A guided trail ride of the scenic Sandhills of Nebraska is planned during the 2012 Nebraska State 4-H Camp Trail Ride at the State 4-H Camp near Halsey.

Participants on the Oct. 12-14 ride, formerly known as the Nebraska 4-H Foundation Trail Ride, will travel the trails in the Nebraska National Forest and enjoy delicious meals, family activities and great entertainment, said Connie Cox, director of the Nebraska State 4-H Camp near Halsey.

Those interested in the ride can bring their horses and join nearly 100 other horse enthusiasts on this family weekend of horseback riding. Certified weed-free hay is available, as well as pens for the horses.

Early registration is $50 before the Sept. 28 deadline. Registrations postmarked after Sept. 28 are $65. Registration includes four trail rides, Saturday night steak dinner and Sunday breakfast. Riders may also sign up for extras: cabins, sack lunches, “make your own” horse craft item, or wagon rides for the non-horseback riders.

Those who can’t attend all three days can enjoy the steak supper, live music from the Goose Creek Band and a charity auction on Saturday evening for $18. Kids (12 years and under) can receive half a steak for $10.

A discount will be given to 4-H clubs. Registrations will be $40 for a minimum of five 4-H members of the same club. Adults accompanying the club will pay the regular fee of $50.

Past participant Meghan Anderson of Guide Rock, Neb., said the event makes for a fun-filled weekend. “I enjoy the friendly atmosphere, the scenery and of course the Saturday night supper and the entertainment,” she said.

For more information and registration, visit the State 4-H Camp website at centralsandhills.unl.edu/trailride

For questions/comments about the campsite or to register contact Connie Cox, 308-533-2224, email ccox5@unl.edu.

For questions/comments about horses, parking, feed, etc. contact Gary Stauffer, 402-336-2760 or email gstauffer1@unl.edu.

Proceeds from the trail ride go directly to the State 4-H Camp at Halsey to help support the many 4-H activities and events.