



Webster County 4-H News



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..... STRAIGHT FROM THE HORSES MOUTH Duane A. Lienemann, Nebraska Extension Educator – Webster County December 2016 Edition

Can you believe we only have a little over one more month left in this year? We thought it best that we send out this newsletter to keep you abreast of things that affect the 4-H, UNL Extension, our county fair and of course our 4-H and FFA families. It doesn't seem possible that Thanksgiving is behind us and we hope you didn't eat too much. Now after this celebration of "thanksgiving for what we have" -- we will then of course center our attention to the Christmas Holidays and all that goes with it. So from our Nebraska Extension Office – Here's also wishing you and your families a very *Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!* Now let's see what things we should be aware of.

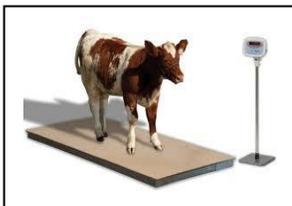


2017 Webster County Fair Dates: The good news is that the Webster County Ag Association has officially received notification on a **Carnival for this year** as well as the Rodeo and the dates for the 2017 Webster County Fair have been set for **July 22-29** with the rodeo and Carnival on the July 27-29. We will follow the same schedule as was implemented last year with a small change on the opening day BBQ and County Fair Church Services. We will be updating the website as we get more information – www.webstercountyfair.org

It's Time to Find Next Year's Beef Project: Some of you will be looking for and purchasing your calves (if you haven't already done so) for this next year's market and breeding beef projects. Make sure that you get a bill of sale and a brand release from the person that you buy your animals from. If it is a registered animal or will be showed in a purebred market beef show then make sure that the tattoo has been put in the ear...before you take it home. I always have requests of where to find calves and I can recommend several good sources. I am glad to say that Cindy Hinrichs from Ayr has contacted me and is offering some very good quality steers and heifers that she has for a reasonable price. Feel free to give her a call at 402-984-7102. I know you will see some good ones that will certainly work for you!

Now as we are right on top of the first weigh-in, you will need to consider a couple of things that are important when considering your market beef project. First, if you are planning on exhibiting a "Breed" steer (ie. Hereford, Angus, etc.), you will need to obtain a "Purebred Steer Certificate" from our Extension office or your local FFA Advisor that needs to have the bloodlines, registration numbers or the parents, its tattoo number and then a signature of the breeder and date of ownership as well as your signature. This is not a registration paper and we are not asking for that for our fair, however registration papers are required if you plan to take the steer on to the Nebraska State Fair or Ak-Sar-Ben.

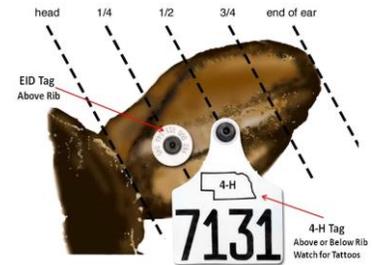
Webster County Market Beef Weigh-in: Several of you will undoubtedly be looking for calves for the early weigh-in. You may remember that the 4-H Council decided that it may be best to go with just one scale for weights and consistency of weights for rate of gain. With that in mind we are currently looking at just one day in December and then again at the last part of January. We will be conducting the Webster County market beef weigh-in at the Sale Barn in Blue Hill which has a certified scale. The early date is tentatively scheduled for **Sunday, December 11** with an inclement weather date of December 20. We will be weighing from 1:00-5:00 pm. Please watch the local newspapers and emails for verification. Incidentally second weigh-in is tentatively scheduled for **Sunday, January 22** in Blue Hill with a similar format.



PLEASE NOTE: We will also be asking again this year that each exhibitor tell us at weigh-in if the animal is for the “PB Breed Steer” competition, and also if it is “Bred & Fed” or “Bought & Fed”. “Bred & Fed” animals mean that – *“You or your family owned the cow or heifer, which is the mother of the steer, at the time of the calf’s conception, and that it was born and fed on your farm or place of project care”*. We will also need to know the place and date of birth of the market beef. Conversely, “Bought and Fed” means that you bought the steer from somewhere other than your family operation.

All livestock must be identified with an Electronic ID (EID) if they are destined for Nebraska State Fair or Ak-Sar-Ben. Other changes will be discussed later on in this letter or in following editions. We will stick to our Webster County rule: *“All market beef must be tagged with 4-H or FFA tags and EID’s (RFID Electronic Identification) placed by, or in the presence of, the Webster County UNL Extension Educator and/or area FFA Advisor. If the animal is to be weighed in at a different location than those set by the Webster County Extension Office, then the Extension Educator from that county must obtain the EID and 4-H tag from Webster County Extension office; or in the case of FFA exhibits, from the local FFA Advisor, and then must place or verify both tags in the beef’s ear(s) at the time of weighing. The official’s signature must be that of a UNL Extension staff person or FFA Advisor, not a third party. The completed and signed affidavit sheet must then be returned to the Webster County Extension office within 7 days of weigh-in; and if mailed, must arrive from that respective UNL Extension or FFA Office. The animal will then be physically verified by the Webster County Extension Educator or FFA Advisor as to the correct tags matching the affidavit.”*

Electronic Identification: EID’s for all beef will be done at the weigh-in along with a 4-H or FFA tag. This will be a second tag in addition to the 4-H/FFA tag. **EID and secondary tags are required for the Webster County Fair** and also for any market beef that may be going on to State Fair. We request that you reserve the **one-third of the left ear closest to the head** for the EID tag. We will have 4-H tags at the weigh-in site. If you are have to weigh your beef at another county please read the statement above. You may request 4-H tags and EID tags from our office or FFA tags from your FFA Advisor. The 4-H Market Beef Affidavits are available from the Extension Office in Red Cloud. FFA Market Beef Affidavits and tags are available from agriculture education instructors at your particular high school.



Match Your Market Beef to Intent: In planning for your market beef enterprise, I once again remind our exhibitors to match the size of the calf that you pick out to match your intent. If it is your intent to “dead-end” the calf at the county fair then figure from December 11 to July 26 for time on feed, which computes to 227 days. You should not just go out in a lot and pick out the biggest calf. That calf may just be too big to get to the county fair or beyond successfully. On the other hand you don’t want too small a calf, that can’t possibly make weight by county fair. You will need to do some research and get a weight on the calf if at all possible. How will I know how big a calf I need to bring to weigh-in? Let’s do a little mathematics and see if we can figure it out. Figuring that you want to gain at least 2.5 lbs. a day then assuming a county fair weight of 1300 lbs. then the biggest calf that you should weigh in on the first December 11 weigh-in would be about 725 pounds. Now that is considering the July 26 fair date and December 11 weigh-in. If you figure 3 lbs. per day ROG, then a 600 lb. steer (today’s weight) would be about right. If you wait till the late January 22 weigh-in then you have about 185 days until our county fair and figuring 2.5 lbs/day, then your calf for a 1300# finish weight should be no more than 825 lbs, and 750 lbs with a 3#/day gain. It may interest you that Rate of Gain will not be considered at State Fair or Ak Sar Ben this year. **Our County will not be using ROG as a factor for ribbon placings, but we will continue to have a ROG Contest and it will also figure heavily into the Grand Champion Production Market Beef.**

What If I Decide I Want to Take My Calf To State Fair? If you plan to hit State Fair with the 1300 pound calf then you have 264 days to feed and at 2.5 #/day then your calf should not weigh more than 650 on Dec. 11 and January 22 weigh date leaves you with 222 days to State Fair so your calf at 2.5 lbs/day should weigh no more than 750 lbs and at 3 lbs/day a 635 pound calf will work.

Adopt-a-Steer: This year the Foundation is continuing its “Adopt-a-Steer” program. The program is sponsored again this year by Ron Schutte and S&S Herefords. Are you interested? Here is how it works. Any Webster County 4-H or FFA beef exhibitor, or potential beef exhibitor, may make application for a Hereford progress market steer that is being made available by S&S Herefords of Guide Rock, NE. The individual must simply fill out the application form and agree to the terms listed on the document. Interested youth may stop by the Extension Office in Red Cloud to pick up an application form, or simply call 402-746-3417 and we can mail it to you in.



The form is also available on line at <http://extension.unl.edu/statewide/webster/educational-programs/webster-county-4-h/>. **Applications are due by December 12, 2016.** The winning applicant will have the opportunity to select a steer from the S&S Herefords farm. The steer will be valued at current market price for feeder calves. The payment for the steer will be deferred until after the calf is sold, either at the premium auction at the Webster County Fair or after it is sold upon completion of its show life at the Nebraska State Fair or Ak-Sar-Ben, at which time payment will be due.

The exhibitor must make arrangements with S&S Herefords for selection and delivery options for the calf. Ron Schutte can be reached at 402-756-3462. The exhibitor is also required to supply all of the needs for the calf including: a place to keep the calf; adequate feed and water; proper welfare and health care; halter breaking and grooming; as well as training for show. The exhibitor is responsible for the well-being of the calf, and therefore is still liable for the original value of the animal should something happen to it, or should it not make it to the Webster County Fair or other events.



Home Bred and Raised Heifer Show at County Fair: There is a change this year on the affidavits for Home Bred and Raised heifers. *They will be due April 15, the same time as the other breeding heifer affidavits.* Exhibitors must remember however that they will need to turn in two affidavits for the heifer. One for the regular breeding heifer class and a second one specifically for the Home Bred and Raised Breeding Heifer class. It may interest our breeding beef exhibitors that we will continue the way these exhibits were shown at the 2016 Webster County Fair. The special breeding beef jackpot class will once again be on the same day as the beef showmanship. It will directly follow the beef showmanship event. The class will be judged as a “blow and go” class. They will be shown in their respective classes during the regular breeding beef show.

2017 Livestock Identification Process

1. There will be no online or paper ownership affidavit requirements for State Fair entries. Exhibitors however will still need to fill out and file in our office County Livestock Ownership Affidavits. Paper copies for county only use can still be found on the <http://extension.unl.edu/statewide/webster/> website or requested from our office.
2. 4-H and FFA will both use the State Fair EID tags for all market beef, market swine, market lamb, meat goat and feeder calves showing at State Fair. Webster County will also require a second tag for identification (4-H or FFA)
3. Families will be required to submit a Breeding Nomination Card for all breeding animals showing at State Fair. Breeding Nomination Cards will have a \$2 nomination fee.
4. For breeding goats and breeding sheep, the scrapies tag identification number will serve as the official identification. For breeding beef, the tattoo will serve as the official identification. Bang tattoos are not an accepted form of identification. For breeding gilts, ear notches will serve as the accepted form of ID. Students may use EID for their breeding animals as well.
5. DNA and breeding card verification will be required for all livestock animals showing at State Fair.
6. County-only animals can use EID tags or regular tags.
7. Cost of DNA and EID tags will hopefully be supplemented with outside funds. Total cost (DNA and EID tag) between \$6-10.
8. There will be a total limit of nominations by individuals including both 4-H and FFA entries to help level the playing field for those youth who are in both organizations. Entry Limits- Beef (10) Lambs (20) Swine (40) Goats (20).
9. Youth will have until August 10 (State Fair pre-entry deadline) to select whether they are showing their animal in 4-H or FFA. This could mean they show one organization at the county level and one organization at State Fair. They cannot switch between State Fair and AKSARBEN.
10. Families will be able to select which animal entries they have chosen to show at State Fair in a dropdown menu in ShoWorks. All nominated animals will be automatically listed as a choice option for pre-entry registration
11. Youth in both organizations can show a species in multiple counties (one for 4-H and one for FFA) but an individual animal cannot be shown in more than one county. It is recommended that animals are nominated in the county they will be shown.
12. Because of the role Ak-Sar-Ben plays in the 4-H process, staff at Ak-Sar-Ben will also be handling the processing of livestock information for FFA.

Family Responsibilities

1. Exhibitors showing market beef must have a signed and sealed official envelope with hair samples for DNA verification turned in to their county office or FFA chapter by the April 15 nomination deadline.

2. Exhibitors showing feeder calves, market swine, market lambs and market goats must have a signed and sealed official envelope with hair samples for DNA verification turned in to their county office by the June 15 nomination deadline.
3. Exhibitors showing breeding beef, breeding sheep, breeding swine and breeding does at State Fair will be nominated with a breeding nomination card. The breeding nomination card will contain all information necessary for State Fair eligibility. Families will need to have completed breeding nomination cards turned in to their county office or FFA chapter by the June 15 nomination deadline.
4. Exhibitors will select which animal entries they have chosen to show at State Fair in a dropdown menu in ShoWorks. All nominated animals will be automatically listed as a choice option for pre-entry registration.
5. 4-H and FFA youth participants will declare which youth organization they will show their animal projects by August 10 in ShoWorks.

OTHER ITEMS FOR THE GOOD OF WEBSTER COUNTY 4-H & FFA

FSA Rural Youth Loans: As you begin looking for your project for next year, you may want to consider an opportunity that is available to you. The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farm Service Agency makes operating loans of up to \$5,000 to eligible individuals between the ages of 10-20 to finance income producing, agriculture-related projects. The individual must be participating in 4-H, FFA, or a similar organization. The program must be planned and supervised with the assistance of the organization's supervisor and the individual's parent or guardian. This assistance will help the individual to produce a sufficient income to repay the loan, and provide the youth with practical business and educational experience in agriculture-related skills. The loan funds may be used to purchase livestock, feed, seed, equipment, and supplies for the project. They may also be used to buy, rent, or repair needed tools or equipment. Rural Youth Loans have a maximum loan amount of \$5,000 (total principal balance owed at any one time on the loan) and the term can range from one to seven years.



The interest rate changes monthly, the current interest rate for November is 2.0%. After the loan is made the interest rate will not change for the entire term of the loan. A parental signature is required on the application for the loan, but not on the promissory note or the other documents used to secure the loan. You can contact your local County FSA for more information.

FCS America Project Loans: Farm Credit Services of America offers a Young & Beginning Program featuring financial benefits for less-established producers. This program is designed for producers age 35 or younger, or with 10 years of experience, or less. If you have a plan to start farming or ranching, they may have a plan to help.

They have unique expertise that allows them to offer quick turnaround on loans, as well as highly competitive rates, and a wide range of financing options and services such as Agricultural Loans, where qualifying producers can receive real estate loans, operating loans, insurance and more. They also have Youth in Agriculture Loans, where individual student market livestock loans, up to \$2,500 per students. They offer individual student breeding livestock loans, up to \$10,205, and offer future producers first-hand experience in business planning and farm financing.

FCS Scholarships: Each year FCS offers \$2,500 and \$5,000 scholarships to qualified college juniors and seniors studying agriculture or ag business at land grant universities. You can get more detailed information and specific amounts at: <https://www.fcsamerica.com/products/scholarships>. They also offer \$1,000 annual scholarships to freshman and sophomore students studying agriculture or ag business programs at designated colleges in area states.

NACEB (Nebraska Association of County Extension Boards) Scholarship Applications are due March 15, 2017
<https://form.jotform.com/CASNR/naceb>

Scholarship Time for 4-H and FFA Seniors: There are a lot of local and county scholarships and in addition to these you will there are a lot of national scholarships, as well as numerous ag scholarships offered at the state level. There are of course a lot of other scholarships that are not agriculture based, please see your principal or guidance counselors for those. Seniors and even some juniors in high school should be looking at scholarships to continue their education. In next month's newsletter we will be highlighting several of these scholarships.

We suggest that **if you are looking for help to go to a 2 or 4 year college that you start getting prepared now.** It is very important that you put together a good resume – it helps! A data sheet of all of your activities in school, 4-H and FFA are also a great help. It also helps to have a good cover letter to include with your application. It makes you look more professional. No matter what you put together, be sure you use spell and grammar check. A poorly written document says loads about you and your abilities to succeed in college and beyond. Take the time and effort...you will find it well worth it. If you need help with this, please contact our office and we will be glad to give you some pointers.

Upcoming Activities: There are usually a lot of activities going on in the Winter, and I have included some of those that I am aware of in this newsletter, however, if anyone knows of events that would be of interest to our 4-Hers, please send the information our way and we will try to get it out to them via future newsletters. Of course there will be a lot more as the Winter Programming begins. We would ask that if any of you know of any activities or events including livestock shows, etc. please let us know and we will add them to our list. We will try to update this as things come in.

Here's wishing you the best as you complete the first semester and success in all that you endeavor throughout the upcoming year! Now let's see what Carol and Liz have for you!



IT'S TIME TO RE-ENROLL IN 4-H!

Enrollment is open for 2017! We have put the enrollment instructions on our website at <http://extension.unl.edu/statewide/webster/4h/>. Be sure to use the correct instructions! There are instructions for re-enrolling (much quicker than the initial enrollment) and instructions for 1st time 4-Hers to enroll. There are also instructions for adult volunteers to enroll.

Please let know if you have any questions or if you would like us to help you through this process.

The 2017 Project Resource Guide is now available! It will explain projects in some detail. See it on our website!

“AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS!”

We are excited to announce our office will be hosting 4-H Afterschool programs at three locations this year from 4 to 5 pm! All youth grades 2-6 are invited to attend! We will be teaching the same curriculum at each location. Programs include: Kitchen Chemistry, Drone/Rocketry, Ag Literacy, Plant Science and Design Decisions. Each program will be tied to 4-H projects so the youth can have a project ready to take to the fair!

Blue Hill—Public Library

Jan 9, Feb 6, Mar 6, Apr 3 & May 1

Bladen—Webster County Fairgrounds

Jan 23, Feb 13, Mar 13, Apr 10 & May 8

Auld Library-Red Cloud

Jan 30, Feb 27, Mar 20, Apr 24, May 15

You can enroll by enrolling www.ne4honline.com, calling our office or emailing ckumke2@unl.edu



PRESENTING THE 2017 SPECIAL GARDEN PROJECT....SUNBURST SQUASH

The Special Garden Project is a way to offer 4-H members the chance to grow unusual and fun projects in their gardens. Last year over 2600 packets of zinnia seeds were distributed across the state. Sunburst squash has yellow, scalloped shaped fruits with bright-green blossom ends. The plants are very productive and are an All-America Selection winner for its early fruit production and for producing a large number of fruits per plant. On average it will take about 52 days from seeding date until the squash is ready to harvest.

4-H Members enrolled in the Special Garden Project will:

- Receive seeds of Sunburst Summer Squash
- Receive a newsletter and evaluation about:
 - Planting & growing squash
 - Squash problems & insects
 - Harvesting & using squash
 - How to exhibit squash
- Be able to enter this unique vegetable at County and State Fair

Sign up for seeds by contacting our office by January 27, 2017!

FAIR SUPERINTENDENTS & ASSISTANTS

We will again have a website for Fair Superintendents and Assistants to sign up to help out with the fair! As an added incentive, each Superintendent will receive a meal voucher for the 4-H Food Stand for the day they help! You can sign up on the website, call our office or email ckumke2@unl.edu.

2017 DISTRICT AND STATE HORSE SHOWS

2017 Nebraska District 4-H Horse Shows will take place on the following days/locations:

- June 12 – Lexington, June 13 – Taylor, June 14 – Wayne, June 19 – Hemingford, June 20 – Lincoln

ALL entries are due to the county office on May 12, 2017. Note: ALL level testing required for participation in the 2016 4-H Horse Shows MUST be completed by May 12, 2017.

2017 Fonner Park State 4-H Horse Show will be held July 16-20, 2017.

RED LETTER DAYS

Excited to make your college decision? Red Letter Days are an opportunity for you to get a firsthand experience of what life is like as a student at NEBRASKA. At this open house event, you'll get to:

- Explore campus with a current NEBRASKA student as your guide
- Learn about academic programs and resources
- 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

The following dates have been scheduled:

- February 10, 2017, February 17, 2017, February 24, 2017, March 3, 2017, March 10, 2017, March 17, 2017, April 21, 2017

Program fee is \$10.00 per person. Sign-up at <http://admissions.unl.edu/events/on-campus/red-letter-days.aspx>

NEBRASKA 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS LEADER CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP

A Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification Workshop is scheduled for January in Lincoln. It will be held January 21-22 at the Nebraska Game & Parks Outdoor Education Center in Lincoln. The deadline to register for the Lincoln session is January 11th.

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 Lincoln Workshop - rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery. There is a minimum number of participants needed to offer these disciplines at the workshops. Workshop participants will learn under expert instruction from members of the Nebraska State 4-H Shooting Sports Training Team.

The registration fee is \$110.00 per person for initial certification and \$100.00 per person that are currently a certified instructor and 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

For more workshop information and registration link, go to the <http://4h.unl.edu/shooting-sports/instructor/calendar>. Or contact your local Nebraska Extension Office or Steve Pritchard at (402)395-2158 or (308)536-2691. Registration is available only online at the link provided in the brochure or they can register directly at

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSerWWeuIjL-PT7oha-Y1-Na-SxTWu2eaUNY8tXP0oc2jFueA/viewform>.

WEBSTER COUNTY YOUTH COUNCIL NOTES

(The Council will have one opening this year so be watching for your voting ballot to help determine the replacement)

- Production Beef Award will be determined by 4 categories: Rate of Gain, Live Show Placing, Carcass Placing and Record Book!
- Non Perishable Static Exhibits can be entered from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 25, 2017. Hopefully this will help with some congestion on Wednesday morning! Static exhibits, (including perishable items) can still be entered on Wednesday morning until 10:00 a.m.
- Exhibitors will NOT be allowed to make animal entries after the final entry deadline without approval from the Youth Council. So be sure to sign up for all classes you might be exhibiting in! You can always scratch!
- There will be both Music and Dance banners instead of being judged together!

Webster County Nebraska Extension & 4-H Calendar of Activities

- Dec. 7-9: Nebraska Cattlemen Annual Convention, Younes Center, Kearney, NE <http://www.nebraskacattlemen.org/>
Dec. 7: Webster County Extension Board, 7:00 pm, Webster County Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall, Bladen, NE
Dec. 7: Webster County Youth Council, 8:00 pm, Webster County Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall, Bladen, NE
Dec. 8: Solar Energy in Ag Workshop, 1-3 p.m., Norfolk, NE at the Lifelong Learning Center Preregister at 402-370-4040.
Dec. 11: Webster County Market Beef Weigh-in, 1:00-5:00 pm. Blue Hill Sale Barn, Blue Hill, NE dlienemann2@unl.edu
Dec. 14: UBBNRD CropTip, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Holthus Convention Center, York
Dec. 14: Farmers/Ranchers College: Dr. David Kohl, 1-4 p.m., Bruning Opera House, Bruning, RSVP (402) 759-3712
Dec. 15: NE Soybean Day & Machinery Expo, 8:30-2:15, Fairgrounds, Wahoo, NE <http://ardc.unl.edu/2016SoyExpoFlyer-Final.pdf>
Dec. 15: Webster County Extension Board, 7:00 pm, Webster County Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall, Bladen, NE
Dec. 16: Webster County Ag Association Christmas Party, 6:30 pm, KO Bar, Bladen, NE
Dec. 17: AGR Winter Preview Cattle Show, Nebraska State Fairgrounds, Fonner Park, Grand Island, NE 402-436-6360
Dec. 23-26: Webster County Courthouse Closed
Jan. 6: Crop Production Clinic, Holthus Convention Center in York, <http://agronomy.unl.edu/cpc>
Jan. 9: Estate Planning Workshop, York County Club, RSVP jrees2@unl.edu or 402-362-5508
Jan. 9: After School Program at Blue Hill Library, 4:00-5:00 p.m., ckumke2@unl.edu
Jan. 9-24: National Western Livestock Show, Denver, NE <http://nationalwestern.com/livestock-shows/>
Jan. 10-11: Precision Ag Data Management Workshop, Lincoln, <http://agronomy.unl.edu/precisionag>
Jan. 11: Crop Production Clinic, Adams County Fairgrounds in Hastings, <http://agronomy.unl.edu/cpc>
Jan. 11-12: York Agriculture Expo, Holthus Convention Center in York
Jan. 12: Webster County Ag Association Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Webster County Fairgrounds
Jan. 12-13: Precision Ag Data Management Workshop, 4-H Building York, <http://agronomy.unl.edu/precisionag>
Jan. 16: Webster County Courthouse closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Jan. 18: LBNRD Operator Mgmt Training, 9 a.m., Adams County Fairgrounds, Hastings, 402-364-2145
Jan. 18: UBBNRD Nitrogen Mgmt Training, 1:30 p.m., Aurora Leadership Center, 402-362-6601
Jan. 19-20: NEW 2-day Crop Production Clinic, Younes Convention Center in Kearney, <http://agronomy.unl.edu/cpc>
Jan. 20: NACEB Annual Meeting, Nebraska Club, South 13th Street, Lincoln, NE
Jan. 22: Webster County Market Beef Weigh-in, 1:00-4:00 pm. Blue Hill Sale Barn, Blue Hill, NE dlienemann2@unl.edu
Jan. 23: After School Program at Webster County Fairgrounds in Bladen, 4:00-5:00 p.m., ckumke2@unl.edu
Jan. 24: Webster Co Private Applicator Pesticide Training, Museum Exhibit Hall, Red Cloud, NE 1:30 pm ron.seymour@unl.edu
Jan. 24: Pesticide Training, 9am, American Legion in Sutton, jrees2@unl.edu or 402-762-3644
Jan. 24: Pesticide Training, 2pm, Davenport Community Center, jrees2@unl.edu
Jan. 25: Land Application Training, York Extension Office. RSVP to jrees2@unl.edu or 402-362-5508
Jan. 26: LBNRD Nitrogen Mgmt Training, 1:30 p.m., Davenport Community Center, Davenport, NE 402-364-2145
Jan. 26: Nebraska Grain Sorghum Symposium, Grand Island, NE TBA
Jan. 30: Red Cloud After School Program at Auld Library, 4:00-5:00 p.m., ckumke2@unl.edu
Jan. 31: Farmers/Ranchers Cow-Calf College, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m., USMARC near Clay Center, RSVP (402) 759-3712
Feb. 1-2: Nebraska Ag Technologies Association (NeATA), Nebraska Innovation Campus
Feb. 6: Pesticide Training, 2pm, Nelson, jrees2@unl.edu
Feb. 6: After School Program at Blue Hill Library, 4:00-5:00 p.m., ckumke2@unl.edu
Feb. 7: Lemke Cattle Production Sale, Lemke Ranch, 1757 Road 2500, Lawrence, NE <http://lemkecattle.com/>
Feb. 8: LBNRD Operator Mgmt Training, 9:00 am, Hebron Community Center, Hebron, NE 402-364-2145
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Feb. 16: LBNRD Nitrogen Training, 1:30 p.m., Fairgrounds in Clay Center 402-364-2145
Feb. 18-26: NE Cattlemen's Classic, <http://cattlemens.org> Buffalo Co Fairgrounds, Kearney, NE rkbush@frontiernet.net
Feb. 20: Webster County Courthouse Closed in observance of President's Day
Feb. 20: Nebraska On-Farm Research Update, ARDC near Mead, <http://cropwatch.unl.edu/farmresearch>
Feb. 21: Webster Co Private Applicator Pesticide Training, Webster County Fairgrounds, Bladen, NE 9:00 am ron.seymour@unl.edu
Feb. 22: Farmers/Ranchers College: Managing for Difficult Times, 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Fairgrounds in Geneva, 402-759-3712
Feb. 22: TC Ranch Angus Production Sale, Franklin, NE <http://www.tcranch.com/> TC Ranch - Dru Uden (308) 470-0740
Feb. 23-24: Women in Agriculture Conference, Holiday Inn Kearney, <http://wia.unl.edu>
Feb. 27: Nebraska On-Farm Research Update, Hall Co. Extension Office, Grand Island, <http://cropwatch.unl.edu/farmresearch>
Feb. 27: Red Cloud After School Program at Auld Library, 4:00-5:00 p.m., ckumke2@unl.edu
Feb. 27: Farmers/Ranchers College: Tips and Tricks for Women in Ag, 6:00 p.m., Lazy Horse Winery, Ohio, 402-759-3712
Feb. 28: LBNRD Nitrogen Training, 9am, Shickley Community Center 402-364-2145