

EXTENSION CALENDAR

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

February

- 20-21 **Strengthening Family Treasures Daughter/Mother Camp**, Carol Joy Holling Center near Ashland 5 p.m.-5 p.m.
- 21 **Beginning Beekeeping Workshop** 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
- 23 **4-H Entomology Workshop** 7-8:30 p.m.
- 24 **Family & Community Education (FCE) and Community Leader Training, "Bullying"** 1 p.m.
- 27 **Winning the Game Marketing Workshop**, Horizon Bank, 10841 N. 142 St, Waverly 8:15 a.m.-Noon

March

- 1 **Nebraska 4-H Scholarships Applications Due**
- 2 **Air Rifle (BB) 4-H Club Meeting** 7 p.m.
- 3 **4-H Council Meeting** 7 p.m.
- 5 **4-H Public Speaking (Speech & Presentation) Workshop** .. 6:30 p.m.
- 7 **4-H Pillow Party** 9 a.m.
- 8 **4-H Roping/Goat Tying Clinic**, Lancaster Event Center - Amy Countryman Arena 2 p.m.
- 8 **4-H Teen Council Meeting**, Location TBA 3 p.m.
- 13 **Extension Board Meeting** 8 a.m.
- 14 **4-H Horse Stampede**, Animal Science Bldg, UNL East Campus ... 8 a.m.
- 17 **Guardian/Conservator Training** 1:30-4:30 p.m.
- 19 **Parents Forever/Kids Talk About Divorce** 5:30-9:30 p.m.
- 23 **Family & Community Education (FCE) Council Meeting**, TBA
- 27 **Southeast District Family & Community Education (FCE)** .. 10:30 a.m.
- 27-29 **National Youth Horse Leaders Symposium**, UNL
- 28 **4-H Jammie Jamboree** 9 a.m.
- 28 **4-H Rabbit Spring Show**, Lancaster Event Center, Exhibit Hall 9 a.m.

National Youth Horse Symposium in Lincoln, March 27-29

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension will host the American Youth Horse Council's 2009 National Horse Leaders Symposium in Lincoln on March 27-29.

The event will boast more than two-dozen internationally and nationally respected teachers assembled to share their keys to successful youth horse programming. Presentations will be aimed at Adult Leaders of Youth Horse Programs, Industry Professionals and Teen Leaders. Separate Teen Leader activities will bring youth representing all disciplines and horse breed activities together to learn team building, ethics and network. A preconference tour of the area will include horse farms of many disciplines.

Applications and additional brochures can be found at <http://www.animalscience.unl.edu/extension/equine.html>. More information on the symposium can be found at <http://www.ayhc.com/symposium.htm>

Fair Books Due to be Mailed by Mid-March

The 2009 Lancaster County Fair will be Aug. 5-9 at the Lancaster Event Center. Fair Books will be mailed to all 4-H families and previous Open Class exhibitors by mid-March. The 4-H portions of the Fair Book will be online at <http://lanaster.unl.edu/4h> and Open Class portions will be at www.superfair.org

New in the 4-H areas this year are:

- Horse Hunter Show
- Hunter/Saddleseat Halter Show
- Llama/Alpaca Show
- Meat Goat Show
- Swine Breeding Gilt class and a Babe Contest

More information about 4-H changes will be published in upcoming NEBLINES.

Horse Expo, March 13-15

Nebraska's largest equine trade show and educational extravaganza will be held March 13-15 at the Lancaster Event Center. Featured clinicians include Richard Frake, Rob McNabb and Dianne Olds Rossi who is a connoisseur of educated dancing horses, or Haute d'Ecole (high school) horses. For more information and schedule, go to www.nebraskahorsecouncil.org.

4-H Volunteer Training Available to Check Out on DVD

This year's "Winter Warm-Up" 4-H volunteer training will be available via DVD. Topics include: "Communicating with Families", "Liveliest Livestock Meetings", "Importance of 4-H Volunteers", "It's Just Rocket Science", "State Fair Update" or "Investing in Youth". View one or all topics. Contact Tracy at 441-7180 to check out a DVD.

March Jim Bauman

Lancaster County 4-H is proud to announce Jim Bauman as winner of March's "Heart of 4-H Award" in recognition of outstanding volunteer service.

Jim has volunteered for 4-H since his oldest daughter started 4-H nearly 20 years ago. He has helped members of the Flying Hoofs and Riding Wranglers 4-H clubs with horse, beef, swine, sheep and goat projects. He has also helped with fitting, selection and nutrition clinics.

"I liked watching the kids go through stages as they gained more knowledge, experience and confidence in their livestock endeavors through the years," Jim says. "My favorite experience as a 4-H volunteer was watching the many successes—along with some failures—my children had in 4-H."

Jim, his wife Cindy and their three children are all 4-H alumni. He is manager of the Farmers Cooperative Company Martell branch. He, his wife and his company sponsor numerous trophies for the animal shows at the Lancaster County Fair. He has served on the Lancaster County Ag Society board of directors. He is a life member of the American Quarter Horse Association and member of the Nebraska Cattlemen Association.

Congratulations to Jim. Volunteers like him are indeed the heart of 4-H!

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



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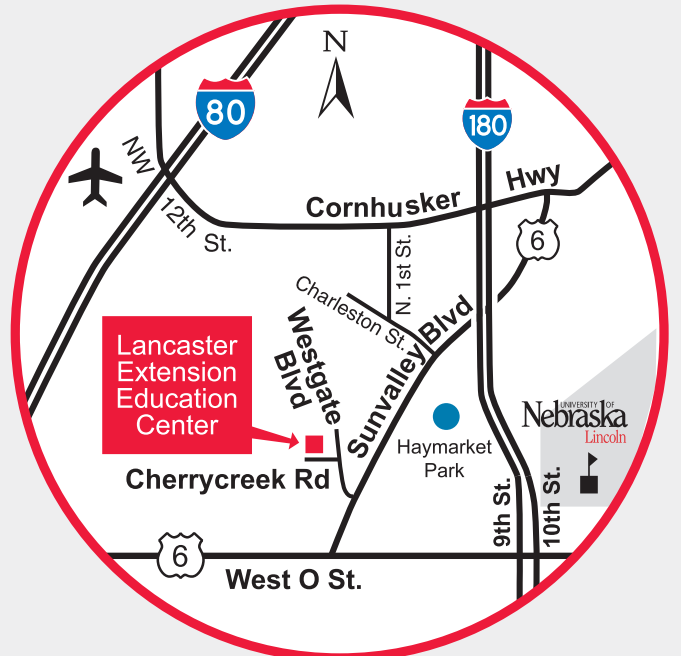
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