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ENROLLMENT DEADLINE – APRIL 15!!!
The 2014 4-H enrollment is fast approaching. Please enroll on line or complete your enrollment forms after you receive your information packets – mailed the week of March 3rd. There are a variety of 4-H projects; therefore, you can make your 4-H experience unique. One way to make projects more fun is to find a friend, even if they are not in 4-H, and get them to sign up and do the same projects together. Remember this information is time sensitive with enrollments due on April 15, 2014 along with new 4-H members signed Code of Conduct. Just a reminder that projects can be added to previously turned in enrollment forms (including Shooting Sports participants) until April 15th.

Thank You
• Thank you to all the 4-H’ers and leaders for making Nebraska 4-H Month successful.
• Thank you to all the 4-H’ers, leaders, council members and volunteers for making the 2014 4-H Kick-Off a successful event.
SAVE THE DATES!

- **Pre-Fair Entry Forms** – Deadline is Monday, June 16
- **2013 PASE and Life Challenge events** will be held **July 1 - 2** on East Campus in Lincoln.
- **2014 Adams County Fairfest Dates**
  Its official! The 2014 Adams County Fair is **July 16 to July 20**. Static Exhibits will be entered Monday, July 14th and Livestock check-in the evening of Tuesday, July 15th. Livestock Auction will be Monday, July 21st. Livestock show schedule and a calendar for other contests and events will be in next month’s newsletter.

Leaders & Parents Corner

**Junior Leader News**
The Adams County 4-H Junior Leaders will meet on Sunday, March 9th, from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. at the old middle school to do Kids Against Hunger Anyone is welcome to join that 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).

**Adams County Fair Foundation**
The Adams County Fair Foundation that was developed several years ago has received their 501C3 status; any donations made to the foundation are now tax exempt. Please remember our fair when giving. Checks can be made out to Adams County Fair Foundation and mailed to the Adams County Fairgrounds, Attention: Darrel Stromer, Foundation President at 947 South Baltimore, Hastings NE 68901.

4-H Council Information

**January Happenings**
* Nebraska 4-H Month Plans
* 4-H Kick-Off Plans
* Review Beef Weigh Day
* Shooting Sports Update

**February Agenda Items**
* Review of 4-H Kick-Off
* Workshops
* Scholarships
* County Camp Update
* Participation in Hastings Give Day

**New to 4-H Orientation**
Is this your first year in 4-H or need a refresher? Then get a head start on making 2014 a successful year by attending the **4-H Orientation on Thursday, April 24 at 6:30 p.m. in the Assembly Room of the Adams County Office Building** (located at 300 N. St. Joseph, Hastings, NE). This is for parents, guardians, or volunteers who want to be in the 4-H loop and gain tips and ideas for having an outstanding year. You will walk away knowing dates and deadlines ensuring you to be prepared and excited for 4-H! Please register by contacting the Adams County Extension Office at (402) 461-7209 or email elizabeth.janning@unl.edu.
Giving Your Best Program

Ready…Set…Go…Make plans to join a FREE, live web-based program designed for 4-H volunteers, leaders, parents and youth development professionals. Three separate web-based programs are being offered to benefit 4-H volunteers and parents as they enroll in 4-H, hold 4-H club meetings and expand 4-H activities into their communities. Choose to participate in one or all of 3-different web-based programs on the following dates from Noon to 1:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

March 27, 2014    READY: Maximize Your Meeting Time
April 3, 2014      SET: 4-H Projects from Start to Finish
April 17, 2014    GO: Beyond the 4-H Project!

Register online at:  http://4h.unl.edu/givingyourbestwebseminars. Once you are registered you will receive an email with the webinar link and additional information related 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 knowledge.

4-H Club of the Month

The Nebraska 4-H Foundation along with the Nebraska 4-H Ambassadors put together a new program for Nebraska 4-H Clubs. Any 4-H club can nominate themselves to be the "Club of the Month" by the second Friday of the month. Each month, a winner will be chosen and will receive a $50 cash card from the Nebraska 4-H Foundation and a certificate which can be displayed. Also, the Club of the Month's story will be displayed on the 4-H Foundation's website, Facebook and Twitter and a news release will be sent out to their local newspaper. Nomination forms can be found on the Adams County 4-H page at http://adams.unl.edu. Please send the nomination forms to: ne4hambassadors@unl.edu

What’s New?? 4H4U Texts!

Sign up for 4H4U Texts and receive the latest Nebraska 4-H updates, and explore great ideas, activities, and resources from Nebraska 4-H and UNL Extension - right at your fingertips!

Texts will focus on:
- Nebraska 4-H updates
- Meeting & project ideas
- Youth group activities
- Volunteer training information
- Great tips that will engage youth, keep enthusiasm high, and move your youth group to the next level

4H4U Texts are for those who work with youth ages 5-19: volunteers, parents, youth development professionals, childcare providers, teachers, and more! Sign up today to hear the latest from UNL Extension youth development educators and make your youth group or club experience one that youth won’t soon forget!

Sign up online at: http://extensiontexts.unl.edu/4H4UTexts

Youth Information

Recruiting youth for 2015 & 2017 CWF Conferences
Youth who are 14 to 18 years old in the years of 2015 & 2017 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
Big Red Camp
The 2014 Big Red Summer Academic Camps, to be held June 8-13, 2014, are only five months away! New camps for 2014 include Animal Science, Fashion Design, and Outdoor Nebraska (Natural Resources). Also offered are the focus areas of Crop Science, Culinary Arts and Food Science, Education, Engineering, Filmmaking, Unicameral Youth Legislature, and Veterinary Science.

Adams County Day Camp: June 18th
Calling all youth ages 8 to 12 years old from Adams & Clay Counties to attend our County Day Camp at Crystal Lake by Ayr, Nebraska on June 18, 2014! This year we are going to spend one full day camping! Participants are to be at Crystal Lake at 9:00 a.m. and be picked up at 5:00 p.m. Cost is still being determined. This will be one JAMMED packed day of camping fun! This camp is not only for 4-H’ers, so tell all of your friends! Please register by contacting UNL Extension in Adams County at (402)461-7209. Beth hopes to see you there!

New 4-H Opportunity at NCTA
Nebraska 4-H and Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture are excited to announce a new career development opportunity for youth! Camps will be offered in Animal Science and Agronomy/Precision Agriculture July 6-9 at NCTA in Curtis for 8th-12th grade youth. Both camps will explore careers, college opportunities and connect with industry.

Scholarships Available
Seniors and even some juniors in high school should be looking at scholarships to continue their education. There are numerous agricultural companies, organizations and colleges that offer scholarships to students who have long term career goals in agriculture. There are of course 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. Now is the time to put together a good resume – it helps! It also helps to have a good cover letter to include with your application.

- **Scholarships on the Web:**
  - [http://brownfieldagnews.com/site-map/scholarships/](http://brownfieldagnews.com/site-map/scholarships/)
  - [Agricultural Scholarships](http://www.agriculturescholarships.us/)
  - [all kinds of scholarships can be found at:](http://www.nextstudent.com/directory-of-scholarships)

- **CASNR Scholarship** - Any graduating senior planning to attend the University of Nebraska-Lincoln CASNR with an ACT of 26 or higher may be eligible for a $1,000 scholarship. Contact Ron or Beth for more details.

- **Nebraska Association of County Extension Boards** -- two scholarships to UNL College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources or College of Education and Human Sciences. Note: Deadline is March 15.

- **Ag. Scholarship** – The Hastings Chamber of Commerce Agriculture Committee is offering a scholarship for students with at least a C average pursuing a college or university education and major in an agricultural field. The student must attend a 2 or 4 year college or university within Nebraska to qualify. Please contact the Extension Office to receive an application form.

- **Adams County 4-H Council** – Two $500 scholarships (one male & one female) for a Senior pursuing a 2 or 4 year degree. Please contact the Extension Office to receive a form. Due April 1st.
4-H Project Information

Shooting Sports

Calendar for Adams County Shooting Sports Activities:
- Shooting Sports Picnic – April 6th
- Nebraska State 4-H Air Pistol Championships - April 5-6 in Broken Bow, NE

4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification Workshop to be Held in Kearney
A Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification Workshop is scheduled for March 29-30 at the Fort Kearney Shooting Sports Complex north of Kearney. The Fort Kearney Shooting Sports Complex is located on 115th and Poole Ave., (From Cabela’s go east on Hwy 30 for 3 miles to Poole Ave. and then turn left and go north 5 miles). Registration deadline is March 14th. Adult volunteers and junior leaders can choose one of three disciplines to become certified. Archery, Rifle, and Shotgun will be offered. Participants will learn under expert instruction from members of the Nebraska State 4-H Shooting Sports Team and National instructors. The registration fee is $100 per person for initial certification and $90 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 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/web/4h/shootingsportseventcalendar, or contact the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension Office in Buffalo County (236-1235) or Steve Pritchard at (402)395-2158 or (308)536-2691.

Communications

Speech, PSA, & Performing Arts Contest
If your love is public speaking or entertaining an audience this contest is for you! Now is the time to start gearing up for this contest. You can register until April 1st and the contest is on April 6 at 1:30 p.m. Classes available are:
- Speech for Jr. Int. Sr.
- PSA for Jr. Int. Sr. – Theme “Making a lasting Impact”
- Performing Arts – Drill or Dance Routine (Individual or Group), Song Group, Combo or Band, Individual Vocal, Individual Instrumental, Whole Club Performance, Duet – Vocal, Duet – Instrumental, Other: such as one-act plays, musical performances, pantomimes etc.

2014 Photography Career Exhibit Print Themes
UNIT II: CAREER EXHIBIT PRINT: Explore a career as a pet photographer. Pet photographers know just how much pet owners love their animals and capturing pets in print is a great way to honor that relationship. Capture photos of your favorite pets and consider creative locations and whimsical props for your photo shoots.
UNIT III: CAREER EXHIBIT PRINT: Explore a career as an editorial photographer. Editorial photographers take pictures that highlight the topics being written about in books, magazines, and newspapers. Editorial photos should be creative, powerful images that tell an intriguing story. Capture editorial photos that tell Nebraska’s story.
Family and Consumer Science

Clover Challenge & Life Challenge
There is still time to join us! We are looking for interested 4-H’ers, 12-years of age or older, to represent Adams County on the different family and consumer science teams. Please call Julie at the Adams County Extension Office, 402-461-7209 for a practice schedule if you are willing to make a time commitment to the Adams County Challenge teams. The Clover Challenge Contest and the Life Challenge Contest dates are official, June 30 – July 1 at UNL, East Campus. You will have a good time while you learn.

Quilts of Valor Workshop – March 8th
Quilting to Honor and Comfort our Wounded. If you love to make quilts or would you like to try your hand at making them, then this workshop is for you. Mark your calendar for this starting date, we will be adding numerous sewing sessions to complete a group project that will be donated to the Quilts of Valor Foundation and then be given to wounded military personnel. The March 8th workshop will be held from 1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. and the March 15th workshop will be held from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at Julie’s Xpressions – 743 West 2nd. This will be a come and work (at any time for any length of time) at no cost for the workshop. Please call the Adams County Extension office at 402-461-7209 and reserve your space for the workshop.

March is Bake & Take month
A time when wheat organizations encourage others to bake a wheat good and share it with family, friends, neighbors and shut-ins. In honor of the month, the Nebraska Wheat Board (NWB) is again sponsoring recipe cards and stickers for any 4-H groups or other organizations that wish to participate. This year’s recipes include s’mores brownies and carrot cranberry bread. Those interested in participating or who have questions can contact the NWB office at (402) 471-2358 or wheat.board@nebraska.gov. There is no cost for the supplies, and no limit on them number that can be requested.

Environmental Ed & Earth Science

Special Gardening Project – Reserve Your Seeds
The Special Garden Project is a way to offer 4-H members the chance to grow unusual and fun projects in their gardens. This year it is focused around the unique Love-Lies-Bleeding Amaranth. Love-Lies-Bleeding Amaranth is an heirloom flower that has many uses. The brilliant red seed heads hang down from upright plants. The flowers are long lasting and are great in arrangements either as fresh cut or dried flowers. When allowed to mature, the seeds from the plant can be eaten as can the fresh small leaves. It will take on average 65-75 days from planting to bloom. The seeds can either be started indoors in containers 6 weeks prior to the first frost then moved outside, or directly planted outside after the last frost free date, usually around the second week of May. The tiny seeds will take 2 weeks to sprout. 4-H’ers enrolled in the Special Garden Project will:

- Receive seeds for the Love-Lies-Bleeding Amaranth (one ‘packet’ per youth) in early April
- a newsletter about: planting & growing, problems & insects, and exhibiting
- 4-H members are able to enter the project in the horticulture class and other projects in the Special Garden Project Class at County Fair and State Fair.

We have ordered a limited number of seed packets. The cost is $1.00 per family packet. If interested in the project, please contact the Adams County Extension Office at (402) 461-7209. Please note: that in Adams County you will still need to enroll in one of the regular horticulture projects to participate in this activity.
**Innovative Youth Corn Challenge**
The University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension and the Nebraska Corn Board have teamed up to offer the 3rd **Innovative Youth Corn Challenge** contest. This contest, open to 4-H members (age 10 & older as of Jan. 1st) or FFA members (in-school members), will guide youth through all aspects of corn production, as well as agricultural careers related to corn production. As a team, youth will be challenged to implement a production practice different than normal to determine if they increased their yield. Economics and sustainability of the practice will also be considered. Yields, cropping history, and production information will be collected in the Corn Yield Challenge management summary. Goals of the contest are: achieve new, innovative, and economically feasible crop production methods to improve yields; provide research data for producers to implement in their operations; distribute data to corn producers, researchers, and agri-businesses for decision making purposes; introduce youth to a variety of agronomic professionals, including corn producers. As a team, youth will work with an adult mentor throughout the process. Mentors can be extension faculty, ag teachers, or other qualified agronomy professionals. Cash prizes and plaques will be given to the first, second, and third place teams. First place will receive $1,000, second place will receive $500, and third place will receive $250. A data completion and innovation award will also be given. Faced with a persistent drought, there will also be a “limited resource” award, which will be based on participants achieving a higher yield with limited inputs. To participate, youth must complete and return an entry form by March 15th to the Fillmore County Extension Office in Geneva, NE. Forms can be downloaded at cropwatch.unl.edu/youth/activities. For more information, contact Brandy VanDeWalle at brandy.vandewalle@unl.edu, Aaron Nygren at anygren2@unl.edu or Amy Timmerman at atimmerman2@unl.edu.

**Flower Barrel Workshop and Pick-up**
Learn the basics of growing eye catching flower barrels at a workshop, **Tuesday, April 22nd, from 7-8 p.m. at the Community Service Building on the Fairgrounds**. The workshop is open to all 4-H’ers interested in planting a barrel for the 2014 County Fair. Flower barrel (container gardening) culture is both fun and rewarding. Learn about soil requirements, design and color, plant selection, fertilization and care of flower barrels. University of Nebraska-Lincoln Master Gardeners will conduct the workshop. Barrels will be available for pick-up following the workshop. This will be the only time available for pick-up. Please call if you cannot attend so other arrangements may be made. Be sure to sign up to attend this workshop at the UNL Extension Office in Adams County by Friday April 18th.

**Science, Engineering & Technology (SET)**

**Adams County 4-H Robotics**
The 4-H Robotics group continues…. The next meeting will be held in the Assembly Room at the Adams County Office Building from 1:30 p.m.to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 16th. The April meeting will be on April 13th. Youth ages 8 to 18 are welcome to participate. Any adults or older youth who have an interest in computers and/or math would be welcomed as volunteers. As this group continues to grow, we will need some additional support. Interested youth or volunteers are to contact the Extension Office at (402) 461-7209 for more details.
Livestock

2nd Beef Weigh Day for 2014
The Adams County 4-H Council decided to hold a second Beef Weigh Day to accommodate 4-Hers this date is by appointment only and will be on March 8th. If you want to weigh beef during this weigh day you must make arrangements with Gwen to reserve your spot by calling 402-461-7201 or stop in and talk with her at the Adams County Extension Office.

First Year Bucket Calf Reminder
Just a reminder for those of you ages 8-12 who are thinking of enrolling in the 1st year bucket calf project, your calves must be born between January 1st and April 15th, owned by you and tagged by April 15th. ID sheets are not due until June 1st, but this is just a reminder of the required birth, ownership and tagging date of April 15th.

Second Year Bucket Calf Reminder!
To show at the Adams County Fair you must be enrolled in 2nd Year Bucket Calf project. Remember that 2nd year bucket calf must have been shown as a First Year Bucket Calf. This project follows the Identification and Deadlines of regular beef projects.

Market Broilers
Adams County will once again be ordering all of our counties market broilers together. The deadline for ordering Market Broilers is April 15th and must be paid for when ordering. They must be ordered in lots of 6. The birds should arrive sometime the first full week of June. If you miss this ordering deadline you will not be able to exhibit market broilers at the fair this year.

Attention: 2014 Sheep & Goat Weigh Day
• Sheep & Goat Weigh Day – Friday, May 9th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Animal Science Series
Are you interested in learning more about livestock animals? Then attend the Animal Science Series! This is for any youth that is 12 to 18 years old and has an interest in beef, goats, poultry, sheep, and swine. You do not have to show an animal to be a part of the series. Youth have the option of participating in Premier Animal Science Events (PASE) on June 30th and July 1st in Lincoln, NE. Our first meeting will be Tuesday, March 25th at 7:00 p.m. in the Assembly Room of the Adams County Office Building. For additional meetings please contact Beth for dates and times. We would love to have you join!

Quality Assurance
Quality Assurance is required for all youth showing Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goats, Dairy, Rabbits and Poultry. Again this year, we will be using the on-line module course at www.campusextension.org. Youth are required to complete 3 modules in their appropriate age division by June 15, 2014. Each youth is required to have their OWN email address to participate in the on-line module course. You are to use the same user name and password that you used in 2013 for 2014. For youth ages 8 to 10 who prefer a face to face training, we will hold one training on Wednesday, May 14th starting at 7:00 p.m. Please pre-register if you plan on attending the face to face training.

Face to Face Quality Assurance Training – May 14th
For youth ages 8 to 10 who prefer a face to face training, we will hold one training on Wednesday, May 14th starting at 7:00 p.m. Please pre-register if you plan on attending the face to face training. Quality Assurance is required for all youth showing Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goats, Dairy, Rabbits and Poultry. If youth are unable to attend this session, they may complete the on-line module course at www.campusextension.org. You are to use the same user name and password that you used in 2013 for 2014.
**Adams County 4-H Carcass Contest**
The carcass contest is a project where youth may enter a beef, sheep, and/or swine to understand the cycle of livestock production. The contest consists of three parts: the carcass, the interview, and the record book. To successfully participate in the contest, all three segments must be fulfilled. Below are important dates for you to know about, if thinking of taking this project.

- Sheep/Swine: July 7th – Drop Off (a.m.)  July 8th – Viewing (p.m.)
- Beef: July 8th – Drop Off (a.m.)  July 10th – Viewing (p.m.)
- ALL SPECIES: July 15th – Record books due by 8 p.m.  July 19th – Interviews (afternoon)

**Horse Show Dates**

**2014 District Horse Show Dates & Locations**
June 9 – Sidney  
June 10 – North Platte  
June 11 – Leigh  
June 12 – Neligh  
June 13 – Clay Center  
June 14 – Beatrice

- The 2014 Fonner Park State 4-H Horse Show will be July 14-17.

**District & State Horse Show Entry Forms Due**
All youth wanting to participate in District and State Horses must complete, pay, and turn in entry forms by Friday, May 9, 2014 by 5:00 p.m. to the Adams County Extension Office. Horse Levels must be completed also. No late forms will be accepted based on State 4-H Rules.

**Nebraska 4-H Roping Clinic**
Saturday, March 29th & Sunday, March 30 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Lilienthal Indoor Arena – Grand Island - Just 1 mile North of I-80 (Locust St. Exit). Featuring Justin and Garrett Nokes as the main instructors. Instructions will be given on Breakaway and Tie Down Roping, Ground Work and Tying Calves followed by live cattle, Team Roping, Ropin on the ground followed by live cattle.

For more information, contact Monte at 402-444-4092. Parents are encouraged to attend all sessions that their youth are participating in. Registration fees: $30/Day without a horse, $60/Day with a horse. Registrations and payment are due March 26.

**Spring Rabbit Show**
Rabbit exhibitors mark your calendars for another opportunity to learn and practice your showmanship. Lancaster County is hosting a spring rabbit show on Saturday, March 29, 9 a.m. at the Lancaster Extension Education Center in Lincoln. For more information, call Bob at 402-525-8263 or Marty at 402-441-7180.
Dog Obedience Classes
Dog Program Obedience classes offered by Adams County Extension will begin with an informational meeting on Monday, March 3, 2014. This meeting will start at 7:00 p.m. and will be held in the Activities Building at the Adams County Fairgrounds. Objectives of the meeting include a discussion of the overall dog program, a demonstration of obedience performance expectations and an opportunity to enroll for the year. Thus, if you plan to participate in the dog program, you are highly encouraged to attend. Please do not bring your dog to this first meeting. The cost is $10.00 to participate in the dog classes. Vaccination record forms for all participating dogs will be distributed and must be completed by a veterinarian or person providing the shots before beginning the classes. Requirements for participation are: 1) Enrollment in 4-H and in the dog project, 2) Vaccination form completed and 3) Class fee paid to the Extension Office before attending any class. The actual classes will begin at the fairgrounds on Monday, March 10th at 7:00 p.m.

Paws on 4-H Dog Clinic
The clinic will be held at the Greater Lincoln Obedience Club (GLOC) in Lincoln, NE on Saturday, March 8th. 4-H educators along with embers of GLOC will work with youth on preparing their dogs for obedience and agility. There will be additional sessions related to dogs and dog care. Youth will be grouped by experience level so the event is tailored to their needs. Call the extension office for more information.

Canine Companions For Life 4-H Dog Expo
This event is Friday evening April 25 and Saturday April 26 at the Adams County Fairgrounds in Hastings, NE. On Friday evening, we will have a get together at the fairgrounds where you can learn about free style (dancing with your dog) and compete in the dog quiz bowl. We will also have dog crafts and treats. On Saturday, you can practice competing with your dog in showmanship, obedience, and agility as well as new this year, Rally Obedience. We will have educational sessions about the care, health, and careers and other activities you can participate in with your dog. Early Bird Registration Due April 10th.

UNL Opportunities

Consider Nebraska! Academics and Support
The University of Nebraska-Lincoln is a leader in academic excellence, offering world-class opportunities to extend your interests with 150 majors and 285 programs of study. Learn more about academics and support. Go to: http://admissions.unl.edu

College of Architecture Hosts High School Workshop
The College of Architecture will be hosting a High School Workshop for current juniors and current seniors interested in Architecture, Interior Design and Landscape Architecture. The workshop will be held at UNL June 8-June 14. Applications are due April 7, 2014. This workshop provides a unique experience for students to investigate issues surrounding design and learn more about the design professions of architecture, landscape architecture and interior design. The central focus of the workshop is a design studio where design issues are explored and creative energies are nurtured. As part of the workshop students will visit professional offices, learn about various career opportunities, and develop fundamental skills necessary for the study of design. Please contact Stephanie Kuenning for more information at skuening2@unl.edu or visit the website.
### March
- **March 1**: 4-H Horse Stampede – Lincoln, NE
- **March 2**: Fashion Board Organizational Meeting – 7:00PM @ Meeting Room
- **March 3**: 4-H Council Meeting – 7:00PM @ Assembly Room
- **March 3**: Dog Obedience Organizational Meeting – 7:00PM @ Fairgrounds (West End)
- **March 6**: Extension Board Meeting – 7:00PM @ Assembly Room
- **March 8**: Quilts of Valor Workshop – 1:00PM – 4:00PM @ Julie’s Xpressions
- **March 10**: Dog Classes Start – 7:00PM Fairgrounds
- **March 11**: Ag Society Meeting – 7:30PM @ Fairgrounds
- **March 15**: Quilts of Valor Workshop – 10AM – 12PM @ Julie’s Xpressions
- **March 16**: Robotics Meeting – 1:30PM @ Assembly Room
- **March 25**: Animal Science Series Organizational Meeting - 7:00PM @ Assembly Room

### April
- **April 1**: Speech, PSA & Performing Arts Contest Registration Due by 5:00PM @ Extension Office
- **April 3**: Extension Board Meeting – 7:00PM @ Assembly Room
- **April 6**: Speech, PSA & Performing Arts Contest – 1:30PM @ Fairgrounds
- **April 6**: Shooting Sports Picnic – 5:00PM @ Fairgrounds
- **April 7**: 4-H Council Meeting – 7:00PM @ Assembly Room
- **April 8**: Ag Society Meeting – 7:30PM @ Fairgrounds
- **April 13**: Robotics Meeting – 1:30PM @ Assembly Room
- **April 15**: 4-H Enrollment Deadline Day by 5:00PM @ Extension Office or Online by 11:59PM
- **April 15**: Bucket Calf Tags & Market Broilers Orders due by 5:00PM @ Extension Office
- **April 22**: Flower Barrel Workshop – 7:00PM @ Fairgrounds
- **April 24**: New to 4-H Orientation – 6:30PM @ Assembly Room
- **April 25**: Extension Office Closed
- **April 25-26**: Canine Companions for Live Dog Expo @ Fairgrounds

Please Check the Adams County Web site at [http://www.adams.unl.edu/](http://www.adams.unl.edu/) for current calendar information.
2014 4-H Council

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Tammy Johnson  Ange Shipman  of Commerce Rep
Bryce Katzberg  Kathleen Stromer  Calvin DeVries
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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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