

I Pledge . . .



My **Head**
to clearer
thinking

My **Heart**
to greater
loyalty



My **Hands**
to larger
service

My **Health**
to better
living



For my club,
my community,
my country, and
my world.

4-H ACHIEVEMENT CEREMONY



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MADISON COUNTY
FAIRGROUNDS



2018 4-H Special Edition

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We are grateful for your commitment to the 4-H program!



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4-Her who Entered the Most Static Exhibits at the 2018 County Fair

Junior (8, 9, & 10 year olds)

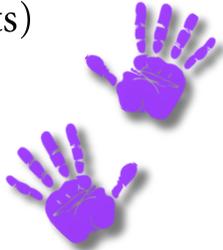
Serenity Strong (38 exhibits)

Intermediate (11, 12, & 13 year olds)

Tessa Ferguson (21 exhibits)

Senior (14 years and older)

Stacey Frisch (32 exhibits)



Herdsmanship Silver Bucket Award

Young Achievers

Orville Carlisle Rocketry Award

Dane Kilday

Special Recognitions for Promoting the Agricultural Industry

NE Pork Producers Association

Britney Kreiekemeier

Nebraska Cattlemen Association

Kelly Pfeifer

Charter Clubs

To receive designation as a Nebraska 4-H Club of Excellence, clubs must meet certain criteria, such as reciting the 4-H Pledge at meetings, completing a club project, and doing a community service project.

High Caliber 4-H Club

Newman Huskers 4-H Club

NexGeneration 4-H Club

Young Achievers 4-H Club

Career Portfolio

County medals are earned through the career portfolio competition. Once a county award is earned, 4-Hers 14 years or older by January 1 are eligible for District and State application.

District and State application will be due the first part of January for a trip to Atlanta, Georgia, and National 4-H Congress.

Those Who Completed Career Portfolios:

Stacey Frisch
Emily Neemeyer
Kelly Pfeifer
Charli Schlomer
Reilly Schlomer



County Medals:

Animal Science

Exotic Animal: Stacey Frisch

Communications and Expressive Arts

Photography: Emily Neemeyer

Communications: Kelly Pfeifer

Communications: Charli Schlomer

Home Environment

Clothing & Textiles: Emily Neemeyer

Home Environment: Reilly Schlomer

Horticulture

Floriculture: Stacey Frisch

Outstanding Intermediate Career Portfolio:

Emily Neemeyer

Outstanding Senior Career Portfolio:

Reilly Schlomer

Annual Achievement

Application

The Annual Achievement Application allows youth to focus on his or her most important achievements in 4-H experiences, leadership, and community service. This application will be used to select winners for 4-H Congress, Conference, scholarships, and other leadership opportunities. Once a county award is earned, 4-Hers age 14 years or older by January 1 can make changes and apply for the State level review in mid January.

Those Who Completed Annual Achievement Applications:

Katie Emmerick
Mary Emmerick



Nebraska 4-H Diamond Clover Awards

The Diamond Clover Program is designed to recognize accomplishments of 4-H members in a noncompetitive way.

Level 2—Aquamarine

Serenity Strong

Level 4—Sapphire

Kelly Pfeifer

Level 6—Diamond

Charli Schlomer





CONGRATULATIONS



12 YEAR 4-H MEMBERS:

Makayla Ruge

Hailey Walmsley

10 YEAR 4-H MEMBERS:

Becca Arkfeld
Emma Baumann
Lennae Eisenmenger
Claire Goodwater
Haley Grudzinski
Madison Howard
Rachel Jackson
Dylan Kesting

Sidney Kucera
Andrew Lutt
Megan Lutt
Christina Miller
Keisha Nelson
Leah Podliska
Matthew Rast
Madison Reynolds

Jenna Ruge
Zachary Sellin
Makenna Skiff
Karen Volquardsen
Cole Wegener
Josiah Wriedt

8 YEAR 4-H MEMBERS:

Lexie Bussey
Adam Echtenkamp
Tessa Ferguson
Shelby Gilsdorf
Cara Leader

Kolton Lingenfelter
David Miller
KoDee Mullner
Lauren Pfeifer
Lucas Ransen

Cameryn Skiff
Jenaye Wegener
BriAnna Zohner
Mya Zohner
Ryan Zohner

5 YEAR 4-H MEMBERS:

Maddie Abler
Emma Baumgart
Breanna Borchers
Brittany Borchers
Oliver Daniel
Micah Goedeken
Evan Hoff
Gracie Iske

Alexis Jackson
Kenton Knapp
Elly Kurpgeweit
Justine Kurpgeweit
Aubree Lampert
Ashlin Leader
Dylan Luetkenhaus
Cole Lyon

Christopher McFarland
Mikayla Miller
Cora Patzel
Kailey Patzel
Brock Pfeifer
Grace Schavee
Cohen Skiff

HONORED LEADERS AND VOLUNTEERS:

5 Year Leaders:

Kellie Abler
Julie Filipi
Mike Filipi
Amy Kreikemeier
Dawn Kucera
Christine Schavee

8 Year Leaders:

Chris Lutt
Kristy Lutt

10 Year Leader:

Mike Noelle

15 Year Leaders:

Karen Arkfeld
Brad Glaser
Christy Owen

25 Year Leader:

De Irish

30 Year Leader:

Marti Carter

Presentation of Special Awards



I Dare You Award: Britney Kreikemeier

A junior at Battle Creek High School, Britney Kreikemeier has been active in 4-H for seven years as a member of the Young Achievers 4-H Club. She is always ready to help others, whether by helping the young members of the club wash and care for their animals or working with them to complete a craft at a monthly meeting. Britney has dared to better herself by being an officer of the club. This opportunity to use her leadership skills has given her a voice to guide the group where needed while learning how to include her fellow members in making decisions. Britney is a good role model and leader for the young group in the Young Achievers 4-H Club.

Glanzer Family Leadership Award: Hailey Walmsley

Being in 4-H since she was a cloverbud, Hailey Walmsley has grown throughout her 4-H career to become a leader. This year, Hailey went over and beyond being a 4-H member for her twelfth year, making history in Madison County! She also started the Barnyard Buddies program so that youth with special needs can have the opportunity to show an animal at the fair. Participating in the hog show brought so much joy to so many kids. Hailey has a huge heart and a great future ahead of her as she continues to use her leadership skills that she gained through 4-H.

Oswald Family Spirit of 4-H Award: Serenity Strong

Serenity Strong does not like to be told that she can't do something. This year, she wanted to do even better on her fair projects than last year. 2017 was a very successful year, and she loved every minute of it. She took on some challenging projects. This year, six of her projects were to be gifts. Her sewing project was so special. She helped her friend who is not in 4-H feel a part of 4-H by sewing matching outfits and modeling together. She also took time to go to the nursing home during summer to help the residents with crafts. She tells them she learned everything because she is in 4-H. Serenity's mom and dad love the example she sets when she helps at church, the nursing home, and even the library in Newman Grove. Being the youngest and only child at home, Serenity is not afraid to venture out and find people to interact with and help along the way.

Patty Nelson "Making the Best Better" Memorial Award: Emily Neemeyer

When Emily Neemeyer began her clothing level two sewing project, she could not have imagined the challenge her dress would present. As with many sewing projects, Emily's dress has a story. After cutting off a little too much of the hem, Emily followed the 4-H motto and "made the best better" to transform a simply shift dress into a cute sundress with a waistline. She took the opportunity to make a mistake into something even better than the original. Emily has a genuine smile and positive attitude. Her sewing project proves that she also has perseverance and determination to make the best, and even seemingly worst, situation better. We can't wait to see what Emily will do with her future!

Outstanding 4-H Alumni: Emily Freudenburg

As a 4-H alumna, Emily Freudenburg has truly stepped up to help the 4-H program in Madison County. Not only is she an outstanding 4-H superintendent at the county fair, but she is also an active member of the Madison County Extension Board. She supported the 4-H Council cookbook by providing recipes. As the Extension Office moved to its new location, Emily was a huge asset unpacking and moving boxes. We are grateful for the support of Emily, her dedication to the 4-H program, and for being a role model for the youth of Madison County.

Presentation of Special Awards



Outstanding 4-H Leader: Christy Owen

For the past 15 years, Christy Owen, a leader of the Needles and Knives 4-H club is the picture of an outstanding 4-H leader. She has been a vital part of the Madison County 4-H program going beyond the expectations of a club leader. From serving as a superintendent, a project day committee member, a 4-H council member, a 4-H supporter, and a 4-H mom! She bends backwards to truly “make the best, better.” Christy strives to help youth reach their full potential in 4-H. She is positive, hardworking and compassionate and truly cares about each and every one of her 4-H members. Please help me in congratulating Christy Owen.

Outstanding 4-H Member: Charli Schlomer

A member who has stepped out of her comfort zone, a member who has challenged herself and a member who is very deserving of the 2018 Outstanding 4-H Member award is Charli Schlomer. Charli is a ten-year 4-H member of the Needles and Knives 4-H Club. Charli is active, involved, and passionate about 4-H. During her 4-H career, she has tried new things, pushed herself to expand her skills, and has served in many leadership roles. Over the past two years Charli has completed her Better with Books Diamond Clover project. She has also served as president of her 4-H club and was selected to attend the National 4-H Congress in Atlanta for her career portfolio. Charli always has a smile on her face and is very deserving of this award.

Heart of 4-H Award (Friends of 4-H): Farmers Pride

I pledge my Heart to greater loyalty...Madison County 4-H is proud to present our Heart of 4-H award to Farmers Pride. Members of Farmers Pride in Northeast Nebraska have stepped up and truly went out of their way to support and help Nebraska Extension and the 4-H program in Madison County. From presenting our corn and soybean session at the annual Life on the Farm/Ag Literacy Festival to helping haul state fair items to Grand Island and providing extra hands as the Extension Office moved this summer, we are truly thankful for their contributions to Nebraska Extension and the Madison County 4-H program. Deb Jacobson is the representative here today from Farmers Pride in Newman Grove and we truly thank her as she has been vital in setting up those connections! Thank you Farmers Pride and congratulations!

4-H Advocate of the Year: Keith Dittrich

Keith Dittrich has been a strong voice for both Nebraska Extension and the 4-H program. A current Extension Board member, 4-H alumnus, and father of 4-H members, Keith has worn many hats while supporting 4-H. In addition to the little things he does, such as submitting recipes to the 4-H Council cookbook or being a liaison for Extension ag programs, Keith also volunteers in big ways. He was invaluable during the move of the Extension Office, supplying a trailer, tools, muscle power, and even a little elbow grease to help us get working. Madison County is truly grateful for Keith and his family’s dedication to Madison County 4-H and Nebraska Extension.



Thank You to our volunteers!

Madison County 4-H would not be possible without your generous donation of time and a commitment to youth!

County Fair Superintendents

Terry Boecker—Decorated Cakes	Nicole Jackson—Human Development & Miscellaneous	Christy Owen—Co-Home Environment
Sarah Boelter—Co-Home Environment	Deb Jacobson—Co-Food	Jane Pfeifer—Rockets & Woodworking
Jami Brandl—Dairy	Jerry and Crystal Ketelsen—Rabbit & Poultry	Marcia Thies—Co-Cat / Pocket Pets
Marti Carter—Horse	Mark McKibbon—Co-Swine	Katie Ferguson—Co-Cat
Cindy Chleborad—Horticulture	Kathy Neidig—Photography	Lynn Walmsley—Bucket Calf
Emily Freudenberg—Co-Food	Evan Unkel—Co-Swine & Beef	
Jamie Frisch—Heritage	Shane Nelson—Sheep & Goats	
Karen Grant—Clothing	Cindy and April Osborn—Dog	

Madison County 4-H Council

- Becca Arkfeld
- Garrett Boelter
- Tessa Ferguson
- Stacey frisch
- Britney Kreikemeier
- Sarah Boelter
- Katie Ferguson
- Jamie Frisch
- Doug McKibbon
- Mark McKibbon
- Mike Noelle
- Christy Owen
- Lynn Reynolds
- Evan Unkel

Madison County Extension Board

- Keith Dittrich
- Roger Echtenkamp
- Emily Freudenburg
- Deb Lyon
- Lynn Reynolds
- Scott Owen
- Juan Sandoval

Madison County Fairboard

- Dave Amick
- Luke Beiermann
- Tom Borchers
- Russell Dusel
- Jeanie Emry
- Sherri Fish
- Linda Haack
- Deb May
- Scott Owen
- Randy Ritterbush
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- Brady Wegener
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