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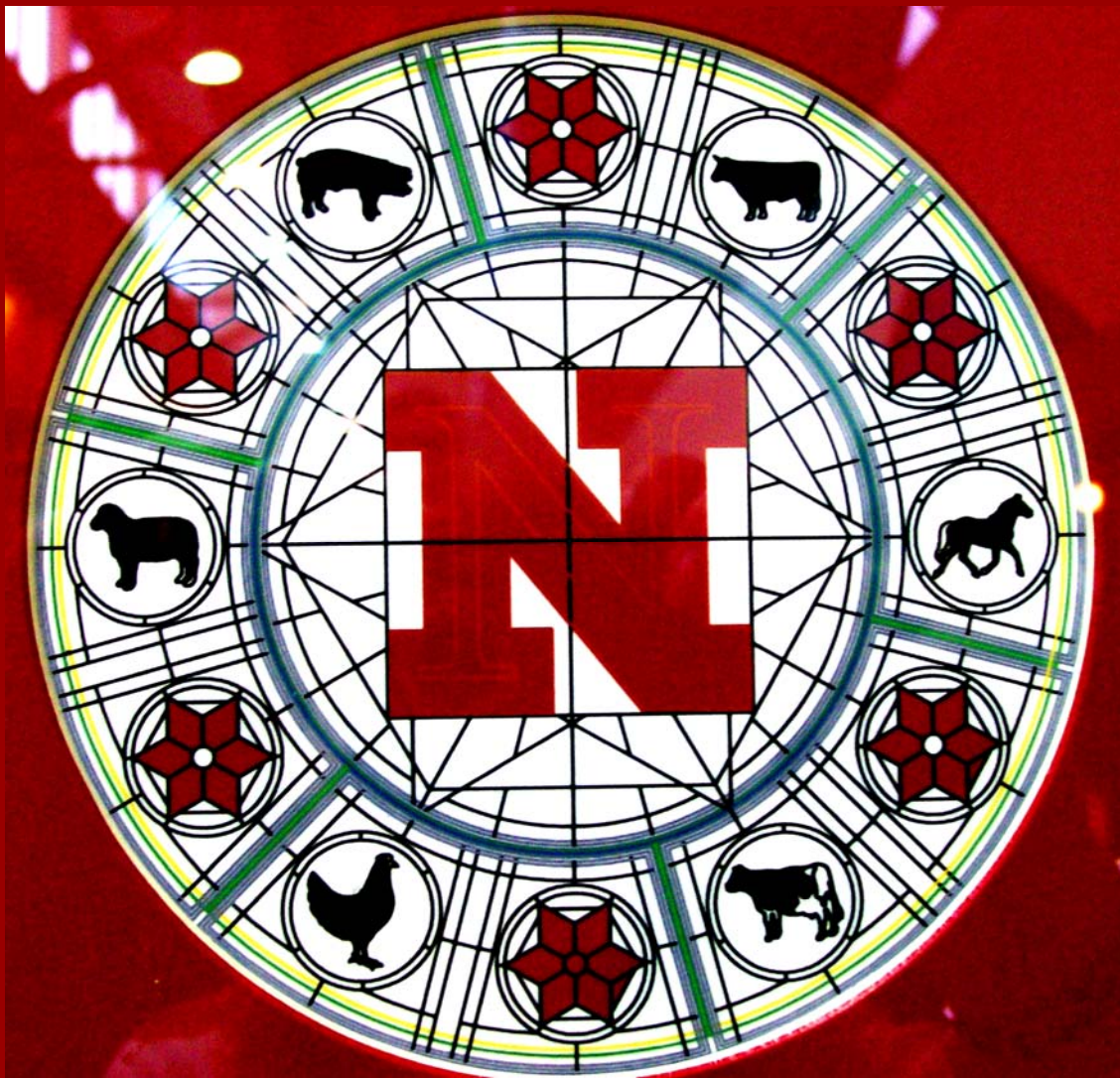


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BLOCK & BRIDLE
CLUB
PRESENTS
2008-2009
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THE EMBLEM



The Block & Bridle

Emblem is significant to club members of every age. It represents the principles on which this club is built. Character, sincerity, and a moral life are depicted in the straight perpendicular of the “B” and are asked of the members when they join. The distinct curves of the “B” are symbolic of the social pleasure, mental energy and determinations of members.

The meat block represents the material aspects of our life. The bridle stands for the behavior of Block & Bridle members the control over ourselves that we try to maintain, the mannerisms and respect we show toward others, and the way in which we treat animals.



OUR PURPOSE

On December 2, 1919, student representatives from four animal husbandry clubs met in Chicago, Illinois, and formed the National Block and Bridle Club. The local clubs became chapters in the new national organization. Nebraska was a charter chapter along with Iowa, Kansas, and Missouri. During this meeting, the chapters formed a constitution which included a statement of the club’s objectives.

- To Promote a higher scholastic standard among students of Animal Husbandry
- To promote animal husbandry, especially all phases of student animal husbandry work in colleges and universities.
- To bring about a closer relationship among the men and women pursuing some phase of animal husbandry as a profession.





FROM THE PRESIDENT



April 20, 2009

Dear Members, Supporters and Friends,

This past year there have been a large number of accomplishments and successful activities. I would like to thank the officers and committee chairs that have risen to their duties to ensure another successful year for Block and Bridle. Next, I would like to thank the Animal Science faculty and staff for their support and guidance which has made for another successful year. I believe that our advisers are a key element to our success and I would like to give a special thank you to Dr. Miller, Dr. Rasby and Dr. Reiling. They have provided great guidance and support to our club and its members.

This club has been an important part of my education, here at UNL. I believe that education is not only what you learn in the classroom but also in the experiences you gain in a variety of collegiate activities. Block & Bridle has given me the opportunity to grow as a person and a livestock producer. I hope this past year has allowed the members of this organization to broaden their horizons and reach their fullest potential.

It has been an honor to serve as the 2008-2009 Block & Bridle President. It has been my honor to lead this talented group of hard working individuals. They have shown a great dedication to production agriculture and take amazing pride in this club. It is these characteristics that lead me to believe that Block & Bridle has an amazing future. I want to wish future club members and presidents the best of luck as they continue to build on the traditions of this club.

Sincerely,



Garret Koester
2008-2009 Block and Bridle President





FROM THE HISTORIAN



April 20, 2009

Dear Members, Supporters and Friends,

I would like to congratulate the members of Block & Bridle on another successful year. As the year slowly comes to an end, we are able to look back and remember all the hard work and dedication that went into the continued accomplishment that Block & Bridle has strived for.

As a continued thank-you, with out the help of the members of Block & Bridle the completion of this years annual would not have been possible. Now we are able to use the annual displaying our memories for years to come.

The sponsorship of continuous Block & Bridle supporters is the reason that this years annual is successful. Therefore, we would like to thank those who have sponsored not only this year but also in past years.

As we look into the future and prepare for the up coming years, I would just like to say good luck to each and every member through good times and bad and I will leave you with this thought.

“Life is about waiting for the storm to pass,
its about learning to dance in the rain”
Anonymous

Sincerely,



McKenzie Chambers
2008-2009 Historian





FROM THE DEPARTMENT HEAD



UNIVERSITY OF
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Lincoln

INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SCIENCE

April 9, 2009

Dear Block and Bridle Club Members:

Congratulations to all members of the Block and Bridle Club for a year of education, friendship, and leadership. The Animal Science Department greatly appreciates your contributions to our academic program and your sponsored activities. Events such as Kids' Day and the Big Red Beef Show are very important outreach activities that help to educate the public about our programs and livestock industries. Members of B&B should be proud of your accomplishments. I would also like to express appreciation to your faculty advisors, Drs. Phil Miller, Rick Rasby, and Bryan Reiling, for their contributions and leadership to the Club.

Your selection of Homer Buell as this year's Block and Bridle Honoree continues the Club's legacy of recognizing key leadership in Nebraska's livestock and poultry industries. I hope the Club learns from this process and about the importance of future leadership for our programs from our present and past honorees.

The time and efforts you contribute as a member of Block and Bridle is time well spent. I wish all of you the best as you continue your academic and professional endeavors.

Sincerely,

Sheila E. Scheideler
Professor & Interim Department Head



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2009 BLOCK & BRIDLE HONOREE



HOMER BUELL

The University of Nebraska Block and Bridle Club takes great pride in honoring Homer Buell as our 2009 Honoree. Homer is the fourth-generation co-owner of the Shovel Dot ranch near Rose, Nebraska. He has been an advocate for agriculture and the cattle industry by serving in leadership roles in trade organizations as well as testifying on behalf of the University before the Unicameral. Homer has been a strong supporter of youth activities and has worked with the University for the benefit of our students and research programs.

The Shovel Dot Ranch Homer co-owns with his brother Larry was founded in 1883 with Homer's great grandfather Benjamin Franklin Buell. He was a cigar maker and school teacher from Michigan that passed through the Sandhills on his way to Washington State. After working as a bookkeeper for a logging company in Washington, he came back to the Sandhills and homesteaded.

Six years after Benjamin settled a young lady named Harriet Lindsay came from Pennsylvania to visit her friends, who happened to be neighbors to Benjamin. Harriet and Benjamin fell for each other and the two married. Harriet filled a tree claim that conjoined with Benjamin's and the ranch increased in size to 320 acres. This was only the beginning, as the ranch has ex-



panded with each generation to its present size of 25,000 acres.





2009 BLOCK & BRIDLE HONOREE



Benjamin continued to operate the ranch until the 1920s when he passed on ownership to his son, Homer L. Buell. Homer developed the lake on the ranch from an ox-bow in the Calamus River using horse drawn equipment and help from some neighbors. He passed on the ranch to his son Barney in the 1940s, who managed the ranch until he in turn passed it on to his

sons, including our nominee Homer, in the 1970s. Today, Homer and his brother Larry co-operate the Shovel Dot in a partnership, but they are looking to pass it on to their children and grandchildren.

The Shovel Dot Ranch is a 1400 head cow/calf and yearling operation using Hereford and Angus crossed cattle. Homer told us that he looks at his role as a cattle producer as not just a rancher, but a grass farmer. By carefully managing the grass resources on the Shovel Dot, the cattle can graze nearly year around and thereby consume less harvested forage.

Homer graduated from the University of Nebraska in -----1971 with a degree in business administration. He went to college originally looking to become a lawyer, but decided that he wanted to return home to the family ranch. He credits much of his success on the ranch to the principles he learned in business management.

Homer's involvement in trade organizations as well as many other organizations has been a great asset to agriculture. He has served in many leadership positions for our state such as the President of the Nebraska Cattlemen and the Nebraska Hereford Association. He has served at the national level as the President of the President's Council in the American Hereford Association and as a member of the board for the National Cattlemen's Beef Association.



2009 BLOCK & BRIDLE HONOREE



The future of agriculture is important to Homer and he has served in leadership roles and sponsored youth programs that allow young people to become more involved in agriculture. He is committed to 4-H and has served as President of the Nebraska 4-H Foundation Board. Homer has also been a strong advocate for the University of Nebraska. He has sponsored tours of his ranch for UNL range management classes as well as testified before the Unicameral about the importance of funding the University's budget. He is also an advisor and collaborator on range and beef cattle research conducted in the Sandhills. His efforts for the beef industry and youth are exemplary.

The University of Nebraska Block and Bridle Club would like to thank Homer for his efforts in promoting agriculture and helping the youth of Nebraska and are proud to name him our 2009 Honoree.



ANIMAL SCIENCE FACULTY



Mr. Don
Adams



Dr. Kathy
Anderson



Dr. Don
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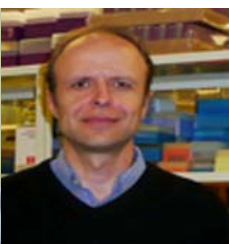
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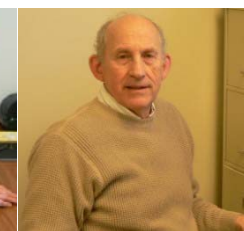
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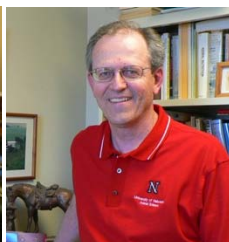


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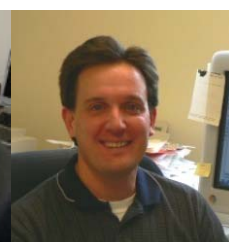
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Vasconce-



Dr. Brett
White



Dr. Jennifer
Wood





2008-2009 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



State Fair Beef Pit	August 23, 2008
Big Red Welcome	August 25, 2008
4-H Herdsman ship	August 30-31, 2008
Steak Fry	September 5, 2008
Kid's Day	Novembers 7, 2008
Little Ak-Sar-Ben	November 14, 2008
Holiday Gathering	December 4, 2008
Kearney Classic Livestock Judging Contest	February 21, 2009
Honoree Trip	March 12, 2009
Big Red Beef Show	March 28-29, 2009
State FFA	April 2-3, 2009
Little MAEC	April 6, 2009
Banquet	April 24, 2009
Chuck Wagon Cook Off	May 2, 2009





ARE YOU AN ACTIVE MEMBER?



**Are you an active member
the kind that would be missed
Or are you just content
that your name is on the list?
Do you attend the meetings
and mingle with the flock
Or do you stay home
and criticize and talk?
Do you take an active part
to help the work along
Or are you satisfied to be
the kind that just belong?
Do you bring in new members
and help the old ones stick
Or do you leave the work to a few
and talk about the clique?
Our organization has a progressive program that you've
heard plenty about
And you'll be rewarded if you will
cooperate in helping us out
So join in our activities often
and help with hand and heart
Don't be just a member
but take an active part
Think this over,
you know right from wrong
Are you an active member
or do you just belong?**





IN ITAL MEETING SECRETARY'S REPORT



Submitted by: Shantille Kruse

The Block and Bridle meeting held on September 4, 2008 came to order at 6:24 p.m. following a burger and hot dog feed. Sixty-one members were in attendance. Jeremy gave the treasurer's report, we currently have \$1,621.11. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved. Andrea announced that the Steak Fry would be held Friday, September 5th from 5:30-7:30 and new members were encouraged to participate. She needed 10-12 people to help with setup at 3:30 and clean up at 7:30. Also, Andrea and Annie will be baking beans at 8:00 tomorrow morning if anyone would like to help. Ticket sales for the Steak Fry are due to Nancy by 10:00a.m. or can be turned in that evening. It was announced that Prairie Stomp would follow the Steak Fry. The club voted to help with the Inaugural Ak-Sar-Ben Livestock Judging Contest. Volunteers would leave at 5:30 a.m. for Omaha and be done by noon. It was also announced that initiate meetings will be held half an hour before the regular meetings, at 6:30. Dues for new members are \$25 and \$15 for returning members. The meeting was adjourned at 6:44.



**Respectfully Submitted,
Shantille Kruse**





TREASURER'S REPORT

SUBMITTED BY: JEREMY HAACK



Block & Bridle Budget 2008-2009	Expenses	Income	Net
Beef Pit	0	0	0
Steak Fry	-211.7	1613.55	1401.85
Welcome Back Picnic	-66.88	0	-66.88
Cornstalk Dance	0	165.42	165.42
Kids Day	-69.28	0	-69.28
Little Aksarben	-421.50	195	-226.50
Holiday gathering	-136.73	0	-136.73
Aksarben Judging contest	0	250	250
Nationals	-1225	825	-400
Big Red Beef Show	-4346.66	4447.5	100.84
State FFA	0	1300	1300
Banquet	-3089.74	3600	510.26
Chuckwagon Cook-out	-125	0	-125
Scholarships	-1000	1000	0
Dues	0	770	770
Meeting supplies	-311.31	0	-311.31
Scrapebook supplies	-42.77	0	-42.77
Misc.(office supplies, donotions, etc.)	-456.88	55	-401.88
Honoree Trip	-221.99	0	-221.99
Little Maec	-89.20	0	-89.20
Total	-11814.64	14221.47	2406.83



2008-2009 ADVISORS



Dr. Phillip
Miller



Dr. Rick
Rasby

Dr. Bryan
Reiling



**Education is the power to think clearly, the power to act well in the world's work, and the power to appreciate life.
- Brigham Young**



BLOCK & BRIDLE 08-09 MEMBERS



Emily Arkfeld
 Ryan Aufenkamp
 Kimberly Behrends
 Ashley Blum
 Patricia Bohaboj
 Trenton Bohling
 Eric Bramow
 Cristina Brezack
 Stephanie Bryant
 Corey Cable
 McKenzie Chambers
 Jessica Clowser
 Matt hew Dolch
 Brian Bunekacke
 Alex Dvorak
 Cody Dvorak
 Amanda Elwess

Brad Eppenback
 Azureen Erdman
 Jami Estrela
 Mary Franks
 Anna Geis
 Jacob Geis
 Sarah Goodbrod
 Stacey Guthard
 Jeremy Haack
 Katrina Hackel
 Holly Hartmann
 Christina Heine
 Brandon Hilger
 Laura Houfek
 Shellie Intermill
 Meredith Jordan
 Hali Jorgensen
 Laura Joy
 Trey Kellner
 Cody Kester
 Krystl Knabe
 Sarah Knutson
 Bailey Knobs

Katherine Koch
 Garret Koester
 Kyle Kohout
 Brett Kreifels
 Shantille Kruse
 Laura Maricle
 Chase McGrath
 Erick Miller
 Roger Morgan
 Paige Moser
 Kelsie Musil
 Jay Nordhausen
 Mitch Novacek
 Jacie Ochsner
 Mary Peetz
 Kayla Peterson
 Sarah Peterson
 Amanda Pflasterer
 Asia Sabatka
 Carrie Saur
 Jessalyn Schrock
 Brigham Scott
 Andrea Seidel

Jessica Shaw
 Jason Star
 Amanda Uden
 Andrew Uden
 Jason Warner
 Elizabeth Wilhelm
 Jared Williams
 Katie Wise
 Laura Witte





2008-2009 BLOCK & BRIDLE SENIORS



Back Row (L-R) Brigham Scott, Mitch Novacek,
Jeremey Hacck Garrett Koester
Front Row (L-R) Jake Geis, McKenzie Chambers,
Shantille Kruse, Roger Morgan





2008-2009 BLOCK & BRIDLE INITIATES



Back Row (L-R) Jason Star, Jay Nordhausen
3rd Row (L-R) Jessica Shaw, Ashley Blum, Mary Franks 2nd Row
(L-R) Rebecca Ergler, Jacie Ochsner, Sara Petersen Front Row (L-
R) Carrie Saur, Shellie Intermill, Kayla Petesen.



NATIONAL CONVENTION



(L-R) Justin Moore, Jessalyn Schrock, Stephanie Bryant, Anna Geis, Jake Geis

The 2008-2009 National Convention was held in San Antonio, Texas. Block & Bridle sent four students to represent the University of Nebraska. During their time in Texas they attended seminars, toured farms and was able to sight see their way through San Antonio. Block & Bridle would like to thank Jessalyn Schrock for preparing the trip.



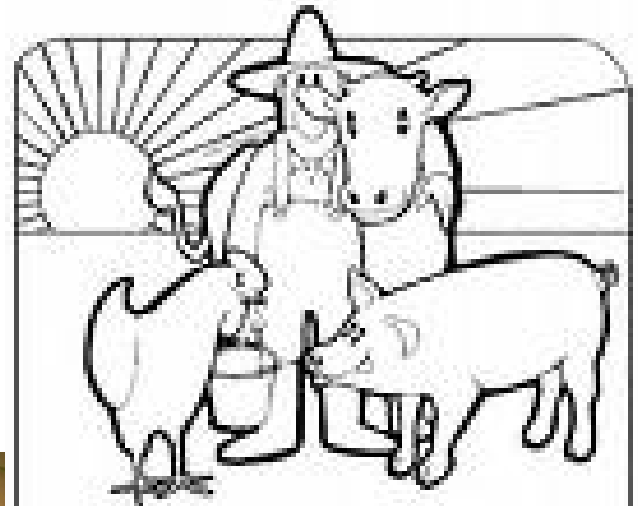


KID'S DAY



Kid's day gives daycares and elementary school's throughout Lincoln a field trip on a school day to come to the University of Nebraska. While at the University members of Block and Bridle provide answers to questions and assist in animal handling so the kid's have the opportunity to get close and pet the livestock.

This year Kid's day was held on November 7, 2008 and as numerous children stampeded the Animal Science Arena, they had the chance to get involved with cattle, horses, piglets, and sheep. After hours of excitement and getting their pictures taken, the children didn't leave empty handed; they were reminded of the day with a bag of goodies that consisted of both coloring books and educational material.



SOCIALS



Block & Bridle is not all about meetings and hard work. During the year we also put on numerous fun activities, including sand volleyball and bowling. This is a great opportunity for Block & Bridle members to mingle and get to know each other outside the classroom.

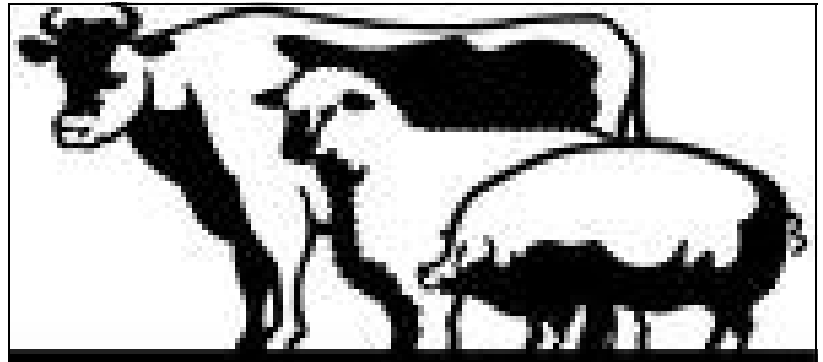




LITTLE MAEC



On April 6, 2009 Block & Bridle members had the opportunity to participate in Little MAEC. This year the contest consisted of eight classes in both meat and livestock evaluation. After evaluation of classes, participants were asked questions on four classes. Block & Bridle would like to congratulate the winners of the 2009 Little MAEC Experienced: Jared Williams and Novice: Todd Thompson. Thanks to this years chairman, McKenzie Chambers for a successful event.



2009 Classes:

1. Beef Ribs
2. Pork Loins
3. Pork Carcass
4. Quality Grade/ Yield Grade
5. Market Steers
6. Commercial Ewes
7. Market Hogs
8. Commercial Gilts



HOLIDAY GATHERING



Every year the holidays seem to sneak up on us, and this year in the holiday spirit the Animal Science department had a festive get-together which was put on by Block and Bridle. The event ran from 10-2 on December 4, 2008 and faculty, staff, and students were welcome. Sweets and treats were provided along with coffee and cider. This opportunity allows students and faculty to mingle on a social level and show their appreciation for all they do. Block and Bridle would like to thank the committee chair Laura Witte for all her hard work and dedication.



BIG RED BEEF SHOW



For the second consecutive year the Big Red Beef Show was held in conjunction with the York-Hamilton County Cattlemen for a Double Points weekend. Block and Bridle's show was held on Sunday March 29, 2009, and 106 head of both breeding and market cattle made their way through the ring that day with our judge Jason Johnson, of Longmont, CO evaluating every one.



The 2009 Big Red Beef Show chair was Shanittle Kruse and her assistants Jeremy Hacck and Jared Williams. Block and Bridle would like to show its appreciation to these members.

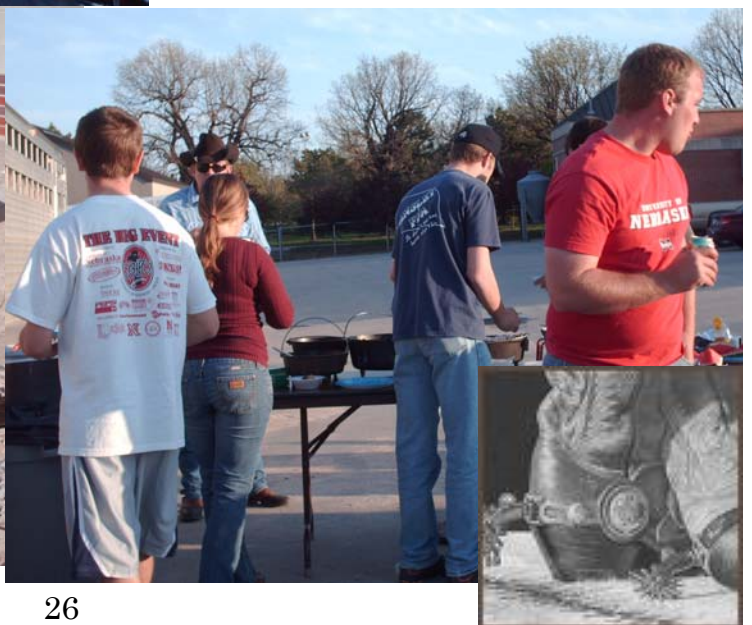




CHUCK WAGON COOK OFF



Testing the skills of members, Block & Bridle held the 1st annual chuck wagon cook off on May 3, 2008. Behind the Animal Science building good old fashion cooking was used to create an aroma of smells and a mouth-watering supper in a relaxing atmosphere to focus students for their up coming finals.



STEAK FRY



The 10th annual steak fry was held on September 5, 2008 south of the Animal Science building. The steak fry provides students and faculty to become better acquainted before kicking off the fall semester. Students are in charge of setting up and tearing down while faculty members serve the meal. Chairman for this event was Andrea Seidel.



Special Thanks

To the Animal Science faculty members who volunteered to grill and serve food.

Cargill meat solutions for providing the steak.

Without you this event would not be possible.





LITTLE AK-SAR-BEN



This year Little Ak-Sar-Ben was held on November 14, 2008 in the Animal Science Arena. This is an opportunity for UNL students of any major to express their showing abilities in cattle, sheep, swine, and horses. They split the participants into two divisions experienced and novice, therefore no show experience was necessary, and participants were able to show in as many or as few species as they want.





**“There are no shortcuts to
life’s greatest achievements”
Anonymous**

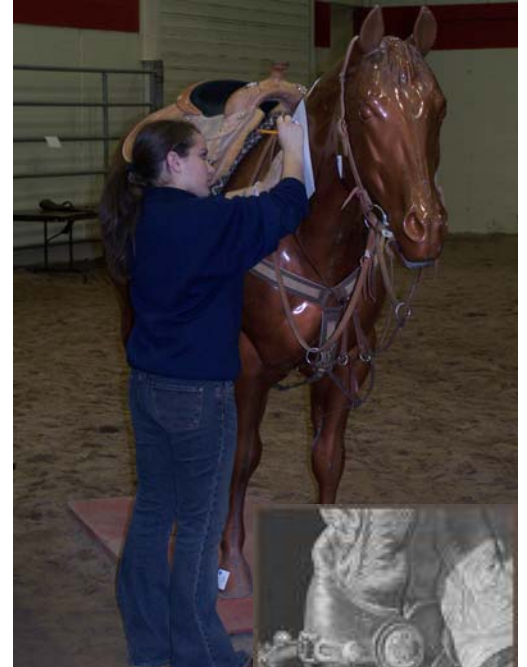




STATE FFA



April 1st – 3rd is a time on national blue and corn gold in the Animal Science building at the University of Nebraska– Lincoln. Block and Bridle assists in the operation of the livestock judging contest which consisted on 583 FFA members and the management portion of the state contests for high school students across the state.



2008 STATE OFFICERS

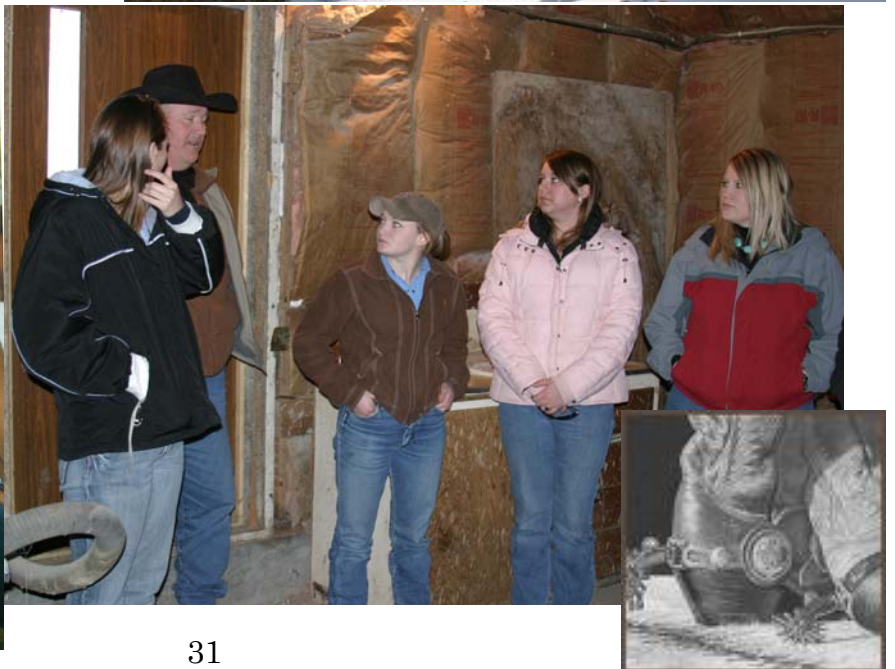




BLOCK & BRIDLE HONOREE TRIP



On March 12th, both members and advisors had the opportunity to visit the 2009 Block & Bridle Honoree Homer Buell, to learn more about him and his families operation.



LIVESTOCK JUDGING TEAM 2008



The 2008 University of Nebraska Livestock Judging Team finished a strong fall campaign highlighted by UNL being named Champion Team at AK-SAR-BEN and Shantille Kruse being recognized as an Honorable Mention All-American Livestock Judge in the deepest group ever. As well, the team was rewarded with numerous other achievements during the fall season.

Team members finishing their judging careers include **Annie Doerr**, Creighton; **Kyle Dorn**, Adams; **Garret Koester**, Wellfleet; **Shantille Kruse**, Tecumseh; **Roger Morgan**, Burwell; **Tony Roubal**, North Bend; and **Jason Warner**, Arapahoe.

The team started their fall season a week prior to classes beginning on campus. Lincoln, NE was the site of the team's first fall contest. On Saturday, August 24, 2008 the team competed at the 3rd Annual Nebraska State Fair Swine Contest. UNL finished 2nd with Jason Warner leading the team with a 5th place overall finish. Three other team members finished in the top ten including Annie Doerr 7th, Kyle Dorn 9th and Garret Koester 10th. The team then looked to increase their cattle judging experience for the fall run making UNL's first ever trip to an all cattle contest in northeast Wyoming.

On September 12, 2008 the team competed at the Direct Line Genetics Cattle Contest in Huglet, WY. Roger Morgan had a team leading day in the overall competition placing 3rd. In placings Roger Morgan was 5th, Jason Warner was 8th, Annie Doerr was 9th and Shantille Kruse was 11th. The team finished 2nd in beef cattle placings. In reasons Annie Doerr was 4th, Jason Warner was 5th, Roger Morgan was 8th, Kyle Dorn was 9th and Tony Roubal was 10th. UNL finished 2nd overall in team reasons. Overall Roger Morgan was 3rd High Individual, Jason Warner was 5th and Annie Doerr was 6th. The team finished 2nd overall.





On September 19th, the team traveled to El Dorado, KS where they competed in the first ever Butler Flinthills Classic Judging Contest held by Butler Community College. The team was 7th in sheep, 3rd in swine, 6th in beef, 6th in reasons and 6th overall. Individually, several team members had top twenty placings in several categories. Before traveling back to Lincoln the team also judged on September 20th at the Mid-America Classic in Wichita, KS. The team had another solid day placing 5th overall. The team was 5th in sheep, 6th in swine, 5th in beef, 5th in reasons and 6th overall. Individually Kyle Dorn placed 5th in cattle and Jason Warner placed 11th in oral reasons and 15th overall.



On September 27, 2008 the University of Nebraska Livestock Judging Team competed at the First Annual AK-SAR-BEN Livestock Judging Contest in Omaha, NE. UNL had an outstanding day on the way to being named Champion Team. In Sheep judging, the team finished 2nd. Shantille Kruse was 2nd overall and Tony Roubal finished 10th. In Swine judging, the team finished 1st. Individually, Kruse was 5th and Roger Morgan was 10th. In Cattle judging, the team finished 2nd. Individually, Roubal was 4th, Kruse was 7th and Annie Doerr was 9th. In Oral Reasons, the team finished 1st. Individually, Shantille Kruse was 3rd overall, Doerr was 5th and Roubal was 7th. The team finished 1st out of seven overall. Individually Shantille Kruse finished 2nd high individual overall, Tony Roubal was 3rd and Annie Doerr was 14th.

On October 31st the team traveled to Kansas City, MO to compete in the American Royal contest. The team finished 13th in Cattle, 12th in Swine, 5th in Sheep, 12th in Reasons, and 11th Overall.

On November 17, 2008 the University of Nebraska Livestock Judging Team competed at the North American International Livestock Exposition in Louisville, KY. This contest served as the final national contest for the 2008 team. Shantille Kruse was named Honorable Mention to the All-American Team. In Performance Sheep judging the team finished 3rd and individually Annie Doerr finished 25th. In Swine judging the team finished 15th. In Cattle judging the team was 10th. In Reasons, the team finished 12th. Overall the team finished 14th out of 27 teams. Kyle Dorn led the team with a 34th place finish.

As the 2008 team season comes to a close, the memory of the accomplishments, travels, livestock contacts and friendships gained will remain with the team members for many years to come. Each team member was recognized at least once during the season for their judging talents in a contest. All team members represented the UNL Animal Science Department as a confident and strong program for all to admire. I, along with Ben Williams, am very proud of this year's solid outcome. All members of the livestock judging program would like to recognize the support and generosity of the contributors and sponsors that make this possible each and every season. A sincere thank you from the UNL Livestock Judging Team goes out to the major sponsors the **Kimmel Foundation, Nebraska Farm Bureau Services, Inc.**, and the **Nebraska Cattlemen's Research and Education Foundation**.

Looking to the future, the junior team has started their season strong with numerous individual awards and being named champion team at two contests this spring! Team members include **McKenzie Chambers**, Mead, CO; **Stacey Guthard**, Litchfield; **Shellie Intermill**, Alliance; **Trey Kellner**, Stockton, KS; **Clint Mickey**, Aurora; **Tom Murphy**, Lincoln; **Jay Nordhausen**, Ogallala; **Mitch Novacek**, David City; **Todd Ostermiller**, La Grange, WY; **Carrie Saur**, Gillette, WY; and **Jason Star**, North Platte. It should be an exciting upcoming fall for the team! The team is coached by Matt Ellicott.





HORSE JUDGING TEAM 2008



The 2009 Horse Judging season will start this spring with the team traveling to Fort Worth, TX to compete in the American Paint Horse Association Sweepstakes Horse Judging Contest. This contest will be held April 21, 2009 in the Will Rogers Memorial Equestrian Center.

Members of the current team have been preparing diligently for the contest in April. Each team member will be expected to evaluate ten to twelve classes. Classes to be judged include four to six halter and four to six performance classes. Also, each team member will be expected to present two sets of halter and two sets of performance reasons. Team members include: Kim Behrends, Maria Cammack, Aleah German, Hali Jorgensen, Paige Moser, Adam Pinkerton and Heath Weichel.

Looking to the fall semester, the team looks forward to traveling to the All American Quarter Horse Congress, AQHA World Horse Show and the NRHA Futurity for further competition. The team is coached by





MEAT JUDGING TEAM 2008



The 2008 Senior Meat Judging Team represented the University of Nebraska at three contests this last fall. The team started off the fall at the Iowa State Intercollegiate Meat Evaluation Contest in Ames, Iowa. The team placed 1st in summer sausage judging and finished 4th in sectioned and formed ham. Individually, Jessalyn Schrock placed 4th in lamb judging.

The team then traveled to the American Royal Intercollegiate Meat Judging contest held at Nebraska Beef in Omaha, Nebraska. The team finished 11th overall. Individually Derek Schroeder was 18th overall, placing 10th in specifications, 14th in pork judging, and 17th in beef judging.

The team finished up the fall at the International Intercollegiate Meat Judging Contest held at Tyson Fresh Meats in Dakota City, Nebraska. The team placed 6th in lamb judging, 9th in specifications, and 12th overall.





EQUESTRIAN TEAM 2008



The UNL Equestrian Team competed in Zone 7, Region 1 of the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association this year. Even with moving to a new region this year, the team continued its streak of Regional Championships with another win. In addition, Mindy Leach of Malcolm finished as regional high point rider and qualified for the IHSA National Competition and Megan Boone of Ashland finished the year as the region's reserve high point rider.

Through the regular season competition, riders compete individually to earn points to qualify for regional competition and designated riders earn points towards the team qualifying for regionals. Riders placing in the top two of their class at regionals as well as the regional championship team qualified for Semi-Nationals held at West Texas A & M University in Canyon, TX. This year, seven team members qualified for Semi-Nationals along with the team qualifying. The team finished a strong fourth place, one spot away from continuing on to Nationals.

The 2008-2009 team members include: Natalie Becher, Platte Center; Alix Benoit, Grand Rapids, MI; Megan Boone, Ashland; Megan Brincks, Litterdale, IA; Samantha Calka, Lincoln; Maria Cammack, Lincoln; Courtney Carter, McCook; Kim Corradi, Phillips; Shannon Cosgrove, Lincoln; Tamara Cullen, Sycamore, IL; Cally Frahm, Oakland; Maggie Holub, Scribner; Kelsey Horner, Kearney; Lindsey Horner, Kearney; Hali Jorgensen, Omaha; Bailey Kobs, Blair; Mindy Leach, Malcolm; Monique Lemon, Omaha; Haze Lockee, Walton; Paige Moser, Bennet; Cassie Sell, Lincoln; Gweneth Talley, Crete; Shawna Tibbetts, Palmer; Lauren Waller, Lincoln; Alicia Wittwer, Dawson; and Molly Wolfe, Palmer.

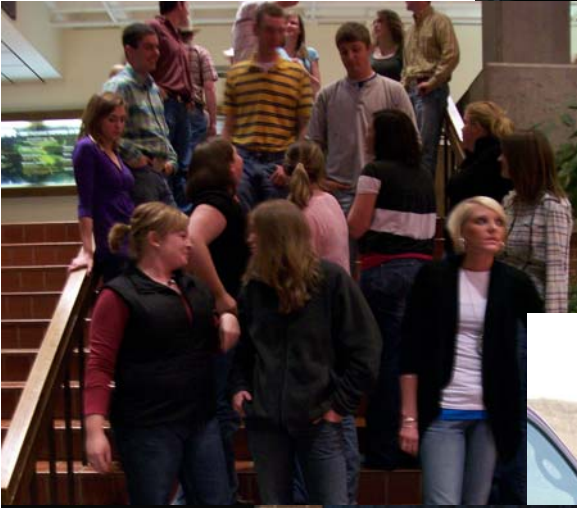


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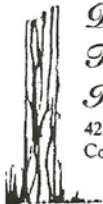
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