New In 2015 • 4-H Members MUST Be Enrolled Online by Jan. 31

Nebraska 4-H is introducing a new 4-H online enrollment system, called “4-H Online” that will be operative January 1, 2015 for Lancaster County. 4-H families MUST enroll online by Jan. 31. A paper enrollment is no longer an option. The website to enroll is http://ne.4honline.com. The process is easy and only takes a few minutes per member.

NOTE: only parents/guardians may enroll 4-H members. Each 4-H household will need to set up a profile in which the 4-H youth for the household will be added.

A step-by-step instruction guide with pictures is at http://lan caster.unl.edu/4h/4henrollformleader.pdf. If you have questions about the process, or need access to a computer, call Karen Evasco at 402-441-7180.

Current 4-H members who are not enrolled online by Jan. 31 will no longer be officially enrolled members. New members and fair projects may be updated through June 15. For now, volunteers and leaders must still enroll using the form at http://lan caster.unl.edu/4h/4henrollformleader.pdf by June 15.

Online Enrollment Training, Jan. 13

All 4-H leaders, volunteers and parents are invited to attend a 4-H Online Enrollment Training on Tuesday, Jan. 13 at the Lancaster Extension Education Center, 444 Cherrycreek Road. Come anytime between 7:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. 4-H staff will answer questions, and laptops will be available for parents/guardians to enroll 4-H members for the new 4-H year.

Meet 2015 4-H Council

Lancaster County 4-H Council represents the interests of youth, parents and leaders. 4-H Council is responsible for determining long- and short-term goals and policies for Lancaster County 4-H. They also raise funds by operating a food booth at the Lancaster County Fair. These funds help support 4-H programs, activities and scholarships. Here is this year’s 4-H Council:

Officers: Karol Swotek (President), Kylene Plager (Vice President), Shar Sieck (Treasurer) and Sheridan Swotek (Secretary).

Members: Alicia Graybill, Bailee Gunnerson, Brandy Gunnerson, Austin Hurt, Ann Pickrel, Jacob Pickrel, Cathy Plager, Kari Price, Jenny Schneide and Mas Wanz.

4-H/FFA Market Beef Weigh-In, Jan. 22

4-H and FFA exhibitors showing market steers or heifers at the Lancaster County Super Fair, Nebraska State Fair and/or Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Stock Show must identify and weigh-in their projects on Thursday, Jan. 22, 6-7 p.m. at the Lancaster Event Center – Pavilion 2.

4-H’ers planning on exhibiting market beef at State Fair or Ak-Sar-Ben must have DNA sampled. There is a $6 per head charge. It is encouraged to have DNA pulled at the time of weigh-in. Exhibitors have until April 1 to identify, weigh and pull DNA on any market beef that may go to State Fair or Ak-Sar-Ben. All other market livestock possibly going to State Fair or Ak-Sar-Ben will need to be DNA sampled, with a later date to be announced.

4-H Crocheting Workshop, Feb. 7

4-H youth ages 10 and up are invited to learn how to crochet a washcloth utilizing the single crochet stitch at the “Basic Crocheting” workshop on Saturday, Feb. 7, 9 a.m. at the Lancaster Extension Education Center, 444 Cherrycreek Road. No cost – all supplies will be provided. Adults are welcome to attend to help 4-H’ers. Must preregister by Feb. 4 by calling 402-441-7180.

4-H Pillow Sewing Workshop, Feb. 21

4-H youth ages 8 and up are invited to learn beginning sewing skills and make a pillow at the “Pillow Party” sewing workshop on Saturday, Feb. 21, 9 a.m. at the Lancaster Extension Education Center, 444 Cherrycreek Road. No cost to attend. Sign up by Feb. 18 by calling 402-441-7180. Bring your sewing machine, basic sewing equipment (scissors, pins, measuring tape, etc.). Also bring 1/3 yard and 2/3 yard contrasting fabrics, pre-washed, 100% cotton (no plaids, no contrasting fabrics, pre-washed, no knits) and matching thread.

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