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Extension Calendar

All programs and events will be held at the Lancaster Extension Education Center unless otherwise noted.

APRIL

- 13 2002 Acreage Owners Expo, ARDC near Mead 9 a.m.—3 p.m.
- 13 Kiwanis Karnival, State Fair Park 7 p.m.
- 14 4-H Ambassador Meeting 2 p.m.
- 14 4-H Sewing Workshop, Hancock Fabrics 3-4 p.m.
- 14 4-H Teen Council Meeting 3-5 p.m.
- 16 Composting Workshop, Air Park Recreation Ctr, 3720 NW 46 7-8 p.m.
- 21 4-H Music Contest, Dawes School, 5130 Colfax Ave. 2 p.m.
- 23 Composting Workshop, Belmont Recreation Ctr, 1234 Judson 7-8 p.m.
- 24 Composting Workshop, Irving Recreation Ctr, 2010 Van Dorn 7-8 p.m.
- 25 Composting Workshop, Calvert Recreation Ctr, 4500 Stockwell 7-8 p.m.
- 26 Arbor Day Celebration, Maxwell Arboretum, East Campus Noon-1 p.m.
- 29-May 3 Grantsmanship Training Program
- 30 4-H Leader Workshop 9:30 a.m. or 7 p.m.
- 30 Composting Workshop, Easterday Recreation Ctr, 6130 Adams 7-8 p.m.

MAY

- 5 4-H CWF Meeting 7 p.m.
- 7 4-H Council Meeting 7 p.m.
- 8 4-H Horse VIPs Meeting 7 p.m.
- 9 4-H Rabbit VIPs Meeting 7 p.m.
- 10 Extension Board Meeting 8 a.m.
- 17 District & State Horse ID's, Level Tests & Entries Deadline
- 18 4-H Lamb Tagging & Weigh-In Day, Lancaster Event Ctr 9-11:30 a.m.
- 20 4-H How to Exhibit Leader Training 9:30 a.m. or 7 p.m.

Eighth Annual earth wellness festival Is A Day of Hands-On Learning

Approximately 2,888 Lancaster County fifth graders attended the eighth annual **earth wellness festival** on March 21 at Southeast Community College in Lincoln. Students discovered and explored the relationships and interdependency of land, water, air and living resources through hands-on activities. Classrooms attending the festival received pre-festival learning kits in October. At the festival, students participated in 25-minute sessions in each area of land, water, air and living resources and then a culminating activity with feature presenters.

Hundreds of volunteers, area educators, environmentalists and government representatives make the festival possible. The **earth wellness festival** steering committee is comprised of: Lincoln Public Schools, Cooperative Extension in Lancaster County, City of Lincoln, Keep Lincoln-Lancaster County Beautiful, Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department, Lower Platte South Natural Resources District, Southeast Community College, UNL School of Natural Resource Sciences, UNL Water Center and Ventures in Partnerships



At "Birds Don't Have Thumbs and People Don't Have Wings!", Stephanie Mosby (center) from Folsom Children's Zoo lets students feel examples of various animal hides, including antelope hide.



Students were able to hold Madagascar hissing cockroaches in "Decomposers!"



A student makes paper from recycled office paper in "From Trash to Treasure!"



These students learn that it takes 250 gallons of water to make enough paper pulp for an average-sized Sunday paper in "4-H Fiber Fun!!"



A new session this year, "Don't Lose Ground!", lets students observe rain (and soil) runoff in different landscape models.