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Otoe County 4-H Council

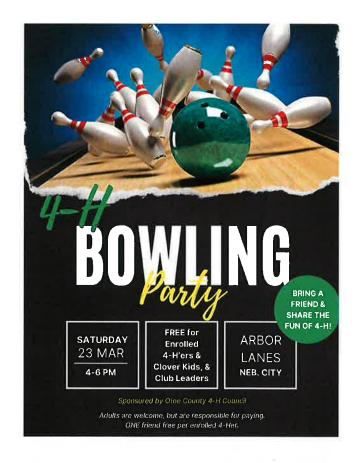


Sharing 4-H

4-H can be hard to understand for someone who has never been involved. Many might see it as "bringing livestock to the fair and doing a sewing project." YOU all know 4-H is that and MUCH more. You know that 4-H empowers young people to be true leaders. It gives you what you need to have confidence; know how to work well with others; endure through challenges; and stick to a job until it gets done. Not to mention, it is a LOT of FUN!

Sharing the fun of 4-H can help others enjoy those same benefits. The Otoe County 4-H Council wants you to share the FUN of 4-H by inviting a friend to the 4-H Bowling Party. Details are in the flyer, but call the Extension Office if you have any questions. We hope to see a lot of youth & their friends there!

~Elizabeth





Pop Tab Update



Keep saving those pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House in Omaha! Our most recent drop off was 88,500! We are only 131,000 away from hitting 3 MILLION!

Check out our name on the "Thanks a Million Page" here: https://rmhcomaha.org/get-involved/donate-pop-tabs/



Leader's Corner

Leaders,

Have your officers ever asked what they should be doing during your 4-H club meetings? We have you covered!

multiple guides to help 4-H has streamline your 4-H Meetings: Officer's Guide, Secretary's Handbook, Treasurer's Handbook, and Reporter's Handbook. Your club officers can use these handbooks to keep track of spending, minutes, and write up your events to submit to the newspaper! You can email me at sstephens9@unl.edu to get a pdf version of these guides, or ask for a printed copy!

Stay tuned for club project ideas!

~Stephanie



Summer Opportunities

Thanks to the generosity of the Otoe County 4-H Foundation, there are a limited number of scholarships available for Otoe County 4-Hers to attend 4-H Camp. This includes camps through Nebraska State 4-H Camp, and Big Red Camps hosted on UNL's campus. Registration is now OPEN for both opportunities.

Please call the Extension Office for information on scholarship availability.





FAIR PREP



2024 Otoe County In-Person YQCA Training Dates

- February 5, 2024 @ 6 PM
- March 17, 2024 @ 6 PM

Trainings will be held at the Fair Center at the Fairgrounds

ALL livestock (including poultry & rabbit)
exhibitors must complete YQCA either
online or in-person and send their certificate
to the Extension office by June 15th



Register online at YQCAprogram.org



Livestock Tags

Ear tags for all livestock species are available for purchase at the Extension Office.

Beef & swine EID tags are \$3.

Poultry bands are \$.50.

Sheep & goats only need scrapies tags.

Taggers are also available for check out.



Sheep & Goat Weigh-In



Sheep & goat weigh-in will be Saturday, April 27th from 9:00-11:00AM at the OK Pavilion.

The 2024 Otoe County Fair will include a Market Goat Rate of Gain contest!

Animals must participate in the weigh-in to be considered for the Rate of Gain Contest.





4-H Music Contest

The 2024 Otoe County 4-H Music Contest will once again be a virtual event in partnership with Johnson, Pawnee, & Nemaha Counties.

Entries are due on April 27th by noon.

Details on events and how to submit will be coming to families through the 4-H

Online email system.



EXTENSION

Wider Extension Opportunities



Eastern & Central Nebraska Soil Health Conferences

Learn about innovative soil health and cover crop practices from farmers, researchers and industry representatives.

EASTERN NEBRASKA SOIL HEALTH CONFERENCE

February 29, 2024 * 8:30 am to 3.30 pm

West Point Nielsen Community Center, 200 Anna Stalp Avenue, West Point, NE

CENTRAL NEBRASKA SOIL HEALTH CONFERENCE

March 5, 2024 * 8:30 am to 3.30 pm

Adams County Fairgrounds, 947 S Baltimore Ave, Hastings, NE

REGISTRATION & DETAILS:











https://go.unl.edu/2024soilhealthconferences

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Agenda: https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/enreec/nebraska-soil-health-conference/



GROBIgRed Virtual Learning Series

Wednesdays | 12 p.m. CST



Join the experts from Nebraska Extension to learn and ask questions about:

2/14 — Storting Plants for Your Garden • Nicole Stoner

3/13 — Maximizing Garden Potential • David Lott & Ian

4/10 — Rain — Use It; Don't Lose ItI • Kelly Feehan

5/8 — Simple Landscape Design • Elizabeth Exstrom

6/12 — Summer Lawn Care • John Fech

7/10 — Vegetable Garden Disease • Sarah Browning

8/14 — Fall Garden Maximization • David Lott & Ian

9/11 — Pollinator Habitats • Scott Evans & Mary Jane Frogae

Register at: https://hles.unl.edu/grobigred

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In-Season Fertilizer and Fungicide Applications

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Late-Season Desiccation
Decisions

All webinars will be held at 1 pm EST/12 pm CST Register using the QR code or by visiting go.ncsu.edu/savvymanagementregister.







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