

Happy Independence Day

BUFFALO COUNTY 4-H



July 2024

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CALENDAR

July

1 Lottery Sheep Meeting 7 p.m.

1-2 Lamb & Goat Camp

3 Pre-fair ONLINE entries due

4 Extension office closed – Independence Day

7 Buffalo County 4-H Horse Invitational

14 Sign up deadline for Model Judging

16 Model Judging Day

23-29 Buffalo County Fair

August

1 Sign-up deadline for First Aid in the Field

1-2 BRAG

8 First Aid in the Field Workshop

10 State Fair online livestock entries due

19 State Fair static project drop off

21 Exhibits traveling to State Fair

23 – Sept. 2 Neb. State Fair (4-H is 1st weekend, FFA is 2nd)

27 4-H Council meeting



DEADLINE

ALERT!

**JULY 3 - PRE-FAIR
ONLINE ENTRIES FOR
STATIC AND ANIMAL
EXHIBITS ARE DUE!**

Fair Season is here!

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING
OUR BUFFALO COUNTY 4-HERS' EXHIBITS!



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Clubs Help Needed in Livestock Arena

Clubs can help clean the bleachers in the livestock arena following shows in the evenings of Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday (July 25-28). Call Extension to sign up!

4-H Information Booth

Sign up to work the 4-H Information Booth. You will be in charge of supervising the static exhibits in the Extension Exhibit Building and provide information to the public about 4-H. It is also fun to have time to check out all of the hard work of our 4-Hers! Two people are needed for each two-hour shift. This is an opportunity to help protect our exhibits and be an advocate for 4-H!



Volunteers needed at fair

4-H static exhibit judging would not be possible without the help of dedicated volunteers. Helping with static entry is a great way to gain insight on judge's expectations and discover project ideas for next year. If you are interested in helping out, please contact the Extension office or Jordan Wilbur (jordan.wilbur@unl.edu).

See below for how you can help:

Static Exhibit Entry

- **Tuesday, July 23 from 4-7 p.m.**
- 20 to 25 adults and youth (age 12 and up)
- Duties include checking in and organizing 4-H static exhibits

Static Exhibit Entry & Judging

7 a.m. to whenever

- **Food Entry - Wednesday, July 24 7-8 a.m.**
- **Horticulture Entry - Wed., July 24 7-9:30 a.m.**
- 40 to 50 adults and youth (age 12 and up) at different times throughout the day
- Duties include checking-in and organizing static exhibits, preparing judge score sheets, display exhibits

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Sign up to help with 4-H Food Stand & Lunch Line

4-H families, independent members and clubs are needed to work one or more shifts at the 4-H Food Stand in the Ag Pavilion during the Buffalo County Fair, July 24 through July 28. Three adults and three youth (age 10 and up) are needed for most shifts. Extra help is especially needed on Friday, Saturday and Sunday when the lunch line is served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sign up for shifts individually or as a club. Anyone who works in the stand or line must have closed-toed shoes - no flip flops are allowed. Sign up by calling, stopping in the office or emailing jenny.kreikemeier@unl.edu.

Brownies

Rice Krispie treats



Lunch Line dessert bars needed

Scotch-a-roos

Homemade dessert bars will be served as a part of the lunch lines on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. We ask that each club provides 5 dozen dessert bars and independent members bring one dozen bars. All bars should be cut approximately 3X3 inches in size and individually wrapped.

cereal bars

cookie bars

Lucky Charms bars

Please bring your dessert bars to the 4-H Food Stand in the Ag Pavilion:

- Clubs or individuals working the food stand on Wednesday should bring their bars with them the day of their shift
- All other clubs and individuals can bring their bars on Thursday by 10 a.m.

Release exhibits and clean up

- Sunday, July 28 from 4 to 5:30 p.m.
- 10 to 15 adults and youth (age 12 and up)
- Duties include grouping exhibits by name and tearing down displays





Sign up for static interview judging

Sign up begins July 8

A chance to talk to the judge about your 4-H project may be an opportunity to gain more knowledge in your project area or a time to explain the trials or triumphs of your experience. On or after Monday, July 8th, 4-H families are welcome to call the Extension office to schedule their times. Each 4-Her is allowed to sign up for 3 time slots with a Static judge and in addition, may sign up for one interview with a Horticulture judge.

Entering statics in the fair?

Tips to make it smooth on entry day

All static exhibits must have an entry tag. Stop by the Extension office to pick up your static entry tags. To learn how to properly fill one out, check out this helpful sheet:

<https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/buffalo/Static%20Entry%20Poster.pdf>

All static entries must have an additional label secured to the back of the exhibit. You can get these at the Extension office or you can print a sheet of them at home:

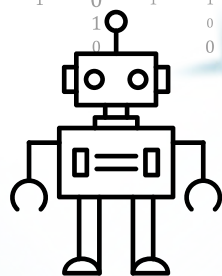
<https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/buffalo/Static%20Exhibit%20Labels.pdf>

Not sure which class your project fits? Our fair premium book is broken down into project areas so you can easily find what you need:

<https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/buffalo/buffalo-county-fair/>

Enter your projects in our online entry system now. Entry deadline is July 3. The link was sent to the email you used in your youth's 4-H Online enrollment.

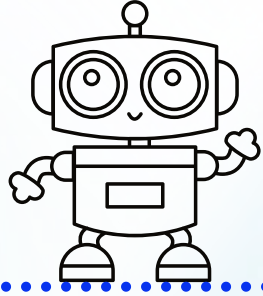
Show up on static entry day - July 23 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. - to check in your youth's hard work!



ROBOTICS SHOWCASE AT THE BUFFALO COUNTY FAIR



Check out what 4-Hers are up to in robotics this year 4-6 p.m. on Friday, July 26 at the Extension Building.



4-Hers can help make their Livestock Auction a success

The Livestock Auction committee is asking each exhibitor to contribute to the success of the Premium-only auction during the Buffalo County Fair by inviting potential buyers to the auction.

Ways to reach potential buyers:



- Make a simple invitation to your buyer from last year or previous years
- Send an invitation to anyone your family does business with, such as your doctor or auto mechanic
- Drop off a plate of cookies to a local business asking them to consider attending the auction and explain to them how they can be involved with the auction without purchasing an animal

Attention exhibitors who win awards

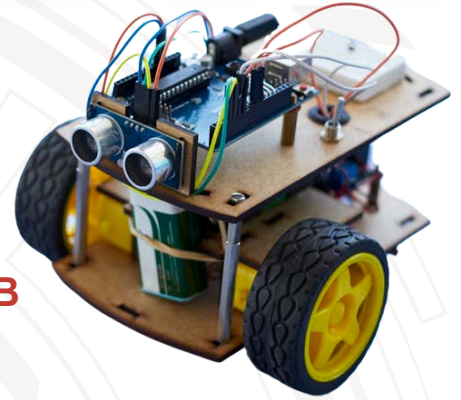
Grand/Reserve Champions, Champion/Reserves, and Outstanding winners will be responsible for placing their order online by **August 12th**. Each winner will be receiving an envelope, with instructions, after they have won their class. There will be options to pick one award. Anyone who chooses a belt buckle must pay their portion by August 15th. **If the winners don't select and place an order, they will receive a banner for their prize.**

JUNK DRAWER ROBOTICS



CAMP

PRESENTED BY
BUFFALO COUNTY
4-H ROBOTICS CLUB



DISCOVER THE SCIENCE
BEHIND ROBOTICS

When: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, July 10

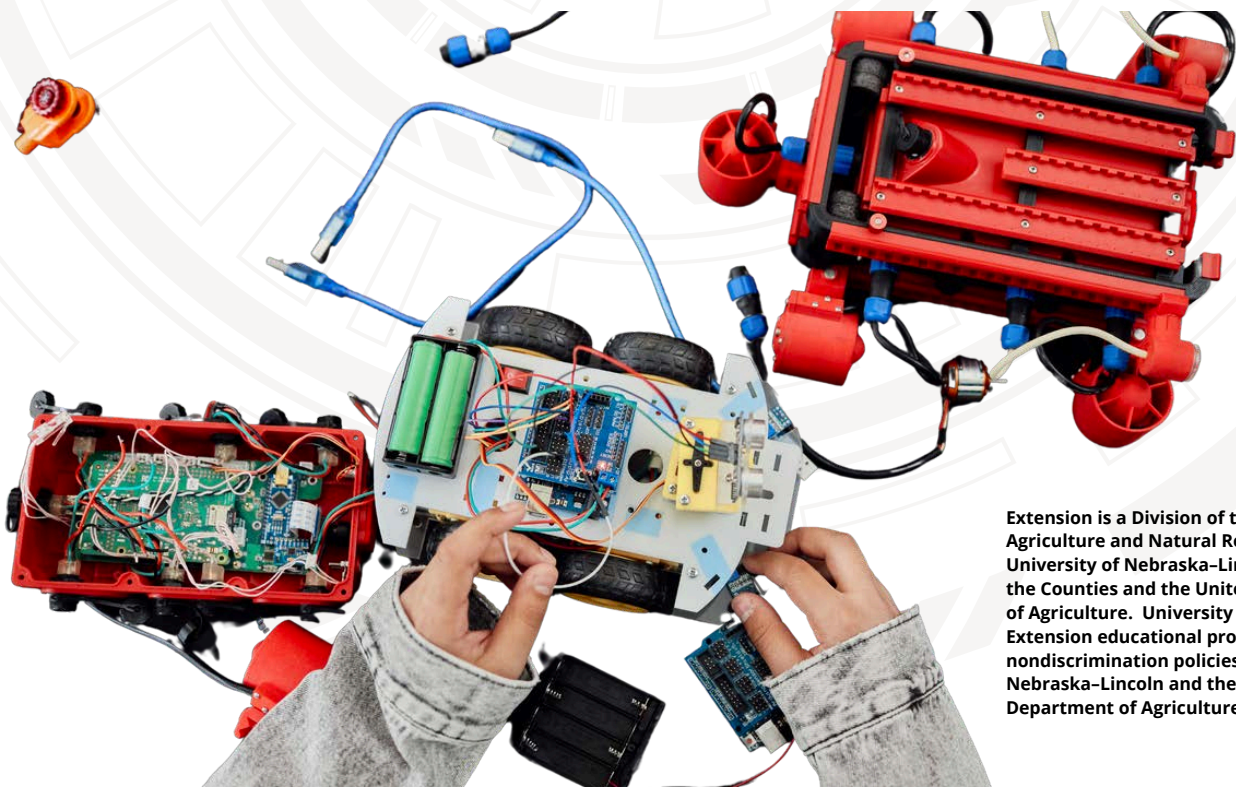
Where: Central Community College - Kearney Center 1215 30th Ave.

Who: Youth ages 8-12 years old

Cost: \$25 - cash, check or Venmo accepted on day of camp

Please register ahead of camp at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JunkDrawerRobotics2024>



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FREE HELP SESSIONS

JULY 11 AT THE BUFFALO COUNTY EXTENSION BUILDING

MATTING OPEN HOUSE WITH DONITA MOORE



Need help with matting and framing your photography to exhibit at the Buffalo County Fair? We're here to help! Stop in anytime between 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. and we will assist you. Please bring your photos along with the mattes and frames you would like to use.



FOODS HOW-TO CLASS WITH HOPE JANITSCHECK

Learn the BEST practices when bringing foods to the fair. Get answers to your questions like 'when to bake' or 'do I need supporting information with my exhibit'. Find out how to arrange and label your exhibits from 6:30 - 7:15 p.m.



Baking & Sewing Talent Unite

NEW

Mark your calendars for a treat this county fair!

Buffalo County 4-H is uniting the Decorated Cake, Pie Auction and Fashion Show. The event begins at 5 p.m. on Thursday, July 25 at the Exhibit Building.

Come and celebrate the achievements in both baking and sewing at this new combined event. The annual 4-H Pie and Decorated Cake auction will now include the addition of the 4-H Fashion Show. During the auction we will break to showcase the sewing and modeling talents of Buffalo County 4-H members.

Itinerary:

5 p.m. – Begin Sale of Pies and Cakes

6 p.m. – Fashion Show

Pie Auction will continue at the conclusion of the Fashion Show.



The Pie and Decorated Cake Auction is sponsored by the Buffalo County FCS Project Action Team (PAT). The top two junior and senior decorated cake and pie entries in the "Discovering Pies" and "Cooking 401" project areas will be eligible for auction to the highest bidder.

To be eligible, youth must be an enrolled 2024 Buffalo County member, 4-H age of 8-18, entered in a "Discovering Pies", "Cooking 401" or "Decorated Cake" class, and have met all project entry criteria and deadlines. In addition, the pie or cake must be sold by the 4-H owner who entered it. If the 4-H member is not present for the auction, they are not eligible to participate. Only one item per 4-H member is eligible for auction.

One-half of the money raised per pie/cake will go to the pie owner and the other half will go to the Buffalo County 4-H Council scholarship fund and the FCS Project Action Team in order to fund local FCS programs. To ensure success in selling your pie, talk to businesses, family members or other interested people. Extend a personal invitation to the auction and explain its importance.

Attention Breeding animal exhibitors

If you are exhibiting breeding animals at the Buffalo County Fair, you will need to provide a copy of the animal's registration papers to the Extension office OR you will be required to present the papers at check-in time in order to exhibit the animal in its breed class. If no papers are presented, the animal will only be eligible for a Commercial class. We will be glad to make a copy if you stop in or you can email a copy to jenny.kreikemeier@unl.edu.

Premise IDs needed to show at fair

Any new members, or anyone that has moved, showing a Market animal will need to have a premise ID. To obtain one, visit <https://nda.nebraska.gov/adt/premises.html> and complete the registration form. You may also call the Nebraska Department of Ag at 402-471-2351 and you will be asked the address where the livestock are being housed. Please call 308-236-1235 or email jenny.kreikemeier@unl.edu with the number.



Want deadline reminders?

Want to stay in contact & get updates during fair?

Follow the directions to get Remind Notifications. To join the general group, send a text that says @bc4hgen to 81010. If you joined last year you will not need to rejoin.

TO JOIN: Select the updates you want to receive and send the adjacent message to 81010

General updates text @bc4hgen
Goat updates text @goatshow3
Horse updates text @horseshow3
All Beef updates text @allbeef4h
Poultry updates text @poultrybc2

Rabbit updates text @rabbitbc3
Sheep updates text @sheepshow2
Small Animal updates text @smallanim3
Swine updates text @swineshow4



Adult Showmanship Contest

The 4-H Council will be hosting an adult showmanship contest approximately 1 hour after the completion of the goat show. To participate, adults must first be nominated by 2 p.m. Thursday, July 25th. Twelve nominees will be randomly drawn to participate in this competitive contest. Once nominees have been drawn, they will be contacted to see if they are willing to compete. If they do not wish to compete, there will be a \$25 fee to be "released" from the competition and another name will be drawn. Nominations can be made anytime prior to 2 p.m. July 25th.

Sincerely Kerry Elsen - 4-H Extension Educator, Jordan Wilbur & Heidi Darby - 4-H Assistants

2ND ANNUAL

Fair Water Fight

Saturday, July 27th
At the Conclusion of the Cattle Show

BEHIND THE STAFFORD AREA
IN THE GREENS

FREE POPSICLES AFTER TO
THOSE WHO PARTICIPATE

JOIN US FOR LOTS OF
FUN!
WATER GUNS,
WATER BALLOONS,
BUCKETS, IF IT HAS
WATER BRING IT!
WILL LAST ABOUT
30 MINUTES

SPONSORED BY
BLUFF CENTER BUCKAROOS

BARN OLYMPICS

Barn Olympics is a relay formed from tasks you might see on a farm. There is not a fee to participate. The winning teams will receive prizes. Barn Olympics will take place on Friday, July 26th, 1 hour following the adult showmanship contest. To register you need a team four. 4-H members: You do not have to be members of the same club. Age divisions will be 13 and under and 14 and over. Teams must be registered by 2 pm on Thursday, July 25.

HOW PREPARED ARE YOU FOR AN INJURY IN THE FIELD?

FIRST AID *in the field* +

LEARN WHAT TO DO FOR MANY DIFFERENT INJURIES & TEST YOUR SKILLS IN "INJURY SCENARIOS"

When: 9:30-11:30 a.m. August 8
Who: Youth ages 5 to 16
Where: Buffalo County Extension
Cost: \$8
Register by August 1 at:
<https://go.unl.edu/fieldaid2024>

