



NEBRASKA STATE FAIR 4-H/FFA NEWS



Get ready for fun at the 2006 Nebraska State Fair Friday, Aug. 25 through Monday, Sept. 4! For a schedule of 4-H at the state fair and more, go to <http://4h.unl.edu/programs/statefair>

State Fair Exhibitor Tickets

State Fair exhibitor tickets for \$3.25 may be purchased and picked up at the extension office. These passes are for 4-H members and their immediate family only. Parking on the fairgrounds is FREE this year.

Volunteer at the State Fair!

Hundreds of people volunteer their time and energy in making 4-H at the Nebraska State Fair incredibly successful. Along with the opportunity to participate in this great event and meet new people, each volunteer will receive a free gate entrance pass to the State Fair for the day(s) they volunteer.

Volunteers are needed for: Exhibit Hall 4-H hosts, 4-H CyberFair, Discover 4-H activity, contest/event Assistance and Exhibit Hall project area assistant. Thanks to the many volunteers who have already committed to helping! *Right now, the biggest need is for Exhibit Hall hosts on Aug. 27 and Sept. 2.* For more information, contact Doug Swanson at 472-2805.

4-H Mascot volunteers are also needed. For more information, go to <http://4h.unl.edu/kids/mascotvolunteer.htm> or call Tracy Pracheil at 472-9016.

State Fair Savings

The Lancaster County Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) youth are selling "Bonus Buck Books" for the Nebraska State Fair. The Bonus Bucks have a value of over \$250 for the Nebraska State Fair. They include a variety of great coupons with \$1 offs, half-offs, buy one get one free, percent off purchases from food and product vendors at the fair including the Devaney Center. The costs of the books are \$5. A portion of the proceeds will go to the CWF travel fund. If you would like to purchase one, please contact Deanna Karmazin at 441-7180 or stop in at the extension office.

Tentative 4-H Schedule

For complete 4-H schedule, Fairbook and results, go to <http://4h.unl.edu/programs/statefair>

Aug. 24	7:30-10 a.m.	State Fair 4-H Static Entry Day, <i>Exhibit Hall</i>
Aug. 25	5 p.m.	4-H Exhibit Hall Opens
Aug. 26	7:30 a.m.	Dog Show, <i>Exhibit Hall Arena</i>
	6 p.m.	Dairy Goat Showmanship, <i>Swine, Sheep, Goat Barn</i>
Aug. 27	8 a.m.	Dairy Goat Show, <i>Swine, Sheep, Goat Barn</i>
Aug. 30	12:30 a.m.	Discover 4-H: Free Fun Activities for Kids! <i>Exhibit Hall</i>
Aug. 31	12:30 p.m.	Discover 4-H: Free Fun Activities for Kids! <i>Exhibit Hall</i>
Sep. 2	8 a.m.	Presentations, <i>Youth Complex Demo Rooms</i>
	9 a.m.	Poultry Show, <i>Small Animal Pavilion</i>
	10 a.m.	Discover 4-H: Free Fun Activities for Kids! <i>Exhibit Hall</i>
	2 p.m.	Sheep Promotion Contest, <i>Exhibit Hall Arena</i>
	4 p.m.	State Public Speaking Contest, <i>Youth Complex Demo Rooms</i>
	5 p.m.	Breeding Sheep Show, <i>Exhibit Hall Arena</i>
	7 p.m.	Sheep Showmanship, <i>Exhibit Hall Arena</i>
Sep. 3	8 a.m.	Market Steers & Heifers Show, <i>New Arena</i>
	8 a.m.	Market Lamb Show, <i>Exhibit Hall Arena</i>
	8 a.m.	Presentations cont', <i>Youth Complex Demo</i>
	10:30 a.m.	Fashion Show, <i>Bob Devaney Sports Center</i>
	11:30 a.m.	4-H All Stars Celebrity Autograph Session, <i>Exhibit Hall</i>
	1 p.m.	Shopping in Style Fashion Show, <i>Bob Devaney Sports Center</i>
	1:45 p.m.	First Alumni Cake Decorating Contest, <i>Exhibit Hall</i>
	2 p.m.	4-H Ice Cream Social, <i>Exhibit Hall</i>
	6 p.m.	Swine Showmanship, <i>Swine Arena</i>
Sep. 5	7:30 a.m.	Breeding Heifers Show, <i>New Arena</i>
	8 a.m.	Dairy Show, <i>Beef Arena</i>
	8 a.m.	Rabbit Show, <i>Small Animal Pavilion</i>
	8 a.m.	Swine Show, <i>Swine Arena</i>
	8 a.m.	Presentations cont', <i>Youth Complex Demo</i>
	3-6:30 p.m.	Static Exhibits released, <i>Exhibit Hall</i>

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. For more information and a complete schedule, go to <http://aksarben.org/4-H>

Windstream Donates \$3,000 for 4-H Camp Scholarships



(L-R) Stephanie Frana (Windstream Regional Sales Manager), Michael Veburg (4-H Teen Council), Tracy Kulm (4-H staff), Deanna Karmazin (4-H staff), Jean Pedersen (4-H Council), Kyle Pedersen (4-H Teen Council), Nicole Pedersen (4-H Teen Council) and Brad Hedrick (Windstream Vice President and General Manager)

On Aug. 11, Windstream Communications donated \$3,000 to Lancaster County 4-H as part of the company's ongoing commitment to helping the people and communities it serves "grow places." The donation will fund scholarships to send underprivileged 4-H'ers to state 4-H camps. Teen Council members received the donation on behalf of Lancaster County 4-H youth.

"Windstream is proud to provide this \$3,000 sponsor-

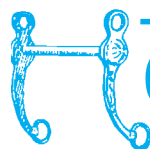
ship to the Lancaster County 4-H Teen Council," says Brad Hedrick, Vice President and General Manager of Windstream. "This donation is just a part of Windstream's commitment to give a total of \$100,000 to local 4-H clubs in the communities we serve when we have the Green Truck Tour in town."

The Green Truck Tour, which features the green vintage pickup truck used in Windstream commercials, will

travel to 33 towns in 15 states.

There are three Nebraska 4-H camp locations: Halsey, Greta and Alma. Each summer, more than 40 camps are offered, ranging from half day to four days/three nights.

"This is a great opportunity for 4-H youth," says 4-H staff member Tracy Kulm. "4-H camps develop leadership skills and teamwork. Those positive experiences last a lifetime."



HORSE BITS

State Horse Expo Results

The 2006 Fonner Park State 4-H Horse Exposition was held July 16-20 at Grand Island. Below are the top Lancaster County 4-H placings. Complete results are online at <http://4h.unl.edu/horseshow>

GRAND CHAMPION

McKenzie True, Showmanship 12-14
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Morgan Marshall, Western Pleasure Horses 15 & up

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION

Mindy Leach, Showmanship 15 & up
Mindy Leach, English Pleasure 15 & up
Cassie Krueger, Pole Bending 15 & up
Robyn Shannon, Elementary Dressage

3RD PLACE

Amanda Essink, Barrel Racing 15 & up
Ryan Hagan, Calf Roping

4TH PLACE

Taylor Holliday, Dally Team Roping - Header
Alex Scheideler, Elementary Dressage

ALL-AROUND AWARDS

Alex Scheideler, 3rd place for Junior All-Around



(L-R) Ben Leach, Mindy Leach and Morgan Marsall made it to Senior Showmanship finals.

4-H'ers Invited to Attend Dennis Reis' "No Dust Tour" FREE

Reis Ranch Universal Horsemanship has once again generously provided free tickets for 4-H horse families and club leaders to attend horse whisperer Dennis Reis' "No Dust Tour" Aug. 26-27 at the Lancaster Event Center. Normal admission for two people for two days is \$25. The 2-day event runs from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. each day. Tickets for 4-H'ers can be picked up now until Aug. 25 (or until all tickets are given out) at UNL Extension in Lancaster County, 444 Cherrycreek Road. Tickets are first come first serve. (*Do not call and ask for tickets to be held for you; and tickets may not be used for resale.*)

Reis' demonstrations are no stage act — he applies his methods with horses owned by local residents in the cities on his No Dust Tour. The troubled horses that local residents bring to Reis have a variety of problems ranging from bucking, biting, spooking, trampling, running away, and worse. Over two days, and sometimes only 15 or 20 minutes, Reis transforms these horses into relaxed, gentle, mounts.

For more information about Reis, go to <http://www.reisranch.com>.