Clothing Day— Date change
Due to Haskell Ag Lab’s “Science & Ag Family Field Day”, we have changed Clothing Day to Thursday, July 25th, 2019.

Fair Board Meeting - You are invited to attend the Dakota~Thurston County Fair Board Meeting on June 19th, held at the Fairgrounds in the Exhibit Hall at 7 P.M. If you have questions or concerns about the upcoming fair that the Fairboard might be able to address please come.

Fair Activity Passes are available at the Dakota County Extension Office for $15 each. These passes are a $30 value.

LIVESTOCK ID’S, YQCA, DEADLINES

Late Affidavit & Late Entry Policies
The Dakota-Thurston 4-H County Fair has the following policies:
1) Late animal affidavits will be accepted for one week following the entry deadline and will be assessed a $10 late fee per individual for the Dakota-Thurston County Fair.
2) Late fair entries will be accepted for one week following the entry deadline and will be assessed a $10 late fee per individual for the Dakota-Thurston County Fair.

Livestock ID's/Affidavits DUE
If you are exhibiting: beef, sheep, swine, goats or rabbits at the Dakota-Thurston County fair, livestock ID's/affidavit's are DUE to the Extension Office by June 14th. Forms are available by stopping at the Extension Office or on the website at https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/dakota/livestock-affidavits-1/. Make sure the form is fully completed.

DNA & Online Nominations
Market Swine DNA is DUE to the Extension Office by June 14th to be eligible to show at State Fair and Aksarben.
To show at State Fair you need to go online (https://showstockmgr.com/stockmgr/) and nominate the following species by June 15th:
- Breeding Beef
- Market Sheep
- Breeding Sheep
- Market Swine
- Market Beef
- Market Goats
- Breeding Goats
If you are showing livestock that is ONLY going to Aksarben contact them (https://www.aksarbenstockshow.com/p/events/2019-dna-information/dna-information) for DNA envelopes. DNA to ONLY Aksarben is due July 1st.
The Dakota~Thurston County Fair will commence the week of July 28th, 2019, are you getting ready?

A great deal of information is on our website. Click on Dakota County 4-H in the red navigation bar. Look here for just some of the following:

- Fair Schedule
- Entry information
- Fairbook (hard copy should be here soon!)
- News releases and show results
- Want to donate a trophy? The donation form is here

FAIR ENTRIES

Coming soon to a mailbox near you.

Fair entry forms are being prepared and a mailing will be sent out to each 4-H family. This is where you choose which classes and entries you will be bringing. The forms will be personalized for each youth.

And very exciting news too! We are testing on a limited basis online entries!!!!!

Exhibit hall (static exhibits) (excluding horticulture) will be done online. We are starting with these and if all goes well will add livestock next year. Livestock entries will still need to be made on the paper forms you receive. All the details will be in the mailing.

ENTRIES WILL BE DUE JULY 17TH, 2019 (both hard copy and online)

HELP OUT AT FAIR

We are in need of some able bodied volunteers during fair week.

Exhibit Hall - Wednesday afternoon the Extension staff needs help displaying exhibits, making sure everything was judged and generally that the displays look good.

Goat show - 1-2 helpers are needed at the Goat show to help line up kids, keep order in the show ring, keeping track of ribbons and handing out ribbons if 4-h Ambassador is not available. Thursday, August 1st, afternoon.

Neither of these jobs need to be 4-H parents, but should be someone with 4-H knowledge. We are looking for adults. Contact Tammy if interested.
## Dakota Thurston County Fair
### July 31st - August 4th

**Admission to all events marked with an *:**
- Adults-$10
- Kids 6-12 yrs-$5
- 5 yrs & under-free

### Wednesday - July 31, 2019
- Little Prince/Princess Coronation: 7 PM

### Thursday - August 1, 2019
- Expo Building Open: 10 AM-9 PM
- Parade - Down Dakota Avenue SSC: 6 PM
- Community BBQ - Free Will Donation: 7 PM
- *Tri-State Shootout Tractor Pull:
  - Gates open and Beer Garden: 5 PM
  - Tractor Pull starts: 7 PM
  - "Nut Fry" Knights of Columbus inside tractor pull event: 7 PM

### Friday - August 2, 2019
- Farmers Pride serving FREE Breakfast: 7:30-10:00 AM
  - Chamber Coffee-Show Arena/Beef Barn: 9:30 AM
  - Gaming Truck (video games) - FREE: 4:30-9:30 PM
  - Wine & Beer Tasting - FREE: 5 - 8 PM
  - *Escape Room: 6 - 8 PM
  - *Dueling Pianos (PG)/Beer Garden: 7 - 10 PM
  - Western States Ranch Rodeo - FREE: 7:00 PM
  - *Laser Tag - open horse arena: 9:30-11:30 PM

### Saturday - August 3, 2019
- Junk-a-Palooza: 9 AM - 9 PM
- Expo Building Open: 10 AM-9 PM
- Papa Bear Chainsaw Carving: All Day
- Kids Pedal Pull - Expo Building: 11 AM
- Mud Volleyball Tournament: 12:00 PM
- Jackpot Cattle Show - Weigh In: 11 AM - 1 PM
- Jackpot Cattle Show - Show starts: 2:30 PM
- *Kids Day - $5.00 admission: 1 - 5 PM
- Pie Contest - Expo Building $2/slice: 1 PM
- The Big River Band - Expo Building: 2:00 PM
- Gaming Truck (video games) - FREE: 4:30-10:30 PM
- *Escape Room: 3 - 8 PM
- *Extreme Bull Riding:
  - Gates open and Beer Garden: 5 PM
  - Bull Riding starts: 7 PM
- 4-H Sponsored Movie - FREE - Expo Bldg: 9:00 PM

### Sunday - August 4, 2019
- Junk-a-Palooza: 9 AM - 9 PM
- Expo Building Open: 10 AM-4 PM
- Iowa NBHA Barrel Racing - FREE: 1 PM
- Horseshoe Tournament: 1 PM
- Garden Tractor Pull-FREE/Beer Garden: 1 - 4 PM

[www.dakotathurstonfaironline.com](http://www.dakotathurstonfaironline.com)
Where west coast art meets Nebraska flair!

Since its kickoff in 2013, the main objective of the Calibraska Arts Initiative has been to form a bridge between California and Nebraska, to inspire and familiarize these two commonly disconnected populations.

Using creative connections, we are able to bring individuals together who may otherwise never interact. We are primarily focused on creating two major opportunities: to allow Los Angeles-creative-industry-based artists and students exposure to small-town Nebraska culture and hospitality and, second, to provide access to high-end educational opportunities, mentorship, training, and exposure from Los Angeles creative industries to midwest residents of all ages in western Nebraska.

Calibraska is the brainchild of CalArts adjunct faculty member and Nebraska native Erica Larsen-Dockray and Vistabeam Wireless Chief Marketing Officer, Monique Larsen.

In spring 2013, Monique asked Erica, who at the time was in her seventh year of teaching animation in Los Angeles, if she would consider teaching an animation workshop during her summer visit with family back in Scottsbluff, Nebraska. A few weeks later, Calibraska was born.

Since that summer, over one hundred students ranging from 5 to 65 years have participated in the animation classes and five students and alumni from the California Institute of the Arts animation programs have visited Scottsbluff for the first time to teach and assist the classes.

https://www.calibraska.org/

STATE FAIR STATIC EXHIBITOR DISCOUNT TICKETS

New in 2019! 4-H youth exhibiting static exhibits at the Nebraska State Fair will order advance discount tickets directly from the Nebraska State Fair. Discount tickets will no longer be available through the county offices.

Details on ordering tickets will be available soon. All livestock exhibitors and in-person event exhibitors (contests, fashion show, presentations) will still be able to order discounted tickets when they enter in ShoWorks for State Fair. Additional information is available in the Operations Handbook at https://go.unl.edu/in4k.

http://www.statefair.org

#NESTATEFAIR
Youth Crop Scouting Competition—Connecting Youth with Crops

Looking for a fun club project? Want to unite your club members? Running out of ideas for club meetings? If you answered, “yes” to any of these questions, help is on the way! Nebraska Extension is pleased to present the 6th annual Crop Scouting Competition for Nebraska youth. Youth interested in crops have the opportunity to learn about crop growth & development and basic crop scouting principles. Don’t know a lot about crops? Ask a local agronomist to assist by providing a short lesson on crop production. You can have the agronomist meet with youth a little during each meeting or outside of the meeting. This is one way to engage those youth interested in crops.

This contest will be held at the ARDC near Mead, Nebraska on July 23, 2019. The event will include both indoor and outdoor events. Teams of junior high and high school students (those completing 5-12th grades) from across Nebraska are invited to participate. This event is limited to the first ten teams who sign-up!

Clubs or other organizations may enter a team composed of three to five participants. An adult team leader must accompany each team of students. Team leaders could be FFA advisors, crop consultants, extension staff, coop employees, etc.

Top-scoring teams win prizes: $500 for first, $250 for second, $100 for third place. Top two teams will be eligible for regional competition in August at Iowa this year.

Teams will be expected to know the basics of scouting corn and soybean fields. This includes crop staging; looking for patterns of crop injury; disease, insect and weed seedling identification; etc. Other topics may include but are not limited to, pesticide safety, nutrient disorders, and herbicide injury.

More information about the crop scouting competition and instructions on how to register a team are available online at cropwatch.unl.edu/youth. Register at: https://go.unl.edu/cropscoutingreg

Teams must be registered by July 18. This program is sponsored by Nebraska Independent Crop Consultant Association, DuPont Pioneer, Farm Credit Services of America and Nebraska Extension.

More details at: http://cropwatch.unl.edu/youth

#BecauseOf4H

Join the 4-H Young Alumni Community

Young alumni from across the country are coming together to volunteer and use their 4-H experiences to contribute to their club, community, country and world. As you continue to grow, we hope that you’ll keep 4-H in your heart and join the 4-H alumni community.

Resources: The National 4-H Youth Advisory Committee, a group of young alumni from across the country, has developed resources to help you use your hands to actively make a difference. Without you, and the great head you have on your shoulders, none of this would be possible. Together, we can build a healthier tomorrow.

https://4-h.org/4-h-young-alumni/
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