



Meade County 4-H News

<http://4h.sdstate.edu>

March 2010

MARCH

- 1 Fair Book Cover Entries due to Extension Office
- 8 3:30-4:30pm, Afterschool, Faith Library
- 8 3:30-4:30pm, Judging, Faith Library
- 9 3-4:30pm, Judging, Union Center School
- 10 3:30-6pm, Judging, Ext. Office, Sturgis
- 11 3-4pm, Afterschool, Whitewood Library
- 13-14 6pm, Jr. Leaders Lock-in, Extension Office
- 15 Registration deadline for Mar. Project Days
- 17 3:30-4:30pm, Cloverbud Day (Macaroni Art), Ext. Office, Sturgis
- 17 Registration deadline for Mar. 22 Public Presentations
- 19 9:30am, Project Day (Pillowcases), Ext. Office, Sturgis
- 19 1pm, Project Day (Leather), Ext. Office, Sturgis
- 22 3:30pm, Public Presentations, Ext. Office, Spearfish
- 27 State 4-H Leaders Conference, Mitchell
- 30 4pm, Judging, Butte Electric, Newell

APRIL

- 1 4-H Insurance Deadline
- 1 Registration deadline for Apr. 8 Project Day
- 1 3:30pm, Judging Contest, Ext. Office, Spearfish
- 2 Holiday – Ext. Office closes at noon
- 7 3:30-4:30pm, Cloverbud Day (Eggs & Lilies), Ext. Office, Sturgis
- 7 6pm, Jr. Leaders meeting, Ext. Office, Sturgis
- 8 3:30pm, Project Day (Acrylic Painting), Ext Office, Sturgis
- 12 3:30-4:30pm, Afterschool, Faith Library
- 12 3:30-4:30pm, Judging, Faith Library
- 13 3-4:30pm, Judging, Union Center School
- 14 3:30-5pm, Judging, Ext. Office, Sturgis
- 19 6pm, 4-H Leaders Meeting, Ext. Office, Sturgis
- 23-25 State 4-H Shooting Sports, Ft. Pierre
- 26 Storm date for 4-H Leaders Meeting, Sturgis
- 29 3-4pm, Afterschool, Whitewood Library



2010 4-H Insurance- Due April 1

Administrative Leaders have insurance forms for each club member to complete. Rates are: Regular \$1.50, Horse \$2.50 and Rodeo \$35. Everyone (if you have paid your dues) has already paid the \$1.50. If you will be purchasing horse or rodeo insurance, you will have to pay an additional \$1 or \$33.50. Volunteer insurance is also available: \$1.72 for Personal Liability, \$3.75 for Accident, and \$6.04 for Excess Auto Liability. All forms and payment are due to the Ext. Office by **April 1**.

Cloverbud Day

Join Rebecca on **March 17 at 3:30pm** at the Extension Office, in Sturgis, for Cloverbud Day. We will making macaroni art, please wear clothes you can get glue on!! Adult and teen helpers are welcome to join us! There is no fee for this project.

Come spend your spring break at 4-H Project Day!!

Friday, March 19

9:30 am - Pillowcase (Home Living)



Instructor—Cathy Fredrickson

Supplies needed—sewing machine, 1 1/4 yd of fabric, & thread (some sewing machines & fabric remnants will be available if you don't have a specific fabric that you want to use).

1:00 pm - Leather (Visual Arts)



Instructor—Tandy Leather

Workshop is limited to the first 36 that register. Cost is \$5.00. All supplies will be furnished. You will get to pick a leather project (can koozie, bookmark or coaster) to complete.

Public Presentations

A public presentation day will be on **Mon., Mar. 22** at 3:30pm at the Lawrence County Extension Office, Spearfish. This is a great opportunity to get your presentations done early! Please call 642-6200 by **March 17** to sign up.



Trophy Donors Needed



We are in need of additional sponsors for trophies (\$15) for the Meade County 4-H Achievement Days. Please contact the Extension Office if interested.



FCS Judging Contests

FCS Judging Contests include judging classes in: Photography, Home Environment, Visual Arts, Child Development, Foods & Nutrition, Clothing and Horticulture. Judging contests provide youth opportunities to develop their critical thinking skills. **Upcoming contests:**

- March 8, 3:30-4:30pm, Faith Library
- March 9, 3-4:30pm, Union Center School (double judging – make up Feb. contest)
- March 10, 3:30-6:00pm, Ext. Office, Sturgis
- March 30, 4pm, Butte Electric, Newell





Horse News

Horse ID forms – Ownership deadline and horse ID forms are due to the Extension Office by **May 31**. If you turned in horse ID's previously, they are still on file. However, if the information has changed you will need to complete a new one.

Horse Safety Training – All 4-H members enrolled in the horse project must attend horse-safety training each year; parents must attend every 3 years.

Training opportunities - We will check out the training materials to club leaders for them to train their members at club meetings. Please contact the office today, to reserve a copy of the training materials. All trainings must be completed by **May 31**.

Planning to Take Livestock to the SD State Fair



Any 4-Her who may show livestock at the SD State Fair must complete the 4-H Livestock Ownership Affidavits for each species. In addition, livestock must be tagged with a green tag provided by the Extension Office, and market animals must be weighed by the Extension Office prior to the dates below. If you are leasing the animal, a Lease Form also needs to be completed along with the Ownership Affidavits. Contact the Extension Office for the forms, or visit <http://4h.sdstate.edu>. Ownership deadlines:

- **March 31, 2010** - Market Beef
- **May 31, 2010** - Market Sheep, Breeding Sheep, Breeding Beef, Dairy Goats, Meat Goats, and Market Swine
- **July 1, 2010** - Rabbits and Poultry
 - Green tags and weighing not required
 - Poultry need Leg Bands (one per bird)
 - Rabbits need to be tattooed (one per rabbit)



If you do not have the required paper work completed, the animals are not green tagged or weighed by the deadlines above you will not be able to show at the SD State Fair.



Anyone who may show market swine at the SD State Fair, must be Youth Pork Quality Assurance Certified (YPQA). The SD State Fair is a terminal show, as all hogs are sent to John Morrell, who requires PQA certification. Contact Penny at the Extension Office to learn how to become certified.

Meat Goats for Sale

If anyone is looking for meat goats for their 4-H project, Kem Ellis (787-9020) of Piedmont has both grade and registered Boer goats for sale.

Fashion Revue & Special Foods

Please note the dates and locations for these events as they are not being held in Sturgis this year.

Join us for a

DOG GONE WILD WEEKEND!

When: May 1 & 2 all day and night thru May 2 morning.

Where: 4-H Building, Rapid City

Who: 4-H Dog project members, family and your DOG!

What: Games, guest speakers, training, movies, baking, and lots of FUN!

Reserve your spot today! 394-2188



Tin Cans Needed for Future Project Day

We are collecting tin cans (all sizes; soup, vegetable, juice, etc.) for June Projects Day. Please drop off **clean, empty cans** at the Extension Office. Thank you!!

Interstate Exchange Battery Fundraiser

Help the Interstate Exchange group raise enough money to travel to Pennsylvania this summer by ordering batteries online through the Interstate Batteries Online Fundraiser. Visit www.interstatebatteries.com/fundraising/shop/ enter *meade4h* in the Coupon Code box and shop for all your battery needs from the comfort of your home or office. Everything you order ships directly to your home or office via UPS, and there is no shipping charge! The Interstate Exchange group receives 40% profit from every purchase, please help support this group!



YOUTH in ACTION DAY

Western South Dakota will be hosting a Youth In Action Day on Friday, **May 14** from 3pm to 7pm and on Saturday, **May 15** from 9am to 2pm in Rapid City at the Pennington County Extension Office. Youth will be able to participate in **public speaking, special foods, fashion revue, and non-livestock judging** all in one day, at one location. The pre-registration forms are now available now at the Extension Office, and are due by **May 1** to the Pennington Co. Office. Mark your calendars now!

4-H CAMP



Mark your calendars for the 4-H camping season.

All camps are held at Camp Bob Marshall in Custer State Park. Watch for more details in April. We are also looking for adult chaperones for camp, so if you are interested, please contact the Extension Office.

*June 13-15 is Teen camp for youth 13yrs +

*June 16-19 is SET Camp for youth 11-13 yrs

*June 25-28 is 4-H Camp for youth 8-10 yrs.

Teen Leadership Conference 2010

Join us for TLC...Synching our Futures, June 8-11 on Campus at SDSU. The keynote will be Gerry Eide. Approximate cost is \$160. Registrations and more information is available at <http://4h.sdstate.edu>.



Financial Audits for 4-H Clubs

ALL 4-H clubs should have completed their 4-H Club Financial Audit and submitted a copy to the Extension Office. This is required to keep us in good standing with the IRS and 4-H Headquarters in Washington DC. We are expecting a Federal audit in South Dakota during the coming year, which may include checking the 4-H Club files in the county! Having complete files will keep us all on good terms with our Federal partners. Club financial audits may be completed within the club by non-family members. If your club is too small to audit within, you may work with another club, or your Jr. Leader's Group to do the audit. Clubs that do not complete their audits put themselves in jeopardy of losing their club charter and use of the 4-H clover. These are national requirements. Thanks for your help to keep us "legal" for the upcoming 4-H year!

IRS Filing



4-H Clubs need to file their 990-N (e-Postcard) report with the IRS. Contact the Extension Office for upgraded instructions to help you through the filing process. All clubs with an EIN number need to attempt to file, if you are rejected (usually because your EIN has not been entered into the IRS data base), print the page twice, once for you, and once for your Club File at the County Extension Office. Very few clubs have turned in their 2009 filing information. Please get this taken care of **ASAP**. If you need help with the filing or audit process, please contact the Extension Office.

The Green Review

By Chris Zdorovtsov, Horticulture Ext. Educator
What is a bulb?

A bulb is an underground storage organ produced by some plants. Bulbs develop below the ground like roots, but are not roots. They are fleshy organs that store plant food and water. Lilies produce a true bulb, which is a compressed stem with a growing point surrounded by fleshy leaves. Gladioli develop corms, which are solid with a growing point in the center. Potatoes are tubers, which are fleshy stems that have buds called eyes. Sweet potato or dahlias are tuberous roots that are similar to tubers, but do not have buds. An iris is a rhizome, which is a horizontal stem that grows parallel to the soil surface.



Livestock Judging

We are looking for families interested in hosting livestock judging contests. If you are interested, please contact Penny at the Extension Office at 347-2436.



Jr. Leaders Meeting April 7

The Jr. Leaders will meet April 7 at 6pm at the Ext. Office. We will be working on details for the 4-H Carnival at the Meade County Fair on Monday, July 26.



Jr. Leaders – Fun Day March

The Jr. Leaders will be having a Lock-in on **March 13-14** at the Meade County Extension Office. All youth are asked to meet at the Extension Office by 6pm on March 13 for Pizza. Then we will be walking to the Bowling Alley, and will return to the Extension Office for Movies, and Games. We have an adult male chaperone, still looking for an adult female chaperone (the person needs to be at least 21 years old to chaperone). Please register with the Extension Office by Wednesday, **March 10** for this fun event.



Western Hills Rabbit Club Spring Show

The spring show will be 9am on Saturday, May 8 at the Central States Fairgrounds 4-H Building in Rapid City. There will be 2 open shows and 2 youth shows. Entry fee is \$2.50 per rabbit. All breeds are welcome. Registrations are due by 8:30am. 4-H contests include breed ID, judging and showmanship. Prizes will be awarded. Contact Laura McKee with questions at 605-578-2068 or email her at mckee1991@msn.com

Middle School Youth Conference – INB

Here's your opportunity to learn, have fun, and meet others from around the state! INB will offer you new recreation ideas, a choice of project workshops including photography, robotics, special foods, dog and the opportunity to meet others your age as you find the fun in good meeting management. Join us on **April 10** from 9:30am-3pm at the Pennington County Extension Office in Rapid City. The cost is \$15.00 and includes lunch. Registration forms are available at the Extension Office, and the deadline is April 2.

Camp Counselors

We are looking for all of you awesome teens that love camp and love to work with younger kids to be camp counselors. If you are 16 (15 with educator's recommendation) please consider being a Jr. Camp Counselor. Applications can be picked up from any County Extension Office. Plan now to attend!!



Camp Bob Marshall Looking for Summer Staff

College students, teachers and school nurses, this is the summer job opportunity for you! Camp Bob Marshall, the 4-H Camp located just east of Custer, is looking for summer staff. We will be hiring program staff including the positions of Program Director, Lifeguard (must be certified), Song Leader and Camp Nurse/EMT for the 4-H Camp Sessions June 13-July 2, 2010. We will also be hiring camp staff assistant cooks/camp assistants for June, July and August. If you are interested, contact Amy Frerichs at the Lawrence County Extension Office by email amy.frerichs@sdstate.edu or call 642-6200 for details and an application.



Meade County Extension Office
1029 5th Street
Sturgis, SD 57785

Meade County Website

Please visit www.meadecounty.org/4-h.html to view the recently updated Meade County website. If you have any ideas or suggestions for what you would like to have available on this page, please let Rebecca know by calling 347-2436 or emailing meade.pa@sdstate.edu.

State 4-H Leaders Conference



The 2010 SD 4-H Leaders Conference is on Saturday, **March 27** at the Davison County Fairgrounds in Mitchell. Highlights include the areas of photography, The Power of Wind, SET activities, public presentations, computer projects, Character Counts, and more. The conference schedule will run from approximately 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM and will include a light breakfast, lunch and snacks. If you are interested in attending, contact your local County Extension Office.

Rebecca Poelstra
4-H Coordinator
Meade County

Cheryl Cross
Office Manager
Meade County



South Dakota Cooperative Extension Service

South Dakota State University, South Dakota counties, and USDA cooperating. South Dakota State University adheres to AA/EEO guidelines in offering educational programs and services.

SDSU Cooperative Extension
Service-4-H Serving the
Counties of:

Butte County
892-3371
butte.county@sdstate.edu

Harding County
375-3412
harding.county@sdstate.edu

Lawrence County
642-6200
lawrence.county@sdstate.edu

Meade County
347-2436
meade.county@sdstate.edu

Perkins County
244-5622
perkins.county@sdstate.edu