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Adams County 4-H Newsletter

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Premium Checks for 4-H members were MAILED on Monday, September 15th, need to be cashed by 12/12/14 please. If you were expecting one and did not receive it, Please contact the Extension Office.

National 4-H Week – October 5th – 11th

Let's show our 4-H pride in Adams County by celebrating National 4-H Week by participating in "Wear 4-H T-Shirt Day" on Monday, October 6th.

Extension Office Closed

In observation of Columbus Day the Adams County Extension office will be closed on October 13th.

Fundraiser Support from Tractor Supply Company

Mark your calendar! The Fall Paper Clover Promotion of 4-H and Tractor Supply Company will be held **October 8-19, 2014**, at TSC locations nationwide. Here's what is happening at our Hastings store; on October 11, Clay and Webster County 4-Hers will be at the store from 10:00 a.m. till noon sponsoring a 4-H Clover Scavenger Hunt. Adams County 4-H will set up a display on October 15th through October 19th with 4-H members on site Sunday, October 19 from 1:00 p.m to 3:00 p.m. with games and coloring for the youth. Show your support to the local 4-H program by coming out to shop at TSC during the Clover Promotion.

It's a PARTY! It's all about our outstanding Adams County 4-H'ers!

Mark your calendar *NOW* for this fun filled **Achievement Party** on **Sunday afternoon starting at 2 p.m., November 9th** at the Activities Building on the Adams County Fairgrounds. **Let's Party** to celebrate our youth's achievements in 2014!

Leaders/Volunteer Banquet

Be sure to mark your calendar for Sunday, November 9th at the Activities Building on the Adams County Fairgrounds. Leaders/Volunteer Banquet begins at 5:30 p.m. Volunteers and Leaders can expect to receive an invitation to banquet soon.



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.



*To the Adams County 4-H contestants at the 2014
Nebraska State Fair, you all deserve another round of applause.*

Results can be found at the Nebraska 4-H web site at: <http://4h.unl.edu/programs/statefair/results/>

Special Recognition

- **Robert Hillestad Textile Gallery** – Alternate - April Crandell (Quilt)
- **Quilt Quest Outstanding Exhibit** – April Crandell – Premier Quilt, computerized
- **Quilts of Valor** – Rural Ranchers & Bailey Johnson (Quilts)
- **Nebraska Dean's Office 4-H Photography Display** – Morgan Stromer (close up floral)

Rainbow Recognition

- **Clothing** – Alexis Anderson
- **Heritage** – Emma Saathoff
- **Foods** – Elizabeth Anderson, Lydia Schukei & Morgan Stromer
- **Floriculture** – Megan Petr
- **Horticulture** – Sam Shafer & Morgan Stromer
- **Safety** – Cameron Czekai

Fashion Show Representatives

- **Fashion Show: Purple** – Courtney Anderson, Sarah Barfknecht & Grace Eckhardt; **Blue** – Miranda Niemeyer
- **Shopping in Style Fashion Show: Blue** – Grace Eckhardt

Food Event

- Ashley Petr & Megan Petr - Blue

Presentation Contest

- Blake Frink & Kieren Feeney - Blue

Judging

Tree Id

- **Intermediate Division Individual:** Benjamin Kamrath (2nd Place), Blake Frink (9th Place)
- **Intermediate Team:** Blake Frink, Kieren Feeney, Benjamin Kamrath (2nd Place)

Weed and Grass Id

- **Intermediate Division Individual:** Jaden Nienhueser (1st Place), Blake Frink (2nd Place), Gage Wright (3rd Place), Kieren Feeney (8th Place), Grace Eckhardt (9th Place)
- **Intermediate Team:** Blake Frink, Jaden Nienhueser, Gage Wright (1st Place)
- **Senior Division Individual:** Jonathan Nienhueser (1st Place)
- **Senior Team:** Jonathan Nienhueser, Kieren Feeney, Grace Eckhardt (2nd Place)

Horticulture ID

- **Intermediate Division Individual:** Blake Frink (10th Place)
- **Intermediate Team Division:** Blake Frink, Kieren Feeney, Benjamin Kamrath (5th Place)

Dog Skillathon

- **Senior Division:** Amber Hollister (1st Place)

Animals

Sheep Premier Exhibitor – Calvin DeVries (1st Place), Trevor DeVries (4th Place)

Dog

- **Senior Showmanship:** Courtney Anderson (Champion)
- **Agility Level 5:** Dariana Burr (Reserve Champion)

PASE – State Event Corrections:

- **Poultry Judging Team** – G. Robert Binfield, Chase DeVries, Garrett Furrow, Sam Schukei (2nd Place)
- **Poultry Judging Team** – Kory Heier, Abby Shipman, Cole Shurigar (3rd Place)
- **Poultry Judging Individual** – Chase DeVries (6th Place), Abby Shipman (8th Place), G. Robert Binfield (10th Place)
- **Meat Judging Team** – Calvin DeVries, Alex Heier, Bailey Hinrichs (9th Place)

Life Challenge – State Event Corrections:

- Team members: Sarah Barfknecht, April Crandell, Hailey Griswold, Bailey Johnson, Casi Johnson, Catherine Schifferler, Shailey Stiegemeier, Morgan Stromer and Brenda Tran.
- Foods & Nutrition Challenge Team: Brenda Tran, Sarah Barfknecht, Morgan Stromer (Best Creative Theme Restaurant)
- Clothing & Textile Challenge Team: Brenda Tran, Sarah Barfknecht, Morgan Stromer (5th Place)

A Little Birdie told me to tell these 4-H Leaders Congratulations!

- Jennie & Brian Theesen (4-H Dog Program) welcomed a new 4-Her into the world; Allie was born on Sept. 5th
- Dave Berens (Rural Ranchers) was awarded Educator of the Year by the NRD, Dave teaches 5th grade at Morton School

Leaders & Parents Corner



Junior Leader News

The Adams County 4-H Junior Leaders will meet on Sunday, October 5th at 5:00 p.m. in the Assembly Room for their reorganizational meeting. Anyone is welcome to join that is 12 years old and will be 13 by January 1, 2015, or is 13 years or older now. You must be an active member of the Adams County 4-H program by being a member of an organized 4-H club or an Independent member. Junior Leaders do a lot of fun, learning and leadership activities. Some of the activities the club does are: pancake feed and food booth at the county fair, helping with Leader's Banquet, along with helping members and younger 4-H'ers with 4-H projects and being positive role model for younger 4-H'ers. Bring a friend and make new friends. Also you are eligible to earn a scholarship. 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

September 4-H Council Happenings:

- Fair Evaluation – no action was taken
- National 4-H Week / TSC Paper Clover Promotion
- Committee Meetings

October 4-H Council Agenda Items:

- Items from fair evaluation – Livestock & Static Committees
- CWF Trip & Fundraisers
- 4-H Pajama Party
- Achievement Party & Leaders Banquet Planning
- 2015 Calendar of Events
- Nominations for 2015 4-H Council Members and Officers

Getting Recognition for Service Learning

Clubs and 4-H'ers are encouraged to report their community service/service learning projects on the 4-H community service app at <http://4h.unl.edu/4hcommunityserviceprojectmap> We would really love to be able to report the tremendous things that our 4-Hers are doing in the state and to get an idea of the value of their work. It only takes about 5 minutes to report activities here.



Giving Your Best (4-H Play-by-Play Series)

Make plans to join a FREE, live web-based program designed for 4-H volunteers, leaders, parents and youth development professionals. Five separate web-based programs are being offered to benefit 4-H volunteers and parents as they learn through 4-H projects to create a vibrant 4-H club meeting. 4-H projects provide endless learning opportunities and help to develop life skills for youth between the ages of 5 and 18. Learn more about getting the most out of your 4-H projects. Are you in need of new educational fair exhibits, ways to increase the effectiveness of club meetings, and how to take the project beyond the club meeting and into your community. Register online at: <http://4h.unl.edu/givingyourbestwebseminars>. Upon registering you will receive the webinar link and more information prior to each program. Participate from your OWN home or anywhere you have access to the internet. Each program will meet on-line for one hour to help connect parents and volunteers to pertinent youth development 4-H Project resources. Connect via Adobe Connect on your mobile device, laptop or desktop computer to participate in one or more of 6-different programs on the following dates from Noon to 1:00 p.m. CST.

October 7, 2014	Seeing i2i and Junk Drawer Robotics
October 21, 2014	On Your Own & OK and Six Easy Bites
November 4, 2014	Photography and Swine
November 18, 2014	The Worth of Wild Roots and STEAM Clothing 1
December 2, 2014	Making Foods for Me and A Space for Me

All programs will be presented by area UNL 4-H Youth Development Extension Educators.

Youth Information

Recruiting youth for 2016 & 2019 CWF Conferences

Please take note we have change 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. 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. ***Fall Fundraising has now started;*** at the present time CWF participants are selling cookie sheets, cookie scoops and Eileen's Cookie Dough. Later this fall they will once again be selling Fruit, Meat, Cheese and Poinsettias. These are great fundraising opportunities for our youth!

4-H Project Information



Shooting Sports Leader Certification Workshop

Two Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification Workshops are scheduled in October. They will be held October 11-12 in Seward and October 25-26 at Auburn. Both workshops will be held at the fairgrounds in the respective locations. Registration deadline for Seward is October 1 and the deadline to register for the Auburn session is October 15. Volunteers have the opportunity to become certified as an adult (21 years and older) or apprentice (14-20 years old) leader. Four project areas will be offered at the Seward Workshop - shotgun, rifle, hunting skills, and archery. Three project areas will be available at Auburn - pistol rifle and archery. Participants will learn under expert instruction from members of the Nebraska State 4-H Shooting Sports Training Team. The registration fee is \$100.00 per person for initial certification and \$90.00 per person that are adding an additional discipline. This fee includes meals, supplies and program materials. Participants must make their own lodging arrangements. Registration on Saturday runs from 8:00 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. For more information and registration materials see the 4-H Shooting Sports web page at <http://4h.unl.edu/shootingsportseventcalendar>, or contact your local University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension Office or Steve Pritchard at (402)395-2158 or (308)536-2691.

Family and Consumer Science

Service Project Opportunity – Save the Date!

You are Invited

To: Pajama Party

More information will be mailed to 4-H members with descriptions of the projects.

When: November 14th from 6:00 p.m. till 9:30 p.m.

Where: Adams County Building – Assembly Room

Wear your slippers and pajama pants.

Bring \$10.00 to cover the cost of your supplies, meal and drinks.

If you have any questions please give Julie a call.

RSVP by Friday, October 24th at 402-461-7209.

2014 Make it with Wool Contest

Enter the Make It With Wool Contest! The object of the contest is to promote the beauty and versatility of wool fabric and yarn; to encourage personal creations in sewing, knitting, crocheting, spinning and weaving of wool fabric; and to recognize creative skills. The 2014 State Make It With Wool Contest will be November 22 at the Dawson County Extension Office in Lexington NE beginning at 9:00 a.m. Public fashion show is at 1:00 p.m. For more information, contact the Nebraska State Director Alice Doane, 17705 Bluff Road, Waverly NE 68462 (phone 402-786-3555). Entry forms, fees, and wool samples are due October 15, 2014 to Entry Coordinator - Andrea Nisley, P.O. Box 757, Lexington NE 68850, 308-324-5501, anisley1@unl.edu More information is available on the National Make It With Wool website (www.MAKEITWITHWOOL.com).

Science, Engineering & Technology (SET)

Adams County 4-H Robotics

The 4-H Robotics Club (we will be organizing as a club this year) is ready to start up again this fall. The meetings will be held in the Assembly Room at the Adams County Office Building (the door on the south side will be unlocked) from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 12th the next meeting will be Sunday, November 9th. 4-Hers who are not enrolled by the November 9 meeting, will not be enrolled in the club for the project year, however you may take the project on your own. This will allow the interested youth to grow the project.

What will you do at Robotics?

1. Build a NEXT Lego Robot
2. Practice programming your robot
3. Program your robot with commands on a laptop
4. Work with other 4-Hers to program robots and solve problems

Members are highly encouraged to attend monthly meetings from October through April. Members will have opportunities to have a project worked on for entry day of the 2015 Fair. Youth ages 8 to 18 are welcome to participate. Parents are encouraged to attend if 4-H members are interested in photos of themselves programming and running the robots. These pictures and notes would be helpful in project building for the fair! Any adults or older youth who have an interest in computers and/or math would be welcomed as volunteers. Interested youth or volunteers are to contact the Extension Office at (402)461-7209.

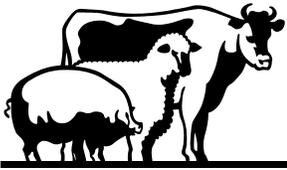
Environmental Ed & Earth Science

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 2015 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

Beef Weigh Day – has changed

This year the 4-H council has decided to offer two weigh days for Beef, so be sure to **Mark your Calendars!** Beef Weigh Day is scheduled for December 6th and March 7th at

the Animal Clinic, both days weigh in will be from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Exhibitors planning on showing Market Beef at fair will need to weigh their beef during one of these weigh dates. Animals include:

- Market Steers
- Market Heifers
- 2nd Year Bucket Calves (Steers & Heifers)
- Beef Carcass Contest possibles

If you plan on showing a heifer that you are questioning whether to show it as a market heifer or a breeding heifer please be sure to weigh her in as a market animal, you may change it to a breeding heifer later by using the proper tag or tattoo prior to Livestock Identification Day (June 1, 2015).

- Also remember these are the only times that DNA will be taken for State Fair and AKSARBEN. The cost of this is \$6.00 each.
- The cost of each tag is \$1.00
- Please do not make arrangements for any vet work to be done on your animals during this time.

With the two weigh days your animals will be eligible for rate of gain and/or carcass, the animals starting weigh date will simply be counted from the day weighed in.

Nebraska Youth Beef Leadership Symposium

On Nov. 7-9, 2014, at UNL East Campus youth will gather to:

- Investigate career areas within the beef industry though participation in workshops and discussion with beef industry professionals.
- Demonstrate knowledge of the beef industry by using information presented at the symposium and market a retail beef product.
- Network with Nebraska beef producers, allied beef industry personnel, beef industry staff and UNL faculty – as well as meeting students with similar interest.
- Increase their preparedness and competitiveness for beef industry careers.

Does This sound interesting to you! Register by October 17th, 2014 by picking up a registration form at the Extension Office.

Lancaster County Fall Rabbit Clinic

Mark your calendars for Saturday, Oct. 18th from 9:00 a.m. until noon to learn about the 4-H Rabbit Program. The clinic is held at the Lancaster Extension Education Center. Sessions/Demonstrations include:

- Feeding and care of a rabbit
- How to judge rabbits
- Breed ID & breeders choice
- Showmanship

For more information, call Bob at 402-525-8263 or Marty at 402-441-7180

Ride the trails in the Nebraska National Forest, Halsey NE

NE State 4-H Camp is hosting their annual 4-H Camp Trail Ride on **October 10 – 12, 20014**. Trail Riders are invited to bring family, friends and their horses to ride the trails through the Nebraska National Forest. Four trail rides throughout the weekend. Along with four trail rides the AQHA (American Quarter Horse Association) will be putting on Trial Challenges throughout the weekend. Prizes will be given out to the best in class and there will be other drawings. All ages are encouraged to see how rider and their horse can work together to conger these challenges. On Saturday, along with the Trail Rides & Trail Challenges there will be a craft you can sign up for to make for your horse. A huge Steak supper will start at 5:30 pm for the riders and those who would like to come in and enjoy a great meal and a night of entertainment. The **(Old Rusty Minstrels)** Bill Hord and Larry Porter, who make up the group, are both retired businessmen. Lyrics will be provided on a big screen so those attending may sing along. They will start singing at 6:30 pm. You are invited to come and listen, dance or sing. There will be a silent and live auction following the meal. Donated auction items are much appreciated. All money will go toward camper scholarships and camp up keep. Any questions or how you can register go to 4h.unl.edu, ccox5@unl.edu, 308-533-2224 / 308-880-0121.

UNL Information

CASNR Power of Red Open House -- October 18, 2014

High school and transfer students can learn about the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources at the Experience the Power of Red Open House on **Saturday, October 18, 2014**. The open house, held on the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's East Campus, gives students the chance to hear about the college's 30 academic programs and two pre-professional programs. They can also meet current UNL faculty, staff and students. The open house will begin at 9 a.m. with refreshments and a browsing session, when students can get a brief introduction to each department in the college. Following a welcome at 10 a.m., students and parents will attend academic sessions that offer more in-depth information about each academic program. The event finishes with lunch and a scholarship drawing at 12:45 p.m. Optional tours of both UNL campuses start at 2 p.m.

Academic interest areas featured at the open house include agribusiness/agricultural economics; agricultural education/agricultural and environmental sciences communication/hospitality, restaurant and tourism management; agronomy; animal science; applied science; biochemistry; food science and technology; food technology for companion animals; forensic science; grazing livestock systems; horticulture; insect science; mechanized systems management/agricultural engineering/biological systems engineering; microbiology; natural resources, including applied climate science, environmental restoration science, environmental studies, fisheries and wildlife, grassland ecology and management, natural resources and environmental economics and water science; PGA golf management; plant biology; turfgrass and landscape management; veterinary science; and the Engler Agribusiness Entrepreneurship program. For more information or to register, visit <http://casnr.unl.edu/openhouse>.

4-H Calendar

OCTOBER

October 4	Extension Board Meeting – Assembly Room @ 7:00 p.m.
October 5	Junior Leaders Organizational Meeting – Assembly Room @ 5:00 p.m.
October 5 – 11	National 4-H Week
October 6	4-H Council Meeting – Assembly Room @ 7:00 p.m.
October 6	Wear a 4-H T-shirt Day
October 8 – 19	Paper Clover Event at Tractor Supply Co.
October 12	4-H Robotics Club Organizational Meeting – Assembly Room @ 1:30 p.m.
October 13	Holiday – Columbus Day – Office closed
October 14	Ag. Society Meeting – Fairgrounds @ 7:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER

November 2	Extension Board Meeting – Assembly Room @ 7:00 p.m.
November 4	4-H Council Meeting – Assembly Room @ 7:00 p.m.
November 9	Achievement Party – Fairgrounds @ 2:00 p.m.
November 9	Leaders/Volunteers Banquet – Fairgrounds @ 5:30 p.m.
November 11	Holiday – Veterans Day – Office closed
November 11	Ag. Society Meeting - Fairgrounds @ 7:30 p.m.
November 14	Pajama Party – Assembly Room @ 6:00 p.m.
November 27-28	Holiday – Thanksgiving – Office closed

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

2014 4-H Council

Jerry Allen – Pres.	Scott Hinrichs – V.Pres.	Shannon Frink – Sec.	Wryan Wright – Tres.
Mike Eckhardt	Michael Schukei	JR LEADER REPS:	Doug Nienhueser – Chamber
Tammy Johnson	Ange Shipman	G Robert Binfield	of Commerce Rep
Bryce Katzberg	Kathleen Stromer	Calvin DeVries	Twila Bankson – Ag Society
Morgan Meyer	Lori Vorderstrasse	Morgan Stromer	Rep
Brett Mohling	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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