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**Hello Frontier County 4-H Families & Supporters!**

The summer is going fast! Are you ready for county fair? We hope our youth are gaining life skills through their 4-H projects and contests!

**1) County Entry Deadlines to Extension Office**

July 5 – Friday: Pre-registration **DUE** for Clothing Construction, Shopping in Style, & Fashion Show

July 5 – Friday: Pre-registration **DUE** for Photography Exhibits

July 12 – Friday: Pre-register ALL exhibits for **STOCKVILLE FAIR & EUSTIS FAIR** including shooting sports, livestock/small animal, static- foods, Ag, Home environment, rockets, clover kids etc.

Come to the office for entry tags/livestock forms or print online at:

<https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/frontier/fairbook2>

**Stockville - late entries accepted July 13-17 with a \$25.00 late charge fee.**

**Eustis – late entries accepted July 13-17 with a \$25.00 late charge fee.**

**2) Attention All Clover Kid, Clothing, Photography, Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goat, Horse Rabbit & Poultry Exhibitors:** Letters about fair entries and other important details were recently mailed out. If you did not get these letters, call the Extension office ASAP.

**3) 2019 County Fair Exhibit Supporting Information**

-Refer to the 2019 Frontier County Fair book for all this info.

-Fair book is online at <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/frontier/fairbook2>.

-Some exhibits in the Family and Consumer Science area and other static exhibits require supporting information such as recipes in the food project areas, and informational sheets in Home Environment and Human Development. Some things to watch for:

-Recipes

-Woodworking plans

-Rocket specification information from package

-Photography Data Tags

-Display sizes

-Home Environment Design Elements and Design Principles <http://go.unl.edu/vfkw>

-Supporting information

**Read your fair book carefully to see if your exhibits require additional information.**

**4) State Fair Static Exhibitor/Spectator 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. For your family/spectators tickets go to: <https://www.statefair.org/plan-your-visit/pricing>

**5) State Fair Volunteers Needed-** Do you want to spend a few hours at the state fair as an important part of the 4-H programming going on during the fair? We need your help! Nebraska 4-H is looking for volunteers to help with exhibit entry day, judging, and serving as 4-H exhibit building hosts. Volunteers will also be needed to serve as the Lil' Green Mascot and an event photographer. We also need people to assist with all 4-H contests and events throughout the fair. State Fair 4-H volunteers will receive a gate pass for the day(s) they volunteer. Volunteers can sign-up by completing the 4-H Volunteer Interest Form available online at [2019SFvolunteers](https://ssp.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9WZ1R9CQ1AQcyeV) or [https://ssp.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_9WZ1R9CQ1AQcyeV](https://ssp.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9WZ1R9CQ1AQcyeV)

If you have questions about being a 4-H volunteer at the Nebraska State Fair, please contact: Cathy Johnston, Extension Educator, [cjohnston1@unl.edu](mailto:cjohnston1@unl.edu) or (402) 472-1762.

**6) Thank You Farm Bureau Financial Services for County Official 4-H T-Shirts-** All 2019 Frontier County 4-H members should have received their new shirt. They were distributed by clubs. Independent members can stop by the office to pick your's up. Call the office if you are having trouble finding your's. Remember a quick THANK YOU note to our sponsor, Farm Bureau Financial Services in Curtis would be nice. Their address is P.O. Box 102 Curtis NE 69025.

**7) COUNTY DRESS CODE-** All 4-H exhibitors are **REQUIRED** to wear the official county 4-H T-shirts sponsored by Farm Bureau Financial Services, jeans, and closed-toe shoes for **ALL** 4-H events. **This INCLUDES** shooting sports, contestants, and those interview judging for the static exhibits. (Static projects include clothing, photography, food, home environment, gardening, agriculture, etc.) Livestock 4-H exhibitors are **REQUIRED** to wear dark blue jeans, hard-soled shoes or boots as well. **NO** hats, caps or other types of headgear are to be worn in the show ring (except for horse). Only 4-H'ers exhibiting in the horse show will **NOT** wear official county T-shirt.

Horse Show attire **MUST** follow the dress code requirements found in the current “Nebraska Horse Show & Judging Guide.”

**8) Stockville 4-H Static Building Monitors-** If you or your family are interested in taking a time slot to help monitor the Stockville 4-H Static Building exhibits please let the Extension office know ASAP. Thank you!

#### **4-H CONTEST / EVENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**9) 4-H Fashion Show, Clothing Construction, & Shopping in Style Judging, Public Show Invitation**  
July 12 – Friday Curtis Methodist Church - 9:00 a.m. (NEW TIME.) A letter was sent out with info and interview times available. Pre-registration due July 5 – Friday. Refer to 2019 County Fair book pages 13-18 for more details. Everyone is invited to the Public Fashion & Talent Show held July 28 (Sunday) at 1:00 pm in Eustis!!

#### **10) Photography Judging Contest**

July 12 – Friday Curtis Methodist Church - 1:00 pm in Curtis, NE - A letter was sent out with more info and interview times available. Pre-registration **DUE** July 5. Remember to call the office **to schedule your interview time!** **Data Tags** are required for all classes and are available at the Extension Office or at <http://go.unl.edu/vfkw>. Refer to page 9 in fair book for photography details.

#### **11) 4-H Family & Consumer Science Quiz - County**

There is a statewide written quiz any 4-H'er can take to challenge their family & consumer science knowledge. The intent of this quiz is to engage youths' interest in family & consumer sciences in a challenging, educational experience. 4-H members can take the test July 12<sup>th</sup> during clothing and photography contests. Ribbons and premium money will be given.

#### **12) Entry Day Schedule for Static 4-H exhibits (Foods, Home Environment, Ag Misc., Robotics, Aerospace, Horticulture, Etc.)**

##### **\*Eustis Entry Day July 30 – Tuesday**

11:00 am - 1:30 pm ALL 4-H Static Exhibits entered & judged including 4-H Clover Kid entries (no pets)

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm 4-H Bake Sale & Decorated Cake Silent Auction - closes at 2:00 pm - Open to the Public

##### **\*Stockville Entry Day July 30 - Tuesday**

4:00 pm - 7:00 pm ALL 4-H Static Exhibits entered & judged including 4-H Clover Kid entries (no pets) @ north fair building

5:30 pm - 8:00 pm 4-H Bake Sale & Decorated Cake Silent Auction begins - Open to the Public

4-H'ers and Clover Kids will sign in upon arriving at the North Main Building (Stockville) or the 4-H Building (Eustis). When your name is called, you will talk to the judge about your exhibits. Make sure you bring ALL THE SUPPORTING material. (Refer to 2019 county Fair Book). 4-H members are to wear the official county 4-H T-shirts sponsored by Farm Bureau for interviews. Please have patience and remember to smile for judge!

**NOTE:** There is NO food stand at the fairgrounds on July 30 in Stockville or Eustis.

#### **13) SAVE THE DATE-4-H Achievement Application (new 4-H Record Book) Workshop August 13 in Curtis – more details later. Learn the new statewide 4-H record book process! It is easy and online.**

<https://4h.unl.edu/achievement-application>. Frontier County will still have county cash awards & other county awards for those members submitting an Achievement Application. Deadline to submit application is Sept 30 to County office. (Career Portfolios will NOT be accepted in 2019).

**14) SAVE THE DATE - 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Agronomy Youth Field Day** August 7 for ALL youth ages 9-18 years old. **Register online at:** <https://go.unl.edu/agronomyyouthfieldday> **by August 2nd or** call the office. See enclosed flyer.

## **SHOOTING SPORTS NEWS**

### **15) County Shooting Sports Contest**

**July 27 - Saturday 8:00 am ALL 4-H Shooting Sports: Archery & Small Bore Rifle .22 Caliber Contest - Frontier County Fairgrounds**

**10:00 am ALL 4-H Shooting Sports: BB Gun, Air Pistol, & Air Rifle Contest - Frontier County Fairgrounds**

**July 29 - Monday 6:30 pm Shotgun Contest - Curtis Gun Club**

Everyone is invited to watch all of these contests. At least 4 practices need to be attended for EACH DISCIPLINE to be able to compete in county contest in July. Hope it's been fun learning (or improving) these LIFE SKILLS!

**NOTE: There will be a food stand at the fairgrounds on July 27 in Stockville for breakfast and lunch items! Thank you Stockville Women's Group!**

**16) Sharp Shooters 4-H Club Facebook Page:** Check the page for the latest club news and any schedule changes. Join the club's Facebook page: Frontier County Sharpshooters. Share this with others!!

## **LIVESTOCK & SMALL ANIMAL NEWS**

**17) Dog/Cat County Fair 4-H Exhibitors-** Don't forget to bring a copy of your dog and/or cat vaccination record with you to the July 31<sup>st</sup> (4:00 pm) County Fair Dog/Cat Show in Stockville, or August 1<sup>st</sup> (10:00 am) Small Animal County Fair Show in Eustis.

**NOTE: There will be a food stand at the fairgrounds on July 31<sup>st</sup> in Stockville during dog show! Thank you Curtis Methodist Church Group!**

**18) Horse District & State Shows-** four county horse exhibitors competed at districts on June 14<sup>th</sup> in McCook, and they did very well. They were Sydney Veldhuizen, Shelby Spraberry (Jurjens), Tallee Jo Brown, and Ethan Oberg. They competed in various events including: Western Horsemanship, Reining, Pole Bending, Barrel Racing, and Western Pleasure. Sydney Veldhuizen competed in Senior Barrel Racing, and she was Grand Champion in Senior Barrel Racing. She qualified for state in both of these events.

Good luck to those competing at the State 4-H Horse Exposition July 14-18<sup>th</sup> 2019 in Grand Island, NE.

**19) County Horse Show-** July 31<sup>st</sup> starting at 8:00 am in Stockville. **NOTE: There will be a food stand at the fairgrounds on July 31<sup>st</sup> in Stockville for breakfast and lunch items! Thank you Curtis Methodist Church Group!**

**20) Round Robin Contest-** All 2019 Frontier County Fair grand champion and reserve champion **Senior Division** Livestock exhibitors (beef, pigs, sheep, rabbit & poultry) will be eligible to compete August 3 (Saturday) at 5:00 pm for the title "Top Frontier County Livestock Exhibitor" The top 2 winners will receive a belt buckle donated by Nebraska Western Bank and Andy/Amy Houser. The public is invited to come watch the top county 4-H livestock exhibitors show all 5 species. The contest helps encourage senior level 4-H exhibitors to remain in 4-H throughout high school years.

**21) Carcass Contest in Stockville** will include market sheep and beef this year. Ultrasounds will be August 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:15 am for any 4-H animals.

**22) Home Raised Market Beef Clarification-**4-H council had long discussion to clarify. The council decided to have the wording say, "Home Raised **MUST** be owned and raised by 4-H'er or immediate family." The word parents was taken out of the wording. Refer to page 38-39 in county fair book. (It was discussed that several families work together to raise their cattle and their calves are still considered "home raised." Contact Kathy Burr with any questions.

**23) 4-H Livestock Sale at Frontier County Fair in Stockville-** 4-H families are encouraged to find new bidders by inviting various business & family members to the auction. Sale will be held on August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 at the fairgrounds. Thanks for encouraging others to bid!

**24) AKSARBEN Entries** - All questions can be directed to Shelby ([sleonhard@showaksarben.com](mailto:sleonhard@showaksarben.com)) and the AKSARBEN team. September 26-29 - AKSARBEN Livestock Show in Grand Island. Youth showing only at the AKSARBEN Stock Show will need to order envelopes directly through their website: <https://www.aksarbenstockshow.com/p/events/2019-dna-information/dna-information> Extension Staff should not provide DNA envelopes to youth who are only showing at the AKSARBEN Stock Show because the AKSARBEN Stock Show is not utilizing an online nomination system (Show Stock Manager) so there will be no way to complete the payment. The AKSARBEN Stock Show team will be collecting the DNA fee when the family requests the DNA envelopes through their website. The family will then mail in their DNA directly to AKSARBEN. Any DNA submitted through Show Stock Manager will also be eligible for the AKSARBEN Stock Show and the fee will be collected in that system, so youth will not have to pay twice.

## **FRONTIER COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL NEWS**

**25) Next 4-H Council Meeting** – The next council meeting will be July 15<sup>th</sup>, Monday at 7:30 pm in Eustis. Please contact a 4-H Council member with concerns or suggestions.

**26) Grant Money Available for 4-H Activities/Camps/Events from 4-H Council** – Refer to past newsletters for details.

## **4-H CLUB NEWS**

Leaders can use this newsletter as a way to get information out to your members. You need to submit any news to the Extension Office by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month in order to have it appear in the next newsletter.

**27) Happy Helpers 4-H Club** – will meet 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month at 4:30 pm at the Berean Church in Curtis.

**28) DOG Practice** will be July 11, 18, 23 & 25 at 6:30 pm at Stockville Fairgrounds. Open to all 4-H county dog exhibitors. For more info contact Amy Houser at 308-650-1715.

## **29) Upcoming 4-H Events/Important Dates**

### **JULY**

- 5 - **DUE** - Registration for Clothing/ Fashion Show & Photography Exhibits
- 12 - **DUE** - Registration for exhibits for **STOCKVILLE FAIR & EUSTIS FAIR**
- 12 - Fashion Show & Clothing Construction Judging Contest-Curtis
- 12 - Photography Judging Contest -United Methodist Church in Curtis
- 14-18 - State 4-H Horse Exposition - Grand Island
- 15 - 4-H Council Meeting– Eustis @ 7:30 pm – Eustis Fair Building
- 18 - **NO** entries accepted for **STOCKVILLE FAIR** after this date
- 18 - **NO** entries accepted for **EUSTIS FAIR** after this date
- 27 - 8:00 am - **ALL** 4-H Shooting Sports Archery & Small Bore Rifle .22 Caliber Contest – Frontier County Fairgrounds
- 27 - 10:00 pm - **ALL** 4-H Shooting Sports BB Gun, Air Pistol, & Air Rifle Contest – Frontier County Fairgrounds
- 28 - Public Fashion & Talent Show in Eustis – 1:00 pm
- 29 - Shotgun Contest at Curtis Gun Club – 6:30 pm
- 31 - Aug 4 - **FRONTIER COUNTY FAIR – STOCKVILLE**
- 31 - Aug 3 - **EUSTIS FAIR & CORN SHOW - EUSTIS**

## **AUGUST**

- 7 - Agronomy Youth Field day
- TBA - **DUE** - State Fair Entries including Livestock, AKSARBEN entries also due
- 21 - State Fair Entry Day
- 23 - Sept 2 - **NEBRASKA STATE FAIR - GRAND ISLAND**

## **SEPTEMBER**

- 16 - 4-H Council Meeting– Curtis @ 7:30 pm –Ed Center Rm 129
- 26-29 - AKSARBEN Livestock Show – Grand Island
- 30 - **DUE** - 4-H Award Application (Record Books)
- 30 - **DUE** - 4-H Leader Project Summary & Club Summary

## **30) SAVE THE DATES**

\***August 7** -Agronomy Youth Field day in Curtis 9:00-3:00 for ALL youth ages 9-18.

Register online at <https://go.unl.edu/agronomyyouthfieldday> by August 2<sup>nd</sup>

\***October 27** County Achievement Day in Maywood 4:00 pm for everyone

Click on the Nebraska Extension Frontier County website for the latest dates, news and forms at

<https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/frontier/>.

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See you at the county 4-H contests & fairs!!