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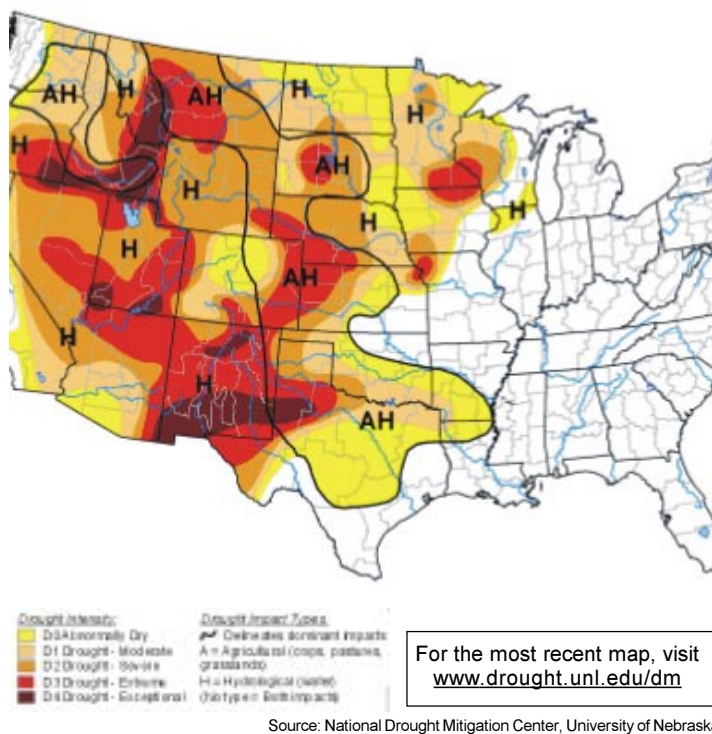


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*Did you guess it from the January NEBLINE? The answer was mold and mildew growing on a bathroom wall.*

## Latest U.S. Drought Monitor Map

As of Jan. 6, Lancaster County is in moderate drought conditions.



## Osborne Says Youth Programs Such as 4-H Make a Difference

The Nebraska 4-H Foundation has 2004 4-H Calendars available for 4-H supporters. The calendar features 12 photos taken by 4-H'ers across the state. Interested people can stop by the Lancaster County extension office for a calendar — supplies are limited. Below is a letter by Congressman Tom Osborne which accompanies the calendar.

Dear Nebraska 4-H Supporter:

On behalf of the Nebraska 4-H Foundation, it is an honor for me to present to you the 2004 4-H calendar. A special thank you for all that you do to help the 4-H youth program in Nebraska.

As a Congressman and former football coach, I have seen first-hand what special organizations such as Nebraska 4-H can do to reach our youth and truly make a difference in their lives. As you may know, I have a strong passion for youth programs that point youth in the right direction by giving them the skills and leadership abilities they need to succeed. My involvement with mentoring programs continues to give me the opportunity to see how a small investment early in a child's life will positively influence that person in the future.

In my mind, the Nebraska 4-H program stands out as one of the best. By giving Nebraska's youth the opportunity to experience a myriad of activities, those involved in 4-H gain solid values and unique abilities needed to succeed in today's society. I have visited with many 4-H'ers in Washington, D.C., and in Nebraska, and

it is apparent the Nebraska 4-H program is providing the resources and educational opportunities to develop our leaders for tomorrow.

As with most youth programs I have been associated with over the years, the proven success of Nebraska 4-H does not happen without hard work and dedication. Similar to the play on the football field, it takes a team effort to ensure victory. The 4-H team of young people, volunteers, and supporters are critical to the "winning team" approach. To keep the Nebraska 4-H program in the victory column, the Nebraska 4-H Foundation needs your financial help. Whether you are a first time donor or have contributed

before, the 4-H program needs your support to keep it on its path to success.

I hope you will enjoy this 2004 4-H calendar funded by the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority. The calendar contains many great pictures to illustrate the "learning by doing" philosophy the Nebraska 4-H program demonstrates. Again, thank you for all that you do to assist the Nebraska 4-H program, and thank you in advance for your investment in a positive future for Nebraska youth.

Best Wishes  
Tom Osborne  
Member of Congress



## 4-H Camps Are Bigger and Better than Ever!

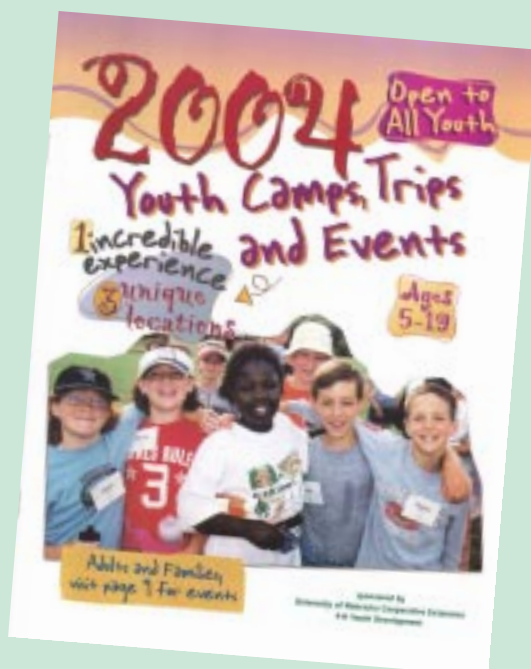
4-H camp has expanded in 2004 — many camps are much longer than the past!

There are three 4-H camp locations in Nebraska, including the Eastern Nebraska 4-H Center at Gretna and the Nebraska State 4-H Camp at Halsey. Camps are open to all youth ages 5–19.

**There are more than 35 summer camps to chose from! Brochures are available at the extension office or online at [4h.unl.edu/camp/youth](http://4h.unl.edu/camp/youth).**

Summer camps are a great opportunity for youth to meet new friends, experience a wide variety of exciting activities and develop the traits of a confident and caring person.

**Save 10% by registering before March 15!**



### Financial FUNDamentals 4-H Camp Mar. 5-6

This camp is all about money and FUN! Designed for youth ages 13–19 and their mom, dad or a mentor — this new camp will let you explore your money personality profile, set college cost goals, learn the FUNDamentals of checking, credit, savings, investing, and spending! Mom or dad can help you understand the complexities of handling your money and do it in an enjoyable setting. You'll also get to discover more FUN with the camp's TRUST Course, shooting sports, campfires and more. Can't you just see your mom or dad riding the zip line? The camp will be Friday, March 5 & Saturday, March 6 at the Eastern Nebraska 4-H Center near Gretna. Campers arrive around 5 p.m. on Friday night and leave at 5 p.m. on Saturday night. Cost is \$60 per person. For more information or to register contact Kelly Krambeck, Eastern Nebraska 4-H Center, 21520 W. Hwy. 31, Gretna NE 68028, (402) 332-4496.

### Horsin' Around Conference Feb. 7–8

The University of Nebraska's 11th annual Horsin' Around conference Feb. 7–8 will give horse enthusiasts the opportunity to learn from nationally respected horse trainers Leonard Berryhill of Broken Arrow, Okla., and Steve Orth of Guthrie, Okla. The conference will be held at the Animal Science Complex on UNL's East Campus.

Finding a good cattle class prospect, basic training for working horses, developing the calf roping and team roping horse and roping classes — a judge's viewpoint are some of the areas being presented.

Preregistration is through Jan. 30. Cost for adults is \$25 for both days or \$15 /day. Youth is \$15 both days or \$10/day. Registration at the door (if available) is adults \$35 both days or \$20/day. Lunch will be on your own both days.

For more information call Dr. Kathy Anderson at 472-6410 or Marty Cruickshank at 441-7180. (MC)