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## Important Dates

- June 2** - YQCA
- June 8** - 3-D Archery Contest
- June 15** - **All county animal ID's & Enrollment DUE, All State Fair & Ak-Sar-Ben nominations/ID'S & DNA DUE**
- June 17 & 18** - Premier Communications Event - Lincoln
- June 20 & 21** - PASE - Lincoln
- June 23** - Hunting Skills Contest

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Jessica S.	Zipporah O.	Hadley R.
Elizabeth S.	Rylan D.	Jolie P.
Isaiah S.	Priscilla W.	Ronan G.
Hannahlyn D.	Jonah S.	Eoin J.
Uzziah H.	Zaylie M.	Trevor P.
Macy M.	Autry P.	Wyatt P.
Aleah E.	Charlie W.	Londyn O.
	Taiya B.	Tatum C.



**2024 Summer Workshops**  
Are you looking for new project opportunities this summer? Be sure to check out our lineup of summer workshops (see attached pdf).

## 2024 Special Garden Project

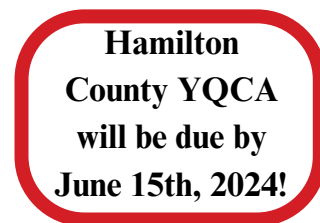
Special Garden seeds are available for pick up at the Hamilton County Extension Office. **Seeds will be first come, first serve to enrolled 4-H families.** The 2024 Special Garden Project is the PRINCESS INDIA NASTURTIUM. For more resources regarding this, please visit [4h.unl.edu/special-gardening-project](https://4h.unl.edu/special-gardening-project)

## 2024 YQCA

Mark your calendars for the last YQCA opportunity that will be offered in Hamilton County in 2024. The LAST in-person training will be held on **June 4th, 2024** from 6p.m. - 7p.m. YQCA is required for all youth livestock exhibitors!



To register, scan the QR code or visit <https://go.unl.edu/o7x9>



## 2024 Exhibitor T-Shirts

Fair exhibitor t-shirt registration is open and will close on June 10th at noon. Be sure to get signed up for your 2024 exhibitor shirt before the deadline! To sign up for yours, visit <https://go.unl.edu/qzht> or scan the QR code below!



**Thank you**  
FOR YOUR SUPPORT



## 2024 Online Horticulture ID Contest

Do you know what it takes to pick the best fruit and vegetables out at the grocery store? Or do you know what judges are looking for when they judge your plants at the county fair? Have you ever wondered, what plant is that?! We are excited to offer the opportunity to learn these and other important horticulture skills through the Online Horticulture Contest. The contest will be available June 7-21, 2024 at: <http://go.unl.edu/online4hhortcontest>

## Animal ID's/Vet Certifications

Reminder that all Animal ID's/Vet certifications for the Hamilton County Fair are due to the Hamilton County Extension Office by **JUNE 15th**. To get the updated ID sheets, visit <https://go.unl.edu/vmj7> or scan the QR code.

## Pie Fundraiser!

The 4-H Food Stand is our primary fundraiser each year! As our largest fundraiser, this event helps keep 4-H membership free in Hamilton County, allows you to request manuals at no cost, and pays for youth contests and state fair entry fees. It takes each of us as volunteers to keep our program strong.

We are requesting 1 homemade pie per 4-Her and families with 2 or more 4-Hers are asked to donate 2 homemade pies. If you are able to provide more than that, it is appreciated!

Please bring your pies to the 4-H Food Stand on the following schedule:

*A thru F - Deliver on Saturday, July 27th*

*G thru L - Deliver on Thursday, July 25th*

*M thru Z - Deliver on Friday, July 26th*

In regards to frozen pies found in the grocery store, such as Mrs. Smith's pies, the 4-H Food Stand would appreciate NOT using these. However, the Village Maker pies are acceptable. Please make sure they are baked before bringing them to the Food Stand as we do not have ovens.



## Livestock Achievement Program

Through the Nebraska 4-H Livestock Achievement program, youth can receive recognition as Members of Excellence for engaging in various project-related activities. All youth ages 8-18 are invited to apply! Applications are due June 15th - [4h.unl.edu/livestock-achievement](http://4h.unl.edu/livestock-achievement)

## Heavy Equipment Career Exploration

Mark Thursday, June 13, 2024 on your calendar to spend the day in Hastings, NE exploring Heavy Equipment. This opportunity is open to students entering 8th-12th grade in the fall of 2024. Cost is \$30/individual. The registration link will close on May 31, 2024 at 5 p.m. <https://go.unl.edu/heavyequipment>

# Register now for the 2024 Nebraska

Wednesday, July 17, 2024  
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Holthus Convention Center  
3139 Holen Ave.  
York, Nebraska

*Join us for a day of education,  
innovation, and networking.*

**The Expo will include the  
Annual Meeting of the Nebraska  
Pork Producers Association.**

# PORK Expo!

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Register at  
[www.becomeafan.org](http://www.becomeafan.org)



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# REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

To register for a workshop, you must log into your 4-HOnline (<https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>) profile and head to the events tab. *(This can be found on the left hand side of your screen.)*



From there, you will find the workshop you are wanting to sign up for and click on it to complete the registration steps. Once your registration has been completed, you will receive an email for that workshop.

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PAYMENT TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE PRIOR TO THE WORKSHOP SECURES YOUR SPOT IN THE CLASS!

## MAY

May 23

### BUILDING BETTER BABYSITTERS CLINIC

How do you know someone is ready to babysit? How about after they complete a class that teaches them about: the business of babysitting, child development, basic first aid & safety, food and nutrition, entertainment, and much, much, more! *Youth will need to bring their own sack lunch.*

**Date:** Thursday, May 23rd

**Time:** 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**Ages:** 10 - 18 **Cost:** \$20.00 (youth not enrolled in Hamilton Co. 4-H), \$5.00 (youth enrolled in Hamilton Co. 4-H)

**Location:** Merrick County Extension Office

**Maximum number of youth:** 15



May 29

### OUTDOOR ADVENTURES

Come join Nebraska Extension for a day learning more about the great outdoors! Activities will include fishing, Dutch oven cooking, bird waterers, canoeing and kayaking. Make sure to bring a 4-H appropriate bathing suit and a towel!

**Date:** Wednesday, May 29th

**Time:** 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

**Ages:** 8+ **Cost:** \$30.00 (youth not enrolled in Hamilton Co. 4-H), \$5.00 (youth enrolled in Hamilton Co. 4-H)

**Location:** Timberlake Ranch Camp

**Maximum number of youth:** 22



# JUNE

June 5

## CLOVER KIDS COOKIN'

Clover kids will learn about kitchen safety, table manners, and cooking basics by making two snacks and their own lunch!

**Date:** Wednesday, June 5th **Time:** 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**Ages:** 5 - 7 **Cost:** \$20.00 (youth not enrolled in Hamilton Co. 4-H), \$5.00 (youth enrolled in Hamilton Co. 4-H)

**Location:** Commercial Building (Hamilton Co. Fairgrounds)

**Maximum number of youth:** 12



June 6

## CAKE DECORATING

Join us and the Aurora Mall staff to learn grounded techniques to create a stunning looking cake! Two identical sessions will be offered!

**Date:** Thursday, June 6th **Time:** 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. OR 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**Ages:** 8+ **Cost:** \$10.00 (youth not enrolled in Hamilton Co. 4-H), \$5.00 (youth enrolled in Hamilton Co. 4-H)

**Location:** Aurora Mall

**Maximum number of youth:** 10 per session



June 20

## FAIRY GARDEN WORKSHOP

Join us to learn about Fairy Gardens! Youth will need to bring a container that is no greater than 12 inches (use the inside opening for measurement) in diameter and additional accessories you would like to add. Plants, soil and limited accessories will be provided.

**Date:** Thursday, June 20th **Time:** 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

**Ages:** 8+ **Cost:** \$15.00 (youth not enrolled in Hamilton Co. 4-H), \$5.00 (youth enrolled in Hamilton Co. 4-H)

**Location:** Commercial Building (Hamilton Co. Fairgrounds)

**Maximum number of youth:** 12



June 26

## BARN QUILTS

Youth will create their own 24"x24" barn quilt with a pattern of their choice (provided the day of). Youth will need to bring a sack lunch.

**Date:** Wednesday, June 26th **Time:** 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**Ages:** 8+ **Cost:** \$35.00 (youth not enrolled in Hamilton Co. 4-H), \$5.00 (youth enrolled in Hamilton Co. 4-H)

**Location:** Commercial Building (Hamilton Co. Fairgrounds)

**Maximum number of youth:** 10



June 27

## CLOVER KID PROJECT DAY

Clover kids will have the chance to make memory boxes, mason jar votives, popsicle picture frames, and a no-sew t-shirt bag!

**Date:** Thursday, June 27th **Time:** 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

**Ages:** 5 - 7 **Cost:** \$15.00 (youth not enrolled in Hamilton Co. 4-H), \$5.00 (youth enrolled in Hamilton Co. 4-H)

**Location:** Commercial Building (Hamilton Co. Fairgrounds)

**Maximum number of youth:** 15





June 12

# PROJECT DAY "A"

Wednesday, June 12th 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.  
Commercial Building (Hamilton Co. Fairgrounds)  
Limited to 30 youth (4-H Ages 8-18)

Cost: \$30.00 for youth not enrolled in Hamilton County  
4-H, \$15 for youth enrolled in Hamilton County 4-H

**Bring a sack lunch!**

Youth will participate in **ALL** 3 sessions throughout the day and will be able to take home the items they create to enter as fair exhibits at the Hamilton County Fair. **Bring your own sack lunch.**

Receive a \$10 discount by registering for both Project Day A & B at the same time!

## Wooden Flag

Hooray for the red, white, and blue! 4-Hers will make their own wooden flag during this session that can be hung on your front door or the wall. Sanding, painting, distressing and much, much more! Being American never goes out of season, and neither will this piece of home decor.



**Fair Exhibit:**  
Design Decision  
C257-013 Accessory  
3D

## Porch Mat

Welcome all! Come and create a one-of-a-kind porch mat to greet your neighbors and guests. 4-Hers will be able to choose from four different designs and discover how they can replicate this project at home with a Cricut or Silhouette cutting machine.



**Fair Exhibit:**  
Design Decision  
C257-012 Accessory -  
2D

## Blanket Ladder

Are you looking for a creative way to store your blankets? Join us to build your very own blanket ladder. This piece is a great addition to any room to help organize your space! 4-Hers will be able to build and stain their own ladder.



**Fair Exhibit:**  
Woodworking H911-901

June 13

# PROJECT DAY "B"

Thursday, June 13th 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Commercial Building (Hamilton Co. Fairgrounds)

Limited to 30 youth (4-H Ages 8-18)

Cost: \$30.00 for youth not enrolled in Hamilton County 4-H, \$15 for youth enrolled in Hamilton County 4-H

Bring a sack lunch!

Youth will participate in **ALL** 3 sessions throughout the day and will be able to take home the items they create to enter as fair exhibits at the Hamilton County Fair. **Bring your own sack lunch.**

Receive a \$10 discount by registering for both Project Day A & B at the same time!

## Yard Dice

Looking for an activity for a hot summer day or a game that you can take with you the next time you babysit? This game not only teaches math, but is sure to be the highlight of the next gathering.



**Fair Exhibit:**  
Human Development (C200-005 Math) or Wood Working (H-911-902 Woodworking Display)

## Button Art

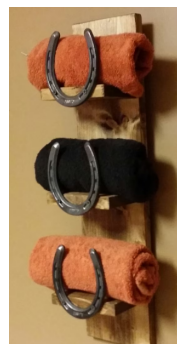
Join us to create a piece of artwork as we recycle buttons! Youth will get the opportunity to choose one of four designs offered.



**Fair Exhibit:**  
Design Decision C257-013

## Horseshoe Shelf

Are you looking for a cute addition to your bedroom or bathroom to help organize? This horseshoe shelf is it! 4-Hers will get to build their own horseshoe shelf while using recycled horseshoes!



**Fair Exhibit:**  
Design Decision C257-015 or Woodworking H911-901



# 4-H Summer Reading Program

Come and join us for fun during the 4-H Summer reading program in conjunction with your local library! This year's theme is "adventure begins at your library," following the collaborative summer library program theme with 4-H programming.

## 4-H Summer Reading Program Schedule:

(June 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th)

9am - 10am Hampton Library

10:30am - 11:30 am Marquette Park

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm Aurora Library (will not have Summer Reading at this location on June 11th)

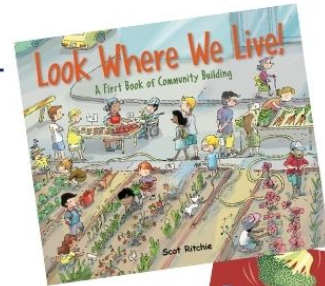


Grades  
K - 6

June 4

### Adventures in Your Community -

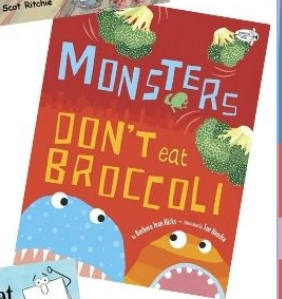
This lesson focuses on the **Head!** We can all use our brains to learn and explore our communities in new and different ways.



June 11

### Adventures in Food Science -

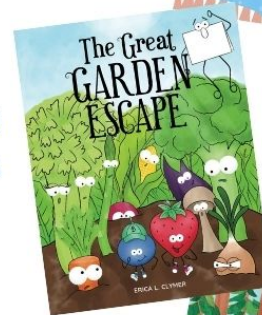
This lesson focuses on **Health!** We will work to empower our body and mind as we explore our senses by tasting and observing.



June 18

### Adventures in Gardening -

This lesson focuses on **Heart!** We can make connections to horticulture and STEAM Clothing as we explore what is in our gardens!



June 25

### Adventures in the Forest -

This lesson focuses on **Hands!** Nature is a great teacher and we will learn the benefits of getting our bodies outside for movement.



The University of Nebraska–Lincoln is committed to providing accommodations necessary to allow individuals with disabilities to function effectively and safely while participating in 4-H events. If you believe you may need accommodation, please contact Faculty/Staff Disability Services at [access@unl.edu](mailto:access@unl.edu) or call 402-472-3417