

2009 State Fair Honorable Mention



Photo 1 - Alex Nelsen

Alex Nelsen, daughter of Rick and Sonya Nelsen of Minden, received a purple in the State Fair 4-H Fashion Show. Alex selected a luscious corduroy fabric and paired it with a sophisticated cotton print. She used this combination to create a fitted vest with faux welt pockets and a knee-length skirt featuring flirty flounce. Alex modeled for a panel of three judges and for a crowd estimated at 700 during the Nebraska State Fair. She has been a Webster County 4-H member for one year and is a member of the Four Corners 4-H Club. Alex is currently a sophomore at the University of Nebraska – Lincoln majoring in Family and Consumer Science Education. Congratulations on a job well done!



Photo 2 - Christa Alber

Christa Alber, daughter of Dave and Tammy Alber of Guide Rock, was one of fifty-nine participants in the Nebraska State Fair 4-H Shopping in Style Fashion Show, held on Sunday, September 6th at the Devaney Sports Center in Lincoln.

Evaluation for this show is based equally in two areas: 50% for modeling ability, appearance, fit and style; and 50% for consumer choices including value, quality and garment care. Christa selected this outfit because it would add a splash of blue to her wardrobe and it would make a great outfit for her confirmation as well as other special occasions. Christa received a purple and did a wonderful job representing Webster County at the 2009 State Fair!



Photo 3 - Lance Johnson's Photo

Lance Johnson, son of Tim and Pam Johnson of Upland, entered one of his photos to demonstrate the Nebraska theme, "Right Next Door." The picture shows his brothers loading hay into their barn near Upland through the upper door. He feels that the peeling paint adds texture and interest to the photo. Along with the actual doors in the photo, he feels the picture really fits the theme, as nearly every farm house in Nebraska has a barn "right next door."

Lance took this picture using a Canon PowerShot S215 Digital Camera with 5.0 megapixels. He used an automatic focus with adjustable aperture and adjustable shutter speed.

Lance's photo was one of sixteen selected for the 4-H Foundation Note Cards. This is a great honor for him as well as Webster County. Please be sure to congratulate him when you see him!



Photo 4 - Desirae Kohmetscher's Abstract

Desirae Kohmetscher, daughter of Gary and Paula Kohmetscher of Blue Hill, created this exquisite abstract painting to be entered in this year's Portfolio Pathway's original oil painting class at the State Fair. This painting was selected for Special Recognition for color and black abstract. She received a purple for her painting.

Desirae is an eighteen year old senior this year at Blue Hill High School. She has been a Blue Hill Better Herds Club member for eight years!



Photo 5 - Amelia's Canned Beef

Amelia Petska, daughter of Rita and Mark Petska of Blue Hill, canned this beef and entered it in the Food Preservation Meat – 1 Jar class at the State Fair this year. She received Special Recognition for it and was applauded for taking the age old tradition and carrying it on.

Amelia is a thirteen year old eighth grader attending Blue Hill Junior High. She has participated in the Webster County Wrangler Club for five years!

Collin Brown, son of Chris and Jim Brown of Bladen, received Special Recognition at this year's State Fair for his Home Accessory Loom Weaving. This weaving was selected to be displayed at the Robert Hilestad Textiles Gallery in Lincoln at the University on East Campus. The website for the gallery is located at <http://textilegallery.unl.edu/>. This is great honor bestowed on Collin as well as Webster County!

Collin is eleven and is currently attending Blue Hill High School as a fifth grader. He has been involved in the Catherland Clovers Club for three years.

Lenae Kohmetscher, daughter of Keith and Carolyn Kohmetscher of Blue Hill, baked a chiffon sponge cake for her Food Technology Exhibit. This cake was selected for Special Recognition and was dubbed to be "perfect!"

Lenae is a seventh grader attending Blue Hill Junior High. She is twelve years old and has been in the Blue Hill Better Herds club for five years.

Congratulations to all the state fair participants and great job representing Webster County!