

## COUNTY FAIR 4-H &amp; FFA NEWS



### Fair Books Have Been Mailed Out, Available Online

Fair Books have been mailed to all 4-H families and previous Open Class exhibitors. Extension office has Fair Books and fair forms. The 4-H/FFA portions of the Fair Book and many 4-H county fair forms are also online at [lancaster.unl.edu/4h](http://lancaster.unl.edu/4h).

### Premium Payouts MUST be Picked Up Sunday, Aug. 7, Noon-4 p.m.

Premium payouts to 4-H & FFA exhibitors will be paid in cash on Sunday, Aug. 7, Noon-4 p.m. at the Lancaster Event Center Fair Board Office. Subject to identification, parents, guardians, 4-H club leaders, FFA chapter advisors will also be permitted to pick up and sign for exhibitor premiums. **NO CHECKS WILL BE ISSUED THIS YEAR!** No changes or corrections will be made on premium amounts after 60 days.

### Static Exhibit Release Time Sunday, Aug. 7, Noon-2 p.m.

All static exhibits for the 2005 Lancaster County Fair will be released from 12 noon-2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 7. This includes both 4-H and Open Class static exhibits. Please note time change from previous years.

### Animal Bedding for Sale at Fair

Absolutely no outside bedding or straw is allowed. All exhibitors must use bedding provided by Event Center (\$5 per bag). 4-H beef, dairy and bucket calf exhibitors should pre-purchase bedding on livestock entry forms (due July 8). All other livestock and horse exhibitors must purchase bedding from the farrier office (located in Pavilion 2, enter from courtyard) during office hours, which will be:

- Tuesday, Aug. 2 — 7 a.m.-Noon & 6-9 p.m.
- Wed., Aug. 3 — 7 a.m.-2 p.m. & 5-10 p.m.
- Thursday, Aug. 4 — 7-9 a.m. & 5-7 p.m.
- Friday, Aug. 5 — 7-9 a.m. & 5-7 p.m.
- Saturday, Aug. 6 — 7-9 a.m.

## Last Call for Speech & PSA Contest Registrations!

The 4-H Speech and Public Service Announcement (PSA) contests are open to all 4-H'ers — need not be enrolled in a specific project. To register, or for more information, call Deanna Karmazin at 441-7180 by **Friday, March 28 at 4:30 p.m.**

### PSA Contest, April 5

Due to the growing number of participants in this contest and the taping of the district winners, the PSA contest will be held at the Lancaster Extension Education Center on Tuesday, April 5 at 6:30 p.m. PSA's must be 60 seconds; topic is 4-H. Emphasis is on the

### Market Beef ID's Due April 1

4-H/FFA Market Beef Identifications are due to extension by Friday, April 1. For more information, contact Deanna Karmazin at 441-7180.

### Seeking Style Revue Superintendents

Do you appreciate creativity and do you like to work with youth? Volunteers are needed to help facilitate the 4-H Style Revue Contest. If interested, please contact Tracy Kulm at 441-7180.

### What Qualifies as a Home Environment Exhibit?

"Cut and tie" blanket and pillows are not eligible for the State Fair but will be accepted at the County Fair. Following are tips to determine if a Home Environment exhibit qualifies for State Fair: Is it a quality home accessory that can be used several months throughout the year? Has the member shown creativity or learned and applied the design principles and elements in making this item?

### Animal Exhibitors Encouraged to Bring Own Fans

Animal exhibitors are highly encouraged to bring their own fans and extension cords. Fans must have finger guards. Electrical equipment must be UL listed and in good working condition — all equipment subject to safety inspection. Equipment found in poor condition must be immediately removed from the grounds.

### Horse Show Rule Clarification

A horse identified jointly by 4-H members **MAY NOT BE SHOWN BY MORE THAN ONE EXHIBITOR IN THE SAME EVENT OR CLASS.** "Event" shall mean a category of classes: i.e., pleasure, reining, barrels, etc., and neither a single member project horse nor a joint project horse may be shown in more than one age group of any class or event. Walk-trot, exhibition and introductory driving classes are exempt from this rule. Each member of a joint project must submit an identification form for the joint project animal.

presentation of a PSA for radio. Contestants must give their PSA in person, no prerecorded tapes allowed.

### Speech Contest, April 10

This year's Speech Contest will be held at the State Capitol (date is CONFIRMED) on Sunday, April 10 at 1 p.m. Topics can be anything, but a 4-H theme should be maintained. Length depends on division:

- Novice (ages 8-9): 2 min. or less
- Junior (ages 10-11): 2-3 min.
- Intermediate (ages 12-13): 3-5 min.
- Senior (ages 14-19): 5-8 min.

## FCS Life Challenge Contest Information

4-H Life Challenge judging contests help youth learn more about issues related to family and consumer science (FCS). Contests are open to all 4-H'ers, need not be enrolled in a specific project. Preregistration is not needed for the county-level contests.

A county-level Senior Life Challenge (for ages 12 and up) is scheduled for Wednesday, May 25, 7 p.m. at the Lancaster Extension Education Center. Contest questions will be based on the following 4-H manuals: Financial Champions "Money Moves" Book 2, Clothing Level 1, The Sitter, Youth in Motion and Fast Foods. Books may be checked out prior to the contest for studying purposes.

The statewide FCS Life Challenge (for ages 12 and up) will be held Monday, June 27 and Tuesday, June 28 on UNL East Campus. To participate, please contact Tracy at 441-7180 by May 27. Information is online at [4h.unl.edu/programs/pasele](http://4h.unl.edu/programs/pasele)

The county-level Junior Life Challenge (ages 8-11) will be held Wednesday, July 6, 1:30 p.m. at the Lancaster Extension Education Center. Contest questions will be based on the following 4-H manuals: Road to Good Cooking, Sewing for Fun, Growing on My Own and Health A/Discovering Myself. A packet with project information will be available prior to contest.

## New 4-H Static Exhibits

There are several new static exhibit categories and classes. See Fair Book for detailed information about each of the following:

**Quilt Quest**—Quilt Quest is a new Nebraska 4-H project which will be a State Fair exhibit in 2006. This year it is a county fair-only exhibit. Classes include: Educational Exhibits, Imaginative Quilt Designs, Photography, Computer Exploration, Wearable Art, Quilted Accessories, Quilts, Advanced quilts, Premier Quilt, Community Service Quilt, and Intergenerational Quilt or Quilt Project.

**Eco-Wonders, Eco-Adventures, Eco-Actions**—These county fair-only exhibits are based on project manuals published last year.

**Leather: Level 3**—Additional skills utilized in this level may include the use of decorative stamps, dyeing and lacing/sewing techniques. Additional classes in upcoming years will be added and include such skills as pictorial carving and color, leather garments and accessories, home furnishings and saddles.

**Becoming Money Wise**—"Becoming Money Wise" level 1 and 2 exhibits are county-only exhibits in the "Consumer Management" category.

**Photography: Internet Wallpaper/Screen Saver**—This county-only class will showcase the photography talents of Lancaster County 4-H'ers by making select photos available on the Lancaster County 4-H Web site as Wallpaper or Screensaver. Additional forms required.

**GIS/GPS**—Nebraska 4-H is developing a project manual on Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and Global Positioning Systems (GPS). However, some 4-H members may already be using GIS/GPS technology—here is your chance to share what you have learned at the county fair! Exhibits can be a poster, notebook, display, journal, etc.

## 4-H Horse Show Schedule

All 4-H horse events held in the Multipurpose Arena unless otherwise noted

### SUNDAY, JULY 31

Pre-Fair Briefing: 2 p.m. (Pavilion 3 - 4H Extension Office)

### MONDAY, AUGUST 1

Set-up for Dressage: 7 p.m.

### TUESDAY, AUG. 2

Check-in for Dressage and English Horse (Western also if desired): 8 a.m.-12 Noon (Pavilion 2)

Warm-up Opportunity for Dressage\*: 8:30 a.m.- 12 Noon  
Dressage Show: 1 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, AUG. 3

Warm-up Opportunity for English Horse\*\*: 7:30-8:30 a.m.  
English Horse Jumping Show—Hunter Hack/Hunter/Jumper: 9 a.m.

English Horse Show—Hunt Seat/Saddle Seat Showmanship/English Pleasure/English Equitation: 1 hour after Jumping Show

Dressage and English Horse May be Released after Show  
Check-in for Western Horse: begins at Noon (Pavilion 2)  
Horsemanship Pairs/Freestyle Dressage/Drill Teams: 6 p.m.

### THURSDAY, AUG. 4

Western Horse Show—Western Showmanship/Groom and Care/Halter: 9 a.m.

Warm-up Opportunity for Western Horse: following Western Show until 3:45 p.m.

Set-up for Trail Show: 4 p.m.

Trail Show: 5 p.m.

### FRIDAY, AUG. 5

Check-in for Roping/Working Ranch Horse\*\*\*: by 7 a.m. (Amy Countryman Arena)

Roping/Working Ranch Show: 8 a.m. (Amy Countryman Arena)

Western Horse Show—Bareback Equitation/Western Pleasure/Western Horsemanship: 9 a.m.

Horse Judging: 1/2 hour after Western Show (Warm-up Arena)

### SATURDAY, AUG. 6

Miniature Horse Show: 8 a.m.

Western Horse Show—Working Pleasure/Western Riding/Reining: 1/2 hour after Miniature Horse Show

Horse Games Show: 6 p.m.

Western Horse Release Time Begins: 10 p.m.

\*Must Sign Up for 10-minute Warm-up Blocks During Pre-Fair Briefing  
\*\*Vouchers for 10-15 Minute Warm-up Blocks Will be Handed Out During Pre-Fair Briefing  
\*\*\*if horse is used only in this show, may show from the trailer—park in grass lot east of Amy Countryman Arena