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Sponsored by the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources

Saturday, Oct. 11
9 a.m.–2 p.m. • Nebraska East Union



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 - Meet Current Students
- Learn More About Our 28 Programs and 2 Pre-professional Programs
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(800) 742-8800, ext. 2541 or go to www.casnr.unl.edu
Registration deadline: Oct. 3



Help Start a 4-H Club!

The University of Nebraska–Lincoln Extension 4-H Youth Development Program is open to all youth ages 5–18. Through learning-by-doing, youth gain practical skills and develop life skills.

Currently, there are far more youth wanting to be in 4-H clubs than there are clubs. Families are encouraged to help organize a new club — which is a lot easier than you may think! Starting a 4-H club now gives plenty of time for members to work on projects for next year's county and state fairs.

Club Organization

Clubs range from 5 to 60 members and are led (or co-led) by club leaders — often club members' parents. Parents are encouraged to attend meetings.

Volunteers are the heart of 4-H. Adult leaders partner with youth members to complete projects.

Club leaders — Also known as organizational leaders, club leaders coordinate meeting times and agendas. They also are responsible for club enrollment information.

Project leaders — Clubs may or may not have project leaders who provide leadership for specific projects.

Parent Volunteers — Also known as assistant leaders, provide valuable guidance to youth.

Club officers — Youth members choose officers to run their meetings.



The Smiley Do Rights 4-H club started this year.

Over 150 Projects

Nebraska 4-H has more than 150 project areas. Age-appropriate project manuals are written by university experts. Most project manuals have accompanying leader guides.

In most clubs, members complete several projects a year. Some 4-H clubs focus on one particular project area, such as rabbits. Many youth exhibit their projects at the county and state fairs.

4-H Staff Guidance

4-H staff provides guidance and resources to club leaders. Here's a look at Lancaster County 4-H staff and their areas of responsibilities:

- Tracy Kulm manages all non-animal project areas. This includes clothing, food, home environment, engineering and general areas.
- Deanna Karmazin runs the 4-H livestock project areas.
- Marty Cruickshank manages the 4-H horse and poultry

project areas.

- Mary Jane Frogge runs the horticulture and conservation project areas.
- Teri Hlava oversees the 4-H after-school program, 4-H school enrichment and 4-H rabbit project area.
- Karen Evasco provides support to all 4-H areas.

Other Resources

- Resource materials available to leaders include:
- Regularly-scheduled leader trainings
 - The Neblin monthly newsletter 4-H pages
 - Lancaster County 4-H Web site at <http://lanaster.unl.edu>
 - Nebraska 4-H web site at <http://4h.unl.edu>
 - Mailings to club leaders
 - County and State Fair can provide numerous ideas and inspirations for projects!

To Get Started

If you would like to help start a 4-H club, call Lancaster County 4-H at 441-7180.

Can You Guess It?

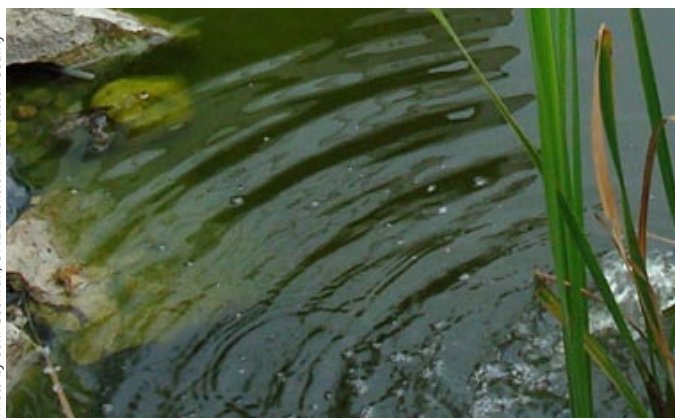


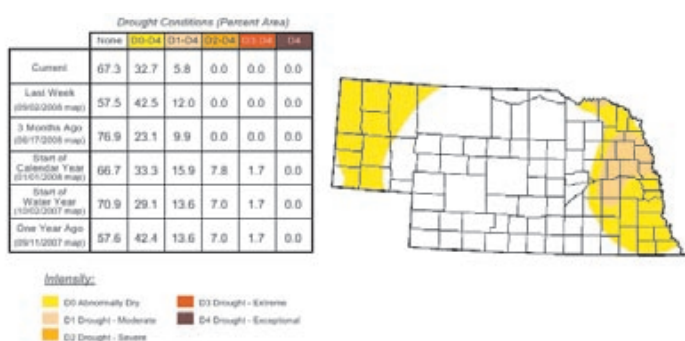
Photo by Soni Cochran, UNL Extension in Lancaster County

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

Did you guess it from the September NEBLINE?
The answer was the center of a purple coneflower

U.S. Drought Monitor Map

As of Sept. 9, Lancaster County was in abnormally dry conditions.



For the most recent map, visit <http://www.drought.unl.edu/dm>

Source: National Drought Mitigation Center, University of Nebraska–Lincoln

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Learn about 4-H!



4-H Kick Off

Thursday, Oct. 9

Q & A!

6 p.m.

Prizes!

Lancaster Extension Education Center
444 Cherrycreek Road, Lincoln

Come Find Out How to Join 4-H!

- ◆ Help form a new 4-H club
- ◆ Be an independent member
- ◆ Join an existing 4-H club (limited availability)
- ◆ Participate in 4-H activities such as camps



4-H'ers will share completed projects!

4-H is a learn-by-doing program with more than 150 projects from which to choose. Youth learn practical skills and develop life skills!

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