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PSA Contest, Due April 7
In the Public Service Announcement (PSA) Contest, 4-H’ers submit a 60 second “radio commercial” promoting 4-H. Submit a PSA via CD to extension by Monday, April 7. If you do not have the capabilities to record a PSA, contact Cole at 402-441-7180. All contestants, their parent and legal guardian will need to sign the PSA release form (available at 4-H Speech Contest on April 13.) Winning entries will be aired on 4-H Youth Radio (15–18 years old) and other media outlets as designated by the PSAs Committee.

Speech Contest, April 13
The 4-H Speech Contest will be held Sunday, April 13 at the Lancaster Event Center. Registration begins at 1:30 p.m., contest begins at 2 p.m. Register by April 7 by calling 402-441-7180 or emailing cmeador2@unl.edu with your name, age, division, and if it is “Speech for YouTube.”

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4-H Bicycle Contest
Superintendent Needed
Do you enjoy riding your bike and helping youth? Here is a great opportunity to do both. A 4-H Bicycle Contest Superintendent is needed for the annual contest usually held in June. Training and direction provided. If there is no superintendent, there will be no contest. If interested, contact Tracy at 402-441-7180.

4-H Paws-On Dog Workshop, March 8
UNL Extension will present its annual statewide 4-H Paws-On Dog Workshop on Saturday, March 8, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Lincoln Co. Obedience Club Building, 5740 Johanna Road, Lincoln. This workshop aims to help 4-H members learn more about dog care and improve their 4-H dog training and showing skills. Bring a crate and show leads to work with. Fee is $15 per person, which includes a lunch. Registration form is at http://companionanimal.unl.edu. Registration must be postmarked by March 1.

Pick-A-Pig Club Accepting New Members
The Pick-A-Pig 4-H club will accept new members in February and March. All youth ages 8–18 are welcome. Learn all about raising a pig and showing it at county fair. The pigs are raised at one central farm. Call Harry Muhlbach at 402-430-7304 with any questions.