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Summer Workshops

Visit the Summer Workshop Flyer to find out more details about the workshops offered this summer!!

Summer Workshop Flyer
· Photography
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· 7 & Under Kids "Growing Up Wild"

QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING

Dates for Quality Assurance are as follows: Wednesday, June 8 - 9:00 – 11:00 am - Holt County Courthouse Annex; Friday, June 17 - 7:00 – 9:00 pm - Holt County Courthouse Annex; and Monday, June 20 - 1:30 – 3:30 pm - Holt County Courthouse Annex.
ALL SHEEP AND GOAT TAGGING/ID CHECK
Date for Tagging/ID checks for all sheep and all goats (meat and dairy) are as follows: Monday, June 14 and Tuesday, June 15 in the Boyd County Courthouse parking lot. All dairy goats will be required to have a 4-H tag or a tattoo. All meat goats and sheep will be required to have a 4-H tag.

LIVESTOCK ID SHEETS
All of the Animal Ownership/Identification Forms can be found online at:

- 4HF105 Breeding Heifer & Ewe
- 4HF106 Market Beef & Market Lamb
- 4HF107 Market Swine
- 4HF108 Dairy ID
- 4HF109 Dairy Goat ID
- 4HF110 Feeder Calf & Bucket Calf
- 4HF111 Goat
- Boyd County Cow/Calf Id Form
- F29777 Horse Affidavit

You cannot save data typed into the form. Please print the completed form and bring it to the office. These forms are due June 15th.

PRE-FAIR FORMS
Several forms are included with this newsletter to let the office know what you will be exhibiting at Presentations, Pre-Fair and at the Style Revue. This information helps the organization for these days. Schedules can be set and lists made for the judges. Your help in supplying this information is appreciated. Most of these forms have due dates listed on them. Please get them in on time. All of these forms are available on the web page under Boyd County 4-H Fair Forms at http://holt-boyd.unl.edu/web/boyd-holt/boydcounty4hforms. Also available there is the Junior Leader Help at Fair Form; Photography Data Tag Form, Cake Decorating Form and Premium Auction Letter. Be sure to check them all out.

MUSIC CONTEST, BOOTH, BANNER, AND FLOAT CLUB ENTRIES
Leaders are reminded to return the song contest, booth, banner, and parade float entry form by June 29 to register their club. The form is online. If you are having an individual entry in the music contest you will need to mark it on your Pre-Fair Day Entry Form and fill out the individual entry form.

Boyd County Fair Theme – “Reflections of America”
TRACTOR DRIVING CONTEST, SMALL ANIMAL SHOW, PICNIC, PRESENTATION CONTEST, AND SWIMMING PARTY

On July 6 4-H and FFA activities will begin with the Tractor Driving Contest at 2:30 p.m. at the Fairgrounds in Spencer. Please call 775-2491 to register by June 29.

The Dog Show (Showmanship and Obedience) will begin at 4:30 p.m.

The Potluck Picnic will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Kitchen Building on the Fairgrounds. Each family is to bring meat dishes, salads, buns, desserts, drinks and table service.

The Small Animal Show will begin at 7:00 p.m. with the registration. Show order will be as follows: Dogs (Conformation Only), Cats (kittens followed by cats, broke into groups of indoor and outdoor); Rabbits (bucks followed by does, broke into groups by age); Other Small Animals and Poultry. All small animals (4-H, FFA and Open Class) needed to be registered by May 1.

Presentation Contest which will be held in the Kitchen Building at the Boyd County Fairgrounds in Spencer following the Small Animal Show. All 4-H and FFA Members who will be giving a presentation must pre-register with the Boyd County Extension Office by June 29. A form is available at online. You will also need to inform the Extension Office if you need any equipment for your presentation.

Please remember that as a 4-H exhibitor you must follow the dress code. Check the 4-H Regulations book for the proper dress code for each of these activities.

Following all of these events will be the swimming party for 4-H and FFA members from approximately 9:00 to 11:00 p.m. The 4-H Council and the West Boyd FFA Chapter will pay the cost of the swimming party. It will not cost anything to you as an individual to swim.

4-H and FFA will again participate together in these activities as we have done in the past. Please remember to call the Extension Office to register for these activities by June 29.
**PRE-FAIR DAY**

Pre-Fair Day will be held at the West Boyd Unified School in Spencer on July 14 with registration from 8:30-9:00 a.m. All clothing exhibits must be judged on this date. This includes all sewing construction, crocheting, knitting, consumer management and modeling. Judging will begin at 9:00 a.m. Registration papers need to be in the office by June 29. The form is online.

We will read your narrative both times that you model - in front of the judge and for the public at the Style Revue. This means that your narratives need to be in the Extension Office by June 29. Your narrative must be at least 30 to 40 words in length. **Be sure to keep a copy of your narrative so that you can practice modeling at home.**

You NEED identification labels in your garment. You also NEED information cards. See the regulation book for all of the details. YOU WILL BE DROPPED ONE RIBBON PLACING IF YOU DON'T HAVE THE INFORMATION CARD.

All items (except the Shopping In Style Modeled Garments) will be brought back to the Fair for display and to receive the construction ribbon. If the item is not brought back to the fair, then that item will lose the premium money awarded to it. **REMEMBER - You need the identification labels in the garments at the fair so either make two copies of them OR keep the ones that you bring to Pre-Fair Day.**

If the 4-H’er is not present for the construction interview with the judge, that 4-H’er will lose all points associated with the interview.

**PUBLIC STYLE REVUE, FOOD FAIR TABLES AND MUSIC CONTEST**

The Style Revue, Food Fair Tables and Music Contest will be held on July 21 at West Boyd Unified School Gym in Butte. **Please note this change in location.** 4-H’ers exhibiting a food fair table will given a schedule at Pre-Fair Day. This will be judged prior to the Style Revue and ribbon placings will be announced at the conclusion of evening’s events. The Style Revue will begin at 8:00 p.m. ALL exhibits modeled at Pre-Fair Day NEED to be modeled at the Style Revue.

4-H’ers with a music contest entry need to get the name of their selections and composers to the office prior to Style Revue. They are also reminded to turn in a **copy of their music** that evening (or with their entry form) so that Donna can give it to the judge.
BOYD COUNTY 4-H HORSE EXHIBITORS REQUIREMENT CHANGE
A change was made to the horse exhibitor requirements for the 2012 Boyd County Fair by the 4-H Council. Beginning in 2012, Senior Division Horse Exhibitors (14 and Older as of Jan 1) who will exhibit in the Boyd County Horse Show must have passed Level 1 of the Horse Advancement Levels prior to showing in the Boyd County Fair Horse Show. Information about Horse Advancement Levels can be found at the following web address: http://animalscience.unl.edu/web/anisci/anscextensionequine4hhorseprogram

Horse leaders that will help you with level testing will be Janet Classen, Bryon Garwood and Virginia Nelson.

JUDGES TRAINING
Judges training resources are available at http://4h.unl.edu/judgestraining. Videos segments will include: Welcome; Youth Development and Judging; Computers; Robotics; Decorate Your Duds; and Photography.

4-H CLUB OF THE MONTH
The Nebraska 4-H Foundation and Nebraska 4-H Ambassadors have joined together to start a program which recognizes 4-H clubs throughout the state of Nebraska. Any 4-H club may nominate themselves to be the Club of the Month. Nominations are due the second Friday of the month before the club will be the Club of the Month. The club who is chosen to be Club of the Month will receive a $50 cash card from the Nebraska 4-H Foundation and their story will be showcased on the Nebraska 4-H Foundation’s Facebook, Twitter, and website along with the State 4-H website and Facebook and in their local newspaper. Nominations for the first Club of the Month are due June 10th, 2011. Please email nomination forms to ne4hambassadors@unl.edu or send to:
University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Nebraska 4-H Foundation
201 Mussehl Hall East Campus
PO Box 830719
Lincoln NE 68583-0719
Phone: (402) 472-1178

Club of the Month Nomination Form

JUNIOR LEADER HELP AT FAIR
If you are at least 13 years old and want to help at the fair, please fill out and return the Junior Leader Form.
5, 4, 3, 2, 1......GO!

Wednesday, **June 29th**, at the Lifelong Learning Center, in Norfolk beginning at 9:00 a.m. will be a 5, 4, 3, 2, 1.....Go! educational opportunity for youth ages 11 and older. Activities will allow youth to learn more about food, fitness and related careers. Cost is $15 per person and includes lunch and snack. Contact the Extension Office for more details and to register. Registration deadline is **June 22nd**.

**STATE**

**TRACTOR SAFETY COURSES PLANNED**

The 2011 Tractor Safety Trainings will be held in several locations across the state during June. Any youth 14 or 15 years of age who works on a farm or ranch other than his own is required to be certified through a tractor safety course. Extension Educators and field specialists will teach the 2-day courses. Cost for the course is $60. For details or to register contact the Extension Office. Sites and date of the trainings are:

- **June 9-10** - Evangelical Free Church, Ainsworth
- **June 13-14** - Fairgrounds, Humbodt
- **June 16-17** - Tractor Test Lab, Lincoln
- **June 21-22** - Haskell Ag Lab, Concord

**NEBRASKA ATV SAFETY TRAINING**

Go to [www.southeast.unl.edu/web/southeastrec/NebraskaATVTraining](http://www.southeast.unl.edu/web/southeastrec/NebraskaATVTraining) for information on ATV Safety Training.

**ON-LINE HORTICULTURE JUDGING CONTEST**

On-line horticulture judging contest will be available from **June 24 until midnight on July 1**. The contest will contain some questions about identification, general knowledge, and judging. The link will be sent out at a later date with the password to take the contest. Please let the office know if you are interested so that we can get the link to you.
CITIZENSHIP WASHINGTON FOCUS 2012
Plans are underway for the 2012 Citizenship Washington Focus trip. If you will be 14 and not older than 18 on January 1, 2012, you will be eligible to participate in the Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) trip. Tentative dates are June 6-16, 2012. To reserve a spot, a down payment of $350 is due on July 1, 2011 to the UNL Extension Office in Wayne County. All youth who are age eligible will be receiving a registration form in the mail shortly. The registration form is also available at wayne.unl.edu.

QUILTS OF VALOR
Nebraska 4-H youth, families, and/or volunteers are being asked to participate in a statewide community service effort by creating and donating quilts to the 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, who has already donated over 36,000 quilts.

4-H members and volunteers can work alone or in groups to make the quilts. In addition to the free fabric donated by national fabric companies, 4-H youth may also choose to contact a Quilt Guild, American Legion, other service organization, or a local quilt shop in his/her community to help provide funds or fabric, batting, or machine-quilting to complete your project.

Quilts made with the free Quilts of Valor fabric must be finished and delivered to the Nebraska State Fair in 2011 or 2012. Please review the 4-H Quilts of Valor Statewide Challenge Guidelines at http://4h.unl.edu, which fit into the Quilts of Valor criteria. We appreciate your support of the United States military through your participation in this project!

For more information about free fabric for this project call Megan at the Extension Office 402-336-2760.

NPPOWER REGISTRATION NOW OPEN
A partnership has been created between 4-H, FFA, FBLA, FCCLA, DECA, SkillsUSA, HOSA and Nebraska Human Resources Institute to provide a leadership development opportunity for all Nebraska youth leaders entering 6th-12th grades. NPpower is set up in a very successful tier system that will allow student to focus on leadership areas with fellow students of their own age. To review curriculum and to register for this exciting conference go to: http://www.nestudentleadership.org/main.html
**FCS WEB QUIZ**
The FCS Web Quiz will have a new registration format for 2011. They are running the quiz under the UNL Blackboard.

If you are interested in taking the FCS Web Quiz you will have to let either the Holt County or Boyd County Extension Office know so that we can get you registered. We will need a different email address for each member of your family that wants to participate in the quiz. A family email address will only work for one member of your family. I realize that some of our younger 4-H members do not have their own email address. If you are not comfortable with creating an email account for them they would be able to use mom’s or dad’s email address. Again, only one person per email address.

After receiving notice that you want to register for the FCS Web Quiz, we will put you into the system. You will then receive an email from “My.UNL” stating that a guest account was created for you at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. You will be invited to claim it. You will need to do this at least 24 hours PRIOR to when you want to take in the quiz. You will need to set answers to some security questions and reset your own personal password at this time. This is just general security procedures. It may take up to 24 hours after you have claimed your account until it becomes activated to take the quiz.

Since this is a new system I suggest that you do not wait until the last minute to get registered. Please do this early enough so that results can be handed out at the Public Style Revue.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR NEBRASKA 4-H ENTREPRENEURS!**
Ten Nebraska 4-H youth entrepreneurs will be invited to be part of the Nebraska Entrepreneur Market Place held during the 2011 NAE4-HA conference at the Qwest Center in Omaha. The Market Place will be held Wednesday, October 26th from 12 - 5 at the Exhibit Hall. Set up can be any time Wednesday morning; sales begin at noon. GROW Nebraska has agreed to recruit Nebraska adult entrepreneurs.

Nebraska wants to be the first state to showcase youth entrepreneurs at the NAE4-HA Conference. The goal is to select approximately 20 adults and 10 youth to represent Nebraska.

Do you want to represent Nebraska at this event? Call the office and we will get you an application form.
LIVESTOCK OPPORTUNITIES:

ELITE SHOWMAN COMPETITION
The 6th Annual Nebraska Elite Showman Competition will be held September 3rd at the Nebraska State Fairgrounds. This contest is similar to a “Round Robin” contest and is open to both 4-H and FFA competitors. There can only be one competitor per county. So, if you are interested in representing Boyd County at this contest, you will need to fill out the application found at http://holt-boyd.unl.edu/c/document_library/get_file?uuid=47186a18-e991-47c5-96d0-8dd53a8ee69f&groupId=134878&.pdf or pick one up at the Extension Office and return it to us by July 25th.

STATE WIDE EVENTS
Are you interested in attending state 4-H events? A 2011 Upcoming Camps, Clinic, Contests, Conferences, Shows and Workshops - State Wide Calendar (*545.0 kb pdf file - 16 pages) is available on the web page. Information is added as it comes into the office.

SHOOTING SPORTS:

Upcoming Events
Nebraska State 4-H Outdoor Archery Tournament, June 11-12, Broken Bow
Holt County Shooting Sports Invitational, June 25 – Fairgrounds, Chambers

For more events visit the UNL Shooting Sports Website
BOYD COUNTY 4-H CALENDAR

June 8 - Livestock Quality Assurance – O’Neill
June 8 - 4-H Photography Workshop – O’Neill
June 9–10 - Tractor Safety Course – Ainsworth
June 9-11 - 4-H Horse Camp – Fort Robinson, Crawford
June 12-15 - Unicameral Youth Legislature
June 12–17 - 2011 Big Red Summer Academic Camps
June 13–17 - You Range Camp – Nebraska State 4-H Camp, Halsey
June 13 & 14 – Tag/ID ALL 4-H Sheep and Goats – Butte
June 15 – All other 4-H Livestock Id’s & Final Date for Project Enrollment Due
June 15 - District Horse Show – Chambers
June 15 - Quilt Nebraska & the World - Lincoln
June 16 - 4-H Robotics Workshop – O’Neill and Butte
June 17 - Livestock Quality Assurance – O’Neill
June 19 - Boots and Saddle Club Horse Show – Carney Park, O’Neill
June 20 - Livestock Quality Assurance – O’Neill
June 25 - Holt County Shooting Sports Invitational - Chambers
June 27 – 4-H Project Day and Nature Walk - Butte
June 29 - All Tractor Driving Contest; Presentations, Pre-Fair; Food Fair Table; Music Contest Entries Due
June 29 - 4-H Project Day and Nature Walk - O’Neill
June 29 - 5,4,3,2,1 GO! – Lifelong Learning Center, Norfolk
July 6 – Fair Tag Entries Due; Tractor Driving Contest; Potluck Picnic; Small Animal Show; Presentations & Swimming Party - Fairgrounds, Spencer
July 10 - Boots and Saddle Club Horse Show – Carney Park, O’Neill
July 11–15 - NAYI – UNL East Campus
July 12 - 4-H Clover Kid Day and 4-H Outdoor Skills – O’Neill
July 14 - Boyd County Pre-Fair Day – Spencer
July 18–21 - State 4-H Horse Show
July 19 - Kid Day (5-7 Year Olds) and 4-H Outdoor Skills – Spencer
July 21 - Boyd County Style Revue – NOTE: Location Change - Butte
July 18–21 - State 4-H Horse Show – Grand Island
July 21 – Food Fair Tables; Music Contest and Public Style Revue - Spencer
July 25 – Nebraska State Fair Elite Showman Boyd County Application Form Due
July 28 – Boyd County Fair BB & Archery Shooting Sports Contests – Spencer
July 29 - Boyd County Fair Set Up Night – Spencer
July 29 - Elite Showman forms DUE in the office
July 30 - Boots and Saddle Club Horse Show – Carney Park, O’Neill
July 31 - Boyd County Fair Rifle and Shotgun Shooting Sports Contests - Spencer
August 3 – Entry Day – Boyd County Fair – Entry Day
August 4-5-6 – Boyd County Fair - Spencer
August 9-13 - Holt County Fair – Chambers
August 22 - All Non-Perishable State Fair Entries Due in Office by 3:00 pm
August 23 - All Perishable State Fair Entries Due in Office by 12:00 noon
August 24 - State Fair Entries Due in Grand Island and Entries Judged
August 25 - State Fair Entries Judged
August 26 - September 5 - 142nd Nebraska State Fair, Grand Island
September 10-11 - Boots and Saddle Club Two Day Horse Show – Carney Park