

Anytime Learning 2019

Gage County 4-H

We present spring and summer workshops, projects and exhibits for 4-H youth and families to learn skills, work together, and have fun. Youth will enroll for all activities & projects online through Eventbrite. Visit <https://go.unl.edu/anhb> for complete list & registration links. As dates are finalized more registration links will be added so check this page frequently! **Enrollment deadline: April 15 (unless otherwise noted) or the project has limited enrollment.** Note project enrollment fees apply to some workshops/projects. After you register, you will receive information.

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Clover Kids (ages 5-7)

Good Vibrations – Ages 5-7 – May 30, 9-11am, Extension meeting room

Learn about the science of sound through this fun, hands-on Clover Kids workshop. Experiment with sound through vibrations and learn how sounds travel and are heard. Make a kazoo & a rubber band guitar. All supplies provided by Extension Office. Participants must be registered online in Clover Kids by May 1. Fee: \$8.00.

Register online by May 15: <https://cloverkidsgoodvibrations.eventbrite.com>.

Family Celebrations Around the World – Ages 5-7 – May 30, 1-3pm, Extension meeting room

Explore other cultures from around the world and how families celebrate special days or holidays. Make a piñata and prepare an Indian meal to celebrate Divali. Participants must be registered online in Clover Kids by May 1. Fee: \$10.00.

Register online by May 15: <https://cloverkidsfamilycelebrations.eventbrite.com>.

Plants & Animals Workshop – Ages 5-7 – June 13, 9-11am, Extension meeting room

Plants and animals are all part of our daily life. Learn about how our interactions with animals impact us and create your own pet. Bring a stuffed animal for a pet parade & show. Learn how seeds grow and make a fruit print. Participants must be registered online in Clover Kids by May 1. Fee: \$8.00.

Register online by June 1: <https://cloverkidsplants-animals.eventbrite.com>.

Clover Kids Camp – Ages 5-7 – June 27, 9am-3pm, 4-H Inc. Building

Come join us for a fun filled day of “camping” at our first-ever Clover Camp! The day will be full of camping crafts, games, activities and food. Youth ages 5-7 are welcome to attend. Lunch and snacks will be provided. Come join us for fun and new friends! Participants must be registered online in Clover Kids by May 1. Fee: \$25.00.

Register online by June 15: <https://gage4hcloverkidscamp.eventbrite.com>.

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2019 Community Service Projects

1) Recycle Cards

We network with Beatrice State Developmental Center (BSDC) in the collection of greeting cards. BSDC supports the St. Jude’s Ranch and does projects with these recycled cards. Drop off at the Extension Office.

2) Tab Recycling - On to 8 Million

Bring your tabs to the Extension Office or the Gage County Fair. Proceeds to the Ronald McDonald House in Omaha, an outreach to families who need housing while their children are receiving medical care.

3) Dresses for Africa - All Ages

Participants will make a dress that will be a prized possession for a grateful little girl in Africa. Use fabric or modify a pillowcase. Directions at Extension Office or online: nancysnotions.com. One optional component of the project is to model or have a little girl model your dress and/or enter at the fair. Following the fair, dresses will be shipped to their destination.

4) Gage County 4-H Cares Workshop – Ages 8 and older - TBA

As county 4-H members and families, we will construct a Quilt of Valor in one day and mix and bake cookies for local National Guard weekend trainings. Participants will learn hands-on skills in textiles, piecing and sewing a quilt, and baking. Write a personal note to include with the Q of V and the cookies. Jetta and Margee Jane Harvey share their skills as all participants give back to our community.

5) Cats & Dogs & 4-H Kids Workshop – Ages 8 and older – TBA

Healthy pets are happy pets, especially when kids interact with them and help care for them. Angela Zarybnicky brings this community service project to 4-H families to make a simple dog toy from old t-shirts, learn the basics of pet care, and take a trip to the Beatrice Humane Society to tour the facility, walk the dogs and play with the cats. Participants will create a fair exhibit telling about your experience at the workshop. No fee.

Communications & Expressive Arts

6) Public Speaking Workshop – Ages 8 and older - March 24, 3:00 pm, Extension meeting room

Become a public speaking pro as the Harvey family of 4-H public speakers hosts youth in learning public speaking skills. Participants will brainstorm speech topics, begin writing your speech and/or PSA and perfect your delivery - just in time for the 2019 Public Speaking Contest on April 11. Pre-register by March 18. Younger kids should bring easy book or poem ideas for presentation. Older youth should bring ideas for your speech. PSA theme this year is "Inspire Kids to Do".

Register online by March 19: <https://gage4hpublicspeakingwksp.eventbrite.com>.

Animal Science

7) Broiler Chicks – Ages 8 and older - Pick up June 11, 4:00 - 5:30 pm, Extension Office

Today's modern broiler chicken is the fastest, most efficient, meat producing bird. The broiler project is great for youth living in town, on an acreage or the farm. Each participant will receive 20 broiler chicks for \$10.00. Extra chicks may be ordered for \$1.00 each, until the supply is exhausted. Sponsors are Midwest Livestock Systems and Kentucky Fried Chicken. Participants should exhibit at the Gage County Fair a single broiler and a pen of three broilers. Enroll in Poultry.

Contact the Extension Office by May 1 to order.

Consumer and Family Science

8) "Log Cabin Boxes" Pillow Quilting Class – 10 & older – March 23, 9:00 am – Noon, Extension Meeting Room

This easy to sew project uses a modified log cabin quilt block pattern to make a 14" pieced and tied pillow top. The class is designed for beginning level participants with some sewing experience. Instructors are Taylor and Jill Cammack. Fee: \$10.00. Maximum 10 participants. Class supply list will be sent to participants after registration (due March 15). Enroll in Quilt Quest.

Register online by March 15: <https://gage4hlogcabinboxpillow.eventbrite.com>.

9) "Log Cabin Boxes" Quilt Class - Ages 12 & Older - March 23, 1:00 - 4:00 pm, Extension meeting room

This easy to sew quilt pattern uses a modified log cabin quilt block pattern to make a quilt that is 60" x 72" in size. Thirty blocks are sewn from 3 1/2 " strips of colorful fabric. Class members must be age 12 and older with sewing and rotary cutter experience. Instructors are Taylor and Jill Cammack. Fee: \$10.00. Maximum 5 participants. Class supply list will be sent to participants after registration (due March 15). Enroll in Quilt Quest.

Register online by March 15: <https://gage4hlogcabinboxquilt.eventbrite.com>.

10) Kid's Banking Seminar - Grades 3-5 – May 30, 1:00 – 3:00 pm, First National Bank, Beatrice

Kids (and adults) want things now and in the future that we can't afford unless we save for them and learn to manage our money. In this two hour class, presented by Teresa Faxon, Branch Manager, First National Bank, youth will see how to start saving, open a savings account, fill out a deposit and withdrawal slip, along with the difference between a Checking Account, Savings Account, and Certificate of Deposit. We will touch on loans and borrowing money for when you're ready to maybe buy a car or go to college. A budget is a must - we will create your simple plan as you think about your future. Enroll in Making Cents of It or My Financial Future.

Register online by May 14: <https://gageco4hbanking.eventbrite.com>.

11) Pottery 101 Workshop – Ages 12 & older – TBA

Try your skills at the potter's wheel... participants will learn about design, clay, firing, glazes, and actually make your own pottery bowl. Instructor, Shelley Eisele, Instructor at St. Paul's School in Beatrice, shares her artistic, creative skills. Two sessions are offered to make your bowl and then get bowls fired twice in her kiln. Enroll in Design Decisions or Visual Arts 1.

12) The Giving Plate – Ages 8 and older

Start a new tradition with your family and friends by creating a Giving Plate. This plate is for everyone to give love and kindness away. Let its gift bring joy and comfort while it's with you on this day. Cherish the previous memories made with your family and your friends, then pass it on to someone else so its giving never ends. Paint, decorate, make this plate your own! Pick up your plate at the Extension Office. Participants will be notified when plates are available. Maximum 20 participants. Fee \$6.00. Enroll in Design Decisions.

Register online by April 15: <https://gage4hgivingplate.eventbrite.com>.

13) No Sew T-Shirt Tote Bag – Ages 8 and older

Upcycle your favorite t-shirt into a fun tote bag that's perfect for the summer! No sewing skills are needed – just scissors and a cute t-shirt. Pick up pattern & instructions at the Extension Office. No fee. Enroll in Design Decisions.

Register online by April 15: <https://gage4htshirrtotetbag.eventbrite.com>.

14) Wood Lantern – Ages 10 & older

Show off your DIY skills with these farmhouse inspired wood lanterns. Great addition to your home décor, inside or outside, add votive candles or lights for an extra touch. Pre-cut lumber and instructions available at the Extension Office. Maximum 20 participants. Fee: \$15.00. Enroll in Design Decisions.

Register online by April 15: <https://gage4hwoodlantern.eventbrite.com>.

15) Macramé Key Chain Workshop – Ages 10 & older – May 29, 9:30am-Noon, Extension meeting room

The memories of the 70's are alive & popular again! Modern macramé is making its comeback. Join us in creating your own macramé key chain. Made from cotton yarn & dip dyed with your favorite color. The perfect boho-accessory for your backpack, purse or keys! Maximum 15 participants. Fee: \$12.00. Enroll in Design Decisions.

Register online by May 15: <https://gage4hmacramekeychain.eventbrite.com>.

16) Beginning Sewing Workshop – Ages 8 and older – June 11, 9:00 am-3:00 pm, Extension meeting room

This workshop is for those who are just learning, or have always wanted to learn how to sew. All ages welcome. During this workshop, you will become familiar with a sewing machine, make a needle book, a patchwork pillow, and a pillowcase. Participants need to bring a sack lunch. Sewing machines & materials provided by Extension Office. Maximum 12 participants. Fee: \$25.00. Enroll in STEAM Clothing 1 & Design Decisions.

Register online by May 15: <https://gage4hbeginningsewing.eventbrite.com>.

17) Upcycled Flannel Shirt Tote Workshop – Ages 8 and older – May 31, 9:30am – Noon, Extension meeting room

Re-purpose a shirt for this easy project! Turn a flannel shirt into an attractive bag. Family memories can be passed down through clothing, bring your favorite button-down shirt and keep those memories going. Participants will bring shirt (button-down, size Large or bigger, short or long sleeve). All other supplies provided by Extension Office. Beginning sewing knowledge required. Maximum 12 participants. Fee: \$10.00. Enroll in STEAM Clothing.

Register online by May 15: <https://gage4hflannelshirrtotetbag.eventbrite.com>.

18) Dog Balloon Pillow Workshop – Ages 8 and older – May 31, 1:30-4:00 pm, Extension meeting room

Make your balloon animals last forever! In this fun workshop participants will sew a dog balloon pattern into a cute pillow. Sewing machines & materials provided by Extension Office. Beginning/Intermediate sewing skills required. Maximum 12 participants. Fee: \$15.00. Enroll in Design Decisions.

Register online by May 15: <https://gage4hdogballoonpillow.eventbrite.com>.

19) Home DIY Day – Ages 8 and older – June 28, 9:00 am -4:00 pm, Extension meeting room

Explore your creative skills in this DIY workshop! Create four projects: Concrete Bookends, Paint Pouring, Metal Stamping & Pom Pom Garland. Participants need to bring a sack lunch. All materials provided by Extension Office. Maximum 20 participants. Fee: \$35.00. Enroll in Design My Place & Design Decisions.

Register online by June 7: <https://gage4hdiyday.eventbrite.com>.

Healthy Lifestyles

20) Cake Decorating Workshop - Ages 9 & Older - June 4, 1:00 - 3:00 pm, Carolyn Schlake home

Welcome to the world of cake decorating...express your artistry and creative abilities, make a proud contribution to a family celebration and learn life skills. Carolyn Schlake, professional cake decorator, presents basic cake decorating skills and use of decorator tips. Carolyn will have a cake baked for youth to decorate and take home. Start your cake decorating kit; bring 2 cake decorating bags (size 10), coupler for each bag, and tips #3 outline, #4 writing, #16 star, #352 leaf, and #18, 19, OR #21 edge. Snack on a cookie you just decorated. Fee: \$10.00 includes 6" baked cake, icing, instruction, project manual, snack & handouts. Minimum 6 participants, maximum 12. Enroll in Cake Decorating.

Register online by May 30: <https://gageco4hcakedecorating.eventbrite.com>.

21) Baking Up Memories – Pie and Healthy Baked Foods Workshop - Intermediate/Advanced – TBA

"If baking is any labor at all, it's a labor of love. A love that gets passed from generation to generation." (Regina Brett). We celebrate the fair theme as participants stir up memories working in the kitchen with family and friends and create new memories. Best family memories are made in the kitchen! Emily Rempel will share the skills and family baking secrets she has learned from her Grandmother, Sharon Lottman, with participants and an adult helper. While it bakes, we move to making a homemade pie to take home and bake. Maximum 12 participants, with adult helper. Enroll in 4-H Cooking 201, 301 and/or 401.

22) Fondant & More for Beautiful Cakes Workshop – Ages 12 & older – TBA

You've learned the basics of cake decorating and want to move on to more advanced skills. Randi Duis, Once Upon a Cake, will lead youth through the world of fondant and advanced tips to create beautiful cakes. Enroll in Cake Decorating.

23) Rethink Your Drink Workshop – Ages 8 and older – July 10, 1:00 – 3:00 pm, Extension meeting room

Join us as we #MakeEverySipCount by swapping sugar-sweetened beverages for fun fruit smoothies with no added sugar. You'll practice your kitchen skills by reading and following smoothie recipes, measuring ingredients and preparing and cutting fresh fruits. Work up a sweat by taking your turn on the blender bike to finish each smoothie! Cool off with a fun smoothie taste test. Maximum 10 participants. Fee: \$5.00. Enroll in 4-H Cooking 101 and/or 301.

Register online by July 1: <https://gage4hrethinkyourdrink.eventbrite.com>.

24) Home & Family Emergency Preparedness – Ages 8 and older

We all want you to be prepared for potential disasters. If disaster strikes, you may not have much time to act. Lisa Wiegand, Gage County Emergency Management Director, shares knowledge of disasters, how to prepare, and the items needed to assemble your Family Disaster Preparedness Kit. Pick up project kit at Extension Office. Participants will be notified when packets are available. Enroll in Safety.

Register online by April 15: <https://gageco4hemergency.eventbrite.com>.

Plant Science – Environment – Entomology

Enroll in Plant Science or Entomology

25) Young Entomologist Workshop – Ages 8 & older – TBA

Do you love insects? Do you want to be able to identify more insects and learn how to collect them? Then attend the Young Entomologist workshop. Nicole Stoner will teach you about insects and how to collect them. This workshop will feature the basics of making an insect collection, bring your parent to help with your collection. Fee: \$35.00 includes bug box, net, and pins. For youth who have already started a bug collection, pay only \$15.00 which includes a net and pins.

26) Young Entomologist Workshop, part 2– Ages 8 and older – TBA, Extension meeting room

If you enjoyed Young Entomologist and would like to participate in a contest testing your insect knowledge, Young Entomologist part 2 is right for you! Come to the Extension Office for a quick review of insects and then compete in the identification contest. This will allow youth ages 10 and up to participate at the State Fair. There will be 3 classes for 3 different age groups.

27) It's Grow Time Workshop & Contest – All Ages – TBA Extension meeting room

Do you love plants? Do you want to learn the proper techniques for planting? Then attend this basic horticulture workshop. Nicole Stoner will teach you about plants, through a fun and interactive method. Each participant will plant a container plant to take home and care for and exhibit at the fair. It will also include the Online Horticulture Judging Contest for the 2019 Gage County Fair. More details to come.

28) Miniature Gardens Workshop – Ages 8 and older – TBA, Extension meeting room

Miniature gardens are a fun way to be creative and garden at the same time. Youth will learn from Gage County Master Gardener, Shirley Shaffer, how to design and build a miniature garden. Bring a shallow container that is no greater than 12 inches in diameter, with a drainage hole, and whatever accents to put into the "scene" of your miniature garden. Cost \$12 per youth, includes 2-3 fairy garden plants, soil, and gravel for the containers.

29) Piccolo Hybrid Seedless Watermelon – Ages 8 and older

Watermelons are my favorite part of summer, but the seeds can get in the way of the enjoyment. Piccolo Hybrid watermelons are seedless so no need to worry about that, and they are small, 4 pound fruits. Participants will pick up seeds from the Extension Office May 6-10 after receiving a notice from the Extension Office. Maximum 20 participants. Fee: \$1.00.

Register online by April 15: <https://gage4hpiccolowatermelon.eventbrite.com>.

30) Dragon Suhyo Hybrid Cucumber – Ages 8 and older

Cucumbers are a delicious treat in the summertime. Trying new cucumber plants can be fun. This year, youth can grow a long, slender fruit that has limited seeds and edible skins, called Dragon Suhyo. Participants will pick up seeds from the Extension Office May 6-10 after receiving a notice from the Extension Office. Maximum 20 participants. Fee: \$1.00.

Register online by April 15: <https://gage4hdragonsuhyocucumber.eventbrite.com>.

31) Snapdragons (National Garden Bureau Plant of the Year) – Ages 8 and older

Snapdragons are a great plant for a container garden or they can easily be mixed in among your perennial plants to add a pop of color. It seems I'm not the only one to recognize the potential of snapdragons, this plant was chosen as the National Garden Bureau Annual Plant of 2019. Participants will pick up seeds from the Extension Office May 6-10 after receiving a notice from the Extension Office. Maximum 20 participants. Fee: \$1.00.

Register online by April 15: <https://gage4hsnapdragons.eventbrite.com>.

32) Midnight Snack Hybrid Tomato – Ages 8 and older

Tomatoes are delicious and can be found in so many sizes and colors. For the 2019 Gage County Fair, you can grow a cherry tomato with a fun color combination. The Midnight Snack Hybrid tomatoes grow to cherry size but ripen to red with a glossy black/purple overlay on top, making this tomato a fun addition to a garden salad or pasta salad. Plants will be started at Countryside Greenhouse. Participants will pick up plants from the Extension Office May 6-10 after receiving a notice from the Extension Office. Maximum 20 participants. Fee: \$1.00.

Register online by April 15: <https://gage4hmidnightssnacktomato.eventbrite.com>.

33) 2019 Statewide Garden Project: Carmine Splendor Okra – Ages 8 and older

This okra is as unique as it is tasty. The plant is high yielding and produces uniform, red pods. The stout 5-pointed pods are deep red when small and at the best eating quality. The tropical-looking, pinkish flowers are also edible and have a sweet, mild flavor. The mature seed pods give a fun twist for winter interest in a container. Learn about growing, harvesting, and exhibiting this unique vegetable. Participants will pick up seeds from Extension Office from May 6-10; you will receive notification. Maximum 35 participants. Fee: \$1.00.

Register online by April 15: <https://gage4hcarminesplendorokra.eventbrite.com>.

34) **Crops of America - Nebraska Dry Beans – Ages 8 and older**

The Panhandle and Southwest Nebraska are the dry bean production areas of Nebraska. Nebraska raises 155,000 acres of dry beans which is third in the nation. The beans are used in all kinds of food dishes in the United States and sold to export to more than 20 countries. 4-H members enrolling in this project will get two white buckets, a growing information sheet and two dry bean seed packets from among the 13 types available. Participants will be notified of pick up time. Bean buckets will be exhibited outside/north of the 4-H Building. Fee: \$1.00. Enroll in Horticulture or Crops.

Register online by April 15: <https://gage4hcropsofamerica.eventbrite.com>.

35) **Making a Difference for our Environment Workshop – Ages 8 and older – TBA**

We've only got one earth – and there's nowhere to go when we spoil this one. Think we all agree on the value of a clean environment and the idea that we all can make a difference. Josiah Harvey leads participants through environmental activism, with roadside pick-up or planting trees built into the workshop.

Science, Engineering & Technology

36) **Code Camp – Ages 8 and older - June 18, 10:00 - Noon, Extension meeting room**

Youth have the opportunity to learn introductory computer science! This class is designed for anyone interested in coding; if you can read, you can code in this game environment! Youth learn critical thinking, logic, persistence, and creativity to help them excel at problem solving in all subject areas. Fee: \$10.00. Maximum 16 youth. Enroll in Computers.

Register online by June 1: <https://gage4hcodecamp.eventbrite.com>.

37) **3-D Modeling Workshop – Ages 8 and older – June 18, 2:00 – 4:00 pm, Extension meeting room**

Youth will learn how a 3D printer works and have an opportunity to modify an existing 3D print design. 3D prints will be delivered to the Extension Office for pick up following the workshop. Fee: \$10.00. Maximum 16 participants. Enroll in Computer Mysteries 3.

Register online by June 1: <https://gage4h3dmodeling.eventbrite.com>.

38) **Virtual Reality Workshop – Ages 10 & older – May 29, 1:30-4:00 pm, Extension meeting room**

Using virtual reality headsets, explore panoramic photographs, VR video, and virtual worlds. Create 3-D models for use in virtual reality. Participants will receive a Google Cardboard Viewer to start building immersive experiences of their own. Maximum 12 participants. Fee: \$18.00. Enroll in Computers.

Register online by May 15: <https://gage4hvirtualreality.eventbrite.com>.

39) **N150 Solar Light Post - Intermediate/Advanced – Ages 10 & older**

A beautiful way to add to your home is outdoor lighting. Participants in this project will pick up kit to build a solar light post for your yard or garden landscaping with this year's theme N150, celebrating the establishment of the University of Nebraska. Post can be 2 - 4 foot height, depending on your preference with the solar light panel on the top. Paint, embellish or leave natural, whatever your choice. Participants will be notified when project supplies are available. Fee: \$15.00. Maximum 12 participants. Thanks to creators, Paul Hay, and Doug Casey, Precise Fabrication. Enroll in Engineering project.

Register online by April 15: <https://gage4hsolarlightpost.eventbrite.com>.

40) **4-H Giant Lego Kits - Intermediate/Advanced – Ages 10 & older**

One of the most popular and best selling toys of all time around the world is Lego. It's fun for children of all age, with a history dating back over 80 years. The tallest Lego tower was 94' high and used 465,000 bricks. It's Year 3 for the Giant Lego Kits, funded by a Beatrice Walmart grant. Ten kits are available for check-out, will be assembled by the 4-H member, and displayed at the Gage County Fair, Engineering area. Participant must exhibit Lego kit on a substantial board. Rainbow ribbons and premium money awarded. Participants will leave kits at the fair; next year 10 more kids get to participate in the Giant Lego Kits. Enroll in Engineering project. Maximum 10 participants. Pick up kits March 18-April 30. Kits chosen on first come, first serve basis (register online, then pick up at Extension Office).

Register online by April 15: <https://gage4hgiantlegokits.eventbrite.com>.

41) Wood Plant Stand Workshop – Ages 10 & older - June 13, 1:30-4:00pm, Extension meeting room

Let's create a fun hanging basket wood plant stand to display at home. It's a simple project to feature your favorite hanging plant. Participants will cut & assemble plant stands during workshop. Add your finishing touches (paint, stain, etc.) at home! Maximum 12 participants. Fee: \$15.00. Enroll in Woodworking.

Register online by June 1: <https://gage4hwoodplantstand.eventbrite.com>.

42) N|150 Wood Theme Exhibit – Ages 8 and older

We celebrate the establishment of the University of Nebraska and celebrate your creativity. Participants will pick up one "N" shaped wood cut-out to decorate, paint, embellish in any way you choose to carry out the theme "N|150". Use your creativity and imagination to complete your fair exhibit; must include hanger. Theme ribbons and premium awarded. Awards to champions. Maximum 32 participants. Fee: \$3.00. Enroll in Woodworking.

Register online by April 15: <https://gage4hn150woodtheme.eventbrite.com>.

43) N|150 Stepping Stone Showcase – Ages 8 and older

4-H members are invited to show your creativity and UNL pride by creating a stepping stone that represents the N|150 milestone. The University of Nebraska was chartered by the state of Nebraska on February 15, 1869. Participants will create a stepping stone made of any materials, 8" x 8" square, with the N|150 theme or "In Our Grit, Our Glory" theme. After registering, youth will receive stepping stone directions. The champion stepping stone will be selected at the Gage County Fair for the Nebraska State Fair Showcase in the Raising Nebraska Building. Enroll in Engineering project.

Register online by April 15: <https://gage4hn150steppingstone.eventbrite.com>.