



August

Kay Clinch

Lancaster County 4-H is proud to announce Kay Clinch as winner of August's "Heart of 4-H Award" in recognition of outstanding volunteer service.

Kay has been a 4-H leader for 10 years. She was a leader with the Hands Across America 4-H club for one year and organizational leader of Clovers and Company for nine years. Clovers and Company has been recognized four times as an Outstanding 4-H Club based on club participation at county fair. Kay and her husband Ron have been longtime superintendents of the Lancaster County Fair 4-H Bicycle Safety Contest.

"I like to see kids having fun while they learn," says Kay. "It was so much fun to see them learn new skills such as baking, sewing, woodworking, horticulture, etc. My favorite experience as a 4-H volunteer was all the activities we did as a group: the community service projects, launching rockets, woodworking, baking and especially the mother/daughter breakfasts. Once a year, we would meet in the morning in our pajamas and cook breakfast together — it was a blast!"

Kay runs her own business, Kays Kwilts and she belongs to the Quilt Guild. She helps makes quilts to give to the poor through organizations such as Quilt Guild, the Linus Project and People's Mission.

Congratulations to Kay! Volunteers like her are indeed the heart of 4-H!

Nominate your favorite 4-H volunteer by submitting the form online at <http://lancaster.unl.edu/4h> or available at the extension office. Nominations of co-volunteers welcome.



Life Challenge Results

The 4-H Life Challenge contests focus on Family and Consumer Science project areas.

The County Senior Life Challenge contest was held June 9. Britta Doeschot was awarded the Grand Champion rosette.

The State Senior Life Challenge contest was held June 26–27 at UNL East Campus in conjunction with PASE. 4-H members participating in this contest were Catherine Dowd, Helen Dowd and Jessica Stephenson. Their team received 3rd place in the Clover Challenge, an interactive, computer-based contest where teams of youth test their understanding of family and consumer sciences subject matter.

The County Junior Life Challenge contest was held July 7 and Annaliese Saathoff was awarded the Grand Champion rosette.



(L-R) Catherine Dowd, Jessica Stephenson and Helen Dowd received 3rd place in the State Senior Life Challenge Clover Challenge.

PASE Results

Lancaster County 4-H Judging teams competed in various events at this year's Premier Animal Science Events (PASE) on June 26 and 27 at UNL East Campus. Congratulations to all team members!

The livestock judging team consisting of team members Whitney Davis, Shayna Truax, Whitney Poole and Levi Meyer took 9th place overall. Poole, Davis and Truax all placed in the top 40 in the individual competition. Whitney Davis also placed in the top 10 individuals in the sheep division.

Jacob Fry and Levi Meyer competed in the dairy judging contest. Levi placed in the top 20 in the individual competition.

The poultry judging team consisting of members Alex Scheideler, Will Scheideler and Andrea McCain took 3rd place overall. In the individual contest, Alex Scheideler took 7th place and Will Scheideler placed 10th.

4-H'ERS IN THE NEWS

Lancaster County 4-H'er Spencer Farley was among 1,500 youth honored nationwide by Kohl's Departments Stores through the Kids Who Care program. He was recognized for his community service project of organizing installation of a flower garden at Northeast Family Center (see April 2006 Neblin).



Spencer Farley (center) was recognized by staff at the Lincoln Kohl's.

Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Youth Expo, Sept. 26–Oct. 1

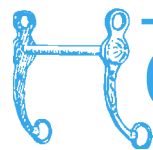
The 79th Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Youth Livestock Exposition will be held Sept. 26–Oct. 1 at the Qwest Center in Omaha. More than 2,000 4-H families from an eight-state area participate in the Expo. Categories of this 4-H only competition are Dairy, Feeder Calf & Breeding Beef, Horse, Market Beef, Market Broilers, Meat Goats, Market Lamb and Market Swine. For more information, entry forms and tentative schedule, go to <http://aksarben.org/4-H>

Entries Due Aug. 6

Entries from Lancaster 4-H members are due to extension staff no later than Sunday, Aug. 6. Please make sure to include all entry fees, chutes and parking. Please note this year Ak-Sar-Ben will require 15-day health certificates for livestock, and 30-day health certificates for horses! Please call Deanna or Marty if you have questions.

Horse Exhibitor Eligibility

For the Ak-Sar-Ben horse show, exhibitors are eligible to show only in classes they received a BLUE or PURPLE in at districts. However, only a Level III is needed to enable you to show in the advanced classes (list available on Web site). Each exhibitor is only allowed to show in three classes, regardless of the number of purple or blue awards received at districts.



HORSE BITS

District Horse Show Results

This was the first time since 1995 a 4-H horse district show was held in Lincoln, and the first time at the Lancaster Event Center. Nearly 110 4-H'ers participated in the Lincoln show. Thanks to the many volunteers who helped make it successful!

Lancaster County 4-H exhibitors participated in district shows held across the state during the last week in June. Below are purple ribbon winners. Full results are online at <http://4h.unl.edu/disthorseshow>. Congratulations to all participants!

LINCOLN

English Pleasure 14< hands	12–14	Alex Scheideler	Champion
Western Pleasure	15 & up	Morgan Marshall	Reserve Champion
Western Pleasure	12–14	Allison Hurlbut	Champion
Western Horsemanship	12–14	Allison Hurlbut	
Reining	12–14	Alex Scheideler	Champion
Reining	15 & up	Micah Messick	
Pole Bending	15 & up	Nicole Zuhlke	Reserve Champion
Pole Bending	12–14	Dustin Ehrlich	
Barrels	15 & up	Amanda Essink	Reserve Champion

BEATRICE

English Pleasure 14< hands	12–14	McKenzie True	Champion
English Equitation	12–14	McKenzie True	Champion
Pole Bending	15 & up	Anna Russell	Champion
Barrels	15 & up	Anna Russell	

OAKLAND

Pole Bending	15 & up	Lyndsy Larson	
Barrels	15 & up	Ryan Hagan	Reserve Champion
Barrels	15 & up	Lyndsy Larson	Champion

LEXINGTON

English Equitation	12–14	Cara Peters	
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Goering Earns Jr. Champion at Pitzer Judging Contest

Lancaster County 4-H member Courtney Goering participated in the 2006 Pitzer 4-H Horse Judging Contest held at Pitzer Ranch in Ericson, earning Junior Division Champion! The judging contest consisted of placing four halter classes, three performance classes, and answering four sets of questions. Congratulations Courtney!

