

FRANKLIN COUNTY 4-H

Calendar of Events

January 31 – End of Year Club Treasurers Report Due—Mandatory Past Due February 26 – Quality Assurance, 7 p.m. Franklin County Fairgrounds March 2 – 4-H Fruit Delivered, 12 Noon—Pickup from 1:30-3:30 p.m. March 4 -- Quality Assurance, 7:30 p.m. Kearney County Fairgrounds March 5 --- Quality Assurance, 7:00 p.m. Franklin County Fairgrounds March 12-- Discovery Night, 5-7 p.m. Kearney County Fairgrounds March 26 – Quality Assurance, 7 p.m. Kearney County Fairgrounds

4-H Enrollment Open

Franklin County 4-H Enrollment is officially open. You will find instructions for re-enrollment at <u>www.franklin.unl.edu</u> You will use the same username and password as last year. If you are a new member, you will need to create a family account. Please call the office if you have any questions!

4-H Fruit Delivery

4-H Fruit will be delivered on Saturday, March 2nd. Please plan on picking up your fruit between 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. Thanks to all who sold Fruit. Fruit sales money goes to benefit everyone in the program. Great job selling!

4-H Volunteers MUST Enroll!!

It is time for volunteers to re-enroll as a 4-H Volunteer for 2024. Nebraska 4-H has set up a rotation for individual counties to have 4-H Volunteers screened through DHHS every five years. 2024 is Kearney and Franklin Counties turn to have 4-H Volunteers screened. With this screening comes a new piece that is an on-line Volunteer Orientation. That orientation takes about 45 minutes. Both the screening and the orientation must be done for 4-H Volunteers to be approved. The DHHS Screening does cost \$5.00. If you would like to be reimbursed for this, please let our office know. For specific instructions please check the email from Kim on January 11th. You must be enrolled and complete all steps before carrying out your volunteer duties.

Extension Office New Location

The Franklin County Extension Office has moved to a different location in the Franklin County Courthouse. We are now located in the Southeast corner on the first floor. We are next to the Meeting Room.

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Franklin County Lamb and Hog Scramble

Have you always wanted to show a lamb or a hog? Here is a great opportunity to do just that. Enter the Lamb and/or Hog Scramble for the 2024 Franklin County Fair. Winners will receive a lamb and/or hog to show next summer. You must be a 1st or 2nd year 4-H'er OR be a 1st year hog or lamb showman. A flyer was enclosed in the last newsletter. If you have questions or to enter please call Steph Dallman at 308-440-4634. Don't miss out on this opportunity! The Deadline has been extended to March 1st!



Youth for the Quality Care of Animals-YQCA

Nebraska 4-H requires all youth enrolled in livestock projects to complete annual quality assurance certification through Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA). YQCA is a national multi-species quality assurance program focused on three core pillars: food safety, animal well-being, and character development.

YQCA certification is required for all 4-H or FFA members enrolled in any of the following projects: Beef (bucket calf, feeder calf, breeding beef, market beef), Goat (breeding meat goat, dairy goat, meat goat), Sheep (breeding sheep, market sheep), Swine. YQCA is required annually. Face-to Face Training In-person YQCA training courses cost \$3 per individual regardless of age. This fee is paid for by the Franklin County 4-H Council.

Face to Face YQCA trainings will be held:

February 26--Quality Assurance, 7:00 p.m. Franklin County Fairgrounds

March 4--Quality Assurance, 7:30 p.m. Kearney County Fairgrounds

March 5--Quality Assurance, 7:00 p.m. Franklin County Fairgrounds

March 26--Quality Assurance, 7:00 p.m. Kearney County Fairgrounds

Web-based Training can be found at https://yqcaprogram.org The online YQCA course costs \$12 per individual regardless of age.

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Franklin County 4-H Calendar

Enclosed is the 2024 Franklin County 4-H Calendar! Mark your calendars and start planning now!!

Club Treasurers PAST Due

Just a reminder that club treasurers reports were due by January 31st to the office. This is mandatory!

Franklin County Fair Dates

Mark your calendar for July 10-14th for the Franklin County Fair! Start planning now!!

