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Nebraska 4-H Website: <http://4h.unl.edu>

## Important Dates

Nov 10 – Office Closed in

Observance of Veterans Day

Nov 22 – Take & Make Kit Orders

Due

Nov 23 & 24 – Office Closed

Thanksgiving Holiday

Dec 11 – Winter Take & Make Kits

Ready for pick up

Dec 23 – Jan 1 Office Closed for

UNL Holiday Shutdown

Jan 15 – State 4-H College

Scholarship Applications Due

Visit our Awards & Scholarship Opportunities webpage, scroll down to the College Scholarships section to view this and other scholarship opportunities.

Jan 21 – 4-H Council Meeting (Old & New Members)

## Save the Dates

Pre-Fair Day

July 13, 2024

Cedar County Fair

July 17-21, 2024



We are thankful for our 4-H families!

## Congratulations!

### Outstanding 4-H Members for 2023

The Cedar County 4-H Council recognized two individuals on Sunday, October 22, for their outstanding achievement and contributions to their community, club, and their own personal development.



**Abby Anderson**, daughter of Pam & Adam Anderson of Hartington and a member of the Needles & Nails 4-H Club, received the 2023 Outstanding 4-H Service Award.

**Karli Bruning**, daughter of Kristi & Mark Bruning of Hartington and a member of the Needles & Nails 4-H Club, was the 2023 Outstanding 4-H Achievement Award recipient.

This year there were several outstanding applications which is a testament to the quality of 4-H'ers in our program.

**You are all "True Leaders"!**



### Enrollment on 4HOnline for the 2024

4-H program year is now open.

<https://v2.4honline.com>

4-H members must re-enroll annually to maintain their membership. Returning families/members should not create a new family profile, but instead, log into their existing profile, update contact info and projects, and sign permissions. Dues are \$5 or \$6 for horse participants, payable to 4-H Council. For step-by-step instructions on how to enroll/re-enroll visit our "Join Cedar County 4-H" webpage.

### Cedar County Extension Office CLOSED

December 23, 2023 – January 1, 2024

Our office will be closed for the UNL Holiday Shutdown. We wish you a safe & healthy holiday season and will see you next year beginning January 2.



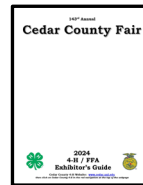
## Seeking Ag Innovator Facilitators

Nebraska 4-H is seeking three teens (age 13+) to be the State Teen Facilitators for the Ag Innovators Experience statewide. An additional 20+ teen facilitators are also needed to work with the 3 State Teen Facilitators to facilitate the Ag Innovators experience across the state of Nebraska in their local communities. The challenge, which will be led during the Spring of 2024 is 'Protect the Plate'. The 2024 4-H Ag Innovators Experience, "Protect the Plate" explores how different technologies have transformed agriculture and how farmers, government and consumers must continue to innovate, learn, and adopt to grow more food in a sustainable manner while focusing on food safety. If selected to be on the State Leadership, youth will be expected to attend the Ag Innovators Experience Training in Champagne, Illinois on January 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>. They will be traveling with two Nebraska Extension Educators & travel expenses will be covered. The team will bring the information back to Nebraska to train 20+ other teen leaders across the state to reach youth in their local communities with the Ag Innovators Experience activities. This training will be in February. If interested in this leadership opportunity in any role, contact our office or Megan at [megan.hanefeldt@unl.edu](mailto:megan.hanefeldt@unl.edu).

## Martha & Don Romeo Scholarship

The Nebraska Association of Fair Managers will award a \$500 scholarship to one qualifying 4-H male and a \$500 scholarship to one qualifying 4-H female who are graduating seniors in the state of Nebraska and who plan to continue with post high school education. Application can be found at [www.nebraskafairs.org/newsletters.php](http://www.nebraskafairs.org/newsletters.php) or on our Cedar County 4-H webpage under the Awards & Scholarship Opportunities tab. Applications should be submitted to the Extension Office by Thursday, November 30.

## Design the Fairbook Cover Contest



Be thinking of creative ways in designing a picture for the cover of the 2024 fairbook. Entry can be a photo, a computer-generated art design, or a hand-drawn art design. Contest rules can be found on our 4-H Programs & Events webpage. Entries due by February 29.





**Winter Take & Make Kits**

**4-H Members**  
Youth ages 8-18 as of January 1, 2024  
**Silicone Bead Keychain**  
Join the latest trend in fashion accessories with a silicone bead keychain. Included in this kit will be three colors of beads, tassel, keychain and elastic string.

**Clover Kids**  
Youth ages 5-7 as of January 1, 2024  
**Oh Deer, Let's Spread Some Holiday CHEER!**  
Clover Kids can join in the reindeer games this winter as they create their own festive jar. This kit has all of the supplies necessary to make a one-of-a-kind creation to display during the holiday season and bring to the 2024 Cedar County Fair.

**Enroll for the 2024 4-H Program at <https://w2.4honline.com> then contact the Extension Office at 402-254-6821 by November 22 to order your FREE kit.**

*Kits are free to families who have enrolled in 4-H and paid dues for the 2024 4-H year.*  
*Sponsored by the Cedar County 4-H Council.*  
*Kits available to pick up beginning Dec 11th.*

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