May, 2019
Cuming Happenings in 4-H

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4-H Calendar

May	
9	4-H Council Meeting, Courthouse Meeting Room, 7:00
10	**Deadline** for District & State Horse Entries
10	Horse ID Forms due
17	**Deadline** for Regional Public Speaking Contest
29	I.D. Day – Rabbit, Goat/Sheep
29	Registration Deadline – Photography Level 1 Clover College
30	Quality Assurance Face to Face Training, Fairgrounds at 1:00 p.m. **(Pre-register online at yqca.learngrow.io)**
31	Regional Public Speaking Contest, Wayne State College
31	**Deadline – 4-H Adventure Day Camp**
June	
1	**Deadline for Drop/Add Project & 4-H Enrollment**
1	Cream of the Crop Dairy Show, Fairgrounds
5	Clover College – Photography Level 1, 9:00-3:00, Courthouse
5	Registration Deadline – Photography Level 2 & 3 Clover College
6	**Deadline – Clover Kids Camp**
7	4-H Adventure Day Camp, West Point City Park, 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
12	Clover College – Photography Level 2 & 3, 9:00-3:00, Courthouse
13	Clover Kid Camp, Dinklage Building at fairgrounds
15	**Deadline – ALL Livestock ID Forms and DNA online**
15	**Market Beef ID & DNA Deadline** (online enrollment)
17	Registration Deadline – Gnome Garden Fun Clover College
17-18	PASE – Lincoln
24	Clover College – Gnome Garden Fun, 10:00-12:00, Dinklage Bldg., Fairgrounds
24	**Deadline (NOON) –** Favorite Foods, Cook-Off, Carousel of Fun
27	Favorite Foods & Cook-Off Contest, Carousel of Fun, Wisner-Pilger High School, 9:30 a.m.
27-30	Wisner Stock Show
July	
9	4-H Council Meeting
10-13	**Fremont 4-H Expo,** Christensen Field
14-18	State 4-H Horse Show, Grand Island
15	Practice Presentation Day & Presentation Contest Deadline
18	Presentations Contest, Courthouse Meeting Room, 5:00 p.m.
19	Horse Level Testing Due for County Fair Youth Only
26	**Deadline – Dress Revue**
29	**Deadline - Cuming County Horse Show**

Welcome Megan Groth!

We are excited to welcome past Cuming County 4-H'er Megan Groth to our Extension Office this summer as our summer intern. Megan will be assisting us with 4-H Adventure Day Camp, Clover Kid Camp, Clover Colleges, and so much more.

Megan is wrapping up her freshman year of college at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Welcome aboard, Megan!

Drop/Add Deadline Fast Approaching

June 1 is the last day to drop/add 4-H projects for the 2019 year. It is also the last day to enroll in the Cuming County 4-H program for 2019. If you have not gone to the 4-H Online website (ne.4honline.com) to enroll your youth, please do so as soon as possible. If you need to drop or add a project, you can log back in to 4-H Online and make your changes. Please let your club leader know of the changes made. **No changes will be made after June 1.**

Please review your projects and drop those that you know you will not be completing a fair project for. This will allow the interview judging schedules to be more accurate at county fair time.

Members are NOT ALLOWED to be enrolled in more than one level of the Ag Engineering projects (woodworking, electricity, wildlife, etc.), or photography. The Project Resource Central lists suggested ages for all projects.

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Academic/Scholarship Information

UNL Campus Visits

Now is the time for current juniors and seniors to schedule your University of Nebraska-Lincoln campus visit. We can assist you in setting up a visit specifically designed to meet your interests. Campus visits can be set up to visit multiple departments or focus on just one department. This is a chance to become familiar with campus and the faculty that you will be interacting with during your post-secondary education at UNL.

DID YOU KNOW?

After storms and flooding of historic proportion in our region, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln will work with students so that they can attend UNL or enroll in online courses in the Fall of 2019 .

If you have a family member who has questions about UNL Admissions, please contact Georgia Gleason at georgiagleason@exprience.unl.edu or 402-472-4471.

https://admissions.unl.edu/nebraska/flood-2019/

2018 Seniors

You can collect your scholarship money at any time, deadline for collection of your scholarship is **June 1, 2019**. Please bring in the following documentation to claim your scholarship:

- Proof of completion of your first semester/term of college classes (copy of your grades or documentation of completion of Basic Training)
- Thank You note to the 4-H Council
- The completed 4-H questionnaire you previously received (another copy is available at the Extension Office).

Scholarship Opportunities

Visit www.cuming.unl.edu/4hlocal and look under the College Bound section for more information on the following scholarship opportunities:

- Cuming County Graduate Scholarship
- Cargill Global Scholarship
- CASNR Scholarships
- AKSARBEN Scholarships

Day – to - Day College Expenses

This is an exciting time of life for high school seniors and their parents. As you and the young adult in your family prepare for graduation and the adventures ahead, Nebraska Extension encourages you to work out a plan for day-to-day expenses. To assist you with this discussion we encourage you to visit our website: http://www.cuming.unl.edu/4hlocal and scroll to the bottom of the page to "College Bound". The materials will provide frame-work for developing a plan for daily expenses plus help you discuss potential risks for your young adult.

Leaders Corner

Enrollment Reminder

You should have received your club enrollment records. Please have your members and parents check their records closely. Members may drop/add projects up until **June 1.** Check that all leaders in your club have submitted their enrollment through 4-H Online for 2019.

Country Kitchen Workers

Each club is required to work a shift in the 4-H Country Kitchen at County Fair. Clubs will be responsible for providing 2 adult volunteers and independent families will pair up for shifts. Each independent family will be responsible for providing 1 adult and 1-2 youth members. Call the Extension Office to sign up for a shift.

Funding for Clubs

If your club has a special project that needs funding, apply for the **Operation Round Up Grant** from the Cuming County Public Power District, **Cuming County 4-H Council Special Project Fund** or the **Kenneth D Lee Memorial Project Fund**. Applications are available at the Extension Office or on our website at cuming.unl.edu.

Communication & Expressive Arts

2019 Cuming Co Photography Theme
"PATRIOTIC"

4-H Film Fest (Digital Video Pro)

Description: Digital Videos are films that display the recording, reproducing, and broadcasting of moving visual images. This competition will be held during the Presentation Contest on **July 18**. The pre-entry deadline is **July 15.** During the 4-H Film Fest, youth will provide a 1-minute oral introduction (name, background/goal of presentation, intended audience, where presentation could be shared, etc.) followed by the showing of their Digital Video. Please see the fair book for more details.

Family & Consumer Science

Premier 4-H Science Award at the Nebraska State Fair

This award recognizes 4-H static exhibits incorporating or demonstrating concepts from the areas of 4-H Science (science, technology, engineering, and applied math). Exhibits in all curriculum areas will be considered for the award. All State Fair exhibits that successfully incorporate 4-H Science will be recognized with a certificate attached to the exhibit and up to 20 of the top 4-H Science exhibits will receive a $100 cash award sponsored by the Nebraska 4-H Foundation.

Complete, Wearable $15 Challenge Outfit

Open to all 4-H members-boys and girls, enrolled in Shopping in Style. The outfit can be for any occasion (examples—hunting, sports, dress up, winter, summer, work at home, work at a business, costume, western, horseback riding, etc.) You can shop at garage sales, thrift stores, discount stores, on-line and etc. Competition will be divided at age 12 on January 1 and there will be both the Fashion Revue and static exhibits for the Consumer Challenge. The Complete Wearable $15 Challenge requires that contestants complete a special form, **due July 26,** on line at: www.cuming.unl.edu/4hlocal.

Livestock

District Horse Show

Identification forms and entries are due **May 10** to the Extension Office.

District Dates and Locations:

June 10 - Bloomfield
June 11 - Elkhorn
June 12 – Ord
June 13 - Ogallala
June 14 - McCook

2019 State Horse Show
State 4-H Horse Show at Fonner Park is scheduled for **July 14-18**.

State Fair & Aksarben Livestock Entry Deadlines

Once you have your livestock projects nominated and entered into the online system by the respective deadlines (June 15) you will still need to make the **actual livestock entry** for State Fair (August 10.

Animal ID Day - Wednesday, May 29

The following schedule will be observed and conducted at the Cuming County Fairgrounds …

- **Market Lamb**
  3:00 - 5:00 p.m.
- **Goats**
  3:00 - 5:00 p.m.
- **Rabbits**
  4:00 - 5:30

All verification must be completed by **JUNE 15**. Verification means seeing the animals with the tag in the ears and knowing that all tags are accounted for. If you wish for your animal to qualify for Aksarben or State Fair a DNA sample must be Collected, EID in place and submitted by **June 15**. This will also make them eligible for Aksarben.

Premier Animal Science Events (PASE)

4-H members interested in expanding their knowledge should check out the upcoming activities. The Premier Animal Science Events (PASE) are the State competition in each of these areas: Livestock, Quiz Bowl, Livestock Skill-a-thon, Meats, and Poultry Judging Contest will be held on **June 17th** and the State Livestock Judging Contest will be held **June 18th** in Lincoln.

Also, if you are interested in Meats or Livestock judging please give us a call and we'll get your name to the coaches of the teams. For more information check out the PASE website: http://4h.unl.edu/pase

Quality Assurance

The Nebraska 4-H program **REQUIRES** all 4-H members exhibiting beef, bucket calves, sheep, swine, dairy cattle, goats, poultry, and rabbits to be trained or tested in Quality Assurance by **June 15th.** We will offer a **training session** for **youth ages 8-18** on **May 30** from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. at the Cuming County Fairgrounds. Youth must pre-register in advance of attending and pay the $3.00 online fee at: yqca.learngrow.io.

Test out options are available online to youth in the first year of Intermediate (age 12) and Senior (age 15) age levels. There is no test-out option for Juniors. Participants will have only one chance to take the test-out option. Test-out costs are:

- Intermediate: $36 ($12 x 3 years of certification)
- Senior: $48 ($12 x 4 years of certification)

Hustler 4-H Progress Show

For the 11th year, Cuming County Creek Hustlers 4-H Club is hosting a progress show for all 4-H and FFA members. The event will be held **Sunday, June 9th** at the Cuming County Fairgrounds in West Point. The event

will be open to swine, sheep, goat, and cattle entries. Check-in times and entry fees are as follows:

- Swine & Sheep- 7:00-9:00 a.m. $10/head
- Goat - 8:00-11:00 a.m. $10/head
- Cattle – 8:00 – 11:00 a.m. $15/head

The show order will begin with swine and sheep at 10:00 a.m., then goats and beef at 1:00 p.m. The beef show will be a blow and show. All exhibitors must wear a 4-H or FFA t-shirt. For more information, contact Ron Ahrens at 402-380-3194 or Pat Schlickbernd at 402-380-1340.

Cream of the Crop Dairy Show

The 20th annual Cream of the Crop dairy cattle show will be held on **Saturday, June 1st** at the Cuming County Fairgrounds in West Point.

The show is open to everyone (youth and adults). Members of 4-H and FFA are encouraged to attend. The show is educational and fun for all ages.

All animals will be awarded a purple, blue or red ribbon. The first place in each class will receive a special prize. A champion and reserve champion heifer and champion and reserve champion cow will be selected from each breed and receive special awards.

There will be a **judging contest** held following showmanship. Prizes will be awarded to the top individuals in Junior (up to age 12 by Jan 1) and Senior (ages 13 to 18 by Jan 1). There will also be an adult division. Each adult puts in $1 and the winner takes all. Anyone coming just for the judging contest should be registered by 10:30 a.m.

There is no entry fee. **Pre-entry required by Tuesday, May 28.** Late entries will be accepted until 9:00 a.m. the morning of the show, with a $5.00/head data-entry fee**. Registration will be from 8:00 am to 9:00 am the day of the show.** Animals should be bedded in the barns with straw. Cattle should be in the barns by 8:00 am, the morning of the show. Barns will be available at 9:00 a.m. the Thursday before the show. Cattle will be released as soon as they are done showing. For more information contact Carl Aschoff at (402) 380-2465 or by email at carlaschoff@yahoo.com.

General - Upcoming Shows/Clinics

***Contact the Office for more information on these shows and clinics.**

- Pre-District Horse Show, Lancaster Event Center, Lincoln – **June 1**
- Wisner Stock Show – **June 27-30**
- 69th Annual Beef Expo, Northeast Community College, Norfolk, **- September 8th**

General 4-H Opportunities & News

Adventure Day Camp

Save the date! Adventure Day Camp will be held on **June 7th** at the Neligh Park in West Point. This is open to campers' ages 8-11 years old. Registration flyer coming soon!

Fremont 4-H Expo King and Queen

Any boy or girl interested in becoming a Fremont 4-H Expo King or Queen Candidate is required to submit credentials to the Fremont 4-H Fair Board. Counties may have more than one king and queen candidate. Former King and Queen Candidates can re-apply as long as they have not previously won the honor of being crowned King or Queen.

Applications are available in the Extension Office. All submissions must be mailed to the Dodge County Extension Office in Fremont by **Wednesday, June 12th at 4:30 p.m.** Interviews will be held on **Thursday, June 27th at 6:00 p.m. or Tuesday, July 9th at Noon.**

Nebraska Youth Range Camp

The Nebraska Youth Range Camp will be held **June 10-14** at the Nebraska State 4-H Camp in Halsey. Students will be exposed to topics covering rangeland management, conservation, ecology, animal science, wildlife, and more. Students will be actively involved in field activities, lectures, hands-on experiences, recreational leadership, and team-building activities. An application can be found here: https://docs.google.com/a/extension.org/forms/d/1koKaG14U0l8KB8Bhls6FsCClRFt3x8CXl3Yv3dk_r3c/viewform?pli=1&edit_requested=true

Online Horticulture Judging Contest

This year's Horticulture Judging Contest will be available online from **June 7** at 8:00 a.m. to **June 17** at 8:00 a.m. This contest is composed of three parts:

- General knowledge questions
- Plant parts and seed identification
- Judging portion

This contest is open to all youth, as well as adults who would like to participate. Study materials can be found at the State Fair book http://4h.unl.edu/fairbook/plant-science/horticulture-id

If you have any questions about this contest, please contact the Extension Office.

Tractor Safety Course

The 2019 Tractor Safety Trainings will be offered in Nebraska during May and June. Any youth 14 or 15 years of age who works on a farm or ranch other than his/her parents' is required to be certified through a

tractor safety course. Extension Educators and field specialists will teach the 2-day courses. The trainings in this area will be **June 20-21** at the Fairgrounds in Wayne.

Cost for the course is $60, which includes all course materials, lunch both days and breaks. Registration is payable to UNL Extension on or before the first day of training. For details or to register, contact: Nebraska Extension Office in Wayne, 402-375-3310.

Sincerely,

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