

EXTENSION CALENDAR

All programs and events will be held at the Lancaster Extension Education Center unless otherwise noted.

APRIL

- 24 Nebraska State 4-H Camp Open House, near Halsey 1-4 p.m.
- 24 Salt Valley Wranglers Pre-Districts Practice for 4-H'ers,
Wranglers Grounds 8 a.m. registration

MAY

- 1 Eastern Nebraska 4-H Center Open House, near Gretna 1-4 p.m.
- 3 4-H Council Meeting 7 p.m.
- 4 4-H MQA Training, Waverly High School, Ag Room 6 p.m.
- 5 Beef Clinic, Lancaster Event Center 6:30-9 p.m.
- 13 Lancaster Extension Board Meeting 8 a.m.
- 13 County Deadline for District/State 4-H Horse Show Entries, I.D.'s,
Level Tests
- 17-18 "You Get What You Measure" Workshop 8:30 a.m.
- 19 "Everything Homeowners Need to Know about Termite Control"
Workshop 6:30-9:30 p.m.
- 19 2008 4-H Citizen Washington Focus (CWF) Reorganizational Meeting 7 p.m.
- 24 4-H Pre-Fair Leader Training 9:30 a.m. & 7 p.m.
- 25 4-H County-Level Senior FCS Life Challenge Contest 7 p.m.

Beef Clinic Focuses on Nutrition & Showing, May 5

UNL Cooperative Extension in Lancaster County and Farmers Cooperative Co. will present a Beef Clinic on Thursday, May 5 from 6:30-9 p.m. at the Lancaster Event Center. The event is free and open to anyone. 4-H and FFA youth are especially encouraged to attend.

The evening starts with supper from 6:30-7 p.m. followed by a nutrition workshop featuring Cheryl Leonard, the beef specialist for Purina Land O'Lakes. The evening will conclude with a fitting and showing demonstration by former 4-H members Greg Gana, Anthony Nisley and Squire Johnson. Livestock will be provided to practice on.

Preregistration is requested by May 2. To preregister or for more information, call Deanna Karmazin at 441-7180. Event space provided courtesy of the Lancaster Event Center.

Poultry Judging Clinic, June 16

The 4-H South Central Six Poultry Judging Clinic and Contest will be held June 16 at the Nuckolls County Fairgrounds in Nelson, NE. Registration begins at 10 a.m. For more information, call Nuckolls County Extension at (402) 225-2381 or email cfangmeier2@unl.edu

Sewn Bags Needed by May 5 for Community Service Project

The Lincoln Action Program (LAP) is distributing disaster materials to families in need and are asking people, including 4-H'ers, to donate their sewing skills and fabric and make bags for the materials. They would like the bags to be made of durable fabric (strong polyester, denim) and be 12 x 15 inches with a strong drawstring cord that would also serve as a handle. They are in need of hundreds of bags by May 5. If you can help out please call Tracy at 441-7180.

Painting Workshop for Youth, July 15

The "Let's Paint Run-A-Ways" organization is presenting a workshop for youth ages 8-19 on Friday, July 15, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Lancaster Extension Education Center, 444 Cherrycreek Road, Lincoln.

Instructors use a step-by-step method of instruction. Acrylic paint, brushes and canvas are supplied. Registration is due by July 8, it is limited to the first 25 youth. Cost is \$15 and due upon registration (checks payable to Lancaster County Extension). For more information, or to register, call 441-7180.

Lancaster County Fair Books Now Available

The 2005 Lancaster County Fair will be held Aug. 3-7 at the Lancaster Event Center. The Fair Book includes all the information needed to enter an exhibit or participate in a contest. Anyone can enter "Open Class" categories, which include youth divisions (no entry fee for youth). The Fair Book is distributed at numerous locations throughout Lincoln and Lancaster County, including the Lancaster Event Center, Lancaster County Extension office, Lincoln City Libraries, grocery stores, Shopkos, Wal-Marts, and village banks, post offices and co-ops. It is also online at www.lancastereventcenter.com



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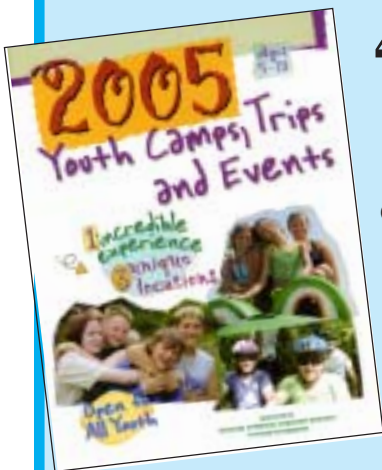
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4-H Camps Open House, April 24 and May 1

The Nebraska State 4-H Camp near Halsey will have a FREE Open House on Sunday, April 24, from 1-4 p.m. and the Eastern Nebraska 4-H Center near Gretna will have a FREE Open House on Sunday, May 1, from 1-4 p.m. Bring your family and friends to help kick off the 2005 summer camp season by exploring the facilities and participating in some of the activities that will be offered this summer.

Open to all youth ages 5-19

There are more than 40 day and overnight camping programs and trips scheduled in May, June, July and August at the three 4-H camp locations in Nebraska. Camps are a great opportunity to meet new friends and experience a wide variety of exciting activities such as canoeing, mountain biking, horseback riding, rappelling or climbing, volleyball, basketball, art, dancing, backpacking, shooting sports, water skiing and fishing!

Brochures with camp descriptions, registration forms and more information are available online at 4h.unl.edu/camp or at the Lancaster County Extension office.