



August 18, 2015

**AUGUST CALENDAR:**

25 All State Fair Exhibits DUE in Extension Office by noon

28-31 Nebraska State Fair

**SEPTEMBER CALENDAR:**

1-7 Nebraska State Fair

7 Labor Day Observed, Extension Office closed

11 State Fair entries may be picked up at Extension Office

11 County Award Applications DUE to the Extension Office

Career Portfolio Summaries DUE to the Extension Office

Final Enrollments DUE to the Extension Office

4-H Club of Excellence Summary Form DUE to the Extension Office

National 4-H Week PSA sign-up

13 Norfolk Meat Animal Expo

19-20 Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Horse Show, Lincoln

21 4-H Council

24-27 Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Stock Show, Omaha

**OCTOBER CALENDAR:**

4 4-H Achievement Program

4-10 National 4-H Week

12 Columbus Day Observed, Extension Office closed

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**CONGRATULATIONS & THANK YOU** to all 4-Hers for their outstanding efforts in preparing for and exhibiting at the fair. The efforts you put forward are remarkable. We had 1574 placed entries at the Fair this year compared with 1538 in 2014. I am proud of each of you for what you accomplish! Also, there were staple gun staples left in the 4-H Building. Stop by the Extension Office to claim.

Thank you also to all 4-H parents, leaders, assistants, superintendents, and all volunteers who helped out in any way. Because of you and the 4-Hers, the Fair was an outstanding display of positive youth development. Thank you for all your efforts.

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**STATE FAIR EXHIBITS** - Congratulations to all exhibitors whose exhibits were selected to go to the State Fair! Exhibits are DUE in the Extension office by **NOON** on **Tuesday, August 25 - no exceptions**. Exhibits selected for State Fair had a purple State Fair sticker on the entry tag. Please thoroughly read the purple sheet that was included with your exhibit. It explains how to prepare the exhibits for State Fair. Make sure you have all the supporting information you need. If you have an exhibit that is too large/delicate for us to take, you will have a bright yellow paper enclosed with this newsletter. You are welcome to

take the exhibit to Grand Island yourself. We are sorry we cannot accommodate everyone. The State Fair is August 28 - September 7 in Grand Island. Call the office if you have questions about State Fair entries.

**COUNTY FAIR/4-H YEAR SUGGESTIONS WANTED** - Thank you for your cooperation this year at the fair. If you have any suggestions or comments about the fair or 4-H year, please contact the office or return the comment sheet included with this newsletter. The 4-H Council will discuss all comments relating to the 4-H Program. We hope to hear from you SOON!

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**THANK YOUR SPONSORS** - Many types of recognition in 4-H are made possible by sponsors, individuals and groups from the community, who donate funds to be used for buying awards. Trophies are labeled with the sponsor's name and address. PLEASE be sure to send a thank you note. Sponsors are more likely to continue sponsoring 4-H awards if they receive a note of appreciation directly from the 4-Her who won their award. We are fortunate to have wonderful support in Wayne County.



The Wayne County Ag Society spends many hours preparing for the fair every year and they also pay all judges fees and sponsor all the ribbon stickers, ribbons, rosettes and premiums you receive. Their address is: Wayne County Ag Society, PO Box 133, Wayne, NE 68787

Thank you cards are available for download at [www.wayne.unl.edu](http://www.wayne.unl.edu). Click *Wayne County 4-H* in the red menu bar, and then scroll to the *Thank You Card* link under the *County and State Fair* heading.

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**FOOD STAND THANKS!** - Thank you to those who took your turn to work in the 4-H Food Stand and donated cash or supplies. It is an expectation that each club leader, 4-Her and a parent work a shift at the 4-H Food Stand. This fund raising effort provides senior scholarships and educational 4-H event scholarships. It also helps with the general expenses that our 4-H program has for such events as the Achievement Program.

Special thanks to the Food Stand Day Managers Cindy Evans, Linda Gilliland, Tracy Henschke, Mary Jarvi, and Leah Marotz for organizing and managing the Food Stand. Also, thanks to Pam Greunke, the 4-H Council, and to all clubs who helped with clean-up before and after the fair.

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## REMINDER TO STATE FAIR AND AK-SAR-BEN ANIMAL EXHIBITORS

### Certificate of Veterinary Inspection

\* State Fair: All animals exhibited must be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI), except dogs, cats, and rabbits originating in Nebraska. Animals shall be individually identified on the CVI and must list the Nebraska State Fair as consignee. CVIs must be issued within 30 days of the exhibition EXCEPT for sheep. All cattle must be tested negative for Bovine Virus Diarrhea (BVD) persistently infected (PI) status prior to arrival at the State Fair. Please allow 3-4 weeks for test results. Each Swine CVI must contain the following statement: "To the best of my knowledge, swine represented on this certificate have not been exposed to or been infected with Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea (PEDv) or originated from premises know to be infected by PEDv in the last 30 days."

\*Ak-Sar-Ben: Health certificates must be issued within 15 days of exhibition. Animals shall be individually identified on the CVI and must list Ak-Sar-Ben as the consignee.

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## JOIN THE FUN AT THE STATE FAIR AS A VOLUNTEER!

Source: Cathy Johnston

The Nebraska 4-H program is seeking volunteers to help with exhibit entry day, judging, and serving as 4-H exhibit building hosts and greeters. Volunteers will be needed for educational activities in the 4-H building, serving as the Lil' Green Mascot and assisting with all 4-H contests and events throughout the fair. State Fair 4-H volunteers will receive a fair pass for the day(s) they volunteer. A complete list of volunteer opportunities can be found at <http://4h.unl.edu/nebraskastatefairvolunteerinformation>.

Time slots available:

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|---------------|--------|---------------|---------------------|
| • August 31   | 1-5 PM | • September 5 | 5-9 PM              |
| • September 1 | 5-9 PM | • September 6 | 5-9 PM              |
| • September 3 | 5-9 PM | • September 7 | 9 AM – 1 PM, 1-5 PM |
| • September 4 | 5-9 PM |               |                     |

**COUNTY AWARD INFORMATION** is enclosed with this newsletter and at <http://wayne.unl.edu/awardinformation>. The Career Portfolio is available at the same site **or** the Extension Office. Please contact your club leader or the Extension Office if you have questions.

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**CAREER PORTFOLIO** - 4-Hers applying for District and State awards need to submit the Career Portfolio. It can be filled out on the computer using either Microsoft Word or Open Office. The material and instructions are available at <http://wayne.unl.edu/awardinformation>. All of the files can be downloaded.

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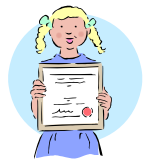
**4-H LEADERS** - THANK YOU for all your hard work and patience throughout this past 4-H year!  
Your efforts are appreciated!

Remember September 11 is the deadline for:

Final Enrollments  
4-H Club of Excellence Summary  
**ALL** County and Special Award Applications  
List of 4-Hers receiving premiums for 4-H Career Portfolio

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**4-H ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM** - Bring family and friends to the annual 4-H Achievement Program on **Sunday, October 4, 5:00 PM at the Wayne City Auditorium**. The program will begin at 5:00 and the meal will follow. If you have pictures of your club's activities that you would like included on the 4-H slide show, please email to [wayne-county@unl.edu](mailto:wayne-county@unl.edu) or send to the Extension Office on or before **September 11**. New 4-H Council Representatives will be elected by those in attendance. If you are interested in having your name on the ballot, please contact Amy. 4-H members, clubs and volunteers will be recognized for their accomplishments and contributions in 4-H this year.



**NATIONAL 4-H WEEK** provides a great opportunity to put 4-H in the spotlight! Clubs or individuals may wish to organize a 4-H promotional campaign. Some ideas include: a library or store window display about 4-H; a 4-H poster contest; a radio interview; school programs to tell about 4-H and how students can join; articles for the newspaper; ask a friend to a 4-H meeting or event...or anything else that positively promotes 4-H! **National 4-H Week is October 4-10.**

We will arrange to do some radio spots on KTCH again this year. Contact the Extension Office by **September 11** if you are interested. This is our time to shine, please help promote 4-H!

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**CHECK US OUT ON FACEBOOK:**

<https://www.facebook.com/UNLExtWayneCounty>

or search for the **University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension in Wayne County** page.

Make sure to click "like" so our posts will show on your Facebook page.

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Sincerely,

*Amy*

Amy Topp, Extension Educator



## Wayne County Fair/4-H Year Comment Sheet

Please write any comments or suggestions you may have about the Fair or the 4-H Year & return by Sept. 11, 2015  
to: UNL Extension - Wayne County, 510 N Pearl St Ste C, Wayne, NE 68787-1939

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## GUIDELINES FOR AWARDS

### AGE DIVISIONS

Junior Division: Age 11 and under as of 1/1 of current year

Senior Division: Age 12 and over as of 1/1 of current year

**Award Applications & the 4-H Career Portfolio**  
are available at <http://wayne.unl.edu/awardinformation> or the Extension Office.

Awards will be presented at the 4-H Achievement Program on Sunday, October 4, 5:00 p.m., Wayne City Auditorium.

### CHRIS CLOVER AWARD:

The Chris Clover Award was designed to recognize 4-H participation of first, second and third year members. Points are awarded, based on accomplishments shown on the application. Applications are due to Club Organizational Leaders by the date set by them. Club Leaders will evaluate the applications, total the points and submit them to the Extension Office on or before 5:00 p.m., September 11.

### DIAMOND CLOVER AWARD PROGRAM:

The Nebraska 4-H Diamond Clover Program is designed to encourage 4-H youth to engage in a variety of projects and activities that will enable members to acquire the life skills necessary to lead successful lives as competent, caring and contributing citizens. The program's overall goal is to provide 4-H members a rich and diverse learning experience. The program consists of six levels that require a 4-H member to plan and report a broad range of age-appropriate accomplishments. The program is designed to enable every 4-H member willing to exert the effort an opportunity to be recognized, regardless of how they are involved in 4-H. Applications are due to Organizational Leaders on the date set by them. Club Leaders will evaluate the applications and submit them to the Extension Office on or before 5:00 p.m., September 11. **Note: Level 6 (Diamond) must have plans approved by March 1 through the Extension Office.**

### FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE AWARDS:

4-Hers may apply in each of the Clothing, Food & Nutrition and Home Environment areas by completing a score sheet for each area applying in. Scores are based on this year's COUNTY participation only. The Career Portfolio is not required & 4-Hers DO NOT have to be enrolled in a project for 2 years in order to apply. Applications are due to Organizational Leaders on the date set by them. Club Leaders will submit them to the Extension Office on or before 5:00 p.m., September 11. 4-Hers may win each award once in each age division.

### OUTSTANDING BOY OR GIRL:

Award is based on 2/3 project work (both quantity & quality) and 1/3 on 4-Hers leadership development in 4-H, church, school and community. Areas of focus for evaluation would be 4-H Story (share experiences) and 4-H Career Portfolio. The 4-H Story should emphasize outstanding achievement in project work and junior leadership in 4-H, school, church and community. **A 4-Her must be 16 years of age or older as of 1/1 of the current year in order to apply.** Materials must be assembled in an official 4-H Notebook Cover in the following order:

- 4-H Special Award Entry Sheet
- 4-H Career Portfolio or Building Your 4-H Record
- 4-H Story (2-6 pages in length)
- Photographs – Include a maximum of 4 pages of photographs depicting special practices followed, year to year progress, or leadership activities and projects.

**Note:** Awards are based on an accumulation of experiences in project work or leadership activities throughout the 4-Hers career.

## **PROJECT AWARDS:**

County Project Awards are intended to recognize outstanding project accomplishments of 4-Hers who have participated in a project for two or more years. Award winners 14 years of age and older may have the opportunity to compete at the state level. 4-Hers may win an award once in each age division. You may apply for a maximum of three county project awards each year. Organizational Leaders are to turn in applications to the Extension Office on or before 5:00 p.m., September 11. The application must include the following materials assembled in an official 4-H Notebook cover in the following order:

- Wayne County 4-H Award Entry Sheet
- 4-H Career Portfolio
- 4-H Story (at the end of the "Portfolio") Include current & at least one previous years' 4-H Story  
When writing your story, it may be helpful to answer the following questions.
  - Why did I join 4-H?
  - What was my favorite project? What did I learn? Why did I like this project?
  - What other projects have I enrolled in & what did I learn from them?
  - What have I done in 4-H, other than my projects, that I really liked or learned from?
  - What have I done in leadership, committees, or community service that has made a difference to others?  
How has it made a difference?
  - What did I do in 4-H this year that I am the most proud of?
  - What do I hope to improve upon, or do differently next year?
  - What else do I want people to know about me and 4-H this year?
- Supporting Materials (maximum of 6 pages)
  - No more than 4 pages of photographs
  - Up to 2 additional pages of supporting materials other than photos
  - All materials must fit within the confines of an 11" x 8 ½" landscaped page
- **Make sure you have ALL necessary signatures (member, parent/guardian, 4-H Leader)**

**Note:** 4-Hers 10 years of age and under may complete their forms in pencil. The application should be limited to the above items, in the above order, with NO extra materials. The applications should not be a scrapbook. **Do not** include ID sheets, ribbons, newspaper clippings, record book comment sheets, entry tags, programs, score sheets, etc.

## **OTHER:**

The 4-H CAREER PORTFOLIO provides an excellent opportunity for 4-Hers to keep track of what they have participated in, given leadership to, and learned through 4-H. 4-Hers can receive a premium on their completed 4-H Career Portfolio (NE4H9000). Submit in an official 4-H Notebook cover to your 4-H Organizational Leader by the date determined by them. Organizational Leaders can make a notation next to each member's name that completes the Building Your 4-H Record/4-H Career Portfolio on the final enrollment sheet and submit to the Extension Office by 5 p.m., September 11. Premiums will be included in the Fair Premium checks.

**CONTACT THE EXTENSION OFFICE IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS!**

**The Chris Clover Award Program** is designed as a participation incentive to give First, Second, and Third year members (age is not the determining factor) assistance in setting individual and club goals. Complete and turn in the following Chris Clover Award Scoresheet to your 4-H Club Organizational Leader on or before the date set by Organizational Leader. The **leader** will complete **Section A** and turn the form in to the Extension Office on or before September 11, 2015. The Awards will be given out at County Achievement Program.

**Chris Clover Award Scoresheet**  
**Due to 4-H Club Organizational Leader on date set by Organizational Leader**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_ Year in 4-H \_\_\_\_\_

Count each event/activity in only one category. If you have completed two separate events which fit into the same category, list the second one on the line for "other".

**A. COMPLETENESS** (to be filled out by the 4-H Club leader)

Score	Possible Points	
_____	5	1. Hardback Cover (Includes Name, Address, Club Name)
_____	25	2. 4-H Career Portfolio
_____	15	3. 4-H Story (one general story describing past & current 4-H experiences.)
_____	5	4. Project & Activity Photos ( <u>Limit of 4 pages</u> )
_____		Section A. Subtotal

**B. CLUB INVOLVEMENT** (You can count project meetings outside of regular club meetings.)

2	POINTS EACH
_____	Committee Member (each committee)
_____	Presentation at club meeting
_____	Speech at club meeting
_____	Club Livestock Tour
_____	Club Educational Tour
_____	Recruited a new member
_____	Judging at club level
_____	Adopt a Grandparent
_____	Host a party for another 4-H Club
_____	Other _____
_____	Section B. Subtotal

**C. LEADERSHIP**

2	POINTS EACH
_____	Club Officer
_____	Chairperson of a committee
_____	Make arrangements for club activity
_____	Other _____
_____	Section C. Subtotal

**D. COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

(Community service through your 4-H club can be counted here but not participation in non-4-H events.)

5	POINTS EACH
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	Section D. Subtotal

**E. 4-H PROMOTIONS**

5	POINTS EACH
_____	Window Display
_____	Parade Entry
_____	School Promotion
10	POINTS EACH
_____	Participate in Bake and Take Days
_____	National 4-H Week Poster
_____	Newspaper - Feature article
_____	Radio Interview or PSA
_____	Television Interview or PSA
_____	Section E. Subtotal

**F. COUNTY EVENTS/ACTIVITIES**

**5 POINTS EACH FOR GROUP EVENTS**

- \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Camp
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Food Stand
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pre-Fair Clean Up
- \_\_\_\_\_ Post-Fair Clean Up
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**POINTS EACH FOR INDIVIDUAL EVENTS**

**10**

- \_\_\_\_\_ County Fair Exhibits
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fashion Show
- \_\_\_\_\_ Favorite Foods Contest
- \_\_\_\_\_ Horticulture Contest
- \_\_\_\_\_ Horse Level Testing (any level completed)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Interview Judging
- \_\_\_\_\_ Presentation Contest
- \_\_\_\_\_ Public Speaking Contest
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Section F. Subtotal

**G. 4-H TRAININGS AND/OR WORKSHOPS**

Each training/workshop counts as ONE.

**5 POINTS EACH**

- \_\_\_\_\_ 3D Snowflake Workshop
- \_\_\_\_\_ Cat Showmanship Clinic
- \_\_\_\_\_ Clay Pot Mushroom Workshop
- \_\_\_\_\_ CPR Training
- \_\_\_\_\_ Dog Camp
- \_\_\_\_\_ Entomology Workshop
- \_\_\_\_\_ EV3 Robotics Workshop
- \_\_\_\_\_ Food Smart Camp
- \_\_\_\_\_ Horse Barrel Racing/Pole Bending Clinic
- \_\_\_\_\_ Knitting Workshop
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pastry & Pie Workshop
- \_\_\_\_\_ Recycled Apron Workshop
- \_\_\_\_\_ Snowman Pillow Workshop
- \_\_\_\_\_ Yeast Workshop
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Section G. Subtotal

**H. AREA AND STATE EVENTS** (include Randolph Fair here, as well as camps at Gretna and Halsey but not Open Class participation).

**5 POINTS EACH**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Attend State Camp
- \_\_\_\_\_ Compete in Area Contest
- \_\_\_\_\_ State Fair Exhibit
- \_\_\_\_\_ Compete at State Fair
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Section H. Subtotal

**TOTALS OF ALL SECTIONS:**

- SECTION A. \_\_\_\_\_
- SECTION B. \_\_\_\_\_
- SECTION C. \_\_\_\_\_
- SECTION D. \_\_\_\_\_
- SECTION E. \_\_\_\_\_
- SECTION F. \_\_\_\_\_
- SECTION G. \_\_\_\_\_
- SECTION H. \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

**ACHIEVEMENT PLACING SYSTEM**

- GOLD- 175 POINTS OR MORE
- SILVER - 174 TO 155 POINTS
- BRONZE - 154 TO 130 POINTS
- GREEN - 129 TO 60 POINTS

PLACING \_\_\_\_\_

LEADER'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_