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Extension Calendar

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- March 13**
4-H Leader Training 9:30 a.m.-7 p.m.
Computerized Financial Recordkeeping Part 1-Call about space availability
- March 15**
Private Pesticide Applicator Training 2 sessions 1-4 and 7-10 p.m.
Fairboard meeting-Lancaster Event Center 7:30 p.m.
- March 18**
4-H Speech Contest-State Capitol 1:30 p.m.
- March 20**
Computerized Financial Recordkeeping Part 2-Call about space availability
- March 22**
ewf-earth wellness festival-Southeast Community College 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.
- March 26**
FCE Council 1 p.m.
4-H Fair Superintendent Meeting-Lancaster Event Center 7 p.m.
- March 27**
FCE and Community Leader Training 1 p.m.
Chemigation Certification Training 6:30 p.m.
- March 31**
Infant-Toddler Child Care Provider Conference 8 a.m.- 4 p.m.
Cattle Grooming Workshop-Lancaster Event Center 9 a.m.
- April 3**
4-H Council Meeting 7 p.m.
- April 10**
CWF 7 p.m.
- April 21**
4-H/Kiwanis Karnival-Lancaster Building, State Fair Park 7-9 p.m.
- April 29**
4-H Music Contest-Dawes School 2 p.m.

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business to cover all term debt and capital lease payments. It is the ratio of funds available to service-term debt to the amount of existing term debt payments. Any ratio greater than one to one indicates the business has reserve capacity to service-term debt and capital lease payments. Remember that these are only guidelines based on the fact that every ranch or farm is unique. (TD)

SOURCE: Larry Bitney, NU Extension Farm Management Specialist with the Department of Agricultural Economics, NU/IANR.



A Quick Tour of <http://lanaster.unl.edu>

Start your visit to the University of Nebraska Cooperative Extension in Lancaster County website with the home page. On this site, you'll find a convenient search feature that helps you access publications, view, and print resources available on-line. If you want to visit the office, a map and contact information are now at your fingertips. By bookmarking this page, you'll also have quick access to reliable resources in a variety of subject areas summarized below.

4-H and Youth—shortcut address <http://lanaster.unl.edu/4h>

Current features include information on 4-H projects, 4-H camps, school enrichment, Citizenship Washington Focus, 4-H Clover Kids, character education, and more. Keep track of 4-H, youth events, and upcoming livestock events and shows with the Lancaster County 4-H calendar. This site is rated as a SafeSurf™ site for families.

Ag and Acreage—shortcut address <http://lanaster.unl.edu/ag>

Markets, weather, livestock, crops, acreage, small farms, a calendar of events, and more. To keep you on top of the agricultural scene, sign up on-line to receive program notices via e-mail.

This site is a National Award Winning Website. The Ag and Acreage website with Nebraska Production Agriculture was awarded first place, Communications Award Competition—Web Page. This award was presented at NACAA Annual Meeting, August 7, 2000 in Jackson, Mississippi. The award was sponsored by AT&T.

Horticulture—shortcut address <http://lanaster.unl.edu/hort>

Looking for a way to beat the winter blues? Start thinking about warm weather by exploring the horticulture site. You'll find monthly garden tips, activities for teachers, parents, children, and information on 4-H gardening projects. Learn how to become a master gardener. If you need help identifying a plant, pest, or weed, this site features links to reliable resources.

Nutrition and Food Safety—shortcut address <http://lanaster.unl.edu/food>

"Indulging Without Bulging," "Giving Recipes a Food Safety Update," "Forgotten in the Fridge." These are just a few of the articles you can find on this site. In addition to viewing family-friendly food preparation ideas, tips on food safety, and lists of resources on health and nutrition, you can sign up for the e-mail "Food Reflections" newsletter.

"Food Reflections" e-mail newsletter on-line edition continues to receive a "Better Than Most" rating from "Tufts University Nutrition Navigator—A Rating Guide to Nutrition websites.

Environment and Natural Resources—shortcut address <http://lanaster.unl.edu/enviro>

Find practical and reliable information on controlling pests and wildlife found in and around the home. Watch the Telly-Award winning video, *Removing Head Lice Safely*. Download the English and/or Spanish version of the accompanying fact sheet. You can also listen to audio messages on a variety of topics. This site also features information on the biosolids project, composting, water quality, and youth programs like **earth wellness festival**.

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