

June 2019

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Hello Frontier County 4-H Families & Supporters! Thank you to everyone for getting 4-H projects & livestock paperwork submitted to the Extension Office. Now it's time to be thinking about county fair exhibits & deadlines!!..... 😊😊😊

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) 2019 County Fair Book - Save this as a reference all year long. 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 Child 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
- Supporting information

Read your fair book carefully to see if your exhibits require additional information and then call the extension office at 308-367-4424, if you have more questions.

3) West Central Youth Animal Science Field Day (May 23) / NCTA Livestock Judging Camp (May 22)

Thank you for the great Frontier County participation in both events!! Thank you 4-H Council members for serving a delicious hamburger meal at YASFD and for getting all of the food/supplies donated! It is a nice money-maker for the county 4-H program. Thank you Frontier County Fair Board and Eustis Fair & Corn Show Ag Society for paying the \$10.00 registration fee for every Frontier County 4-Her attending YASFD! We appreciate everyone's support!

4) One FREE County Official 4-H Tee Shirt will be ready for pick up in the extension office around June 21st. THANK YOU to our sponsor, Farm Bureau Financial Services for providing new shirts every two years! 4-H exhibitors make sure you wear one of your official county tee shirts to all county 4-H contests.

5) Aerospace (Rocket) Project Notes from State 4-H Office - Rockets such as Viking and Wizard have been identified as a Level 1 rocket in the past. Their classification has been changed to an intermediate rocket aka Level 2. With this change from the manufactures, these rockets as Level 2 rockets will be accepted at county/state fair. Please keep in mind that some of the packages purchased may still say Level 1 because the items will probably not be recalled just to re-package them. Thus to meet the record book requirements, please include the website screen shot that states it is an intermediate rocket. No rockets with plastic fins please.

4-H CONTEST / EVENT OPPORTUNITIES

6) 4-H Fashion Show & Clothing Construction & Shopping in Style Judging July 12 – Friday Curtis Methodist Church - 9:00 a.m. (NEW TIME.) A letter will be sent out soon with more info and interview times available. Pre-registration due July 5 – Friday. Refer to 2019 County Fair book page 13-18 for more details. NOTE: Public Fashion & Talent Show will be held July 28 (Sunday) at 1:00 pm in Eustis. (NEW DATE)

7) Photography Judging - July 12 – Friday Curtis Methodist Church - 1:00 pm in Curtis, NE - A letter will be sent out soon with more info and interview times available. **Data Tags** are required for all classes and are available at the Extension Office or print off at <http://go.unl.edu/vfkw>. Refer to page 9 in fair book for photography details. Pre-registration **DUE** July 5.

8) Home Environment Support Information For Fair Exhibits - (Page 18 of fair book) **Supporting information is REQUIRED for all Home Environment exhibits. Information MUST also include the elements and principles of design used and steps taken to complete project. Tag templates can**

be found on 4-H State Fair website: <https://unl.box.com/s/toup6mp99jpkzepy9bqupwltwu2841yk>
and/or county website at: <http://go.unl.edu/vfkw>

9) 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 youth's interest in family & consumer sciences in a challenging, educational experience. The test can be taken independently or at a club meeting. 4-H'ers can study for the quiz by reading and reviewing family consumer related 4-H curriculum. Ribbons and premium money will be given. Call the Extension Office at (308) 367-4424 for more information and to get the written test. 4-H members can take the test July 12 during clothing and photography contests.

10) 4-H Achievement Application (new 4-H Record Book) Workshops –Learn about 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.) More details later.

11) Frontier County Fairgrounds Pre-fair Clean-up – Any clubs or independent 4-H families wanting to help prep the fairgrounds at Stockville anytime from May 17-July 31 contact Marcia Owens at 308-367-7129. Great community service project!!! Some ideas include: flowerbeds, mulching, painting, cleaning and more!

12) State Fair Weed and Grass Identification Contest County TEAM – Youth 10 years of age or older can compete by contacting Kat Caswell, Cropping Systems Extension Educator at the Red Willow Extension office at (308)345-3390 or kat.caswell@unl.edu. Some Frontier County families have contacted Kat already, so there might be carpools available.

13) Robotics NXT Lego Kits Available For Summer 4-H Fair Exhibits – available this summer for youth enrolled in the 4-H Robotics project to create fair exhibits. Contact office for more information.

SHOOTING SPORTS NEWS

14) County Shooting Sports Contest is July 27 for all disciplines & shotgun July 29. There are only four practices left (for air pistol, air rifle, BB gun) and there are several youth without four practices. This is for your safety and others that you need to attend four.

LIVESTOCK & SMALL ANIMAL NEWS

15) 4-H Livestock Fitting & Showmanship Camps-

Open to ALL Frontier County 4-H'ers ages 8-18 (as of 1/1/2019) and parents/guardians
FREE -- Live animals to practice with! **(If yours are tame, bring them along to the camps.)**

Instructor Dr. Doug Smith will help 4-H'ers understand how to prep & show livestock at the fair.

Cattle – Wednesday, June 19th – 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm – NCTA Livestock Teaching Arena – Curtis

Swine & Sheep – Thursday, June 20th - 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm – NCTA Livestock Teaching Arena – Curtis

16) 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.” Any questions contact Kathy Burr.

The council also decided next winter at market beef weigh/tagging days, all calves will be ID/declared as Home-Raised or Purchased on the affidavits.

17) 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 at 2:00 at the fairgrounds. Thanks for encouraging others to bid!

18) Horse District & State Shows – Good luck all horse exhibitors competing at Districts June 14 in McCook and/or at State 4-H Horse Exposition in Grand Island, NE, **July 14-18, 2019!**

19) Livestock/ Small Animal Progress Shows– The office has several flyers. Contact Peggy for more information.

FRONTIER COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL NEWS

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

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

4-H CLUB NEWS

22) Club Notes – 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 15th of the month in order to have it appear in the next newsletter

23) Happy Helpers 4-H Club – will meet 1st Monday of each month at 4:30 pm at the Berean Church in Curtis.

24) Upcoming 4-H Events/Important Dates

JUNE

12 - 4-H Horticulture Camp

14 - District Horse Show – McCook

16-18 - PASE/Life Challenge Event

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

TBA - **DUE** - State Fair Entries including Livestock AKSARBEN entries also due

21 - State Fair Entry Day

23-Sept 2 - **NEBRASKA STATE FAIR - GRAND ISLAND**

25) 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 2nd.

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