



October 23, 2015

OCTOBER CALENDAR

- 27 Clover Kid Meeting Reg. Due
- 31 Clover Kid Meeting
- 31 Teen Supremes

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

- 9 Request District Award Information
- 9 Livestock Committee Meeting
- 11 Office closed - Veterans Day observed
- 16 4-H Council
- 18 Scholarship Workshop
- 19 Fantasy Forest & Parade of Lights
- 26-27 Office closed - Thanksgiving Holiday
- 30 Fontanelle Hybrids Essay DUE

DECEMBER CALENDAR

- 1 Fair Manager's Scholarship Apps DUE
- 24 Extension Office closes at noon
- 25-31 Office closed – Holiday Closedown



JANUARY CALENDAR

- 4 Office re-opens
- 18 Office closed – Martin Luther King Jr. Day

4-H ACHIEVEMENTS!

* All 4-Hers who completed and submitted applications for county award consideration are to be commended. This effort takes a lot of dedication and hard work! Also, great job to all 4-Hers who completed record books.

* We were pleased to see so many of you at the 4-H Achievement Program on Oct. 4. We hope you enjoyed the evening. Four new 4-H Council members were elected. New members joining the council for the next two years are Hannah Belt, Brennen O'Reilly, Maribeth Bobeldyke, and Mark Niemann. A big thank you to volunteer Diane Roeber for taking care of the Treasurer duties again this year and to outgoing council members Alyssa Schmale, Noah Braun, Jean Dorcey, and Doug French.

Nebraska Extension in Wayne County is privileged to have such talented 4-Hers and volunteers. We look forward to another great year in 4-H.

THANK YOU to all who helped promote National 4-H Week! I appreciate the many 4-Hers who took the time to do a PSA at KTCH, wear a t-shirt to school, put up bulletin boards and displays, or helped promote 4-H in any way!

CLOVER KIDS MEETING



The first meeting for Clover Kids is October 31, 9:00-10:15 AM at the Wayne County Courthouse. Youth ages 5-7 on or before December 31, 2015 are eligible. They will learn about 4-H, how to enroll, and participate in activities involving nature and outdoors. We are planning to go outside, so dress accordingly. Contact the Extension Office by 5 p.m., October 27 to register so we have enough supplies.

TEEN SUPREMES

The organizational meeting will be held on Oct. 31, 2015, 10:15-11:00 AM, at the Wayne County Courthouse. New members for the group must be 13 years old on or before Dec. 31, 2015. The groups' focus is on leadership skills and community service. We will plan our 2016 4-H year. Hope to see you there!

LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE MEETING

November 9, 2015, 7:30 PM
Wayne County Courthouse

The 4-H livestock, small animal, and horse programs are reviewed (see enclosed agenda). All 4-H parents and 4-Hers 13 years of age and older are encouraged to attend.

4-H UPDATES

Reminder to club and independent study leaders: Club packets can be picked up at the Extension Office. Included in the packet are premium checks and any member or leader pins that were awarded at the Achievement Program.

The **online enrollment** information will be sent to families as soon as it's available.

New Curriculum

*In *STEAM Clothing: A Maker's Guide to Sewing Stuff*, youth will use the skills learned in STEAM Clothing 1 & 2 to create items to use and wear. Activities are for beginning and intermediate sewers looking to improve their skills before progressing into using patterns to make garments. There are step-by-step instructions to draw patterns, cut fabric, and sew simple items.

**Landscape Design: Grow a Beautiful Space* - through hands on activities and exploring landscapes, youth develop the skills needed for success in future careers and courses related to landscape design. There are 3 levels and leader's guides for each level.

The manuals are available at marketplace.unl.edu.

SCHOLARSHIP WORKSHOP

Financing college expenses is getting harder for students and their families. Sandy Ahlers, West Point-Beemer Guidance Counselor, Cheryl Kreikemeier, Wisner-Pilger Guidance Counselor, and Debra Schroeder, Nebraska Extension Educator will teach a scholarship workshop on November 18, 7:00 PM at the Nielsen Center in West Point. High school juniors and seniors and their parents are invited to attend. This workshop is offered free-of-charge. Please call Nebraska Extension in Cuming County at 402-372-6006 by **Nov. 17** to pre-register for the workshop.

NORTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE LIVESTOCK CLASSIC STEER AND HEIFER SHOW is Nov. 27-28 at the Ag Complex, Norfolk. It will follow the same basic schedule as last year. Entries should be postmarked by Nov. 20 in order to be assigned a stall. Entry information is available at the Extension Office.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Scholarship guidelines and applications are available online at <http://wayne.unl.edu/county4h> under the Senior Scholarship Heading and at the Extension Office.



- Fontanelle Hybrids is excited to offer high school seniors who are active members of 4-H, FFA, or another certified agricultural organization the chance to win \$1000. Eligible seniors need to write and submit a 250-word essay on the topic: "What has had the greatest impact on production agriculture in your local community over the last 80 years?" Complete rules are available www.Fontanelle.com/EssayContest. Application deadline is **Nov. 30, 2015**. Winners will be announced in spring of 2016.
- The Nebraska Association of Fair Managers will award a \$500 scholarship to one qualifying 4-H male and a \$500 scholarship to one qualifying 4-H female who are graduating seniors and plan to continue with a post high school education. Applications are due by **5 PM, Dec. 1**.
- Choose the *Nebraska Association of County Extension Boards (NACEB)* link for information about a \$1000 scholarship to UNL for an incoming freshmen or transfer student. Applications are accepted until **March 15**.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The annual **Parade of Lights & Fantasy Forest** is set for Nov. 19 in Wayne. Contact the Wayne Area Chamber (402) 375-2240 for more information.

Dates for the **2016 Wayne County Fair** are July 27-31, 2016.



Sincerely,

Amy

Amy Topp, Extension Educator

2015-2016 LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE MEETING (open to all Wayne County 4-H families)

7:30 P.M. November 9 - Wayne County Courthouse Basement

See **PROPOSED** agenda items below that will be discussed and voted on at the meeting.

(All changes for the 2015-2016 4-H year must be discussed and voted on or changes will not be made.)

- BEEF**
- Selection of judge
 - Set weigh date
 - Clarify the rule for Intermediate/Senior Division Cow/Calf exhibitors. Do they have to exhibit the calf from their Cow/Calf pair if they have another lead animal?
 - If an animal loses a tag, can it be entered in the carcass contest?
 - Make families aware that only one animal can be entered in the carcass contest. Animal designated when weighed in at Fair.
- BUCKET CALF** - Selection of judge
- DAIRY** - Selection of judge
- GOAT** - Selection of judge
- HORSE**
- Selection of judge
 - Revisit the amount of horses that can be shown.
 - Electric eyes (x2) for speed events.
- SHEEP**
- Selection of judge
 - Set weigh date
 - Wool Fleece class – remove from Fairbook? Have not had an entry in many years.
- SWINE** - Selection of judge
- DOG** - Selection of judge
- CAT/HOUSEHOLD PET**
- Selection of judge
- POULTRY** - Selection of judge
- RABBIT**
- Selection of judge
 - Crossbred rabbits all go in one pet category.
- GENERAL**
- Have the Extension Office make up the questions the judges ask for Round Robin.
 - Quality Assurance
 - Fair improvements are nice.
 - Training ideas
 - Write thank yous
 - Other