#### May 2016



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### **DATES TO REMEMBER!**



⇒ May 19 Butler County 4-H Livestock Judging, Butler County Fairgrounds

6:00 pm registration, 6:30 pm contest

⇒ May 20 Clover Kid Day Camp, 9 am to 1 pm

⇒ June 1 4-H Horse ID Deadline Butler County Fair

⇒ June 15 LQA, Butler County Fair Pre-entry, and Livestock ID deadlines

 $\Rightarrow$  June 17 Fun Day, 9 am -1 pm

⇒ June 22 Plant Science, Insect ID Contests, Columbus

⇒ July 19-24 This Way to the FUN! Butler County Fair

### **Rising Stars 4-H Club Gains State Recognition**



Community forestry awards were presented by the Nebraska Forest Service, with first lady Susanne Shore participating in the event.

Organizations from around the state were recognized for tree-planning efforts at the Nebraska State Capitol on April 5. The

Youth Award went to Rising Stars 4-H Club of Butler County.

Three of its members have won gold medals for tree identification at the Nebraska State 4-H Tree Identification Contest in recent years, with many other members receiving honors that have resulted in Butler County 4-H being the champion team for seven consecutive years. An important result of these efforts was applying this knowledge to community service projects for tree signage and education in local landscapes.

Graham Herbst, Nebraska Forest Service awarded the plaque to Camille and Lucas Cox, Rising Stars club members.



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Discover 4-H, Discover YOU!

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## **Butler County 4-H Summer Workshops**

### **Horticulture Workshop**

Presented by Marilyn Schmit, Master Gardener Wednesday, June 1, 10 - noon

\$10

Butler County Fairgrounds (snacks included)

4-H members will prepare a desert garden. Bring a container for planting (up to 12" in diameter, inside opening). Plants and potting soil will be provided. Everyone will also make a garden sculpture by recycling dishes and glassware. All supplies will be provided for the garden sculpture.



### **Canvas & Paper Art**

Lori Shalon, 4-H Club Leader

June 1, 1 – 4 p.m. Butler County Fairgrounds

All supplies and snacks are included.

The canvas art project is a layered design, painted on a canvas frame. Each participant will create their own unique art piece. Working with color selection and design basics. The paper art will use recycled items such as paper towel rolls, cut into circles and shaped to make individual creations.





# Apron 5—June 2, 9:00-noon, Butler County Fairgrounds Hain Building.

Colleen Coufal and Becky Kresha. Bring along fabric. 1 1/8 yards of cotton, lightweight denim, broadcloth, etc. Thread and notions will be provided. Bring a sewing machine, if you have one, and a sewing buddy, if you can. (snacks included)



## Entomology-insects & their homes

June 9, 9-noon, Butler County Fairgrounds hosted by Michael Rethwisch. Participants will learn about galls, wasp nests, leafcutter bees and more. Bring 4" x 4" wood piece or tree branch or log at least 3" in diameter. (snacks included)

## **BARN QUILTS-**



1:00 - 4 p.m. Marilyn Zeilinger & Katie Pleskac presenting.

We will paint wood squares to resemble quilt blocks and explore their history. All supplies will be provided, snack included. BUTLER COUNTY



### **Corn Matters-Corn Mosaic**



Tuesday, June 14, Nichols Art Studio by Gabrielle Comte, Bone Creek Museum of Agrarian Art and Louise Niemann. 1 pm—3pm.

"Corn Matters"--understanding the uses of corn and its importance in agriculture. Participants will work individually or in groups to create a large mosaic using dyed corn kernels as the primary medium which will be included in the Bone Creek Museum display at the Butler County Fair. Each tile will receive a participation ribbon and premium at the Butler County Fair.

FREE! Limit of 20 participants.

#### **Registration Instructions:**

- 1. Make checks payable to University of Nebraska-Lincoln
- 2. Each Workshop follows a 4-H curriculum and is open to 4-H members, 8-18 (4-H age).
- 3. Parents/Grandparents/Helpers are encouraged to attend with younger 4-H'ers. Come join the FUN!

### 2016 Butler County 4-H Summer Workshop Registration Form

Please use one registration per 4-H member.

Name\_\_\_\_\_\_4-H Age (ages as 1/1/16:\_\_\_\_\_Grade\_\_\_\_

Workshop	Date	Time	Cost	Total \$
Horticulture Workshop	6/1/16	10 am-noon	\$10	
Canvas & Paper Art	6/1/16	1 pm -3 pm	\$5	
Aprons	6/2/16	9 am-noon	\$5	
Entomology	6/9/16	9 am-noon	\$5	
Barn Quilts	6/9/16	1 pm-4 pm	\$8	
Corn Matters-Corn Mosaic	6/14/16	1 pm-3 pm	FREE	
TOTAL Payable to University of Nebraska-Lincoln				\$

Parent's Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone\_\_\_\_\_

Send to: Butler County Extension, 451 N 5<sup>th</sup> Street, David City NE 68632; (402) 367-7410; butler-county@unl.edu Fees must be included with registration form.



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On behalf of the Butler County 4-H Staff and the 4-H Council, congratulations on graduating from high school.

We hope the skills you gained in 4-H are skills that you will use throughout your lifetime.

Thank you for your involvement in 4-H.





### COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

The Butler County 4H Council has decided to donate a cooler full of picnic items as a silent auction item for Butler County Relay for Life. We are asking each club to make a donation of items or money to be used towards items.

Please have the items turned into the Butler County Extension Office by May 31.



# **4-H Fun Day**

Friday, June 17 @ Butler County Fairgrounds 9 a.m.—1 p.m. Lunch & fair exhibit

Open to all youth ages 6-10.

Register to Butler County Extension by June 10. \$10 fee payable to UNL.

See enclosed flyer.

Livestock Quality Assurance deadline, **June 15.** All youth exhibiting livestock at Butler County Fair, State Fair or Ak-Sar-Ben, must complete LQA training. This included rabbits and poultry exhibitors. Instructions and information were included in the April 4-H newsletter.

Contact the extension office with questions.

DON'T MISS

Butler County Fair Pre-entry Forms are included in this mailing. Pre-entry forms are due lung 15 to Part of due June 15 to Butler County Extension Office.

### 4-H Council Scholarships Awarded

Butler County 4-H Council has awarded a \$250 scholarship to Alesha Rethwisch, Rising Stars 4-H Club.

The scholarship requires active 4-H members to submit a written essay and a completed 4-H Career Portfolio.



# 4-H Livestock Judging

Thursday, May 19, 2016

Butler County Fairgrounds
6:00 p.m. sign up - 6:30 p.m. contest begins

This is a large animal judging contest. Each class will have placings and some classes will have oral reasons or questions. 4-H members do not have to be enrolled in livestock projects to participate. Ribbons and trophies will be awarded.





May 4-H Newsletter includes Butler County Fair Pre-entry form, due 6-15-16.