Premium Checks for 4-H members were MAILED on Friday, September 14th, unless otherwise requested by club leader. Have you cashed yours?

Extension Office Closed
The Adams County Extension Office will be closed.
- November 12th for Veterans Day
- November 22nd & 23rd for Thanksgiving

Thank you’s

Thank You Trevor & Adam
Please help us thank our 2012 Golden Clovers Trevor DeVries and Adam Heier for doing a great job promoting 4-H this past year. When you see them, please let them know what a great job they did for Adams County.

4-H Dog Expo
Thank you to all of the local 4-H’ers, parents and leaders that either participated in or helped with the Canine Companions for Life Nebraska 4-H Dog Expo. The program was a great success.
Leaders & Parents Corner

Junior Leader News
The Adams County 4-H Junior Leaders will meet on Sunday, November 18th at 2:00 p.m. for their re-organizational meeting. The meeting will be held in the Assembly Room. Anyone is welcome to join that is 12 years old and will be 13 by January 1, 2013, or 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).

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

SAVE THE DATES!
Sunday, January 13th Shooting Sports Kick Off
Sunday, January 27th for the 4-H Council Fundraiser (Soup Supper)
Sunday, February 10th for the 4-H Kick Off

4-H Council Information

October Happenings
- Constitution update
- Adams County Robotics Group
- Upcoming Dates

November Agenda Items
- Committee Reports

Ag BBQ
The annual Ag BBQ sponsored by the Ag. Committee of the Hastings Area Chamber of Commerce will be held on November 8th, at the Adams County Fairgrounds, dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. and program at 7:00 p.m. Tickets can be obtained from the sponsoring businesses in Hastings and surrounding area. A raffle is held every year at the BBQ to help sponsor the two educational scholarships offered to Adams County 4-H’ers through their Career Portfolio application.

Ag. Society Election
Don’t miss out on voting! The Adams County Agriculture Society will hold a County Vote to fill three vacancies on the Adams County Ag-Society Board of Directors. Voting will be held on Tuesday, November 20th, with registration beginning at 7:00 p.m. and voting from 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. This election will take place at the Adams County Fairgrounds and all registered voters in Adams County are encouraged to vote. Please don’t miss out on your civic duty to make a positive difference in our county.
Youth Information

CWF Fundraising has Begun!
Attention all Fruit, Meat & Cheese, and Poinsettia lovers! The CWF Fundraising has begun for the fall of 2012. The youth planning on going on the 2013 and 2016 trip are out and about selling fruit. If you are not asked, please contact the Extension Office to get in contact with a youth or purchase from the office. All forms must be returned to the Adams County Extension Office by Wednesday, November 14th at 5:00 p.m. Happy Selling!

Adams County 4-H Kick-Off
The 2013 Adams County 4-H Kick-Off will be on Sunday, February 10th from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the North End of the Activities Center. The purpose is for interested, new or current 4-H members & families to learn about 4-H and the opportunities. If a club or special group would like to have a booth, please let Beth know.

The Story of Youth Scholarship
Want to win a $500 scholarship for you and for your county? Share your 4-H story with us!
All you need to do is create a video of yourself sharing your 4-H story using one of our six questions!
1. 4-H has inspired me to pursue a career in…..
2. With science and technology in 4-H I will…….
3. I demonstrate citizenship through 4-H by…….
4. 4-H has led me to have a healthier lifestyle by…..
5. I have increased my agricultural knowledge through 4-H by…..
6. My 4-H story is………
Rules and Regulations:
1. Must be a current 4-H member in the state of Nebraska.
2. Videos submitted must answer one of the six prompts provided by the Nebraska 4-H Foundation.
3. Videos must be under 1 minute.
4. Waivers and Entry forms must be signed by both a parent/legal guardian and the 4-H member and submitted along with the video entry.
5. Any other individual appearing in the video and his/her parent/legal guardian must also sign the release form.
6. Have fun and be creative!
Entry forms may be picked up at the Extension Office
Video Submissions MUST BE RECEIVED BY December 1, 2012
Mail to: Nebraska 4-H Foundation
Attn: Desirae TePoel
PO Box 830719
Lincoln, NE 68583-0719
Email to: dtepoel2@unl.edu
On the website: www.ne4hfoundation.org

Scholarships Available
- 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.
- The Nebraska Association of Fair Managers is offering $500 Martha & Don Romeo Scholarship for graduating seniors. Due December 1, 2012 to the Adams County Fairgrounds – Sandy Himmelberg.
Nestle Very Best in Youth Awards
Nestle will honor youth who are making a profound impact on their communities by giving a $1,000 contribution to the charity of each young person's choice. Winners will also be sent to the "Very Best In Youth Awards" ceremony in Los Angeles. For more information, visit: http://verybestinyouth.nestleusa.com/public/default.aspx
The application deadline is November 8, 2012

4-H Project Information

Shooting Sports

Shooting Sports Kick-Off
The 2013 Shooting Sports Kick-Off will be on Sunday, January 13th at 1:30 p.m. at the East End of the Activities Center. All past and new 4-H participants that want to participate in the Adams County 4-H Shooting Sports program need to be present for the meeting and sign-up.

Workshop Ideas
We are looking for ideas for workshops in 2013. We would like to hear ideas of what you would be willing to attend. We would also like to hear from you regarding what times would work best for most people, after school, ½ days when school is out, Saturday’s, etc. Please contact the Extension Office 402-461-7209 and let us know what YOU are interested in.

Family and Consumer Science

Service Project Opportunity – Save the Date!
You are Invited
To: Keepin’ it Warm! Pajama Party
We will be making scarves (to be donated to local schools) and home décor items along with a light meal
When: November 2nd from 4:30 p.m. till 9:30 p.m.
Where: Adams County Building – Assembly Room
Wear your slippers and pajama pants.
Bring your pillow and 1 yard of flannel fabric to donate for making several scarves.
Bring $10.00 to cover the cost of your supplies, meal and drinks.
If you have any questions please give Beth or Julie a call.
RSVP by Friday, October 26th at 402-461-7209.
4-H Workshop – Staff, Volunteers, & Jr. Leaders Invited
A 4-H In-Service covering up-to-date techniques and teaching methods covering Clothing, Child Development and Shopping in Style will be held December 12, 2012 from 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the Buffalo County Fairgrounds in Kearney. All staff, volunteers and junior leaders are invited to take part in this hands-on learning in-service. Participants will learn about new 4-H curriculum, fair exhibits and how to connect 4-H science and technology initiatives to upcoming 4-H workshops and learn environments. Registration and a $30 fee is due November 30 to the Lincoln County Office. Registration covers lunch, hands-on materials including take-on samples.

Make It Yourself With Wool
The 2012 Make It Yourself With Wool State Contest will be held on Saturday, November 17 in Hastings at the Adams County Fairgrounds Activities Center – North End. Entries are due to your District and State Director by Saturday, October 27th. Forms are available in our office.

Communications
Nebraska Waters Photography Contest
The Stormwater Sleuth team is looking for your great photos of Nebraska water! Photos will be used in a card game to help teach youth about our state’s water resources and the conservation and protection of Nebraska waters. Prizes will be awarded! Deadline November 30, 2012
Find more information can be found and entries can be made at:
http://water.unl.edu/web/propertydesign/NEWatersPhotoContest

Environmental Ed & Earth Science
Agronomy Projects
As crop harvest comes to a close, there is still time to consider creating an agronomy exhibit that you may show at next year’s fair. These projects provide an excellent opportunity to learn the requirements in producing a crop. If you or someone in your family raised a field crop, simply sit down and create a two-page report about the procedures required to grow the crop. Then fill a gallon container of the grain or select ten grain ears, (corn or milo), for display and you are done. Stop by or call the Adams County Extension Office if you would like more information on these projects.

Largest Ear of Corn Contest
We plan to continue this contest, with sponsorship of a cash prize to the winners. Now is a good time to start to think about next year’s project. If a 4-H’er grew a corn crop or helped a member of their immediate family grow a corn crop this year, then you can exhibit a collection of ten corn ears at the 2013 Adams County Fair. The contest will have two classes, one for yellow corn and one for white corn. Call the Extension Office if you would like more information about this contest and project.
Livestock

2013 Beef Weigh Day
The Adams County Beef Weigh Day will be set in early to mid January (date pending) 4-H exhibitors who plan to show beef (Market including 2nd Year Bucket Calves, and Carcass) in 2013 at the Adams County Fair, Nebraska State Fair and Ak-Sar-Ben must have their beef animals weighed and tagged. The animals must also have DNA samples taken to exhibit at the Nebraska State Fair and Ak-Sar-Ben. Please note this is the only time to DNA market beef. Please note: as a rule change you may weigh in another county prior to the January Adams County weigh day but you will forfeit your participation in the Adams County Rate of Gain Contest.

Horsin Around 2013 Date Announce
Save the dates of January 12th & 13th for the 2013 Horsin Around featuring Michael Colvin of Georgia. He specializes in all-around performance horses. More info is to come.

Horse Stampede – Date Announced
The 2013 4-H Horse Stampede date will be held on Saturday, March 16th in Lincoln, NE at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln East Campus. More information is to come.

4-H Horse Judging Training
A face to face training to become a certified 4-H Horse Show Judge will be held on Saturday, December 1st from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Lincoln, NE at the Animal Science Building on UNL East Campus. The fee is $40.00 which includes lunch and exam fee. Registration is due November 16, 2012 to Lena Cottle. For registration form please visit: http://animalscience.unl.edu/. Self-study is still available for $20.00.

C & H (Companion Animal and Horse) Newsletter
The quarterly Companion Animal and Horse Newsletter can be found online and you can sign up to receive a copy sent to you electronically. If you know of an event or article you would like to see covered in the newsletter, please let Dr. Lisa Karr-Lilienthal (lkarr-lilienthal2@unl.edu) know. The newsletter and form to sign up can be found here: http://animalscience.unl.edu/web/anisci/ansc-candhnews

Catch-A-Calf Program
The National Western Stock Show Catch-A-Calf Program is a great program designed to promote youth development and understanding of the cattle industry. This program can provide youth with an opportunity to be part of one of the best programs at the National Western Stock Show. Youth who choose to participate in contest may have a range of experiences raising, feeding and showing beef cattle, all are acceptable. Applicants must be between the ages of 12 and 18 as of December 31, 2012 to apply, they must also be enrolled in 4-H at the time of application. Successful catchers must have adequate facilities available to house their steer as they are responsible for the care, feeding, and handling of their animal. The applications to participate in this year’s Catch-a-Calf program at the NWSS are now available on line at http://www.nationalwestern.com/catch-a-calf/
4-H Calendar

NOVEMBER
November 1 Extension Board Meeting
November 2 Keepin’ it Warm – Pajama Party
November 5 4-H Council Meeting
November 12 Holiday – Veteran’s Day
November 13 Ag. Society Meeting
November 20 Ag. Society Annual Meeting (voting)
November 22 & 23 Holiday - Thanksgiving

DECEMBER
December 3 4-H Council Meeting
December 6 Extension Board Meeting
December 11 Ag. Society Meeting
December 24 Christmas Eve
December 25 Christmas

JANUARY
January 3 Extension Board Meeting
January 7 4-H Council Meeting
January 13 Shooting Sports Kick Off
January 27 4-H Fundraiser (Soup Supper)

Please Check the Adams County Web site at http://www.adams.unl.edu/ for current calendar information.
2012 4-H Council
Chris Anderson         Hollie Stark         Jeanette Uden         JR. LEADER REPS:
Carol Chitko-McKown    Jeanine Vorderstrasse    Sarah Allen Appleton    Doug Nienhueser – Chamber
Scott Hinrichs        Troy Vorderstrasse    Trevor DeVries          of Commerce Rep.
Noel Nienhueser       Grace Woodward        Adam Heier            Julie Ochsner – Ag Society
Rebecca Owen           Wryan Wright

Please take time to THANK these above individuals for their hard work and dedication to the Adams County 4-H Program!!!