

## Lancaster County 4-H seeks new 4-H Council members

Serving on the Lancaster 4-H Council is an excellent opportunity to contribute to the youth development of local 4-H members. The 4-H Council is composed of youth and adults working together in the interest of promoting activities of Lancaster County 4-H. They assist extension staff in planning, conducting and evaluating 4-H activities and events.

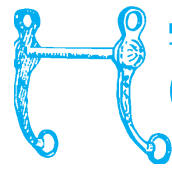
Council membership terms are three years for adults and two years for youth. Council members are limited to two consecutive terms. The council consists of volunteer 4-H leaders, sponsors, community leaders; school, church and civic officials. Interest in extension education and youth is essential.

Individuals interested in serving on the 4-H Council are encouraged to contact Tracy Kulm, 4-H extension associate at 441-7180 for more information and an application. (TK)

## Community Service Corner

The Priceless Jewels 4-H Club picked up litter on May 1 on the Murdock Trail through Mahoney Park.  
— **Murleen Bellinger, Leader**

*We want to report your club's community service projects in upcoming Neblines. Submit to Vicki at extension office or [vjedlicka2@unl.edu](mailto:vjedlicka2@unl.edu).*



## HORSE BITS

### District Horse Shows Results

Lancaster County 4-H horse exhibitors participated in many of the District Horse Shows held across Nebraska. Below are the purple ribbon winners. Full results are online at [4h.unl.edu/disthorshow](http://4h.unl.edu/disthorshow). Congratulations to all!

#### Fairbury

**English Pleasure Horses, over 14 hands 15 & up** — Dana Hahn; Melissa Raisch

**English Equitation, 12-14** — Dana Hahn

**Western Pleasure Horses, over 14 hands 12-14** —

Lisa Bradbury; Morgan Brehm; Laura Hahn

**Reining 15 & up** — Martina Dye

**Pole Bending 12-14** — Dustin Ehrlich; Taylor Holliday

**Pole Bending 15 & up** — Cassie Krueger

**Barrel Racing 12-14** — Taylor Holliday

**Barrel Racing 15 & up** — Cassie Krueger

#### Oakland

**Western Horsemanship 15 & up** — Terra Steinhauser

#### O'Neill

**Western Horsemanship 15 & up** — Danielle Fenster

**Pole Bending 12-14** — Lyndsy Larson

#### Broken Bow

**English Pleasure Horses, over 14 hands 15 & up** — Christi Vidlak



*Martina Dye won a purple in Reining 15 & up at the Fairbury District Horse Show.*

#### Skyline District

**Western Pleasure Horses, over 14 hands 15 & up** — Micah Messick

**Western Horsemanship 12-14** — Ben Leach

**Western Horsemanship 15 & up** — Mindy Leach; Morgan Marshall

**Pole Bending 12-14** — Nicole Zuhlke

**Pole Bending 15 & up** — Mindy Leach; Micah Messick

**Barrel Racing 12-14** — Nicole Zuhlke

**Barrel Racing 15 & up** — Sara Zimbelman

#### Albion

**Pole Bending** — Amanda Essink

**Barrel Racing** — Ethan Essink

**Barrel Racing** — Amanda Essink

## 4-H Night at Saltdogs

4H'ers and their families from Lancaster and nearby counties attended 4-H Night at Lincoln Saltdogs Baseball on June 18. Rod Dowling of Bennet threw the first pitch (pictured). He is a former 4-H member and longtime supporter (as club leader, parent and booster). He also serves on the Lancaster County Fair Board. 4-H'er Grace Farley sang the national anthem for the second year in a row. 4-H members participated in between inning activities such as the seventh inning stretch.



## August

## Shirley Condon

Lancaster County 4-H is proud to announce Shirley Condon as winner of August's "Heart of 4-H Award" in recognition of outstanding volunteer service.

Shirley has been a 4-H volunteer for 22 years (and former 4-H'er for 10 years). She is currently co-leader of the Pet Pals 4-H Club and co-superintendent of the Household Pet Show at the Lancaster County Fair. She is a regular presenter at 4-H Clover College and **earth wellness festival**.

Other volunteer duties have included: 4-H Council member, 4-H recruiter, key leader, County Fair 4-H judge, and county & district record-book awards judge. Previous clubs she has been involved with are Number One 4-H Club, Critter Sitters, and Salt Valley Clovers.

"I like working with youth people and animals, and I think 4-H is a wonderful program for teaching life skills while making the learning process fun," says Shirley. "My favorite experience is teaching 4-H'ers new skills and seeing their pride in their accomplishments. I especially enjoy visiting with former 4-H'ers and seeing how they have begun successful careers built in part on the skills they gained in 4-H."

Shirley lives in Lincoln with husband Jim. Their children Micki and Mike are 10-year 4-H alumni. Shirley enjoys putting her 4-H skills to use and enters baking, candy-making, needlework, horticulture and photography exhibits in Open Class at the County and State Fair — she has earned more than 300 ribbons and prizes!

Congratulations to Shirley! Volunteers like her are indeed the heart of 4-H!

*Nominate your favorite 4-H volunteer by submitting the form available at the extension office or online at [lancaster.unl.edu/4h](http://lancaster.unl.edu/4h). Nominations of co-volunteers welcome.*



## Lancaster County 4-H'ers at PASE/Life Challenge

Many Lancaster County 4-H'ers participated in the Premier Animal Science Event (PASE) and Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) Life Challenge held June 28–29 at University of Nebraska-Lincoln East Campus. Information and results are on the Nebraska 4-H Web site at [4h.unl.edu](http://4h.unl.edu).

### Judging Teams

The Lancaster County Livestock Judging team placed 7th in senior General Livestock Judging. Pictured are (L–R) Deanna Karmazin (Extension Associate), Whitney Davis, Shayna Truax, Trevor Wagner, Will Davis and Steve Landon (Extension Intern). Will Davis was the sixth highest placing individual.

Lancaster County also participated in the senior Meats Judging Contest. The team consisted of Whitney Davis, Shayna Truax, Trevor Wagner and Janae Althouse.



### Life Challenge

Participants competed as teams and individually.

Lancaster County teams were:

- **Wardrobe Challenge:** Kaley Cook, Monica Fujan, Nicole Pedersen
- **Food Challenge:** Britta Doeschot, Catherine Dowd, Cherise Matz, Kristin Wissink
- **Consumer Challenge:** Grace Spencer, Karis Parker, Sarah Hurdle, Terra Garay
- **Design Challenge:** Alyssa Fiala, Eliza Hammond, Emily Veburg