



September 15, 2017

### OCTOBER CALENDAR:

- 1 Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Stock Show
- 1-7 National 4-H Week
- 9 Columbus Day Observed – office closed
- 13-15 State 4-H Camp Trail Ride
- 14-15 Shooting Sports Leader Certification, Imperial (Reg. due by Oct. 4)
- 22 4-H Achievement Program
- 22 Teen Supremes Sign-up
- 23 Animal Science Open House
- 28 Clover Kids (Reg. due 23)

### NOVEMBER CALENDAR:

- 1 CWF Payment Due
- 5 Teen Supremes
- 6 Livestock Committee Meeting
- 10 Veterans Day Observed – office closed
- 23-24 Thanksgiving Holiday – office closed
- TBA 4-H Council



**CONGRATULATIONS** to all State Fair participants! Everyone who participated should be proud of a job well done! Remember to pick up your State Fair exhibits at the Extension Office.

**THANK YOU** to everyone who made suggestions concerning the 4-H Year or the Wayne County Fair. Enclosed is the list of suggestions that were compiled. They will be discussed at the 4-H Council, Livestock Committee, and Fairboard Meetings.



This year's theme is Grow True Leaders. Clubs or individuals may wish to organize a promotional campaign. Check last month's newsletter for ideas.



### THE 4-H ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

is scheduled for October 22, 5:00 p.m. at the Wayne City Auditorium. A picnic meal will follow the award presentations. New 4-H Council representatives will be elected by those in attendance. Premium checks and member completion certificates will be available for Organizational Leaders to pick up. Come and watch the 4-H slide show!

**CLOVER KIDS** will meet Saturday, October 28 at the Wayne County Courthouse. Youth that will be age 5-7 as of Dec. 31, 2017 are eligible. Please contact the Extension Office by October 23 to register so we have enough supplies.

### THE 4-H LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE MEETING

is scheduled for **Monday, Nov. 6, 7:30 p.m.** at the Wayne County Courthouse, Wayne. The 4-H livestock, small animal and horse programs are reviewed. **ALL** 4-H families are encouraged to attend and provide input.

**Household Pet Fest** is scheduled for September 30, 9:00 a.m. – noon, at the Lancaster Extension Education Center, Lincoln. This is a great opportunity to learn more about your small pet. No registration necessary, cost is \$2.00/family. Email Sheri at [skr0701@windstream.net](mailto:skr0701@windstream.net) or Shirley at [shirlannco@hotmail.com](mailto:shirlannco@hotmail.com) for more information.

**A free 4-H Rabbit Clinic** will be held October 21, 9:00 a.m. – noon at the Lancaster Extension Education Center, Lincoln. Open to all youth and families. Sessions include: Feeding & Care, How to Judge, Breed ID, Showmanship, Static Exhibits, and Education Resources. Call Kate Pulec (402.441.7180) for more information

## NEBRASKA EQUINE WEBINAR SERIES

This is a great place for 4-H leaders, parents, and senior aged youth to gain knowledge by participating from their home computer. A series of webinars covering the topics of nutrition, diseases, biosecurity, parasites, equipment, rulebook, judging, and veterinary care are scheduled for the second Monday of every month at 6:00 p.m. and last 1 hour. All webinars will be recorded so if you cannot participate at the scheduled time you can watch the webinar at a later time. Contact the Extension Office if you are interested in participating.

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## 4-H ONLINE CAT CLUB

Learn more about your cat by participating in the 4-H Online Cat Club. Any 4-H member may join the meetings from home to watch and participate in the session. Each month the meeting lasts for 1 hour and covers a different topic about cats. Meetings are scheduled for the second Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. More information is available at:

<http://4h.unl.edu/companion-animal/cat-club>

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## STATE 4-H CAMP TRAIL RIDE

Support the Nebraska State 4-H Camp in Halsey, while you enjoy a guided Trail Ride October 13-15 in Nebraska's scenic Sandhills. All proceeds from the 4-H Trail Ride will support the State 4-H Camp in Halsey. Enjoy the beautiful scenery while riding trails in the Nebraska National Forest near Halsey, along with delicious meals, family activities and great entertainment at the Nebraska State 4-H Camp. Registration fee is \$50 and due October 1. Registration fee is \$65 if postmarked after October 1. For more information, visit the website at <http://centralsandhills.unl.edu/trailride> or contact 308.324.5501.

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**MAKE IT WITH WOOL CONTEST** - The 2017 State Make It with Wool Contest will be November 18 at the Lancaster Extension Education Center, Lincoln. The object of the contest is to promote the beauty and versatility of wool fabric and yarn; to encourage personal creations in sewing, knitting, crocheting, spinning, and weaving of wool fabric; and to recognize creative skills. Entries are due by October 15, 2017. Information is available at <http://nationalmakeitwithwool.com> and the Extension Office.

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## A NEBRASKA SHOOTING SPORTS LEADER CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP

is scheduled for Oct. 14-15 in Imperial (reg. due Oct. 4). Adult volunteers and junior leaders can choose to become certified in one of the following disciplines: rifle, shotgun, pistol, hunting skills, muzzleloading, or archery. All instruction will be provided by nationally trained 4-H certified instructors with significant shooting experience.

The registration fee is \$110 per person for initial certification and recertification. This fee includes program materials and three meals. Participants must make their own lodging arrangements.

For more information and registration materials see the 4-H Shooting Sports web page at <http://4h.unl.edu/shooting-sports/instructor/calendar>

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## THE ANNUAL NEBRASKA YOUTH BEEF LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM

will be held at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Animal Science Complex on November 17-19. The symposium is designed to introduce youth to career opportunities and current issues in the beef industry, as well as offer education and practice in the use of leadership skills. The symposium is open to youth in the 9-12 grades. Registration is due by October 6. Both freshman/sophomore and junior/senior groups will be limited to 30 participants each. If selected to participate, a \$75 registration fee will be collected at that time. For more information or to register, go to:

<http://animalscience.unl.edu/nebraska-youth-beef-leadership-symposium>.

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### DID YOU KNOW?

#### University Housing—Your Hall

The university offers several housing options to undergraduate students, from the rich diversity of our residence halls to the more self-reliant environment of apartment-style living.

The university offers you the choice of 17 residence halls. The halls are grouped together into complexes and feature a wide range of amenities. Check out more information at [housing.unl.edu/your-hall](http://housing.unl.edu/your-hall)

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Contact the Extension Office if you would like more information about these events.  
See you at the Achievement Program!

*Amy*

Amy Topp, Extension Educator

## 2017 Wayne County Fair/4-H Year Comments & Suggestions

### Beef

- Can the beef wash rack be updated?
- Schedule a Beef Fitting/Clipping Clinic
- Bucket Calves – do calves need to be 90 days old at Fair if ID deadline is June 15?
- Can cows be shown in showmanship?
- Renee's Herd Builder – change the one class listed in Fairbook to two classes:
  - 2-3 year cows & calf
  - 4 and older cows & calf

### Dairy

- Under 4-H Animals-General Rules, Registration of Livestock (p. 130 of Fairbook):
  - Dairy should be taken off the list for showing registration, because there are no registered classes for the 4-H Dairy Show.
  - If the exhibitor must own the animal by June 15 and have a registration certificated in one of the 3 ways listed, I am assuming that is for proof. If so, I just want to point out that the registration paper from the Holstein Association does not guarantee ownership of the animal, as listed on the bottom of the registration.

### Goats

- Add Nigerian Dwarf Dairy Goats to the Dairy Goat breed list
- Do Breeding Meat Goats need to come to weigh-in?
- Do Market Goats need to be weighed since there isn't a rate-of-gain class? Add rate-of-gain class?
- Review the amount of goats that can be shown.
- Add a wether class to Dairy Goats and Pygmy Goats
- Start the Sheep Show before the Goat Show?

### Horse

- 2-3 year-old pleasure class (county fair) – clarify rules
  - If a 4-Her is working with an ID'd 2-3 year old and shows it in the halter class, do they need to ride it in the 2-3 year-old pleasure class to be eligible to exhibit a 4<sup>th</sup> halter horse?
  - Can a 2-3 year-old horse (as a 3<sup>rd</sup> performance horse) be ridden in the costume class since it's not a point class?
- Could a horse be shown in the same class if the second class is not a point class? Example: two exhibitors – 1 exhibitor in walk-trot pleasure (not a point class), the other exhibitor in Jr. Pleasure (point class).
- I wish we could find a way so the horse show and goat show did not overlap. It takes so much away from the kids participating. They work hard on both projects all year and instead of being a fun experience, it ends up a stress filled hassle-for both kids and parents.
- If the Fairboard has the big shades, maybe they could put it over the bleachers on the SE corner. Not sure if they move with the wind and spook the horses though.

### Poultry

- Poultry are tested on a rotating basis at County Fairs. No need to require testing every year.
- Allow 2 birds per class of the same breed.
- Need sanitary wipes for the microphone.
- Would like additional outlets on the poultry/rabbits side of the barn.

### Sheep

- The new sheep barn was very nice.
- Do Breeding Sheep need to come to weigh-in?
- Start the Sheep Show before the Goat Show?

### Swine

- Revise statement about swine going to slaughter (p. 154 of Fairbook, Letter A)

### General

- Return to regular trophy awards and not plaques for the kids
- It was a great fair! Thanks Amy, Laurie, and Tarrin for all your hard work!
- Put a note up about cutting pies into 6 pieces. Some newer workers may not realize that is how it is cut. I had a piece that was cut into 8 and some people might be upset if they get a smaller piece.
- Great job!
- No 4-H Food Stand. It's difficult for families to find sitters for younger children not working. Maybe rent space out to another organization; then that money can go to scholarships.
- More trash cans everywhere, especially by campers on the hill.
- Whoever was in charge of cleaning bathrooms this year did an excellent job!
- Good Fair. One issue I have is the use of the ATVs. Seems like they are over used. Several people including myself were almost hit. I can understand using them if you have to take something to the other end of the fairgrounds (but to go from the food stands to the fair office?). The ones I have issues with were driven by adults and a bit fast.
- Under 4-H Animals – General Rules, Ownership of Animals (p. 130 of Fairbook) – as written now it says: All animals in the 4-H Show must be owned by the exhibitor and ownership certified where required on the appropriate 4-H forms in the Extension Office. Since this ruling is not true, I suggest to include they do not need to own animal and something specific about the ID sheets have an affidavit to sign off on.
- Need to reference the Animal Exhibitor Handbook in the Fairbook

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