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THANK YOU!

Thank you each and every one to all the 4-H'ers, parents, leaders, and volunteers who helped to make the 2024 Boone County Fair a great success! We hope you had fun, made some new friends, and learned some new skills during the past year in 4-H. The Extension staff in the Boone and Nance County offices appreciate all your time, talent, and dedication to the 4-H program. We couldn't do it without YOU!

A GOOD TIME TO SAY THANK YOU

This is the perfect time to say thank you to individuals and businesses that have helped you in 4-H in some way during this past year. You are being courteous when you send a thank you note to your parents, club leaders, Extension Board members, and Boone and Nance County 4-H Council members. The list may include livestock buyers/bidders, Cornhusker Public Power District, guest speakers at club meetings, incentive donors (Shorty's, Gateway Theater, The Dotted Daisy), and award sponsors. Please take a minute or two to express your appreciation to all the wonderful 4-H supporters!

THE NEBRASKA STATE FAIR

The Nebraska State Fair is the premier opportunity for 4-H members to showcase what they have learned and worked on throughout the year. At the State Fair, we celebrate the successes of thousands of youth who have learned and grown through 4-H. The State Fair is a prime opportunity for 4-H members to cultivate skills they have learned in 4-H projects, put their life skills and good character to work, discover new areas of interest, and meet new people. The Nebraska State Fair is held yearly at the Nebraska State Fairgrounds in Grand Island, Nebraska. This year's event will be held from **August 23 - September 2, 2024**.

Nebraska 4-H is only one part of the Nebraska State Fair. For more information about other activities, events, and contests happening, please visit the Nebraska State Fair website at <https://www.statefair.org>

2ND ANNUAL 4-H DAY AT THE NEBRASKA STATE FAIR

The Nebraska State Fair is thrilled to host the 2nd annual 4-H Day at the Nebraska State Fair. 4-H Day will be Sunday, August 25th. To celebrate 4-H members statewide, they are offering a discounted admission that day that is only for 4-H members. Family members including parents still need to purchase regular admission tickets. This is not just for state fair exhibitors, but for any 4-H member.

To order discounted tickets, please go to <https://www.etix.com/ticket/p/91179366/4h-day-at-the-nebraska-state-fair-good-on-aug-25-only-lincoln-nebraska-state-fairlivestock>

4-H members (6-12) \$3.75
4-H members (13+) \$5.75

Special thanks to the Nebraska State Fair for this opportunity!

**The Extension Office will be closed
September 2 to observe Labor Day.**

**SAVE THE DATE!
ACHIEVEMENT PARTY IS OCTOBER 20!**



Extension is a Division of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln cooperating with the Counties and the United States Department of Agriculture.

The 4-H Youth Development Program abides with the nondiscrimination policies of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the United States Department of Agriculture.

BOONE-NANCE COUNTY 4-H'ERS TOP COMPETITION IN LIVESTOCK CONTESTS



Livestock Quiz Bowl First Place Senior Team: Cassidy Maricle, Aidan Choat, Nicholas Groeteke, and Ryan Cumming.



Pictured are Emilyn Kurz, Kate Maricle, Hadley Schriver, Kahnen Pelster, and Dorothy Smith. The Boone-Nance team earned a third place in the senior division Livestock Quiz Bowl.

Senior Livestock Quiz Bowl team members Ryan Cumming, Cassidy Maricle, Aidan Choat and Nicholas Groeteke outlasted their competition, Dawson County, to capture the Nebraska State 4-H Senior Livestock Quiz Bowl Team title this year with a 4-1 record. They also earned a trip to the National 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl competition in Louisville, Kentucky in November. Members of the Boone-Nance #2 Senior Livestock Quiz Bowl team: Kate Maricle, Kahnen Pelster, Dorothy Smith, Emilyn Kurz, and Hadley Schriver, earned a third-place finish in the senior division.

Nine Boone and Nance County 4-H members competed in the Premier Animal Science Event (PASE), a two-day fun educational challenge held at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, East Campus. Participants could compete in a wide array of events, said Pritchard.

Events that local 4-H'ers participated included Livestock Quiz Bowl and Meats Judging. More than 300 4-H'ers from across the state competed in these events as well.

Meats Judging teams earned second and third place honors this year. Members of the Reserve Champion team were Cassidy Maricle, Aidan Choat, and Ryan Cumming. Maricle finished 6th high individual in the contest while Choat and Cumming were ninth and tenth, respectively. Team members of the third-place Senior team were: Kate Maricle, Emilyn Kurz, and Nicholas Groeteke. Members of the third place Intermediate Meats Team were Kahnen Pelster (seventh high individual), Dorothy Smith (10th high individual) and Hadley Schriver.

The Senior Livestock Judging teams consisting of Cassidy Maricle, Aidan Choat, Ryan Cumming, Kate Maricle, and Emilyn Kurz finished in 10th place overall. Intermediate division members competing were Kahnen Pelster and Hadley Schriver. Pelster was high individual overall in beef this year.

Congratulations to all these individuals for their great performance and efforts in representing Boone & Nance County while in Lincoln!



First Place Beef Judging Intermediate individual: Kahnen Pelster

NEBRASKA STATE FAIR ENTRIES

STATE FAIR ONLINE ENTRY INFORMATION

The 2024 Nebraska state Fair 4-H & FFA entry site is open and accepting entries! The site is located at <https://nebr.fairwire.com/>

Deadlines for online entry:

- 4-H & FFA Livestock Deadline: 8 pm on August 10
- 4-H In-Person Events (contests, fashion show, robotics showcase, Culinary Challenge): 8 pm on August 10
- 4-H Static Exhibits: Entered by County Staff, please bring items to the Extension office by 4:30 pm on August 14.
- 4-H Horticulture and Food Entries: Entered by County Staff, please inform Extension office what items you are bringing by 4:30 pm on August 14, and bring the actual items to the office by Monday, August 19. Items will be transported to the Nebraska State Fair on Tuesday, August 20.

NUMBER OF CONTEST ENTRIES - Only one entry per class per exhibitor may be made in a contest.

NUMBER OF ANIMAL ENTRIES –

- 4-H has different entry limits for each species:
- Dogs: A 4-H'er may exhibit up to 5 dog classes.
- Beef: A 4-H member is limited to exhibiting up to 5 beef
- Swine: A 4-H member is limited to exhibiting up to 6 hogs
- Sheep: A 4-H member is limited to exhibiting up to 4 sheep
- Meat Goat: A 4-H member is limited to exhibiting up to 4 goats
- Rabbit: A 4-H member is limited to exhibiting up to 6 rabbits
- Poultry: A 4-H member is limited to exhibiting 6 live bird entries (egg production trios are considered one entry).
- Egg entries are not considered in the live bird limit. Egg entries are limited to one dozen per exhibitor.

ENTRY FEES - The entry fees provide for items such as wood bedding for beef, meat goats, sheep, and swine and for drug testing fees for market animals. All livestock and contest entry fees are non-refundable.

| <u>Species</u> | <u>Entry Fee</u> |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| Breeding Beef | \$50.00 |
| Market Beef | \$50.00 |
| Feeder Calf | \$50.00 |
| Breeding Sheep | \$25.00 |
| Market Lamb | \$25.00 |
| Breeding Goat | \$25.00 |
| Market Goat | \$25.00 |
| Breeding Swine | \$25.00 |
| Market Swine | \$25.00 |
| Rabbit/Poultry | \$5.00 per entry |
| Dog | \$5.00 per entry |
| Judging & ID Contests | \$5.00 per entry |
| Culinary Contest | \$5.00 per entry |
| Robotics Showcase | \$5.00 per entry |
| Fashion Show | \$5.00 per entry |

| <u>Optional Purchase Item</u> | <u>Fee</u> |
|--|------------|
| 11-Day Fair Admission Wristband | \$25.00 |
| Daily Gate Pass (Maximum of 20) | \$5.00 |
| Livestock Exhibitor Lot Parking Pass (3A/3B Lot) | \$25.00 |
| 4-H and FFA Beef Blocking Chute Permit (Can be used both weekends) | \$25.00 |
| 4-H and FFA Sheep/Goat Stand Permit (Can be used both weekends) | \$10.00 |

| <u>Optional Purchase Item</u> | <u>Fee</u> |
|---|------------|
| 4-H Extra Beef Stall (First Weekend Only) | \$35.00 |
| 4-H Extra Swine Pen (First Weekend Only) | \$25.00 |
| 4-H Extra Sheep Pen (First Weekend Only) | \$25.00 |
| 4-H Extra Goat Pen (First Weekend Only) | \$25.00 |
| FFA Extra Beef Stall (2nd Weekend Only) | \$35.00 |
| FFA Extra Swine Pen (2nd Weekend Only) | \$25.00 |
| FFA Extra Sheep Pen (2nd Weekend Only) | \$25.00 |
| FFA Extra Goat Pen (Second Weekend Only) | \$25.00 |

Note: All Beef, Swine, Sheep, Goat, Rabbit and Poultry 4-H/FFA exhibitors will automatically receive an 11-day admission wristband at no cost. Exhibitors will not have to select a wristband as it will automatically be provided with the livestock, rabbit, and/or poultry entry. 4-H Dog Exhibitors and other non-livestock in-person entries (4-H Contests, Fashion Show, and the Robotics Showcase) will receive a free daily gate pass. All purchased items will be in the exhibitor packet when the exhibitor checks in at the Livestock Check-In Trailer.

STATE FAIR CONTESTS

4-H PROJECT SHOWCASE

The goal of the 4-H Project Showcase is to shine a spotlight on the youth behind the projects, tell their stories, and showcase the learning that happens through 4-H project experiences. Youth are asked to answer a few questions and provide at least one photo as part of the submission process. Pictures of youth with their projects are the best!

All enrolled 4-H members are invited to submit a project, and all 4-H projects are eligible! This includes county-only projects, live animal projects, projects involving contest participation, projects selected for State Fair, projects that didn't make it to the county fair, etc. Of course, this is an excellent opportunity for youth to show off their favorite project, but this could also be an uplifting opportunity for youth whose projects didn't go as planned or for newer members just getting started in 4-H.

All projects submitted by August 10 will be showcased on the 4-H Video Wall at the Nebraska State Fair! Some submissions may also be featured on the Nebraska 4-H website or social media channels throughout the year. Learn more and submit your project at 4h.unl.edu/project-showcase.

STATE FAIR CULINARY CHALLENGE

Join us for the 4-H Culinary Challenge Contest at the Nebraska State Fair! The event is set for Saturday, August 24, in the Raising Nebraska Building following the Fashion Show. Registration for 4-H'ers is open in ShoWorks (<https://nebr.fairwire.com>) until August 10th, under the "4-H Personal Development and Leadership" section.

In this contest, youth will showcase their skills in nutrition, food preparation, menu planning, and food safety, promoting healthy decision-making. Teams consisting of two 4-H members will be eligible to compete. A challenge ingredient is selected each year highlighting a Nebraska food product. The 2024 challenge ingredient is soy!

Winners at a county contest (Culinary Challenge, Table Toppers, Favorite Foods, or other such contest) may advance to the State Fair 4-H Culinary Challenge Contest, but participation at the county level is not required.

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All 4-H members planning to participate in any 4-H contest must be entered in ShoWorks before 8:00 PM CST on August 10. This entry process must be completed by the 4-H member (or their family). Fees must be paid for using a debit/credit card. There are no other payment options. Contest participants will not be entered by the county Extension office.

Fashion Show is considered a CONTEST and will be held Saturday, August 24, 2024, Raising Nebraska, State Fairgrounds - Grand Island, Nebraska. Entry must be made in advance via ShoWorks at <https://nebr.fairwire.com/>. The ShoWorks site closes at 8:00 p.m. Central Time on August 10. If you are eligible for the Fashion Show, you should have received a detailed letter.

Other available contests at the Nebraska State Fair are the Dog Skillathon, Horticulture Judging Contest, Insect Identification Contest, Tree Identification Contest, and Weed and Grass Identification Contest. Entry must be made for all contests at <https://nebr.fairwire.com/> by 8:00 pm on August 10.

The website will close at that time, and there are no provisions for late entries.

Until Next Month,

Steve Pritchard
Extension Educator



Sonya L. Glup
Extension Associate



Clover Kid - Boone-Nance County 4-H Picture Story

Year

Your 4-H picture story is a very important part of your 4-H record year. By completing this picture story, you have successfully completed your 4-H project year. You only need to submit one picture story. **The 4-H Picture Story is required to earn your 4-H member year recognition.**

You should include the following points in your picture story:

Draw or sketch a picture that would help us learn what you enjoyed the most about the 4-H program. An example: one of the projects you made at a club meeting or workshop.

This picture story is due back in the Boone or Nance County Extension Office by **September 27th.**

4-H'ers may submit the 4-H Picture Story or 4-H Career Portfolio to complete their 4-H project year.

4-H Member Signature

4-H Club Leader Signature

BOONE COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

Monday, June 17, 2024 – 7 p.m.

Boone County Extension Conference Room – Albion

Call to Order - President Susan Staub called the monthly meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Members present included Staub, Mitch Koch, Chris Nelson, Scott Brengelman, Matt Schriver, Janet Groeteke, Kally King, Jaclyn Frey, Wes Stokes, Nick Krohn, Dave Hilmer, Brenda Pelster, Bethany Preister and Kate Maricle. Staff members present were Steve Pritchard and Sonya Glup.

Excused Absences - None

Pledges – President Staub led the Council with the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge.

Secretary's Report - Minutes were read and motion was made by Pelster, seconded by Brengelman to approve the minutes from the Council meeting held on May 20, 2024. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report - Financial report given by Pelster. Motion made by Brengelman, seconded by Hilmer to approve treasurer report and bills submitted for payment. Motion carried.

Junior Leader Report - Kate Maricle presented the Junior Leader Report. Aramas livestock shows went well Memorial Day weekend. Thank you cards will be written at the next meeting. Members will also help Sonya with workshops where needed this summer.

Unfinished Business

1. LVC Horse Show
Brengelman and Hilmer thanked all who helped and reported the show went well with approximately 30 riders participating.
2. Jr. Camp Report
Pritchard and Glup reported camp went well and the Olympic theme was well received.
3. Summer Contests
Pritchard thanked the Council members and volunteers who helped make the day a success for contests including Shooting Sports, Tractor, ATV, and Bicycle.
4. Horse Stalling for Fair
Fair book rules require that one horse per family is stalled at the Fair.

Committee Reports

1. Awards – Frey presented the options for fair awards this year. Winners will have the option to choose a trophy OR a banner. Brengelman made the motion, seconded by Hilmer to approve the decision to have winners checkmark a postcard which option they would like and turn in the postcard to the Superintendent of the Show or put in the Extension Dropbox by July 11th. Awards will be presented at the Achievement party this fall. Motion carried.
2. Fund Raising – Stokes reported that letters were sent, and donations received to date have been generous.
3. Ambassador – Staub reported Ambassadors are fulfilling their responsibilities and will help where needed for the fair.
4. Contest - Sunday, June 9th competitions for Tractor/ATV, Shooting Sports and Bicycle were held. Thanks to all who helped!
5. Premium Sale – Nelson discussed details with the Council. Promotion letter was reviewed and will be sent. Livestock exhibitors can sell 2 lots for premium. Nelson, Schriver and Groeteke will donate hamburger patties for buyers and exhibitors for lunch following the premium sale on Thursday, July 11th. Brengelman will talk to Cattlemen's Committee about using their grill. Council members will organize and serve the meal. Brenda Pelster and Pam Doughty will help with computer entries for buyer numbers and Mitch Koch will assist Jamie Wright (Boone County Bank) with clerking the sale.
6. Other Reports - None

New Business

1. County Fair
 - Clean-up and set-up will be Monday July 1 at 5 p.m. which includes Static exhibit area in the Event Center and Animal stalls/pens/wash racks cleaned and set up.
 - County Fair Sale Hogs – Pritchard will handle the details.
 - Livestock Sale Ad – Motion made by Pelster, seconded by Frey to use same ad layout used in 2023. Motion carried.
 - Big Screen for Premium Sale – Ads will be run at the bottom of the screen and a running thread of pictures of exhibitors will be shown at the top of the screen during the premium sale and lunch with buyers. No screen will be set up on stage for pictures. Exhibitor only will be on the stage for the premium sale.
 - WRH Cattle – Brengelman will work on details for the Working Ranch Horse/Cattle event at the fair. We need 14 head of 400 lb. calves for the event.
2. Other Business
 - Jr. Leaders who are available will help Sonya with entry day - static exhibits.

Upcoming Meeting - August 19th (post-fair meeting)

Adjournment - Motion made by Koch, seconded by Stokes to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Groeteke, Council Secretary



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