Bailey Hinrichs & Brock Hinrichs** - Cooling everyone’s hot pigs & shared wheel barrow with us.
- **Steven Hermann** - Cooling hot pigs and helping move pigs.
- **Kylie Mohling** - Helped me learn to lead show horses.
- **Nolan Barry** - Helping me clean my sheep pen.
- **Dustin Wolfe** -Helping another boy with his “runaway” goat!
- **Cale Buhr** - Helped as a substitute showman for sheep.
- **Danielle Katzberg** - Helped younger child in Pee Wee Sheep Show.



Leaders & Parents Corner



Junior Leader News

There will be no meeting in September. Reorganizational meeting will be held in October. Please watch for more information in the October newsletter. The Jr. Leader Club would like to thank everyone for their support at the food booth during the fair. Once again we had a successful and profitable year. Please remember to turn in your Jr. Leader record books by September 15.

Fall 4-H Tractor Supply Company Paper Clover Promotion

The Fall Tractor Supply Company Paper Clover promotion will be held from **Wednesday, Sept. 21st to Sunday, Oct. 2nd**! This promotion is also a great way to build momentum for National 4-H Week October 2-8. If a club, family, or member would like to do something special at the Hastings Tractor Supply Company, please talk with Beth about how to implement your idea!

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

Career Portfolio Judges

Volunteers will be needed to read a neighboring county's Career Portfolio books sometime in October. If you are interested in helping, please call the Extension Office and offer your services. Benefits include: learning how other 4-H'ers fill-out their books, finding new ideas for projects and visiting with other 4-H volunteers about the recording process.

4-H Council Information

August 4-H Council Items Discussed or Passed

- Fair evaluation items

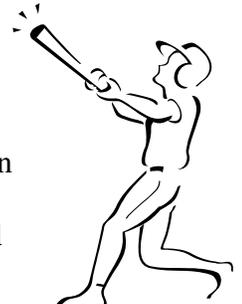
September 4-H Council Agenda

- Rocket Contest Medals
- New 4-H T-shirt design contest
- National 4-H Week
- Plan Committee Meetings

Youth Information

Go to Bat for 4-H

Want the chance to win tickets to the 2011 Major League Baseball World Series and help 4-H win \$25,000? You have a chance to do both just by visiting the State Fair Go To Bat web site at http://mlb.mlb.com/mlb/sweepstakes/y2011/state_farm/gotobat/index.jsp Choose the "Health and Human Services" category and pick "National 4-H Council" as your charity. You can play up to 3 times each week.



Nebraska 4-H Ambassador Program

Nebraska 4-H Youth Development and the Nebraska 4-H Foundation have created a unique opportunity for Nebraska's Collegiate 4-H Alumni - the Nebraska 4-H Ambassador Program! We are seeking five college level students to join our current 4-H Ambassador Team in their wish to be an advocate for the Nebraska 4-H Program. Applications are currently being accepted through **September 23, 2011**; application materials can be found at <http://www.ne4hfoundation.org/resources/4-h-ambassadors>. For any questions, contact Stu Shepherd at (402) 472-9019 or [email at sshepherd3@unlnotes.unl.edu](mailto:sshepherd3@unlnotes.unl.edu).

Tell Nebraska 4-H Foundation Your 4-H Story!

Tell us your 4-H story and help your county 4-H Program win \$1,000! The Nebraska 4-H Foundation will award \$1,000 to the county of your choice. To enter, submit your 4-H story (a favorite memory, best experience, etc.). Stories may be used in future 4-H publications or online. You may share your story online at <http://ne4hfoundation.org> and click on "Tell Us Your Story Here!" or stop by the Nebraska 4-H Foundation booth at the Nebraska State Fair. By sharing your story, you will be entered into a drawing. The winner can choose which county 4-H program will receive the \$1,000 prize!

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

RECORD BOOK TIPS

- Due in the Extension Office on Thursday, September 15, by 5:00 p.m.
- Can be either hand-written, typed or computer-generated.
- List complete project name not exhibits.
- Need to have three to four goals. Goals should be specific and list what your actions will be to accomplish the goal, include the project, action results and a timetable.
- All pages need to be filled out completely.
- Under the resources section, list money spent by parents as well as yourself.
- Under the record at fair and/or shows section, recognition would be ribbons and special awards.
- Be sure to get a leader's signature or if independent, a parent's signature. Don't forget your own signature.

CAREER PORTFOLIO

- Due in the Adams County Extension Office on Thursday, September 15th, by 5:00 p.m.
- Apply for county, district and state awards.
- Must be in project area for two years and currently taking a project from the area.
- Stop in the office and pick up the 2011 Career Portfolio information or go to our website www.adams.unl.edu/4h and download them directly to your computer.
- Keeping the Career Portfolio updated will make life easier when filling out scholarships and awards application, because everything you have done in 4-H, school, church, and community is all in one location.
- Beth and Julie will be available to help 4-H'ers with their Career Portfolios prior to Thursday, September 15th, please call (402)461-7209 to make an appointment.
- NOTE: County Awards Entry Form needs to be included along with the Career Portfolio Application Form.

Golden Clover

Adams County 4-H Youth members that are 15 years old (4-H age) are welcome and invited to apply for the Golden Clover Award. This award is to recognize two outstanding and well rounded youth involved in Adams County 4-H Program. Youth must complete the Golden Clover Application and return it to the Adams County Extension Office on September 15, 2011. The application can be found on the website at: <http://adams.unl.edu>. As a Golden Clover, you will be an ambassador for Adams County 4-H by promoting 4-H, and assisting at pre-fair and fair events throughout the year.

Nebraska 4-H Diamond Clover Program

The Nebraska 4-H Diamond Clover Program is designed to encourage 4-H youth to engage in a variety of projects and activities that will enable members to acquire the life skills necessary to lead successful lives as competent, caring and contributing citizens. The program's overall goal is to provide 4-H members a rich and diverse learning experience. The program consists of six levels that require a 4-H member to plan and report a broad range of age-appropriate accomplishments. The program is designed to enable every 4-H member, willing to exert the effort, an opportunity to be recognized, regardless of how they are involved in 4-H.

Levels of Recognition:

Level 1 – Amethyst

Level 2 – Aquamarine

Level 3 – Ruby

Level 4 – Sapphire

Level 5 – Emerald

Level 6 – Diamond

Forms are available at the Extension Office and due in the Adams County Extension Office by Thursday, September 15th.

4-H Project Information

Workshop Ideas

We are looking for ideas for workshops in 2012. We would like to hear ideas of what you would be willing to attend. We would also like to hear from you regarding what times would work best for most people, after school, ½ days when school is out, Saturday's, etc. Please contact the Extension Office 402-461-7209 and let us know what YOU are interested in.



Shooting Sports

4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification Workshop in Grand Island, NE

A Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification Workshop has been scheduled for October 15 & 16, 2010, at the Heartland Public Shooting Park in Grand Island, NE. Tentative registration deadline is October 5th. Adult volunteers and junior leaders can choose to become certified in Archery, Rifle, Shotgun and Pistol. Participants will learn under expert instruction from members of the Nebraska State 4-H Shooting Sports Team and National instructors. The registration fee for Archery, Rifle & Shotgun is approximately \$65 for initial certification and approximately \$55 per person that is adding a discipline. For first time pistol certification it is approximately \$130, and approximately \$110 if adding the pistol discipline. This fee includes meals, supplies and program materials. Participants must make their own lodging arrangements. Participants may apply for scholarships provided by the Adams County 4-H Council to help with funds. A second training will be held November 5th & 6th at the Nebraska State 4-H Camp in Halsey, NE. Costs should be similar. More information is to come.

Family and Consumer Science

Service Project Opportunity - Kases for Kids

Adams County 4-H'ers have been asked to help with Kases for Kids. Pillowcases, sewn by others, will be given to children in hospitals. The goal is to provide a comforting and colorful pillowcase to children spending time away from their familiar beds. Pillowcases will be distributed through Saint Francis Medical Center, Mary Lanning Memorial Hospital and Children's Hospital & Medical Center/Omaha. The Founder's goal is to have 1,000 pillowcases by November 14th from Central Nebraska. Adams County Extension would like 4-H'ers to sew at least one pillowcase. These pillowcases will be given to Kases for Kids on Sunday, November 6, 2011 at the Adams County 4-H Achievement Night.

You are Invited

To: Kases for Kids Pajama Party
We will be making pillowcases (to be donated to children in hospitals) and homemade pizza
When: October 15 from 4:30 p.m. till 10:00 p.m.
Where: Adams County Building – Assembly Room
Wear your slippers and pajama pants.
Bring your pillow and 1 ½ yds of cotton fabric to donate for making a pillow case.
Bring \$5.00 to cover the cost of pizza and pop.
If you have any questions please give Beth or Julie a call.
RSVP by Friday, October 7th at 402-461-7209.

4-H Quilt of Valor Statewide Challenge

The challenge continues: Now on to year two of a state-wide 4-H Quilts of Valor Challenge for 4-H'ers, families and/or volunteers to create and donate quilts to service men and women who are protecting our country and who are "touched by war." The quilts will be collected and given through the Quilts of Valor Foundation. The finished quilt size must be no smaller than 55" x 65" or no larger than 72" x 90".

Clothing

Make It Yourself With Wool

The 2011 Make It Yourself With Wool State Contest will be held on Saturday, November 19 at UNL East Campus in the Home Economics Building in Lincoln. Entries are due to your District and State Director by Saturday, October 29th. Forms are available in our office.



Field Notes

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 2012 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.

Dog

Dog Obedience Classes

Dog Obedience classes, offered by Adams County Extension, continue to be held each Monday evening at 7:00 p.m. at the Adams County Fairgrounds in the west end of the Activities building.

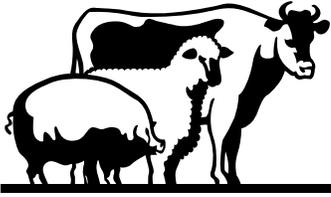
4-H Dog Agility Practices

Dog agility classes are being held at the Penrose Dog Ranch, 3400 South Wabash Ave. every Sunday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. except on holiday weekends. Parental attendance is required at the classes.

2011 Nebraska 4-H Dog Expo

The Nebraska 4-H Dog Expo will be held at the Adams County Fairgrounds in Hastings on **September 24th and 25th, 2011**. Early bird registration was due on September 1st, with final registration due on Friday, September 16th. 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 guidance and hunting. The education program will include clinics on dog behavior, dog biology, animal photography, showing tips and dog related careers. Fun activities will include rally, dog tricks and dog costumes. Please plan on joining us for this fun activity.

Livestock



Auction Thank You Certificates

The thank you certificates that the Extension Office prepares for the auction buyers are available for 4-H'ers to hand deliver. The certificates are an excellent way to show the buyers how important their support of the 4-H auction truly is. The certificates are ready to be picked up at the Extension Office.

2011 AK-SAR-BEN Dates

September 17th & 18th – 4-H Horse Show at the Lancaster Event Center in Lincoln

September 22nd – 25th – 4-H Stock Show at the Century Link Center (formerly the Quest Center) in Omaha

Horsin Around 2012 Date Announced

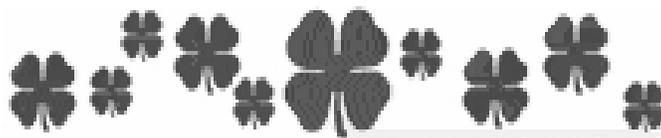
Save the dates of Jan 14 and 15, 2012 for Horsin Around. The featured trainer will be Robin Frid of Denton, TX. To learn more about Robin you can go to his web site at: <http://www.robinfrid.com/>

4-H Trail Ride

The 4-H Trail Ride will be held at Halsey on October 7-9. It is a weekend of fun for the whole family. Four trail rides are planned through the hills and trees of the forest where riders will see some of the most scenic sites of Nebraska. Wagons will be available for the non horse riders, a steak fry will be held in the evening followed by entertainment and a craft exercise. Sunday will bring a cowboy inspirational breakfast and more trail riding. Go to the website: <http://www.ne4hfoundation.org/events> for complete information.

Horse Show

Saturday, September 10th in Carleton, NE



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October 10	Holiday – Columbus Day
October 11	Ag. Society Meeting
October 15	Kases for Kids Pajama Party

NOVEMBER

November 3	Extension Board Meeting
November 6	4-H Achievement Night & Volunteer/Leaders Banquet
November TBA	4-H Council Meeting
November 8	Ag. Society Meeting
November 11	Holiday – Veteran’s Day
November 24 & 25	Holiday - Thanksgiving

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2011 4-H Council

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