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Donna Bundy

Lancaster County 4-H is proud to announce Donna Bundy as winner of June's "Heart of 4-H Award" in recognition of outstanding volunteer service.

Eleven years ago, Donna's niece was a member of the Rompin' Rover's 4-H dog club.

Donna came along to the meetings and decided to volunteer as a project leader. A few years later, the club disbanded and Donna started the Canine Companions club (which is still going strong today) as organizational leader. The past several years, she has been the Lancaster County Fair superintendent of the 4-H Dog Show.

"I like working with the kids and dogs," says Donna, who trains weekly with her 4-H club members. She also likes watching the youth grow.

"The 4-H dog program in Lancaster County would not exist without Donna's leadership and extensive knowledge," says 4-H staff Deanna Karmazin.

Donna lives in Lincoln and is an active member of the Greater Lincoln Obedience Club (GLOC). She takes her dog, Tye, all over the world to compete in agility and obedience shows.

Congratulations to Donna! 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 <http://lancaster.unl.edu/4h/>. Nominations of co-volunteers welcome.



Spring 4-H Chess Tournament Results

On April 9, 35 youth competed in the 4-H Spring Chess Tournament presented by the Lancaster County Checkmates 4-H club. Here are the top winners. Complete list is on the 4-H Web site at <http://lancaster.unl.edu/4h/Programs/activity2.htm>.

Primary Division, K-3

1st place trophy and 1st place 4-H member and receiving a purple ribbon: Reina Jackson of Lincoln with a perfect score of 4 points.

Tied for 2nd place and receiving purple ribbons: Chance Cox of Grand Island, Justin Yoon of Lincoln, and Joel Brejda of Lincoln.

Tied for 3rd place and receiving blue ribbons: Thomas Hafner of Lincoln and Jesse Hays of Omaha.

Elementary Division, K-6

1st place trophy and receiving a purple ribbon: Michael Liou of Lincoln with a perfect score of 4 points.

1st place 4-H member and



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receiving a purple ribbon: John Hurdle of Lincoln.

Tied for 2nd place and receiving purple ribbons: Kaushal Kalyanasundaram of Omaha and Wyatt Nelson of Lincoln.

Tied for 3rd place and receiving blue ribbons: Matthew Shattil of Lincoln and Paul Lombard of Lincoln.

Middle School Division, K-9

The middle school entrants played a round robin tournament.

1st place and receiving a purple ribbon: Darrin Lim of Lincoln with a perfect score of 5 points.

2nd place and receiving a purple ribbon: Chung Rhee of Lincoln.

3rd place and receiving a purple ribbon: Adam Schwimmer of Lincoln

1st place 4-H member and receiving a blue ribbon: Mateo Tijerina of Lincoln.

Fourth Graders Learn about Agriculture at 5th Ag Awareness Festival in Lincoln

One Nebraska farmer feeds 129 people per year. This was just one of the things fourth graders attending the Ag Awareness Festival learned about agriculture and how it impacts their daily lives. On April 5 and 6, nearly 400 Lancaster County youth from 11 schools attended the Ag Awareness Festival at the Lancaster Event Center. This is the fifth year the festival has been held in Lincoln.

Students rotated between the following 10 interactive stations: Grain Products, Grain Production, Farming Technology, Swine, Horse, Dairy Production & Products, Ruminant Nutrition, Dairy Calves, Beef Products, Beef Production and Food Safety.

The Ag Awareness Coalition, led by University of Nebraska Cooperative Extension, organizes the festival with the help of agriculture businesses, commodity associations and food industry companies.



Packing peanuts which dissolve in water are just one example of a corn byproduct.

Can You Guess It?

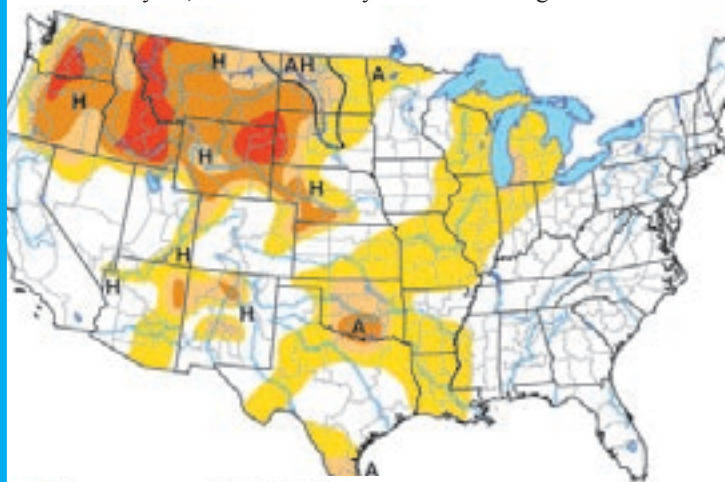


Did you guess it? Find out at <http://lancaster.unl.edu>

Did you guess it from the May NEBLINE? The answer was a massasauga rattlesnake.

U.S. Drought Monitor Map

As of May 10, Lancaster County was not in drought conditions.



Intensity: D0 Abnormally Dry, D1 Drought - Moderate, D2 Drought - Severe, D3 Drought - Extreme, D4 Drought - Exceptional. Drought Impact Types: D* Decreases dominant impacts, A = Agricultural crops, pastures, grasslands, H = Hydrological (water), H* type in both impacts. For the most recent map, visit www.drought.unl.edu/dm

Source: National Drought Mitigation Center, University of Nebraska



This angus-cross heifer (above) patiently chews her cud as students rotate between sessions. Her three-week-old calf weighed approximately 80 pounds at birth.



Youth take an up close look at two young gilts (female swine).



Youth really "get into" combines (at right) and other farm equipment. To learn how much farm technology has changed, youth also grind corn on 1908-patented hand corn grinder.

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