Adams County 4-H Newsletter

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2011 Beef Weigh Day
4-H exhibitors who plan to show beef in 2011 at the Adams County Fair, Nebraska State Fair and Ak-Sar-Ben must have their beef animals (Market, 2nd Year Bucket Calves, and Carcass) weighed and tagged. The Adams County Beef weigh day is scheduled for **Saturday, January 15, 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.** The weigh day will be held at the Animal Clinic, W. Highway 6 and Marion Road. There is a $1.00 charge per ear tag. All animals that are headed to State Fair or Ak-Sar-Ben must have DNA samples taken this day. The charge to collect hair samples for State Fair and Ak-Sar-Ben bound cattle is $6.00. You do not have to qualify to participate at State Fair or Ak-Sar-Ben. If you want to take your beef animals, January 15th is the day to collect DNA for your Market Beef. Please do not schedule veterinary services during the weigh in. **Remember to weigh your beef!**

Adams County 4-H Kick-Off
The Adams County 4-H Council & Extension Office invite all 4-H’ers and anyone interested in 4-H to attend the Adams County 4-H Kick-Off on **Sunday, January 23rd**, from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Once again, we will be needing volunteers to assist in putting on this GREAT event!! Last year was such a hit because volunteers shared their knowledge and past fair exhibits!!! If you are willing and interested in helping again this year by donating your time at the event or any of your past exhibits, please contact the Extension Office at 461-7209.

Shooting Sports Kick-Off
Will be held in conjunction with this event from 2:30-3:30 p.m. in the Breezeway.

4-H Soup Supper Fund Raiser – Date Correction
The 4-H Council will be holding their annual fundraiser on **January 30, 2010 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.** Please mark your calendars now and plan on attending. The CWF youth will be having their cake auction and basket raffle at this event. Enclosed is a flier; please help us advertise by posting it at a business you frequent.
From the Adams County Ext. Office

Thank You! A special thank you goes out to everyone for another great year. It is always great to see the amount of quality education that is promoted here in Adams County by the volunteer leaders and 4-H members. I know you don’t hear it enough, but we truly appreciate you greatly and you do make positive differences in the 4-H families lives. Happy New Year! We hope that each of you has had a wonderful holiday. Here in the Adams County Extension Office we are anticipating an outstanding 4-H year. January 1st officially starts the 2011 4-H calendar with this the staff has been busy preparing materials for you. This year’s edition of the 4-H Handbook will be available to you soon. Enrollment forms along with the Adams County Pick-A Project will be sent out to you soon. Remember the 4-H enrollment deadline date is April 15, 2011. We hope that you take some extra time this year and sign up for a project you can do as a family or together with another person. Challenge yourself by switching to a new or more challenging project. Whatever you do, we hope you continue to be part of the Adams County 4-H Program.

Leaders & Parents Corner

Junior Leader News
The Annual Christmas Party will be held January 1st, at 5:00 p.m. in the Community Service Building at the Fairgrounds. Members are to bring an item for Nachos, a side dish or a dessert and a $5 gift for the gift exchange. Jr. Leader members will be hosting a booth at the 4-H Kick off on Sunday, January 23rd and will be providing activities for children at the Soup Supper on Sunday, January 30th. The Jr. Leaders will be meeting at 4:00 p.m. at the activities center to set up on January 30th. We are still recruiting members! Anyone that is 12 years old and will be 13 by January 1, 2011, or is 13 years or older now, is welcome to join. 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, help with Leader’s banquet, help members and younger 4-H’ers with 4-H projects and are a 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).

Year-End Club Reports Due!
Attention Leaders! We need the year-end treasurer’s reports from our 4-H Clubs. Our office will file the 990-N or E-Postcard for clubs but we need the year-end report to do this. If you need a form, stop by or call the Adams County Extension Office. If you need help filling out these requirements please contact our office.

2011 4-H Enrollment
Watch your mail for the 2011 4-H Enrollment Form and Pick a Project that will be mailed out early in January.

Mailings
If you move, please let the Extension Office know your new address immediately so that you don’t miss information and so we can avoid the post-office fee for returned postal items. Remember to save your 4-H newsletter each month so that you can refer back to important information. The newsletters are also available on our website.

2011 Adams County Fairfest Dates
Its official! The 2011 Adams County Fair is July 27, 2011 to July 31, 2011 with the Livestock Auction on Monday, August 1, 2011. Static Exhibits will be entered Monday, July 25th and Livestock check-in the evening of Tuesday, July 26th. Livestock show schedule will be the same as 2010 show schedule.
4-H Council Information

December 4-H Council Happenings
- Ag. Society is building a new storage building at the fairgrounds to hold supplies for the dog and horse programs
- By-laws were changed for all adults to be at-large members
- Sheep Clippers are going to be repaired
- January meeting moved to start at 5:30 p.m. on January 3rd.

Upcoming January 4-H Council Items
- Beef Weigh Day
- 4-H Kick-Off Ideas
- Soup Supper Planning

Thanks to the following 4-H Council members for serving their term:
Richard Crandell, Adam Heier (Jr. Leader Rep), Rick Meyer, and Jocelyn Rundle
Welcome to the following new 4-H Council members:
Jerry Allen, Chris Anderson, Cara Crandell (Jr. Leader Rep), Carol Chitko-McKown, and Grace Woodward

Youth Information

2013 Citizen Washington Focus
What is Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF)? It is a living and learning educational experience in citizenship for youth ages 15 – 19. Youth will travel to the nation’s capital to have an interactive classroom with workshops, seminars, and field trips. Traditionally, Adams, Clay, and Webster County 4-H’ers have joined together to take the trip. Of course, if you know other 4-H’ers from other counties that are interested in joining us, they are more than welcome to come along! If you are interested in fundraising, feel free to call Beth Maricle at (402)461-7209. Upcoming fundraisers are: Basket Raffle and Cake Auction at the 4-H Soup Supper.

Save the date: June 6th – 8th for County Camp!!
South Central Camp at Alma is the place to be June 6th – 8th, 2011!! Adams, Clay, and Fillmore Counties invite any youth ages 8 to 12 to attend their County Camp! Our own Extension staff from the counties will be working together and providing the camping experience. This camp is not only for 4-H’ers, so tell all of your friends! Beth hopes you save the date! More information is to come.

Big Red Summer Academic Camps
The 2011 Big Red Summer Academic Camps, to be held June 12-17, 2011, are only six months away! To learn more about the 2011 camp offerings, check out the Web site at: http://bigredcamps.unl.edu. New camps for 2011 include: 3D Animation/Virtual World Creation, Culinary Arts and Food Science, Entrepreneurship, Filmmaking, Geology and Paleontology, The Outdoors, Textile Design, Unicameral Youth Legislature, and Veterinary Science.

Community Service Opportunities
Community Service should be a large part of the 4-H experience. Now is a great time to be coming up with ideas, start some planning. Some Community Services Ideas to explore are: community of neighborhood gardens, entertainment for senior centers or nursing home, safe house, Salvation Army or group homes, hygiene kits or grooming kits, gifts of remembrance for group homes or detention centers, Blood Mobile cookies, volunteer for your library and/or reading programs for children or elderly, community clean-up, community planting, sew for infants in need, create a special day for the club to create a healthy snack or meal to share, play day for kids.
Scholarships Available
Application forms are available at the Adams County Extension Office.

- Nebraska Independent Fabric Shops Scholarship of $500 is for any youth interested in pursuing a career in family and consumer science, textiles and designs, quilt or museum studies or a related field of interest. Contact Marie Glenn from Heavenly Treasures, 402-852-2970, heavenly4124@yahoo.com. Or Lisa DeBord, The Quilt Rack, 308-532-2606, lisa@the-quilt-rack.com. Application Deadline is Mar. 31.

- Nebraska 4-H Scholarships - The criteria and application for these scholarships can be found at: http://ne4hfoundation.org. Application deadline is March 2nd.
  - Donna Wampler Endowed Scholarship - $200-$500
  - Orschlen Scholarship – (3) $1,000
  - Horse Scholarship-Grand Island Saddle Club – (4) $1,000
  - R.B. Warren 4-H Horse Educational Scholarship - $500

- Nebraska Association of County Extension Boards (NACEB) Scholarship - NACEB is offering a $1,000 scholarship at University of Nebraska-Lincoln College of Agricultural Science and Natural Sciences (CASNR) or in the College of Education and Human Sciences (CEHS) for an incoming student (freshmen or transfer student). A $500 scholarship for a current student (sophomore or higher) enrolled in CASNR or CEHS. Application available at the Extension Office.

- UNL College of Agricultural Sciences & Natural Resources (CASNR) Scholarship - Any graduating senior planning on attending 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.

Rural Youth Loans
As you begin looking for your project for next year, you may want to consider an opportunity that is available to you. The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Farm Service Agency makes operating loans of up to $5,000 to eligible individuals between the ages of 10-20 to finance income producing, agriculture-related projects. The individual must be participating in 4-H, FFA, or a similar organization. The program must be planned and supervised with the assistance of the organization’s supervisor and the individual’s parent or guardian. This assistance will help the individual to produce a sufficient income to repay the loan, and provide the youth with practical business and educational experience in agriculture-related skills. The loan funds may be used to purchase livestock, feed, seed, equipment, and supplies for the project. They may also be used to buy, rent, or repair needed tools or equipment. Rural Youth Loans have a maximum loan amount of $5,000 (total principal balance owed at any one time on the loan) and the term can range from one to seven years. The interest rate changes monthly, the current interest rate for November is 2.0%. After the loan is made the interest rate will not change for the entire term of the loan. A parental signature is required on the application for the loan, but not on the promissory note or the other documents used to secure the loan. You can contact the local County FSA for more information.

Seeking College-Aged Students for National 4-H Leadership Opportunities
Do you know a 4-H’er who has a passion for government, history, political science, working with youth, public speaking, or leadership? If so, encourage them to apply for the position of Program Assistant (PA) at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center! Application deadlines are approaching soon and we want to give 4-H alumni and Collegiate 4-H’ers an opportunity to make a difference during their spring or summer semester. Our PAs will be touching the lives of thousands of students from all over the country while working for our Wonders of Washington (WOW) or Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) programs in Washington, DC. Please pass along to any college-aged student you know that may be interested in this professional development opportunity. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Molly Young, Director, Youth Opportunities at mailto:myoung@4HCenter.org. Citizenship Washington Focus Program Assistant: Application due January 18, 2011 http://www.citizenshipwashingtonfocus.org/programassistant.aspx.
Young Poet’s Contest Accepting Submissions
Each year, the Neihardt Foundation offers a Young Poet’s Contest for all Junior High and High School students in Nebraska schools to honor the memory of the state’s Poet Laureate John G. Neihardt and encourage young people to write poetry. Winners receive a cash prize of $50, $25, or $15, as well as have their work published in the Neihardt newsletter and its literary publication, *The Neihardt Journal*. The first place winners are invited to read their piece at the annual Neihardt Spring Conference on Saturday, April 30, 2011, to an appreciative audience of teachers, scholars, and writers. Contacts are also made with other amateur writer publications such as *Fine Lines* for possible further opportunities for their work to be read. Poems must utilize any of the themes emphasized by Neihardt – cultures and heroes of the West, including but not limited to Native Americans, explorers, trappers, and pioneers and the western landscape and natural environment. Entries are judged on originality and the sense of the craft of poetry shown in the work. Entries must be original, unpublished, not submitted or accepted elsewhere for publication or broadcast, and not entered simultaneously in another competition. The length must not exceed 30 lines and no more than one entry per student. There is no entry fee, but submissions must be made by a teacher with the student’s name, address, grade and age, teacher and school name and address and a contact phone number. Entries can be mailed to the Neihardt Foundation at PO Box 344, Bancroft, NE 68004-0344 or by e-mail to mailto:neihardt@gpcom.net. Call 1-(888)-777-4667 for more information or to request a printed submission form. The deadline for submission is January 28, 2011, by mail or e-mail to the Neihardt Foundation with winner notification by March 18, 2011.

4-H Project Information

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 March 15th and the contest is on March 20th at 2:00. Classes available are:

- 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.

Spring Workshops

- Career Portfolio – January 25th, February 8th and February 22nd
  It is time to start thinking about your 4-H Career Portfolio. This workshop will provide you the knowledge to get started preparing yours. If you have already started on your portfolio this workshop is still for you it will provide you with helpful hints and tips to perfect yours, along with working time and assistance. Workshop is in the Assembly Room from 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. and the cost is $12.00. Pre-register by January 18.

- Clothing 101 - Do’s and Don’ts – February 10th
  Have you ever wondered which clothing project you are to sign up for? This workshop will answer your questions about what project your exhibits should be in based upon your sewing level. In this workshop you will receive helpful hints and tips to enhance your 4-H sewing experience. We will discuss pattern selection, appropriate fabrics and modeling for a judge. This workshop is for parents, leaders and youth involved in clothing projects. The workshop is in the Assembly Room from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. and the cost is $8.00. Pre-register by February 4th.

- Quilts of Valor – Community Service Project - March 11th
  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 a service man. More details to come!

- More workshops to come – Watch next month’s newsletter!
Family and Consumer Science

Clover Challenge & Life Challenge
The District Clover Challenge Contest is being planned and the Life Challenge Contest dates are official, June 27-28 at UNL, East Campus. Please mark your calendars if you are interested in participating in Clover Challenge and/or Life Challenge Contests. Practices will be starting in January. Please let Julie at the Extension Office (402)461-7209 know if you are interested.

Quilt Nebraska and The World
Save the Date June 15, 2011 for Quilt Nebraska and the World for 4-Hers 12 and over. Julie will be taking interested 4-Hers to Lincoln to the International Quilt Study Center & Museum and the Department of Textiles, Clothing & Design at UNL. If you would like more information or are interested in attending this educational event please contact the Adams County Extension Office at (402)461-7209.

Photography
The 2011 photography themes are:
- Nebraska Theme Unit 2: Cutting Edge Agriculture: Take photos that capture the diverse industry of agriculture. Look for unique images of agriculture in Nebraska communities.
- Nebraska Theme Unit 3: Spelling Bee: Photograph any letter of the alphabet in your surroundings. Find letters in the architecture of buildings, growing in a garden or on items in your own home.

Science and Technology

Junior FIRST LEGO league (Jr. FLL) Challenge
Nebraska 4-H and the organizers of the Nebraska Robotics Expo, taking place on February 19, 2011, at the Strategic Air and Space Museum by Ashland, Nebraska, are excited to announce another great learning opportunity provided through FIRST LEGO League. This year, for the first time, the Expo will be hosting a Junior FIRST LEGO League (Jr.FLL) showcase. Jr.FLL is a program for children ages 6 to 9 with gives them an opportunity to learn about this year’s FIRST LEGO League challenge, build a model, and present what they learned. The fun begins with teams being formed of 2 to 6 children, under the supervision of a team coach. The coach then registers the team with Jr.FLL on their Web site at https://my.usfirst.org/jr.fll/tims/site.lasso (there is a $25 fee incurred with the registration, and participation at the event will have an additional $25 registration fee). Each team will research a science and engineering topic and make a poster about the topic (something in the form of a science fair poster). This year’s challenge is “Body Forward” which explores the world of biomedical engineering. The team must then build a LEGO model that will solve one of the problems that they researched and present their findings to judges and peers. No special equipment or kits are required to build the model. You can use whatever LEGO you have around the house. The model must have at least one moving part with a simple machine (such as a ramp, a lever, or something designed to make work easier) and be made out of LEGO. All team members will be presented with a participation medallion during an awards ceremony held immediately after the Expo. For those who cannot travel to Ashland on February 19, there will be an opportunity for teams to present their projects to their community: either at their school, church, or other venue of the teams choosing. Participating teams will need to submit a digital picture of the team with the project taken during the presentation and emailed to mailto:donnald.johnson@gmail.com. The team will then receive ribbons or an official participation dog tag, depending on the level of participation the team requests, ($5 registration for the ribbon, $10 registration for the dog tag, one per team member). For more information about how to get started, or for answers to your questions, please email this year’s Jr.FLL coordinator, Don Johnson at mailto:donnald.johnson@gmail.com, or point your browser to http://4hset.unl.edu and click on the Jr. FLL icon on the right side of the page.
Horticulture

Garden Projects
Winter is a good time to start thinking about spring projects. A Special Garden Project is being offered to 4-H members. This project provides a chance to grow unusual and fun plants in a member’s garden. The project for this year will focus on unique cucumbers, the striped Armenian cucumber also known as the painter serpent cucumber. These cucumbers are described as being, “Unusual, slightly fuzzy, “S”-shaped fruits are slightly ridged with alternating dark and light green stripes, delicious, and different.” 4-H’ers enrolled in the Special Garden Project will: receive a packet of striped Armenian cucumber seeds (one packet per family) in early April; a newsletter about: planting and growing cucumber, cucumber problems & insects, harvesting, storing, using, and exhibiting cucumbers will then be distributed. Finally, 4-H members will be able to enter these unique cucumbers in a Special Garden Project Class at the County Fair. We will need to order seed by January 24th so please contact the Adams County Extension Office (402)462-7209 if you are interested. Please note that in Adams County you will still need to enroll in the regular horticulture projects to participate in this activity.

Wildlife Habitat Evaluation Program (WHEP)

Shooting Sports
Adams County will be starting off their Shooting Sports Program on January 23, 2011 at 2:30 pm with a Kick-Off in the Breezeway of the Activities Center on the Fairgrounds. This year we will be offering Archery, BB Gun, Air Rifle, Air Pistol, and Shotgun. It will cost $2.00 for 4-H insurance, plus an additional $15.00 per discipline for Archery, BB Gun, Air Rifle, and Air Pistol. For Shotgun it will be close to $65.00 (this price has not yet been finalized). You must plan on attending the 4-H Kick-Off to enroll in the Shooting Sports 8 week series. 4-H’ers enrolled in the 2010 Shooting Sports Program may reserve their discipline and time on January 20th and 21st by calling into the Adams County Extension Office, youth must still plan on attending the Kick-Off!!! Due to number of youth wanting to participate, we will be limiting the number of youth attending per night. If you are unable to attend on January 23rd, please contact the Extension Office at (402)461-7209.

Calendar for Adams County Shooting Sports Activities:
- **4-H Shooting Sports Kick Off– January 23rd at 2:30 p.m.** Sign up for shooting sports and meet with the instructors.
- Shooting Sports Starts – Week of January 31st
- Shooting Sports Picnic – April 3rd

Leaders Shooting Sports Certification Workshop
A Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification Workshop has been scheduled for January 22 & 23, 2011, at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds in North Platte. Registration deadline is January 14th, 2011. 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 $65 per person for initial certification in archery, rifle or shotgun, and $55 per person that is adding one of these disciplines. This fee includes meals, supplies and program materials. Participants must make their own lodging arrangements. Registration on Saturday runs from 8:00 to 8:45 a.m. Registration information is available on the 4-H Shooting Sports web page at [http://4h.unl.edu/programs/environment/shootingsports/](http://4h.unl.edu/programs/environment/shootingsports/), or contact the Adams County Extension Office or Steve Pritchard at (402)395-2158 or (308)536-2691.
National 4-H Invitational Shooting Sports
Texas will be hosting the 2011 National 4-H Invitational Shooting Sports Match in San Antonio on June 19-24, 2011. This event will involve 4-H youth from across the nation competing in nine disciplines. These include: Compound Archery, Recurve Archery, Air Rifle, Air Pistol, .22 Rifle, .22 Pistol, Shotgun, Muzzleloading, and Hunting Skills. Nebraska has selected or will be selecting teams to represent our state in the shotgun, recurve archery, compound archery, air pistol, and air rifle disciplines. However, we are still seeking eligible youth interested in participating in the 2011 National 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational in the following discipline areas – .22 rifle, .22 smallbore pistol, muzzleloading, and hunting skills. Participants must have passed their 14th birthday by January 1 of the current year and may not have passed their 19th birthday before January 1 of the current year in which the National 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational is held. More details can be found under the General Rules of the National 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational web site found at http://shootingsports.unl.edu/index.html. 4-H youth who are interested in participating in one of the above discipline areas are requested to complete the “National 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational Interest Form.” This form can be found at - http://4h.unl.edu/programs/environment/shootingsports/ Deadline to complete and return this form is February 1, 2011. Participants will be notified by one of the Nebraska coaches with more details after the deadline. The number of interested youth in a discipline will determine whether a qualifying match needs to be held in Nebraska. Feel free to contact Steve Pritchard at (402) 395-2158 or (308) 536-2691 if you have any questions.

Livestock

2011 Beef Weigh Day
- Saturday, January 15, 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.  The weigh day will be held at the Animal Clinic, W. Highway 6 and Marion Road. (See Page 1 for more information)

2011 Sheep & Goat Weigh Day
- Sheep & Goat Weigh Day – May 13th

PASE
The 2011 event will take place on June 27-28 at UNL, East Campus. Please mark your calendars if you are interested in participating in PASE. Practices will be starting in Feb. Please let Beth know if you are interested.

Check out the new Husker Horse Info blog and join in!
Blog: Husker Horse Info

Horse Stampede
Mark your calendars! The 2011 4-H Horse Stampede has been scheduled for Saturday, February 19, 2011. Entries are due Friday, January 14, 2011 in the Adams County Extension Office. The 4-H Horse Stampede is when the state contests for Horse Bowl, Horse Public Speaking, Horse Demonstrations and Horse Art are held. Anyone interested in being part of the Horse Stampede Quiz Bowl teams, contact the Adams County Extension Office at 402-461-7209 before December 31st. More information and contest rules can be found at: http://animalscience.unl.edu/web/anisci/ANSCExtensionEquine_4HHorseStampede.
**Horse Show Dates**

2011 District 4-H Horse Shows
- June 13 – Adams County - Hastings
- June 14 – Platte County - Columbus
- June 15 – Holt County – O’Neill
- June 16 – Dawes County - Chadron
- June 22 – Keith County - Ogallala
- June 23 – Gage County - Beatrice

2011 State 4-H Horse Show – Grand Island
July 18 – 21, 2011

**Horsin’ Around**

The dates are now set they are February 12 and 13, 2011 at the RB Warren arena in the Animal Science Complex, UNL East Campus. This year we will feature Western Pleasure, Showmanship and Western Riding. The featured trainer will be Shane Dowdy of Wetherford, TX who is unquestionably one the countries most talented and successful trainers. He specializes in Western Pleasure, however Shane's approach to training focuses on creating a responsive, solid, well rounded horse and he has been known to keep finished horses fresh.

**UNL Opportunities**

**Visiting Campus**

The best way to learn more about the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (CASNR) is to visit campus. UNL has two campuses which are approximately two miles apart: City Campus and East Campus. CASNR is located on UNL's picturesque East Campus. Students can schedule a campus visit online at least two weeks from the visit date. If you wish to visit sooner or if you have questions, call the Campus Visits Office toll free, 1-800-742-8800 (select Campus Visit option) or directly at 402-472-4887, and someone will assist you. To schedule a visit online, go to [http://admissions.unl.edu/visit/Index.aspx](http://admissions.unl.edu/visit/Index.aspx).

If you prefer to just visit East Campus, contact Laura Frey at (402) 472-4445 or lfrey2@unl.edu.

**University of Nebraska-Lincoln: College of Agriculture Sciences and Natural Resources**

Like to travel? CASNR is committed to helping its students benefit from international study at UNL in four areas: study abroad, the CASNR International Minor, Introduction to Global Agriculture and Natural Resources (AGRI 282), and Beyond Borders. These areas will enable students to explore the global aspects of their respective degree programs and gain new perspectives of the world so that they will be more competitive in an increasingly global marketplace.

For Study Abroad, CASNR provided $25,192 in scholarships to 93 students to study in 10 countries last year.

**CASNR FACTS:**
- CASNR is the only College at UNL--and the only College among its peers--that has the “Ensuring Your Future” program which guarantees a job offer in their professional area within the first six months after graduation for those students fulfilling the requirements.
- CASNR is on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/unlcasnr](http://www.facebook.com/unlcasnr)) and has over 700 fans.
- Based on the Nebraska Foundation records (June 2010), the College has 20,268 graduates.
- CASNR has a global campus with 99 students studying in 12 countries during the 2009-2010 academic year and summer 2010.
**JANUARY**

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January 25     Career Portfolio Workshop  
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**FEBRUARY**

February 3     Extension Board Meeting  
February 7     4-H Council Meeting  
February 8     Ag. Society Meeting  
February 8     Career Portfolio Workshop  
February 10    Clothing 101 Workshop  
February 19    4-H Horse Stampede  
February 21    Adams County Extension Office Closed (Presidents Day)  
February 22    Career Portfolio Workshop

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

**2011 Dates to Remember**

- Beef Weigh Day – January 15<sup>th</sup>  
- 4-H Kick-Off including Shooting Sports – January 23<sup>rd</sup>  
- 4-H Soup Supper – January 30<sup>th</sup>  
- Shooting Sports Starts – Week of January 31<sup>st</sup>  
- Shooting Sports Picnic – April 3<sup>rd</sup>  
- 4-H Enrollment Deadline Day – April 15<sup>th</sup>  
- Sheep & Goat Weigh Day – May 13<sup>th</sup>  
- County 4-H Camp – June 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>  
- Adams County Fair – July 27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>
2010 4-H Council

Twila Bankson              Noel Nienhueser            JR. LEADER REPS:           Doug Nienhueser –
Glen Bonifas               Rebecca Owens              Chamber of             Rebecca Owens
Monika Bowen               Jeanette Uden               Commerce Rep.            Troy Vorderstrasse
Richard Crandell           Troy Vorderstrasse   JD Ochsner               Lacey Uden
Todd Lay                   Adam Heier                     Julie Ochsner – Ag

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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