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## 4-H Newsletter

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October  
2022

### UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER	
2-8	National 4-H Week
3	Sign-up begins for 2025 CWF Conference
3	Record books, award applications, secretary books and leader year-end reports due in the Extension Office.
10	Office closed for Columbus Day
15	Shooting Sports Shotgun Instructor UPDATE, Ashland
15-16	Shooting Sports Ambassador Certification Workshop, Ashland
22	Shooting Sports Instructor UPDATE, Nebraska City
22-23	Shooting Sports Leader Certification, Nebraska City
NOVEMBER	
11	Office closed for Veteran's Day
15	2023 CWF Payment Due
20	4-H Recognition Event, 4-H Building, 2:00 p.m.
21	4-H Council Meeting, 4-H Building, 7:30 p.m.
24-25	Office closed for Thanksgiving
DECEMBER	
3	Shooting Sports Instructor UPDATE, Benkelman
3-4	Shooting Sports Leader Certification, Benkelman
26	Office closed for holiday



## National 4-H Week October 2-8, 2022

### SIGN-UP FOR 2025 4-H CWF CONFERENCE OCTOBER 3, 2022-JANUARY 3, 2023

If you are a Custer County 4-H'er who will be at least 15 years old, but not older than 19 years old, by October 15, 2025, you are invited to sign up for the 2025 Custer County Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) Conference. Sign-up for the 2025 trip will be **October 3, 2022 - January 3, 2023**, by calling or visiting the Extension Office. The trip will take place for approximately 14 days in June of 2025. If you have questions, please contact the Extension Office at (308) 872-6831.



### PLEASE PICK UP....

The following 4-H'ers have exhibits or ribbons which need to be picked up at the Extension Office. Please pick up all items by **October 15**:

Baker-Welch, Jayden	Welch, Tristen
Eggleston, Patrick	Zutavern, Matelyn
Gregoski, Lilly	Zutavern, Paizley

**State Fair Premium Checks** - If you exhibited anything at the Nebraska State Fair, we have a State Fair Premium check at the Extension Office for you. This would include exhibitors with static exhibits, livestock entries, and in-person events. Premium money is not paid at the State Fair for showmanship classes and exhibits that received a white ribbon.

**Livestock Auction Checks** - Livestock Auction Checks were mailed by the Ag Society on September 1. Please be sure to cash/deposit your checks in a timely manner.

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## 2022 4-H Recognition Event

Sunday, November 20, 2022 at the 4-H Building in Broken Bow

2:00 p.m. - 4-H Council Election Results,  
4-H Member, Leader, & Club Awards

The past two years we have needed to hold the 4-H Recognition event virtually due to the COVID-19 guidelines that were recommended by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln/4-H. The Custer County 4-H Council is planning to move this back to an in-person event. They realize the cost of going back to an in-person event with a meal would be an increased cost to the sponsors, due to the increased cost of groceries. The 4-H Council made the decision at their May meeting to change the format of the event in an effort to save money for the sponsors. The Council is also hoping for more participation from 4-H families due to moving the event from a Friday evening to a Sunday afternoon.

The 4-H Recognition event will be held on Sunday afternoon, November 20, 2:00 p.m. at the 4-H Building on the Custer County Fairgrounds. Each 4-H Council member will provide 2 dozen cookies. A drink will be provided. While we know this event will be different this year, we are looking forward to showcasing the donors of this event and the awards.

### **MONSANTO'S AMERICA'S FARMERS GROW COMMUNITIES<sup>SM</sup>**

America's Farmers Grow Communities<sup>SM</sup> is sponsored by the Monsanto Fund to support local farming communities. The program, which launched in 2010, allows farmers to enter to win \$2,500 for their favorite community nonprofit organization, such as 4-H, FFA, schools, fire departments and other civic groups. One winner will be selected in each of the 1,331 eligible counties in 41 states. Rural communities are the heart of America. It's where people are found who work hard to feed, fuel and clothe our country and the world. Monsanto believes in rural America, and wants to help grow farming communities. This is why they work directly with the farmers to determine where the \$5,000 is donated within their community. Farmers know best and choose the nonprofit organization in their community where the donation will make the most impact. People in eligible counties have the opportunity to suggest an idea or initiative for a farmer to consider in his/her America's Farmers Grow Communities entry. You will need the name of your nonprofit organization and a brief description of the project. Applicants must be 21 years of age or older and actively farming 250 acres or more.



**Entries must be** submitted by 5:00 p.m. November 1, 2022. Entry forms and more information can be found on the web at: <https://www.americasfarmers.com/grow-communities/program-rules/>

### **INTERESTED IN THE 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS PROJECTS?**

Join the Great Connections 4-H Club! The firearms program (BB gun, air pistol, air rifle, and smallbore) will begin on January 3 at 5:00 p.m. at the Shooting Sports Building on the Custer County Fairgrounds. The Great Connections 4-H archery program will begin on November 3 and will continue every Thursday evening, 5:00 p.m. at the Shooting Sports Building. This group is under the instruction of certified 4-H shooting sports instructors. Any new shooters who wish to begin the program with the Great Connections 4-H Club, should contact Peggy Carda (872-3371) prior to the first meeting.



### **REORGANIZE FOR THE NEW YEAR**

Members, parents, and leaders will soon be thinking about next year. Many 4-H clubs will be reorganizing just as soon as this year's record books are completed. The Extension Staff is making plans for the 2023 4-H year. We would like to have you tell us what you would like in the way of educational help, leader training, special programs, workshops, or whatever you feel would be helpful. We want to "make the best better" for you!



## Mark Your Calendars With These 4-H Shooting Sports Events...

October 15, 2022	**Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports Shotgun Instructor <u>Update</u> , Ashland Gun Club. Early registration deadline is October 5.
October 15-16, 2022	**Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador Certification Workshop in Ashland Gun Club. Early registration deadline is October 5.
October 15-16, 2022	**Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports Shotgun Leader Certification, Ashland Gun Club. Early registration deadline is October 5.
October 22, 2022	**Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor <u>Update</u> , Nebraska City. Early registration deadline is October 12.
October 22-23, 2022	**Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification Workshop, Nebraska City. Registration deadline is October 12.
December 3, 2022	**Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor <u>Update</u> , Benkelman. Early registration deadline is November 23.
December 3-4, 2022	**Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification Workshop, Benkelman. Early registration deadline is November 23.

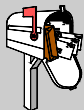
\*\* Contact Colleen for scholarship information.

Register online at:

<https://4h.unl.edu/shooting-sports#calendar1>

### 4-H ENROLLMENT FOR 2023

The 4-H Online enrollment program will be updating this fall and rolling over to a new year. The system will be shut down October 1 through November 1, 2022. **PLEASE DO NOT ENROLL IN 4-H FOR 2023 UNTIL AFTER JANUARY 1, 2023.** At that time, the new enrollment and project information will be available



**Attachments**  
[4-H Council Fact Sheet](#)



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