



NATIONAL 4-H WEEK: OCTOBER 1-7



4-H Week Daily Challenges

A new challenge will be revealed each day of the week. Here is a sneak-peak!

Monday, October 2: Start the week off by sending a “Thank you” card to someone who has helped you with a 4-H project or anything throughout your time as a 4-H member.

Tuesday, October 3: Totally New Tuesday Challenge: Think of a new project to try!

Wednesday, October 4: Wear your 4-H Shirt to School -Green Challenge

Thursday, October 5: Share 4-H Challenge: Find someone to share about 4-H!

Friday, October 6: Artistic Challenge: See next page for National 4-H Week contest details!

~ Watch for the 2023 4-H Special Edition this week published by the Norfolk Daily News! Many of our Madison County members wrote stories and sold ads within the publication. ~

National 4-H Week Contest!

Coloring Contest: Ages 5-12

Contest is open to Madison County youth ages 5 to 12 as of January 1, 2023.

One (1) entry per person per contest.

To enter, get a copy from the Extension Office OR print the coloring page from <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/madison/educational-programs/madison-county-4-h/>

Return your entry to the Extension Office by Friday, October 13. (deadline extended)

Five prizes will be awarded. Get creative!

Fair Book Cover Contest

Contest is open to Madison County youth ages 8-18 as of January 1, 2023.

Design can be any theme using any media, including hand-drawn and computer-generated.

Submit your entry to the Extension Office by Friday, October 6.

How to Submit Entries

Drop off at the Extension Office

Scan image and e-mail to:

spolacek2@unl.edu

Mail your entry to:

Nebraska Extension Madison County

1305 South 13th Street

Norfolk, NE 68701



CONGRATULATIONS!

See who received awards at the
4-H Achievement Ceremony

If you have not picked up your awards, please come to the Extension Office.

Oswald Family “Spirit of 4-H” Award: Nickolas Kreikmeier

Patty Nelson “Making the Best Better” Memorial

Award: Dylan Luetkenhaus

4-H Rookie Award: Megan Rosner

“Above and Beyond” Award: Franklin Polacek

Outstanding 4-H Alumni: Anneeta Ketelson

Outstanding 4-H Member: Tessa Ferguson

Outstanding 4-H Leader: Jami Brandl

Heart of 4-H Award :Kristen Grand

Legacy Award: Ken Nelson

Advocate of the Year Award: Farm Credit
Services of America

Countywide Service Project

Saturday, October 15

4-H'ers and families can join in on a county-wide community service project at in partnership with the BBKids at Skyview Lake and Story Book Trail. (at the Norfolk Public Library)



What do we do?

*Sidewalk the chalk prior to the Briggs and Barrett Project event on Sunday, Oct. 16.

All supplies will be provided. No experience needed and all ages are welcome!

This is a big project, so please consider joining us!

PLEASE CHECK OUT THE FLYER ON THE NEXT PAGE FOR MORE INFORMATION!

Attention High School Seniors



If you are graduating high school in 2023, you will be receiving the 4-H Council Scholarship application in the mail. Contact Sarah, Jayd, or Kelcie at 402-370-4040 if you do not receive the mailing.

Applications will be due December 22 to the Extension Office.

4-H Fleece Robe Sewing Workshop

We will be hosting a fleece robe sewing workshop at the Nebraska Extension office in the months of November and December! Tentatively mark the days on your calendar from 9am-4pm on November 22. Future dates will be determined. If you want more details or are interested, check out the QR code below: <https://go.unl.edu/fskb>



Thanks to all who contributed towards the 4-H Bake Sale! More than \$65 was donated to the Madison County 4-H Council.



Looking for 4-H Club Leaders

4-H clubs in Madison County still in need leadership in Norfolk! See more details in the September Newsletter for the Needles & Knives 4-H group. Contact Sarah with questions at 402-370-4040 or

spolacek2@unl.edu



Apply today: Nebraska Youth Beef Leadership Symposium

Interested in learning about the beef industry? Participate in workshops, network with producers and industry leaders, and meet students with similar interests at the Nebraska Youth Beef Leadership Symposium!

Open to youth in 10th, 11th, and 12th grades.

The event will be held November 17-19, 2023, at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Application deadline is October 1, 2023. Apply at <https://animalscience.unl.edu/nebraska-youth-beef-leadership-symposium>



Nursery of Hope's Wave Of Light Memorial Event October 15th, 2023

Where: Skyview Park & Story Book Trail (Norfolk Public Library)

This year we are excited to have our BBKids and the Madison County 4-H participants "CHALK UP" our Nursery of Hope sidewalks! Our Wave of Light Memorial Event is for our friends who have planted a "Legacy Tree" in honor of their lost loved one. Families come out during this event with loved ones to read books, play games, have a picnic, and are able to spend some peaceful quality time with their Angel's memorial. It is important to remember to respect the families attending this event as it can be a very difficult day for them. Please remember this as you are "chalking up" the sidewalks.

~Please use this sidewalk chalk to color some beautiful artwork as families spend their days at the park. Different ideas would be flowers, butterflies, hearts, rainbows, sun, stars, different quotes, or inspirational scripture. In the past we have also written the name of each Angel in front of their tree with chalk, these names are on the plaque in front of the tree.

Please have your parents take a picture and post it to our event page. The QR code for the event page is below. You can also email any photos or stories to admin@bbproject.org.

**Scan QR Code →
To Post on Event Page**



Quote Ideas:

- You are magic
- Smile
- Share the Love
- You are going to be ok
- Faith
- Don't worry, be happy
- Be Strong
- Hope
- Peace
- Love
- Grace
- Love conquers all. -Virgil
- Reach for the good things and keep going
- Peace begins with a smile-Mother Teresa
- Every breath we take, every step we make, can be filled with peace, joy, and serenity. -Thich Nhat Hanh
- Hope is the last thing ever lost. -Italian Proverb
- Once you choose hope, anything's possible. -Christopher Reeve
- Let your hopes, not your hurts, shape your future. -Robert H. Schuller
- Without the dark, we'd never see the stars. -Stephanie Meyer
- Never lose hope. Storms make people stronger and never last forever. -Roy T. Bennett
- Love is like the wind, you can't see it but you can feel it. -Nicholas Sparks

Drawing Ideas:

- Angels
- Bubbles
- Butterflies
- Rainbow
- Games (follow the line, twister, hopscotch, maze, chutes & ladder)
- Teddy Bear
- Pumpkins
- Smiley face
- Clouds
- Flowers
- Beach
- Umbrella
- Cross
- Birds
- Palm tree
- Trees
- Balloons
- Heart
- Wings, halo
- Rockets
- Bumblebee
- Kite
- Stained Glass





4-H AT HOME IN MADISON COUNTY

The featured project for October is....
Seek & Find bottle!

TAKE HOME KITS!

DEVELOP A NEW
SKILL!

HANDS ON LEARNING

ONCE A MONTH!

LIMITED # OF KITS
WILL BE AVAILABLE!

PICK UP THE WEEK OF
OCTOBER 23



Whether you need an activity for babysitting or a car ride, register for our seek and find bottle as a boredom buster! Open for ages 5 and up.
Limited slots available.



COST:
\$7/KIT

Register here!

<https://go.unl.edu/q6fx>

4-H Project Area: Hum. Dev. Class 200 Class 6: Creative Arts

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4-H Livestock News

4-H Livestock Booster Club Update

Checks from the 4-H Livestock Boosters are NOT available yet. We will notify all when they are ready. Thank you!

When they become available, please be prepared by having your “Thank you” done. You will not receive your check if you haven’t turned in a thank you to our sponsors and donors. If you are unsure if you have completed it, just write another one and turn it in to the Extension office. The more the better! Or you can call, and we can verify if it is done! The Thank You’s that we write are the most meaningful and important job we do to show our appreciation.

4-H Livestock Committee Meeting

All livestock, horse, and small animal families, superintendents, volunteers, and leaders are welcome to bring suggestions to improve the livestock and small animal programs! This is your opportunity to develop a stronger 4-H and animal program in Madison County!

*Tuesday, December 5 at
7:00 p.m. at the
Extension Office in
Norfolk*



Enroll for 4-H!

The 4-H Online system for the new 4-H year will open October 17th! Watch your email for the official opening! Now is the perfect time to join a club, too, as club meetings are just getting started for the new year. See a list of clubs in Madison County at <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/madison/2022%204-H%20Leaders.pdf>

When you do enroll, login at v2.4honline.com

Returning families: do not create a new profile. Use your email and password from previous years to sign in.

New families: create a new profile and write down your password.

We do not have access to passwords.

Step-by-step instructions can be viewed at <https://4h.unl.edu/enroll>

Enrollment will be accepted once payment is received. Online payment via credit card is an option. You must either pay the Extension Office with cash or check OR pay online with credit card for your enrollment to be accepted.

Contact Sarah, Jayd or Kelcie for help enrolling! Call 402-370-4040 to make an appointment or stop by the office.



2023 4-H Organizational Leader Packets

4-H Club Leaders Packets will arrive in October. These will arrive in the mail, not email. Packets will include time-sensitive information for the upcoming 4-H year. Let Sarah know if you have any questions.



A graphic for a 'Volunteer Road Show'. It features a red 'N' and a green 4-H logo at the top. Below them, the text 'VOLUNTEER Road Show!' is written in blue, with 'Road Show!' in a cursive font. A light blue van is shown below the text. At the bottom, it says 'Virtual Session November 5 @ 4:00 p.m.' and the URL '4h.unl.edu/volunteer-road-show'.

Calendar

October

1-7—National 4-H Week

13—Coloring Contest and Fair Book Cover Deadline

15—Nursery of Hope Sidewalk Chalk, Skyview Park - come and go how it works for you

November

23-24—

Office Closed in Observance of Thanksgiving

December

5 --Livestock Committee Meeting, Extension Office, 7:00 p.m.

December 22 - January 1 - Holiday Closedown



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