

Community Service Corner

Yankee Hill Kids Visit Rest Home

The Yankee Hill Kids 4-H Club recently visited Lakeview Rest Home in Firth, bringing some of their pet dogs to visit the residents. Pictured are: (from left) Shelby Leiker, Isaac Leiker and Darlyne Meinberg with the Leikers' puppy, Dolly.

— Submitted by Andrew Keralis



Shooting Stars in Ceresco Days Parade

Members of the Shooting Stars 4-H Club recently participated in the kiddie parade during Ceresco Days. Pictured are: Jack, Austin (future member and brother to Jack) their mom, Marie, and my two sons Jared and Cody (who's becoming a member this fall). Two of our other families couldn't make the parade. The kids had a lot of fun! They made the poster and the shirts they had made earlier in the year.

— Submitted by Mary Stapert

We want to report your club's community service projects in upcoming Neblines. Submit to Vicki at extension office or vjedlicka2@unl.edu.

Shooting Sports Reorganizational Meeting Oct. 12

Mark your calendars for a reorganizational meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 12, 7 p.m. at the Lancaster Extension Education Center, 444 Cherrycreek Rd, for the BB/air rifle, trapshooting and smallbore rifle disciplines of the Lancaster County Shooting Sports 4-H club. Both current members and those interested in joining are invited to attend. Total registration fee to join 4-H Shooting Sports 4-H club is \$8, insurance included. (TK)

Charter Club Applications Due Oct. 31

Leaders: don't forget to complete your 4-H Charter Club application! All leaders received an application form in their September reorganization packet. Initially, all clubs meeting the requirements and sending in the application form will be recognized at Achievement Night and will receive a Charter Certificate. Seals will be awarded in subsequent years. Applications are due to the office by Friday, Oct. 31. Contact the office if you have questions. (TK)

Reminder to Pick Up Fair Projects

There are still county and state fair projects, comment sheets and ribbons that need to be picked up at the Lancaster County Extension Office. If you have not done so yet, please pick up your items. (TK)

National 4-H Week
Oct. 3–9
"Celebrate 4-H Online!"Lancaster County 4-H Web site
lancaster.unl.edu/4h

has up-to-date information on: 4-H calendar, news, spotlights, showbills, County Fair information, Egg Cam and links.

4-H e-mail announcements

are sent monthly to Lancaster County 4-H members & leaders.

To sign up for these announcements, e-mail your e-mail address to kevasco2@unl.edu

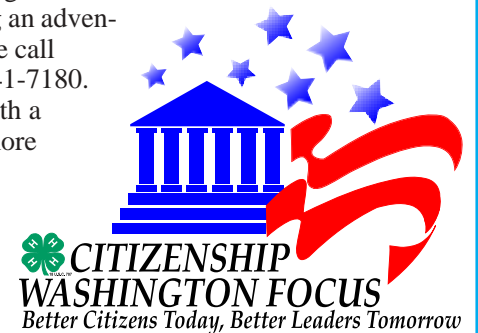
Citizenship Washington Focus
Organizing for 2008 Trip to D.C.

Lancaster County 4-H Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) is now taking applicants for the June 2008 trip to Washington D.C.! CWF organizes a trip every three years, raising money for the trip during the off years.

On an ambitious 15-day itinerary, CWF travels by bus to D.C., exploring our nation's history along the way. The group spends five days at the National 4-H Conference Center near Washington D.C. where they hold mock congressional sessions and learn how bills become law. Tours of D.C. include the Capitol building, the Smithsonian and all of the memorials.

If you will be the age of 15-18 as of June 1, 2008 and are interested in joining an adventure of a lifetime, please call Deanna Karmazin at 441-7180.

A space can be held with a deposit of \$100. For more information, contact Deanna or go to lancaster.unl.edu/4h. This is open to the first 50 respondents only!



CITIZENSHIP WASHINGTON FOCUS
Better Citizens Today, Better Leaders Tomorrow

October

Cindy Fiala

Lancaster County 4-H is proud to announce Cindy Fiala as winner of October's "Heart of 4-H Award" in recognition of outstanding volunteer service. Cindy has been a 4-H volunteer for more than 10 years: as fundraising chairman for Citizenship Washington Focus group for eight years; sewing project leader for the Clovers & Company club for five years; 4-H Council member for five years (serving on the scholarship, grievance and food booth committees); instructor for Clover College; volunteer for County Fair 4-H clothing areas for several years; and volunteer at 4-H Exhibit Hall during Nebraska State Fair.

"I like being a 4-H volunteer because it brings back many memories of my nine years in 4-H," says Cindy. "I feel very strongly about the impact 4-H has on our youth as they become our leaders of tomorrow."

"My favorite experience was the two years I attended the State 4-H Volunteer Leader Forum. It is so much fun networking ideas with other volunteers from across the state and I came home even more excited about the whole 4-H program," she adds.

Cindy lives in Lincoln with her husband Jerry. She runs her own home-based business, "Cindy's Cakes." Their four daughters were all enrolled in 4-H through their high school years — youngest daughter Alyssa is a current 4-H member and also serves on 4-H Council. In addition to 4-H, Cindy has volunteered also at St. Joseph's church (Holiday Fair) and at Pius X High School (music, theatre and speech events — currently a co-coordinator of the Parent Volunteer Program).

Congratulations to Cindy! 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. Nominations of co-volunteers welcome.



4-H Thanks More County Fair Sponsors

Lancaster County 4-H would like to thank more of the businesses and individuals that sponsored 4-H events, activities, programs and trophies at this year's county fair. These are in addition to those listed in the August issue of THE NEBLINE.

Animal Care Clinic, Drs. Buller & Anderson
Belmont Veterinary Clinic
Brinson Bunnies/Lindsay Brinson & Kaye Thurston
Robert and Sandra Dresser

Eagle State Bank
Linda and Richard Hanigan — Happy Birthday Dorothy
Terry L. Harris
Ted and Tammy Hill
Jaci Maahs

Tanner Maahs
Justin McCraey
Pitts Veterinary Clinic
Harlan and Vicki Waak
Welp Hatchery

4-H Award Nominations
Due Oct. 31

Nominations are needed for the following awards. Application forms are available at the extension office.

4-H Meritorious Service — presented to individuals or organizations which have exhibited consistent and strong support of the 4-H program. 4-H members are not eligible.

Outstanding 4-H Member — presented to an individual who has excelled in their involvement with the 4-H program and are 14 years of age or older. The basis for selection appraises the variety and depth of 4-H activities.

I Dare You Youth Leadership Award — awarded on behalf of the American Youth Foundation (AYF) to high school juniors or seniors who strive to achieve their personal best and make a positive difference in their community. Two 4-H members will be selected from Lancaster County. Lancaster County 4-H Council provides award recipients with a hardbound copy of William H. Danforth's book, *I Dare You!* Winners also receive a \$300 scholarship to attend one of AYF's national 7-day Leadership Conferences. (TK)

LAST CHANCE

4-H Scholarships
Due Oct. 31

The Lancaster County 4-H program offers a variety of scholarships. Deadline is Oct. 31.

Information and applications are available at the extension office or online at lancaster.unl.edu/4h. If you have questions, contact Deanna Karmazin at 441-7180.

COLLEGE

The following college scholarships for the 2005–06 school year are available to high school seniors active in 4-H:

4-H Council—awards six \$500 scholarships.

Lincoln Center Kiwanis—awards two \$2,000 scholarships.

Teen Council—awards two scholarships to 4-H'ers who are active in Teen Council and help with at least one major fundraiser.

Lane Scholarship—awards one \$200 scholarship to a 4-H'er attending Raymond Central High School.

4-H CAMP

New this year is a scholarship for attending 4-H summer camp(s):

Joyce Vahle Memorial Scholarship—awards one \$100 scholarship to a youth age 8–14. Applicants should currently be, or have been, enrolled in at least one sewing project.