4-H Fall Celebration/Banquet

Sunday, November 4, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

YOU are invited!!

Your 4-H Achievement Banquet/Fall Celebration will be held this Sunday, November 4 at 5:30. The event will be fun-filled and is held especially for you, our 4-H families! The event starts at 5:30 with a pot luck supper and is held at the Ag. Center in Holdrege in the Exhibit Hall. Every family is asked to contribute by bringing two dishes to share, along with serving utensils. A main dish and table service will be provided by the Phelps County 4-H Foundation and served by your 4-H Council.

The 4-H Foundation will also provide the dessert this year to celebrate their 40th Anniversary!

Be sure to attend this event to celebrate your year in 4-H!

CLUBS

Table set-up-Lone Star
Table/Stage Decorations-Midwest
Invocation/Flag salute/4-H Pledge-Atlanta Industry
Beverages-Stable Kids
Food-Set up 4-H Council Members
Clean up-Loomis Livestock and ALL 4-H Families

4-H Council & 4-H Foundation Nominees Needed

Elections for 4-H Council will be held at the 4-H Fall Celebration on November 4. Nominations are being taken for both youth and adult members. If you are interested in this opportunity, please visit with the 4-H staff or a 4-H Council member for more information. In addition, a youth member is needed for the 4-H Foundation. If you are interested in having your name on the ballot for this position, please let us know prior to Friday, November 2.
4-H and Fishing! This critter of the month, a Bluegill, was caught by Trey Weaver. If you enjoy fishing, check out the 4-H Fishing Adventure manual, part of the 4-H Conservation and Wildlife project. You can build your own fishing rod or show others how to cast. 4-H youth can learn a lot by spending quiet time out on the water.

Send in your critter photos for a chance to be featured in the next 4-H newsletter!

Enrollment is now open for the 2019 4-H program year!

**WHO:** New 4-H members and returning 4-H members are required to officially enroll through 4-H Online each year to maintain membership.

**WHY:** By enrolling youth have the opportunity to participate in county fairs, the Nebraska State Fair, and additional statewide programs.

**Adults:** Club, project leaders and 4-H Council members must also enroll through 4-H Online each year.

**COST:** Enrollment is FREE in our county!

**WHERE:** Enroll at https://ne.4honline.com

**HOW:** Instructions available in the Extension Office or https://4h.unl.edu/featureprograms/4henrollmentnowopen

**Enrollment Tips**

- Select at least one project at time of enrollment. This can be edited later.
- The Health Form is only needed for camp. You may skip this step for now.
- If you need to make connections with a club, the Extension office is happy to make this introduction.
- Youth between the ages of 5 and 7 as of January 1 of the current year may enroll as Clover Kids.
- The enrollment system works best with Google Chrome.
- The enrollment system does not work well from a phone.

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**Give2Grow**

Your 4-H Foundation will be a participating organization in the Phelps County Community Foundation’s Give2Grow fundraiser on November 15. All giving through this program will be supported by additional dollars from the Community Foundation. The web site to access the fundraiser and learn more is: https://www.give2growphelps.org/. The 4-H Foundation is located under the Education heading when searching. Gifts to your 4-H program supports the educational programming of 4-H and assures that your program remains free for youth to join.

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**“Code your World”**

Learn about computer coding & how it’s used. Fun activities!

Kindergartners – 4th
November 6th from 4:00 to 5:00
Holdrege Library

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November Critter of the month
Youth Engaged in Leading Phelps
The Youth Engaged in Leading Phelps (YELP) leadership academy will be conducting their celebration and graduation on Monday, November 19 at the Extension Office in Holdrege. The celebration will be start at 10:30 with a showcase of learning and will continue with a program at 11:00. All are invited to attend! YELP is a high school leadership project provided by the Holdrege Chamber of Commerce and Nebraska Extension.

Next Chapter 4-H Club
The Next Chapter is a new program from Nebraska Extension 4-H to help prepare youth to be college and career ready when they graduate from high school. As an 8th grader, you will be receiving information from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln explaining the Next Chapter and will be invited to a spring reception. As a 9th grader, you have the opportunity to take the First Chapter program and as a 10th grader, the Second Chapter program. A First Chapter and Second Chapter program for 9th and 10th graders will be held in our area on November 21st in Adams County. This program will be repeated this spring in Phelps-Gosper counties. If you are interested in attending any Next Chapter program, let us know! In addition, you can also add Next Chapter to your 4-H enrollment. We are excited to move forward with Next Chapter!

4-H Council Meeting
The next meeting of your Phelps County 4-H Council will be on Monday, November 19 starting at 6:00. The meeting will be followed by a combined meeting of the Phelps and Gosper 4-H Councils at 7:00. These meetings will be held in Bertrand at the Immanuel Church.

Suggestions
If you have suggestions for your 4-H program, please provide those on the comment sheet which was included in your October Newsletter for the 4-H Council’s review.

4-H Committees
4-H volunteers and teen youth, it is time to sign up for 4-H Committees!! Being part of a committee only takes a few hours of your time and is a great help to your 4-H program. Attached is a committee signup sheet. Please read the committee descriptions and sign up for the committee or committees of your choice.

Animal and Shooting Sports committees will be meeting soon! If you are currently on a committee, please check your mail/email for more information! If you are a new member and wish to be included in these fall advisory meetings, please let us know so that we can include you in the mailings.

Ribbon Premiums
Each ribbon received at the county fair has earned a small cash premium. Premium are issued when the appropriate record book/year end report has been completed and turned in to the Extension Office as per Ag Society Policy. This policy is set by the Phelps County Fair Board and Gosper County Fair Board. Premiums are paid at the 4-H Banquet. 4-H year end record books will be accepted until November 15 to receive premiums. No premiums will be paid after November 15.

4-H Scholarships
Martha & Don Romeo Scholarship Fund – Nebraska Association of Fair Managers
This $500 scholarship is awarded to a 4-H member who is a graduating senior in NE and plans to continue with post high school education. For an application and a complete list of qualifications, please connect with either Extension Office. This is a statewide scholarship with the application due on December 1.

Phelps County 4-H Foundation Scholarship – This application will be available in December. Your guidance counselor will have an electronic version of this application as well as it being available on our web page and at our office. This application form is due on April 1.
PASE/Life Challenge

PASE/Life Challenge is a two-day event held each year at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln.

The event is made up of the Premier Animal Science Event (PASE) and the Life Challenge. Both offer career exploration opportunities, tours, presentations, and competitive contests.

Save the Dates the 2019 and 2020 dates for Premier Animal Science Event (PASE) and Life Challenge.

2019
Monday, June 17 and Tuesday, June 18

2020
Monday, June 22 and Tuesday, June 23

Location: University of Nebraska-Lincoln, East Campus, Lincoln, NE

Livestock Committee Meetings have been scheduled:

Phelps County—Thursday, November 8, 2018
Gosper County—Monday, November 5, 2018

If you are interested in being a part of a Livestock Committee, feel free to attend the meeting and we will add you to our Committee Member Lists. Please, call the Extension office for specific times for each livestock specie.

Animal Science Updates

Stay tuned to upcoming newsletters with updates and information on 4-H Livestock identification and tagging and YQCA (Quality Assurance).

Nebraska 4-H Horse Program

4-H members who have access to or own a horse have many opportunities to participate in shows and events with their equine partner. However, Nebraska 4-H also offers a variety of horse programs that do not require youth to own or have access to a horse. Additionally, there are volunteer opportunities within these programs which are open to both youth and their families.

The State 4-H Horse Exposition is held annually at Fonner Park in Grand Island, NE. This year the Expo will be held July 14-18, 2019. The Expo includes the state horse show, hippology contest, and horse judging contest, as well as additional activities.

Future State Horse Show Dates:
July 12-16, 2020
July 11-15, 2021

Shooting Sports Updates

Stay tuned for the upcoming registration date as we await the start of the 2019 Shooting Sports Season!

Disciplines available in Phelps County: BB Gun, Air Rifle, Archery, and Shotgun.
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