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Aurora Cooperative

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- 1. Classroom visits and/or Guest Speaker (Topics: Agronomy, Precision Ag & Technology, Grain Marketing, Animal Nutrition, Energy, Ag Marketing/Communications, and Ag Careers)
- 2. Site Visits (Grain terminals, research plots, agronomy locations)
- 3. Community/School Service Projects
- 4. Chapter Banners, Signs, etc

Bayer CropScience

Steve Kampfe, steve.kampfe@bayer.com, 402-423-3554

- 1. Agronomy, Ag Business and Marketing Speakers
- 2. Kansas City Production Tour (and the caves)
- 3. Making Science Make Sense (School Programs)
- 4. Community service projects

BigIron Auctions

Melissa Pierce, melissa.pierce@bigiron.com, 402-366-4238

- 1. Entertaining and motivational speaking opportunities for FFA events including the following topics: leadership, entrepreneurship, American business, auctions and agriculture production.
- 2. Live or online auction services to support fundraising efforts for FFA chapters. Contact us regarding program development capabilities to support local FFA chapters.
- 3. Fun and interactive classroom sessions including the following topics: History and evolution of auctions, movement to online auctions- how online auctions benefit buyers and sellers, the role auctions play in estate planning and asset management, terminology and the importance of conducting a true auction, lien searches and title processing

Central Valley Ag

Clayton Hensley, clayton.hensley@cvacoop.com, 402-685-1030

- 1. Test plot and location tours/informational sessions
- 2. Classroom speakers on ACS technology, ProEdge grain marketing, feed and animal nutrition, agronomy, and careers
- 3. Chapter banners, road signs or posters
- 4. Coop101 with Senior team

Cooperative Producers, Inc. (CPI)

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- 1. Site visits (grain elevators, research plots, agronomy locations, etc.)
- 2. Attend annual meeting in December

Country Partners Cooperative

Janell Rossen, jrossen@countrypartnerscoop.com, 308-537-7141

- 1. Career opportunities, Agronomy, Grain and Energy Guest Speakers
- 2. Test plot visits
- 3. Attend corporate annual meeting in January

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Croplan by WinField United

Tim Boender, twboender@landolakes.com, 402-499-0018

- 1. Guest speaker on seed: Carl Scholting, cescholting@landolakes.com, 402-740-7327
- 2. Guest speaker on agronomy: Mark Heineman, mdheineman@landolakes.com, 402-750-4656
- 3. Answer plot visit: Tim Boender, Carl Scholting, Mark Heineman
- 4. Guest speaker on ag careers: John Roth, jdroth@landolakes.com, 602-805-4460

DEKALB/Asgrow

Tom Volk, tom.f.volk@monsanto.com, 402-420-4511

- 1. Help with LSE and CDE prep (Agronomy CDE, Ag Sales CDE, AgriScience CDE)
- 2. Help provide guidance or product for test plots
- 3. Agronomy guest speakers

Farm Credit Services of America

See online list for regional contacts.

- Guest speaker opportunities (ag career opportunities, how is real estate appraised, considering credit applications, How should producers use their financial information to help them manage their operation, skills that FFA members should consider working on as they finish high school and consider going to college or entering the workforce)
- 2. Community service projects

Farmers Cooperative - Headquarters - Dorchester, NE

Dennis Kenning, dkenning@farmersco-operative.com, 402-641-1153

- 1. Fieldtrips or Guest Speakers-For all Products & Services: Agronomy, Animal Nutrition, Energy, Grain, and Tires. Including "Answer and Research Plots"
- 2. Farm Safety Program: Resources, Materials, Props, and Scripts
- 3. Judges for LSEs and CDEs and FFA Chapter and Community Service Projects

Frontier Cooperative

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- 1. Classroom visits and guest speakers on grain, agronomy and energy
- 2. Test plot assistance
- 3. Field trips
- 4. Banners, posters, etc.

Grainbridge

Jordyn Bader, jordyn.bader@grainbridge.com, 800-515-5657 Pat Kroese, pat.kroese@grainbridge.com, 800-515-5657

- 1. Guest speaker (Ag issues, leadership, risk-management and commodities marketing)
- 2. Webinar introduction
- 3. Community Service Projects

Nebraska Farm Bureau

Craig Head, craigh@nefb.org, 402-421-4435

Audrey Schipporeit, audreys@nefb.org, 402-499-5802

- 1. Guest speaker opportunities (Ag Issues Updates)
- 2. Critical thinking or discussion topics on ag issues for the classroom

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Pinnacle Bank

See online list for local contacts

- 1. Guest speakers
- 2. Field trips
- 3. Community Service Project Assistance
- 4. Sponsorship of local projects

Producers Livestock

Rick Keith, rick@plmcoop.com, 402-597-9181, ext. 1102 Deb Engler, deb@plmcoop.com, 402-597-9189, ext. 1100

- 1. Guest speaker opportunities in livestock updates
- 2. Guest speaker opportunities in hedging livestock and grains

Valley Irrigation

Jill Zwiener, jill.zwiener@valmont.com, 402-359-6340

- 1. Guest speaker opportunities (Center pivot irrigation)
- 2. Factory tours (Students must be 16 years old or older.)

Verdesian

Dean Oberle, dean.oberle@vlsci.com, 402-460-0553

- 1. Guest speakers or classroom visits for agronomy, selling, nutrient efficiencies & agri sciences
- 2. Contest and practice evaluators
- 3. Graphic design assistance