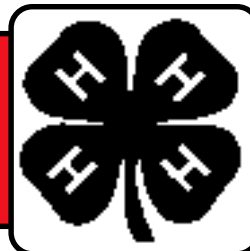


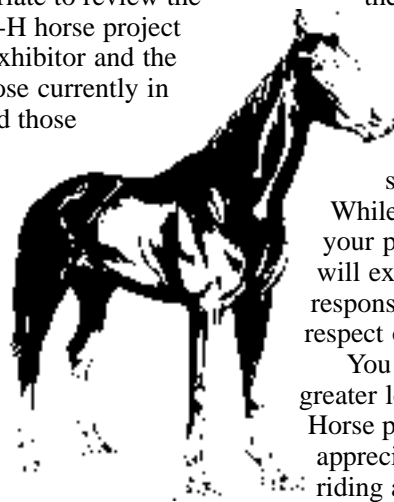
# HORSE BITS

## 4-H & Youth



As we welcome the New Year, it seems appropriate to review the goals of the 4-H horse project for both the exhibitor and the parent; for those currently in the project and those considering joining.

The primary aim of this project is to develop confident, competent, caring individuals of good



character who are connected to their communities.

Through the horse project, you will develop leadership, initiative, self-reliance and sportsmanship.

While working with your project animal, you will experience pride, responsibility and the respect of your mount.

You will also develop a greater love for animals. Horse project members appreciate horseback riding as a beautiful and

wholesome form of recreation. You will acquire skills in horsemanship, patience and understanding in handling horses and/or ponies. You will develop safety precautions to prevent injuries to yourself, your mount and others. Participation in the horse project will help prepare you for citizenship responsibilities as you work together in groups and support community horse projects and activities.

To become a good horseman or horsewoman, you will need to train both your horse and yourself. There are no short cuts. Becoming a true "horseman"

means learning all you can about horses and then using what you know every time you ride. If you work and continue learning, your reward will be a well-trained horse. Riding a finely trained horse is something you will never forget.

Work with your club members and your leader. Being a good horseman is an honor you can enjoy, but you will not achieve this goal without hard work and patience. Don't get discouraged. You are developing into a better person and helping make your club stronger with each new

experience and achievement.

### FYI

• The new Nebraska 4-H Horse Project Member Manual is available at the extension office.

• New 4-H Horse Show and Judging Guides will be out sometime around the first of the year and will replace the current guides.

• Horsin' Around Horse Clinic is scheduled for February 12 and 13, 2000. Information and flyers will be available around the first of the year. Call Ellen if interested. (EK)



## 4-H Goes *Under the Sea* with youth!

### 5th and 6th grade 4-H Lock-In

\$10 per child



January 14, 8 p.m. -  
January 15, 8 a.m.

call Tracy at 441-7180 if you have questions



Bring your toothbrush, toothpaste, sleeping bag, pillow, active wear, sleepwear (sweats) and a friend interested in 4-H!



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### 4-H Lock-In Registration Form

Name of participant(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Needs/Other Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to Lancaster County 4-H Teen Council

Return registration to:  
Tracy Kulm  
University of Nebraska Cooperative Extension in Lancaster County  
444 Cherrycreek Road, Suite A  
Lincoln, NE 68528-1507

Registrations due by January 7, 2000

## 4-H volunteer forum

The Nebraska State 4-H Volunteer Forum will be held February 4 and 5 in Lincoln and March 3 and 4 in North Platte. This forum is a conference developed by a committee of 4-H volunteers from across the state. Network with other 4-H leaders, exchange successful 4-H programs among 4-H leaders and be introduced to new area and projects. There will be numerous workshops offering hands-on learning experiences and new ideas and programs designed to enhance your club. Anyone interested in 4-H is welcome to attend. Scholarships are available through the 4-H Council. For more information, contact Tracy at 441-7180. (TK)



## Free baby chickens!

Beginning in February, baby chickens hatched in the School Enrichment Embryology project will be available to anyone living on an acreage or farm, or to youth involved in the 4-H poultry project. Chicks will be available on or around February 18, March 24 and again May 19.

If you're interested in receiving some of the free chicks, call 441-7180 and ask for Ellen. (EK)