

AUGUST



John & Lori Bruss

Lancaster County 4-H is proud to announce John and Lori Bruss as co-winners of August's "Heart of 4-H Award" in recognition of outstanding volunteer service.



They have been co-leaders of the Happy Go Lucky club, the largest 4-H club in Lancaster County (currently with 52 members), for three years. Prior to that, they were parent volunteers. They are also active on the Livestock VIPs Committee.

Happy Go Lucky is mainly a livestock club, but in the past few years members increasingly participated in food, horticulture and poultry projects. The club holds an annual club livestock show prior to the county fair to give members practice showing animals. As a community service project, the club has adopted a section of Highway 43 near Bennet to pick up litter.

4-H staff member Deanna Karmazin says, "They bring a lot of enthusiasm and energy to the livestock program. Because of their willingness and hard work ethic, the recent leadership transition of the Happy Go Lucky club went smoothly."

"We like being 4-H volunteers because it is rewarding to see the kids show and exhibit their projects with pride and enthusiasm," said Lori. "It is a great feeling to think that we have made a difference."

Married for 24 years, the couple has three children who are current or alumni 4-H members. John has been a volunteer fireman with the Bennet Rural Fire District for 26 years and Lori helps coach volleyball. Each have full time jobs and farm part-time.

Congratulations to John and Lori! Volunteers like them 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.

"Fair's Over, Now What?" Volunteer Training, Sept. 29

Leaders, parents and interested volunteers are invited to attend this 4-H training Thursday, Sept. 29, 9:30 a.m. or 7 p.m. Discover how to complete the current 4-H year and how to prepare for the next 4-H year. Awards, project completion/selection and club reorganization will be covered. Bring your questions and ideas! You must RSVP by calling 441-7180 prior to Monday, Sept. 26.

Lancaster County 4-H Seeks New 4-H Council Members

Serving on the Lancaster 4-H Council is an excellent opportunity to contribute to the youth development of local 4-H members. The 4-H Council is composed of youth and adults working together in the interest of promoting activities of Lancaster County 4-H. They assist extension staff in planning, conducting and evaluating 4-H activities and events.

Council membership terms are three years for adults and two years for youth. Council members are limited to two consecutive terms. The council consists of volunteer 4-H leaders, sponsors, community leaders, school, church and civic officials. Interest in extension education and youth is essential.

Individuals interested in serving on the 4-H Council are encouraged to contact Tracy at 441-7180 for more information and an application.

Seth Davison Attends National 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational



Lancaster County 4-H member Seth Davison (pictured second from right) was part of the Nebraska shotgun team which attended the National 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational held June 29-July 4 at Columbia, Mo. The team placed 5th overall (2nd in trap, 5th in sporting clays and 8th in skeet). Individually, Seth placed 13th overall (8th in trap and 14th in sporting clays).

Seth also participated in the Cornhusker State Games High School Trap and received high overall male. Congratulations Seth!

4-H Teen Council Invites New Members!

The Lancaster County 4-H Teen Council is a leadership organization for youth in grades 7-12. Meetings are held the second Sunday of each month at 3 p.m. at the Lancaster Extension Education Center.

4-H Teen Council members are involved in several leadership activities such as organizing the Ice Cream Social, Cookie Eating Contest and Teen Dance at the Lancaster County Fair.

Call Tracy at 441-7180 for more information or to join!

4-H Strategic Plan Survey — Share Your Opinion!

Nebraska 4-H is now in the process of developing goals for the next five years. Please give your feedback about what's important to you by filling out an online survey. Lancaster County 4-H'ers are encouraged to share their input at <http://4h.unl.edu>.

The survey takes about 10 minutes to complete. If you have questions, please call the State 4-H Office at 472-2805, or e-mail: klodl@unl.edu.

COUNTY FAIR 4-H & FFA NEWS



For 4-H county fair results and photos, go to <http://lancaster.unl.edu/4h/Fair>. Congratulations to all participants!

4-H Thanks Sponsors

Lancaster County 4-H would like to thank all of the businesses, organizations and individuals that sponsored 4-H events, activities, programs and trophies at this year's county fair. This support enhances the educational experience of the 4-H youth who participate in the county fair.

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We apologize for any inaccuracies. If you notice any corrections, please call us and we will include the information in next month's Nebline.

Thank You to Volunteers

The county fair would not be possible without the dedicated work of hundreds of volunteers. The Lancaster Agricultural Society and Lancaster County 4-H thank all of the people who donated their time and talents to help make this community event a success!