June-July 2014

Adams County 4-H Newsletter

2014 Fairbooks have Arrived
Please pick up your copy at the Extension Office!

Attention
This is the last Newsletter before Adams County Fair
PLEASE read it all carefully!

4-H T-Shirts Orders are Due June 16th

Important
Due to postal regulations, if you move please let us know asap. A lot of pre-fair mailings will be sent out this summer we need to be able to get the information to you in a timely & cost effective manner. Please watch our web site http://www.adams.unl.edu and Facebook - UNL Extension in Adams County for up to the minute information.

Camper Sign-Up for 2014 County Fair
Mark your calendars for Monday, June 9th as the Camper Sign-up Day for the 2014 County Fair. The sign-up will begin at 8:00 a.m. at the Adams County Fairgrounds. You must be there to get a camper spot!

Extension Office will be Closed
• July 4 – Have a Happy & Safe Independence Day
Pre-Fair Entry Deadline for Fair 4-H Exhibits/Activities is Monday June 16th.

Items that MUST be pre-entered include: all animal classes in beef, cats, dogs, goats, horse, poultry, rabbits, sheep, small animals and swine (please include tag and breed information) & all pre-fair and fair activities – Food Review, Fashion Review, Rocket Contest, Therapeutic Riding, and Ice Cream in a Can/Bag. Encouraged entries but not required are Livestock Judging, and Insect ID. For the items that MUST be pre-entered, a late pre-fair entry sheet will result in the lowering of exhibits by one ribbon. No phone entries will be taken. If you have any questions, please be sure to ask prior to the deadline date. It is highly recommended that you pre-enter all of your static exhibits. If you pre-enter these exhibits, you will not have to wait in line on entry day for those entry tags. The pre-fair entry packet of information was mailed post-marked May 22nd.

Quality Assurance Training must be completed by June 14th.

Moving to the Fairgrounds
Extension Office will be closed from noon Friday, July 11 through Tuesday, July 21 at 8:00 a.m. Contact us at the 4-H Livestock Office on the fairgrounds. The Livestock Office Phone Number is (402)462-8140.

A Note from the office:
County Fair is just around the corner, we would like to take a moment to reflect on the upcoming fair. We believe fair is a time to highlight 4-H projects and to socialize with fellow 4-H families. Fair should be a time of learning and FUN. We would hope that you too share in our vision and practice. With that being said, we would hope all of us are positive and cooperative while being great role models for our youth during the fair. Good luck to everyone on your 4-H projects!

For Parents Only… Encouragement and helping youth with their projects is part of the learning process in 4-H. Participation, competition, and the educational experiences are the reward and purpose of 4-H. Winning is secondary. Not everyone receives a champion or even a purple ribbon. This is one person’s opinion on a particular day, and that person is the judge. The judge is always right; please remember this. Disagreements with other adults at the fair teach our youth nothing. If you have a problem, please come to the 4-H Livestock Office, and we will try to help solve it.

SAVE THE DATES!
- Pre-Fair Entry Forms – Deadline is Monday, June 16
- 2014 PASE and Life Challenge events will be held June 30 – July 1 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.

Congratulations

District Speech Contest
- Junior Speech - Noah Pagel – Purple & Medalist
- Junior Speech - William Barfknecht – Purple
- Junior PSA - Kassandra Kimle – Purple & Medalist

Leaders & Parents Corner

Junior Leader News
The Adams County 4-H Junior Leaders will meet on Sunday, June 1st at 5:00 p.m. in the Assembly Room at the Adams County Office Building, for their pre-fair planning meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Marilyn Shaw (402-756-6636) or the Adams County Extension Office (402-461-7209).
**Jr. Leader Food Booth**
Anyone interested in working in the 4-H Jr. Leader Food Booth at the fair, please contact Marilyn Shaw at 402-756-6636 to set up your time. The shifts are four hours each. Please wear a 4-H T-shirt and bring a baseball cap to wear while working in the booth. This could be clubs, independents, CWF, 4-H’ers or 4-H families.

**Jr. Leader Pancake Feed**
The 4-H Jr. Leader Club would like to invite all 4-H’ers and their families to the Jr. Leader Pancake Feed on Sunday, July 20th from 8:00 - 9:00 a.m., during the Adams County Fair. This is a free breakfast, table service and drinks are provided. The breakfast will be in front of the 4-H Livestock Office on the Fairgrounds.

**Jr. Leader Church Service**
The Jr. Leaders also invite you to join them in worship Sunday, July 20th, during their 9:15 a.m. church service in the 4-H Livestock Arena.

**Jr. Leader Dance**
The 4-H Jr. Leader Club will be holding their annual 4-H Dance, Sunday July 20th from 9:30 p.m. until midnight, in the Community Service Building at the Fairgrounds. The cost is three dollars ($3.00) per individual. The dance is open to youth from 8-19 years of age. Pop will be available to purchase.

**4-H Council Information**
May 4-H Council Happenings:
- TSC Donated woodchips and buckets to Adams County 4-H Program for County Fair
- Sheep and Goat Weigh-In
- 2013 UNL Extension Annual Report was handed out
- A 100 Years of Extension Centennial Party is to be planned for County Fair

June 4-H Council Agenda Items:
- Exhibits from Summer Clinics
- Fair Event Representatives
- Livestock Office Sign-Up
- Ribbons and Trophy Sponsorships

**Activity Center Volunteers**
We are looking for 4-H Clubs and Independent Families to building sit during the County Fair. We are asking for you to call in to the Extension Office to sign up for a time when your club or family can help out. If volunteers do not step forward and sign up by July 5 we will be assigning times to families.

**Extension Corner**
Have you ever had a question either relating to your 4-H project, needed information for a report, or were just curious about something? University of Nebraska–Lincoln Extension publications offer research-based, peer-reviewed objective information in a wide range of topics. Written by specialists and educators in UNL’s Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, publication topics range from crop production to flower gardening and from managing your wildlife to managing your finances and communicating with your teenager.

**Getting Recognition for Service Learning**
Clubs and 4-H’ers are encouraged to report their community service/service learning projects on the 4-H community service app at [http://4h.unl.edu/4hcommunityserviceprojectmap](http://4h.unl.edu/4hcommunityserviceprojectmap) We would really love to be able to report the tremendous things that our 4-Hers are doing in the state and to get an idea of the value of their work. It only takes about 5 minutes to report activities here.

**Fundraiser Support from Tractor Supply Company**
Is your club or special group interested in doing a fundraiser? The Hastings Tractor Supply Company store is willing to work with any 4-H Club or 4-H Special Group to make it happen. Events may be grilling and serving hamburgers, feature a 4-H project (animals, gardening, welding), have a food drive, or come up with an own idea of your own. Talk with Sharry Walter at TSC about the many opportunities.
Important Fair Information

2014 Adams County Post Fairbook Changes

Clothing Exhibits:
These classes are listed under Sewing General on page 103. They are actually Decorate Your Duds classes and not open to everyone. So only the kids enrolled in Decorate Your Duds may exhibit in these classes.

- C221004  UPCYCLED GARMENT
- C221005  UPCYCLED CLOTHING ACCESSORY
- C221006  TEXTILE CLOTHING ACCESSORY

Home Environment Extras:
- C260914  Pg 121 LEATHER class ID should be C250914

Rabbits: New State Fair Division in 2014 is Lionhead Purebred. Adams County Classes are:

- Lionhead Purebred Rabbit Classes
  - Division 92  Premium Pay Table: E

  Class ID:
  - L092001  SENIOR BUCK - LIONHEAD PUREBRED
  - L092002  SENIOR DOE - LIONHEAD PUREBRED
  - L092003  JUNIOR BUCK - LIONHEAD PUREBRED
  - L092004  JUNIOR DOE - LIONHEAD PUREBRED
  - L092005  DOE & LITTER - LIONHEAD PUREBRED

Entry Tag Pick up
Entry Tags will be available for pick up on Wednesday July 9, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the North End of the Fairgrounds Activities Center; Friday July 11, from 7:00 a.m. until noon and from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the West Conference Room of the Fairgrounds Activities Center. They will also be available during entry day at North Entrance from 7:30 a.m. -10:00 a.m.

Fair Clean-up
Please plan to help prepare the fairgrounds for the 2014 Adams County Fair. Clean-up will be held on Friday, July 11th from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. or until done. Remember to bring cleaning supplies (both inside and outdoor). If you exhibit at the fair, this is a great way to help do some community service while getting your exhibits ready. Bonus points for herdsmanship will be given to clubs helping with clean up.

Double Check and Read the Fair Book
Please remember to review and carefully read the rules in the Fair Book. This will help get exhibits displayed correctly, with the correct number of items, all information sheets and descriptions for items. For example, all foods must be entered with recipes and information sheets, and clothing items must be entered with clothing labels. Information sheets are no longer required for Clothing and Home Environment. If you are showing animals, make sure to follow the dress code and substitute showman rules.

Clothing Exhibits Entry
All Clothing and Fiber Arts exhibits including Decorate you Duds accessories (jewelry and leather) are required to be entered on Friday, July 11th. Please note this does not include any sewing that is done in the Home Environment area. Such as quilts, throw pillows etc. these are entered on Monday July 14th with the rest of the static exhibits.

Reminder for Entering Static Exhibits
Static Exhibits, except Clothing, are required to be entered from 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on Monday July 14th. Please use the North Doors at the West End of the Activities Center. If you have not picked up your entry tags or are bringing items that were not pre-entered, please proceed to the West Conference room to receive your entry tags. The superintendents, assistants and helpers will be floating around to help and answer any questions. Flower Barrels are entered at the West side of the breezeway. Any exhibits not entered by 10 a.m. will be considered a late entry and dropped one ribbon placing.
Clover Kids Static Check-in
Clover Kids will have a “Show and Tell” during exhibit check-in on Monday, July 14th during Static Entry Day. The youth entering the exhibit will be asked questions such as: Who helped you make your exhibit? What was the best part about making this? What did you learn? This is to give Clover Kids an opportunity to talk about their exhibits and to learn about the interview process. We hope this is a fun and exciting learning experience!

Oversized Static Exhibits
Arrangements must be made with Beth, Ron or Julie prior to July 7th for displaying your oversized exhibit (Restored vehicle, large woodworking or engineering items).

Interview Judging on Entry Day
Interview Judging is available for all non-animal areas, except foods and food preservation. You have the opportunity to discuss your exhibit with the judge. Please sign up before 10:00 a.m. on entry day. We will be filling the time schedule starting at 10:45 a.m. on Monday, July 14th on a first-come, first-serve basis. The times will be filled in order on the day they are received. You will only have 5 minutes with the judge for each exhibit; therefore, you will need to pick which exhibits you will want to interview judge. We highly encourage youth to participate in the interviews. This is an outstanding learning opportunity.

4-H Council Food Sale
This sale will take place from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. in the Activities Center on entry/judging day, July 14th. This is an excellent opportunity to taste many of the recipes made by the 4-H’ers.

County Fair Reminder
If you are enrolled in a 4-H project, you cannot enter that category in Open Class. For instance if you are enrolled in a foods project you are not allowed to enter any type of cooking in Open Class. Any entries made in Open Class will be disqualified for any ribbon/premium when the 4-H’er is enrolled in that project area. However, if you are not enrolled in a project that your exhibit will fit into, feel free to enter in Open Class.

Exhibiting Your School Projects at Fair
Several projects 4-H members are completing at school can also be exhibited at the fair. Examples of these are family heritage books, bug collections, art projects and shop projects. Visit with the Extension Office Staff to make sure you are enrolled in the appropriate 4-H project and make sure you are following the 2014 Adams County Fairbook for your class entries.

Release of Livestock
The release of retained “non-auction” livestock is Sunday, July 20th from 7:30 until 9:30 PM. Release of retained auctioned livestock is Monday, July 21st immediately following the auction. Any animals removed without approval will forfeit any premium money for that animal. New this year there will be an animal release form in the office that needs to be filled out prior to release of animals, please take a moment to fill it out when signing up for the auction.

Release of Static Exhibits
The exhibits in the Activities Center will be released on Monday, July 22nd, 45 minutes after the conclusion of the Livestock Auction or 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m., or from 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Any items left after pick up times, the premium money will be forfeited.

Heads Up on Entry Deadline of July 25th
- All 4-H State Fair Livestock, Dog, Cat, Small Animal, Fashion Show and any contest entries are due to the Adams County Extension Office by 5:00 p.m.
- AK-SAR-BEN - all entries and fees due by 5:00 p.m. in the Adams County Extension Office
- State Fair Eligible Static Exhibit postcards due by 5:00 PM
- NO State Fair or AK-SAR-BEN Entries will be taken at the Livestock Office during Fair
STATE FAIR INFORMATION

2014 State Fair Information
The State Fair Premium and Rule book is now online at http://4h.unl.edu/

State Contests Pre-entries
Please note that State contest pre-entries are due to the Adams County Extension Office by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, July 25th. Examples: Fashion Show, Presentation Contest, Insect ID, Grass & Weed, Tree & Hort.

Static State Fair Exhibits
All static State Fair exhibits, which received a state fair sticker and letter at County Fair must return the reply card to the Adams County Extension Office no later than July 25th. Exhibits going to State Fair should be delivered to the office on Tuesday, August 19th from 7:30 AM to 6:00 PM. We will not accept exhibits any other day. No early arrivals will be accepted. Pick up for the static exhibits will be on 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM on Tuesday, September 2nd.

Youth Information
Recruiting youth for 2015 & 2017 CWF Conferences
Youth who are 15 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.

Summer Workshops
Remember to sign-up for workshops! We hope that everyone can find at least one workshop that fits your interests. The workshop description flyer was mailed separately last month, check your mail!
- June 9 – Let’s Do a Presentation (note date change)
- June 10 & 11 – Create for the Home Day
- June 12 – What Killed Bessie
- June 23 – Tie Dye Workshop (Beginning & Advanced)
- June 24 – Pieced Table Runner Workshop
- June 24 – Clover Kids Camp
- June 25 – Experience Child Care Workshop
- June 25 – Rabbit/Chicken Clinic
- June 27 – Quilt as you go Workshop
- July 2 - Displaying Floriculture & Horticulture at the Fair Workshop

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 $10.00 per youth. 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.
Buckle Up Show Camp for Sheep and Goat Producers
The Buckle Up Show Camp for sheep and goat producers will be held June 27-28, 2014, at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds in North Platte, Nebraska. This camp has been and is being taught in several states, including Oklahoma and Colorado; it is being taught by Hannah Niccoli who has over 50 showmanship wins. The cost is $50 per attendee. Preregister by Monday, June 16, 2014. Topics covered at this camp include: Nutrition, Exercise, Fitting, Health, Showmanship Prep & Showmanship. Registration information can be found at http://go.unl.edu/kkma. For more information contact Randy Saner at rsaner2@unl.edu or call 1-800-200-1381.

Plan Ahead - Premier 4-H Science Award at State Fair
Objective: Recognize 4-H youth static exhibits incorporating or demonstrating concepts from the areas of 4-H Science (science, technology, engineering, or applied math) at the Nebraska State Fair. Exhibits in all curriculum areas will be considered for the award.
Exhibit Entry: Youth will identify exhibits to be considered for the Premier 4-H Science Award. They will be entered along with State Fair static entries. The Premier 4-H Science Award Application must be submitted along with a photograph of the exhibit.
Judging: Members of the 4-H Science work-group will serve as judges for the award. A score sheet will be used to judge each exhibit.
Recognition: All projects entered in this class will be recognized with a certificate attached to the original exhibit. Exhibits will be displayed within their original class. Up to 20 top 4-H Science exhibits will be chosen from all curriculum areas and will receive a $100 cash award sponsored by the Nebraska 4-H Foundation.

Adams County 4-H T-Shirts
The official show attire for Adams County 4-H’ers is to wear an Adams County 4-H t-shirt. If wanting to purchase a new 4-H t-shirt the design can be viewed by stopping in at the Adams County Extension Office. Be sure to turn in your order form, orders are due by June 16th. The shirts may be long or short sleeve. Remember long sleeve shirts are recommended for cat and rabbit exhibitors. The order blank is attached.

4-H Project Information

Shooting Sports

Calendar for Adams County Shooting Sports Activities:
• June 24 – 29 National 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational

National 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational Volunteers Needed
Get involved in Nebraska for National 4-H! The National 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational is coming to Nebraska and ‘volunteers’ are needed. As a staff member, you can sign up for easy jobs like delivering water, outdoor jobs like hosting an archery target, or technical jobs like scoring. The dates are June 24-29 with the majority of help needed on June 26, 27, and 28. To sign up, http://go.unl.edu/shootingsportsvoluteerform.

Adams County 4-H Shooting Sports Participants – please pick up your items in the Extension Office.
Communications

Presentations Contest
The Adams County 4-H Presentations Contest will be held during the fair this year on Thursday, July 17th at 5:30 p.m., in the West End of the Activities Center. The types of classes are: 1) Illustrated (Use Visual Aids such as props, posters, computer-based visuals), 2) Multimedia presentation (have an oral intro followed by a self-automated, free standing digital presentation), or 3) Teaching Presentation (Interactive presentation where youth engage their audience). A 4-H member may participate in only one Presentation class. Registrations are due Monday June 16th on Pre-Fair Entry Form by 5:00 p.m. in the UNL Extension Office in Adams County.

2014 Photography Career Exhibit Print Themes
UNIT II: Pet Photographer CAREER EXHIBIT PRINT
UNIT III: Editorial Photographer CAREER EXHIBIT PRINT

Hit us with your Best Shot
2015 Poultry Calendar Photo Contest sponsored by Nebraska Department of Agriculture Animal & Plant Health Protection. Stop by the Extension Office for entry blank or see details at www.nda.nebraska.gov. Entries must be postmarked or emailed by June 30, 2014.

Family and Consumer Science

Fashion Review
If you want to model in the Public Fashion Review, the night of July 9th, you must model before a judge earlier that day, with the exception of those 4-H’ers enrolled in Sewing for Fun or 4-H’ers wanting to model their workshop items. But they are highly encouraged to practice modeling from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. in the Activities Center, west end. Any 4-H’er modeling must complete a narration sheet and turn it into the Extension Office by June 16th. Please watch for the forms. They will be mailed in early June.

2014 Food Review and Food Event
Watch your mail for special foods information letter to be mailed shortly.
Start planning now for the food review contest on July 11th at 1:30 PM (set up starts at 12:30 PM).
To participate in the contest, you must register by Monday, June 16th on the Pre-Fair Entry Form.

FCS Judging Contest
Are you ready for life? The FCS judging contest will test your skills with a multiple choice quiz in foods & nutrition, clothing & fiber arts, home environment, entrepreneurship, and financial and money management.
This contest is held in conjunction with the Food Review on July 11th, and open to any 4-H member.
Pre-registration is not required.

Healthy Lifestyles

Ice Cream in a Can or Bag
Remember there can be no raw eggs in your ice cream recipe. Youth must use an official 4-H recipe, copies are available in the Adams County Extension Office or on the Adams County website under Adams County 4-H.

Golf
The 4-H golf program is being planned with practices on June 24th and June 25th beginning at 9 a.m. at Southern Hills Golf Course. The fee is $5 for non-members and $1 for members. The tournament (also at Southern Hills Golf Course) will begin at 9 a.m. on June 26th. Just a reminder, you must be enrolled in the golf project to participate in the lessons or tournament. Release forms were mailed out to 4-H’ers enrolled in the golf project. Parental consent/medical release forms must be signed and returned to the Extension Office by June 2nd (this is mandatory).
Bowling

The bowling tournament is set for Tuesday, June 17th, with start times of 1:30 PM and 6:30 PM. Bowling registrations are due to the Extension Office by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 2nd. The cost will be $8.00 per person paid at the tournament. Just a reminder, you must be enrolled in the bowling project to participate in the tournament.

Environmental Ed & Earth Science

Tree and Horticulture Identification Contest
Sharon Maul from Central Community College will be teaching tree and horticulture identification again this year. You will be able to impress your family and friends with your plant knowledge after participating in the program. Practice sessions will be held Wednesday, May 28, Friday, May 30, and Tuesday June 3. The contest will be held on Thursday, June 6th. All sessions and the contest will begin at 9:00 am. The practice sessions will first meet at Earl May Garden Center and will then move to Highland Park Arboretum. The contest location will be announced at the practice sessions.

2014 Nebraska 4-H Online Horticulture Judging Contest
The 2014 Nebraska 4-H Online Horticulture Judging contest is just around the corner. This year the contest will be available from June 16th at 1:00 a.m. until June 23rd at midnight. It is composed of three parts; general knowledge questions, plant part and seed identification, as well as a judging portion. It is open to all 4-H youth, as well as adults, and even Extension individuals. The password is ‘Nebraska’ and the two links listed below will take you directly to the contest. http://go.unl.edu/mfh2 http://www.proprofs.com/quiz-school/story.php?title=2010-nebraska-horticulture-judging-contest

Insect Identification Contest
Insects are fun to work with and to identify. An identification contest has been scheduled for Wednesday, July 16th with check-in at 2:45 p.m. and the contest at 3:00 p.m. on in the Youth Building at the Adams County Fairgrounds.

Grass, Weed, Forb, and Crop Identification Contest
Participation in this contest provides a good opportunity to walk outside and learn about plants that make a difference for crop and livestock production. Practice sessions will be held in fields and pastures where the growing plants can be found. An initial meeting and practice session is scheduled for 7:00 pm on Monday, July 29th, at Randy and Julie Ochsner’s home located south of Juniata at 8065 West Oregon Trail Road. Additional practice sessions will be scheduled at the first meeting. The contest is scheduled for 7:00 pm on August 12th.

Science, Engineering & Technology (SET)

Rocket Contest
Enjoy an evening of shooting off rockets at the Adams County Rocket Contest on Thursday, June 26th at 7:30 p.m. in front of the Grand Stand at the Adams County Fairgrounds. This contest is open to any 4-H members who are 8 years or older as of January 1st. Participants do not have to be enrolled in the Aerospace Projects to participate. Youth may build a rocket or purchase a rocket to launch. Each participant will have three launches which may be used for the rocket project requirement. Participants may bring their own launching equipment or use the Adams County Extension Office equipment. To participate, youth must register for the contest by Monday, June 16th on Pre-Fair Entry Forms.

Livestock

Heads Up on Enrollment & ID Deadlines
- May 30th – Stocker Feeder & Swine DNA Samples Due
- June 2nd – Animal Id’s & Vaccinations (tags need to be purchased and in the animals ear)
- June 16th – Pre-Fair Entry Forms Due
**Stocker Feeder & Swine ID’s Due**
The Stocker Feeder & Swine ID’s are due on Monday, June 2nd. Anyone interested in showing Swine at the Nebraska State Fair or Ak-Sar-Ben and Stocker Feeders at Ak-Sar-Ben must contact Beth to find a day and time for her to come out and take DNA samples before May 30th.

**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](http://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. Please note – the enrollment key is: “Nebraska”. Also, make sure you are including “Adams” as your County when asked.

**Market Broiler Tentative Arrival Date: Thursday, June 5th**
If you ordered Market Broilers, please mark your calendar for Thursday, June 5th to pick up them up from the Extension Office between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

**Dairy Show**
The Regional Dairy Show will be June 7th starting at 10:00 a.m. in Clay Center. Entries must be turned into the Clay County Office by May 30th.

**South Central Livestock Judging**
The South Central Livestock Clinic & Judging Contest will be held on Wednesday, June 11th in Bladen. Registration will be from 8:15 to 9:00 am with the clinic starting at 9:00 a.m. The Judging Contest will follow the clinic. This clinic and contest is to improve the skills for those that want to judge beef, sheep, swine, and goats.

**Livestock Fair Check In**
All beef, sheep, swine and goats are entered from noon until weigh in time on July 15th. Sheep, Goats and Swine weigh from 4:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Beef will begin weighing in at 8:00 p.m. Any livestock that is not entered during this time will be considered a late entry and dropped one ribbon placing. Remember that all ear tags or tattoos must match the Identification Sheets that were previously turned into the Extension Office. If an animal loses a tag, you must contact the Extension Office with the old ear tag number and get a replacement tag. The number will then be changed on your identification sheet. This must be done prior to entry time at the fair.

**Attention Swine Exhibitors** the hog wash racks will be available on July 15th from noon until 3:30 p.m. and then reopened at 6:30 p.m. Please take these times into consideration when planning for your hogs to be washed prior to the Swine Show.

**Swine Exhibitors**
Continued in 2014 – We will not be accepting any packer bids for swine. An arrangement has been made to sell to Hormel Foods. Youth are able to retain ownership and take the pigs’ home instead of selling to Hormel Foods, if they prefer. In order to sell to Hormel Foods, youth must:
- Complete Hormel Foods Exhibitor Swine Affidavit
- Completed Quality Assurance
- Farm/Operation have a Premise ID number
- Pigs weigh between 215 lbs and 330 lbs (current industry limits)

**Bucket Calf Interview Sign Up & Record Book Deadline**
Interviews will be held in the North Conference room in the Activities Center on Thursday, July 17th, starting at 3:00 p.m. You must sign up at the 4-H Livestock Office on the fairgrounds by noon on Thursday, July 17th. If you do not schedule a time, one will be scheduled for you. Your record books are also due by 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 17th, in the 4-H Livestock Office. If you would like to have the information from your record book to study from, please make a copy of the materials before you turn them in.
Scrapies Tag
All female sheep and goats (breeding and market) and breeding rams to be exhibited at the Adams County Fair, State Fair or Ak-Sar-Ben must have a scrapies tag in its ear. If you have your own flock, you must order tags and register your flock through the USDA. If you are purchasing sheep or goats, make sure that the producer puts a scrapies tag in the ear before you accept them.

Pee Wee Sheep Show
This year’s Pee Wee Sheep show will be held on Thursday, July 17th, after Sheep Showmanship. Youth ages 4 to 7 can participate. To sign-up, please stop by the 4-H Livestock Office on July 17th. We will not register show participants though the Adams County Extension Office. A liability waiver must be signed by parent or guardian on morning of the show. Participation is limited due to the number of donated awards. In order to show, you must borrow a lamb from someone you know. Much fun is had by all, hope to see you there!

2014 Beef Ambassador Contest
Do you have a passion for the beef industry? The Nebraska CattleWomen will host the 2014 Beef Ambassador Contest on June 11th in Gothenburg, Nebraska. The contest will begin at 1:00 pm. The contest provides an opportunity for youth to become spokesperson and future leaders of the beef industry. Cash prizes will be awarded in each of the three age divisions. Age divisions are based on the student’s age as of September 1, 2014. Junior division is 8-12 years old, intermediate is 12-16 years old, and senior division is 17-20 years old. The winners of the intermediate and senior division may be eligible to compete for the National Beef Ambassador contest in Denver, Colorado. All Nebraska Beef Ambassadors will be invited to promote the beef industry at events such as the Nebraska State Fair. Contest rules and registration forms are available on the Nebraska Cattlemen website (www.nebraskacattlemen.org) Registration must be post marked by May 15th. For more information, contests Ashton Bohling at 402-239-0936 or ashtonmeints@gmail.com.

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.

State Fair Livestock Information
State Fair Livestock information is up at [http://statefair.org/fair/competitions/livestock.asp](http://statefair.org/fair/competitions/livestock.asp). Please refer to this site for the general information, general rules, 4-H and FFA rules, youth dairy rules, health requirements. The 4-H fairbook can be found at [http://4h.unl.edu/nebraskastatefair](http://4h.unl.edu/nebraskastatefair).

Upcoming Livestock and Small Animal Shows and events
Please stop in the office to check for the flyers and complete list of show and livestock judging opportunities available. There are too many to list, so please stop in to check them out!
**Dog Obedience Classes**
Dog Program Obedience classes, offered by Adams County Extension, continue to be held each Monday evening at 7:00 pm at the Adams County Fairgrounds in the west end of the Activities building. 4-H’ers can still participate as long as they have 1) Enrolled in 4-H and in the dog project, 2) Vaccination record form completed and turned into the Extension Office and 3) $10.00 class fee paid to the Extension Office before attending any class.

**Clover Kids Dog Class**
A Clover Kids dog exhibition will again be conducted at the county fair dog show. In order to participate, Clover Kids must have signed-up for 4-H and enrolled in the Clover Kid Dog project, must have registered for the 4-H dog classes, and participate in at least four sessions. The sessions started on May 12th at 6:30 p.m.

**4-H Dog Agility & Rally Practices**
Dog agility and Rally are great areas for you and your dog to have fun together. Dr. Pam Burr is offering classes to teach your dog to safely run through an agility course. The classes will be held at the Adams County Fairgrounds in Windmill Park starting June 1st and run every Sunday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. except on holiday weekends. To participate, you must be signed up for 4-H and the Dog Project, sign a medical release form, and provide to the Extension Office a record that your dog has been vaccinated. You and your dog must have completed at least the beginning novice dog obedience class, and have received at least a red ribbon at a previous fair before you can participate in the dog agility classes and you will need a break away type collar for the dog. The cost is $10.00 unless you have already paid for this year’s 4-H dog obedience class. Parental attendance is required at the practices.

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**4-H Calendar**

*June & July Calendar was mailed out in a special mailing along with the Fair Calendar*

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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Please take time to THANK these above individuals for their hard work and dedication to the Adams County 4-H Program!!!
2014 4-H SHORT SLEEVE T-SHIRT ORDER FORM

COST:  YOUTH (10-12 Only) - $9.00   ADULT (S - 1XL) $10.00   ADULT (2XL OR 3XL) $11.00

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Small NE Map will be on the Back Right Shoulder.

IF ASH GREY NOT MARKED THEN YOU WILL BE GIVEN "GREEN"

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE to: ADAMS COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

Order Deadline: JUNE 16th

2014 4-H LONG SLEEVE T-SHIRT ORDER FORM

COST:  YOUTH (10-12 only) - $13.00   ADULT (S - 1XL) $14.00   ADULT (2XL ONLY) $15.00

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IT’S PARADE TIME!

ADAMS CO. FAIRFEST PARADE
SATURDAY, JULY 12, 2014 - 10:00 AM

Fairfest 2014
Bushels of Fun at the Adams County Fair

Due to New City Ordinance Candy Throwing IS NOT ALLOWED

REGISTRATION BEGINS: 9:00 AM (On 4th Street between Hastings and Denver Avenue)
Entry must be in front of registration table and ready to be placed in line BEFORE getting a number.

Name ________________________________

Address ________________________________

City, State & Zip __________________________ Phone __________________________

TYPE OF ENTRY (Please check one)

_____ 1. Antique Car Model ____________________ Year ________ Make __________
      Open __________ Closed __________

_____ 2. Antique Tractor or Machinery
      Model ____________________ Year ________ Make __________

_____ 3. Horse Buggies & Wagons (Specify breed/make)

_____ 4. Horse Entry

_____ 5. Floats and other (specify theme and/or number of organization)

We will be serving hotdogs, chips and drinks at 11:00 am compliments of Russ’s IGA. Due to construction at Russ’s IGA, the after parade events will take place on the grass north of the Masonic Temple on Hastings Avenue and across from the City Auditorium.

Pre-register by Adams County Fair
Mailing form to: 947 S. Baltimore Avenue
                       Hastings, NE  68901
                       402-462-3247

Please list details about your parade entry for the Announcers Stand (continue on back of page if necessary)

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