



# 4-H News February 2013

## Butte/Lawrence/Meade

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills.



### FEBRUARY

- 6 2:00 PM, Static Judging Contest, Hudson Hall, Spearfish (Kit #1)
- 12 7:00 PM, Butte/Lawrence Fair Board Meeting, Butte Electric, Newell
- 14 TBA, Static Judging Contest, Atall School, Union Center (Kit #2)
- 15-16 Bob Fox Memorial Shoot, Former Big Boys Toys Building, Belle Fourche
- 16 10:00 AM to noon, Static Judging Contest, Sturgis Community Center, Sturgis (Kit #2)
- 16 10:00 AM to noon, Livestock Judging Sturgis Community Center
- 16 6:30 PM, B/L Jr. Leader's Dance/Dance Class, St. Onge Hall, St. Onge
- 17 2:00 PM, B/L Jr. Leader's Meeting, Congregational Church, Belle Fourche
- 19 6:00 PM, Meade County Leader's Special Meeting, Erskine Building, Sturgis
- 19 6:30 PM, Meade County Fair Board Meeting, Erskine Building, Sturgis
- 22 DEADLINE, Camp Counselor Registrations Due for Lock-In
- 25 3:30 PM, Static Judging Contest, Faith Library, Faith (Kit #2)

### MARCH

- 2-3 Camp Counselor Lock-In, Pennington County 4-H Building, Rapid City
- 6 2:00 PM, Static Judging Contest, Hudson Hall, Spearfish (Kit #2)
- 6 TBA, Video Horse Judging Contest, Hudson Hall, Spearfish
- 6 TBA, HORSE Training, Hudson Hall, Spearfish
- 12 7:00 PM, Butte/Lawrence Fair Board Meeting
- 13 3:30 PM, Static Judging Contest, Ag-Sci Building, High School, Newell (Kit #2)
- 13 4:30 PM, Public Presentations, Newell High School, Newell
- 18 3:30 PM, Static Judging Contest, Congregational Church, Belle Fourche (Kit #2)
- 18 6:30 PM, Butte/Lawrence Leader/Parent Meeting, Spearfish Chamber Office, Spearfish
- 21 Phonathon – Butte and Lawrence Counties
- 23 9:00 AM, Butte/Lawrence Market Beef Weigh-In, Green Tagging and DNA Testing, St. Onge Livestock, St. Onge
- 23 State 4-H Leader's Convention, Aberdeen

### APRIL

- 1 DEADLINE – 4-H Scholarship Applications Due
- 3 2:00 PM, Static Judging Contest, Hudson Hall, Spearfish (Kit #3)
- 3 2:00 PM, Public Presentation, Hudson Hall, Spearfish
- 8 3:30 PM, Static Judging Contest, Congregational Church, Belle Fourche (Kit #3)
- 9 7:00 PM, Butte/Lawrence Fair Board Meeting
- 10 4:00 PM, Static Judging Contest, Ag-Sci Building, High School, Newell (Kit #3)
- 13 Horse Judging Contest and HORSE training, Black Hills Equestrian Center, Spearfish
- 26 Butte/Lawrence Extension Office Closed

### Camp Counselor Training

Calling all teens who will be 16 years old or older by June 1<sup>st</sup> and are interested in being Camp Counselors at Camp Bob Marshall in June of 2013!! We will be having a Camp Counselor Training lock-in on March 2-3, at the Pennington County 4-H Building. Attendance at this training is Mandatory to be considered for a camp counselor position this summer. Registration will begin at 1:00 PM, with training starting at 2:00 PM, on March 2. Youth will be released and able to head home at 9:00 AM on March 3. We will be providing supper, snacks, and breakfast, as youth will NOT be able to leave the building during the lock-in. Registration materials are available at your county Extension Office and are due **February 22<sup>nd</sup>**. If you have any questions you may contact Rebecca Poelstra at the Pennington County Extension Office at 605-394-2188 or by email at [rebecca.poelstra@sdstate.edu](mailto:rebecca.poelstra@sdstate.edu).



### Jr. Leader's Jitterbug Dance Class and Dance

Come join us for an evening of fun learning how to jitterbug hosted by the Butte/Lawrence Jr. Leader's. The class will begin at 6:30 PM on Saturday, February 16 at the St. Onge Hall, so put your dancing shoes on and come join the fun. The class is open to all youth in Butte, Lawrence and Meade counties.



### Appreciative Inquiry/Strategic Planning for Butte & Lawrence Counties

In order to provide a long term plan for 4-H in our counties, all interested parents and volunteers are invited to a strategic planning session Saturday, March 9 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Congregational Church in Belle Fourche. The session will be guided by Community Development Specialist, Peggy Schlecter.

### Butte/Lawrence Phonathon

Butte and Lawrence Counties will be doing their annual Phonathon on Thursday, March 21. All 4-H members are needed to make these events a success. Older members will make calls and younger members can help by preparing thank you's and stuffing envelopes. Butte County members will meet at the Congregational Church in Belle Fourche at 5:30 PM for pizza and orientation. Lawrence County members will meet at the St. Onge Hall at 4:00 PM for pizza and orientation. Watch for more details in the March newsletter and email blasts.



## NEW REQUIREMENTS!!!!

### Market Animal DNA, Weigh-In & Ownership



#### Verification Forms for Livestock

Starting with the 2012 – 2013 4-H year; SD 4-H is implementing a DNA sample process for all Market Animals intended for 4H Division competitions at the SD State Fair. All animals in the 4-H division that will potentially be shown at a state sponsored livestock event such as the South Dakota State Fair must complete the 4-H Livestock Ownership Affidavits for each species. In addition they **MUST** complete a weigh in, DNA sampling and receive a green tag before the deadlines listed below. Please keep in mind all of these requirements so you are eligible to compete at the State Fair. Contact the Extension Office for details and necessary forms. There are also additional requirements for each species.

#### All livestock exhibitors **MUST** abide by the ownership deadlines:

- **April 1, 2012** - Market Beef
- **June 1, 2012** - Market Sheep, Breeding Sheep, Breeding Beef, Dairy Goats, Dairy Cattle, Meat Goats, and Market Swine
- **July 1, 2012** – Rabbits and Poultry
  - o Poultry need Leg Bands (one per bird)
  - o Rabbits need to be tattooed (one per rabbit)

#### HORSE Project Achievement Program and Horse Judging Contests

All 4-H members enrolled in the Horse Project **MUST** participate in an organized HORSE Project Achievement Program training session and have their completed form turned into the Extension Office **by May 31** in order to participate in horse activities. This includes completion of a horse Youth in Action event or Public Presentation. Late and/or incomplete forms will not be accepted. The following training sessions are currently scheduled in conjunction with horse judging contests scheduled for the same day.

- March 6, Hudson Hall, Spearfish
- April 13, Black Hills Equestrian Center, Spearfish

#### Mini Rex Rabbits For Sale

We have three male mini rex bunnies available for \$15 each. They were born November 28, 2012 and would make a great 4-H project. Please contact Rhonda at 892-3266 for more information.

#### Show Quality Poultry For Sale

Zachary Westhoff is a 4th year Veterinary student at Iowa State University. He raises various breeds of show poultry and sells day old chicks and growing birds also. Please contact him at 712-540-4233 or [aoccl@iastate.edu](mailto:aoccl@iastate.edu) if you are interested in purchasing any poultry or with any questions pertaining to showing poultry.

#### 2013 Static (Non-Livestock) Judging Dates:

Feb 6, 2:00 PM, Hudson Hall, Spearfish (Kit #1)  
Feb 14, Time TBA, Atall School, Union Center (Kit #2)  
Feb 16, 9:00 AM to noon, Sturgis Community Center, Sturgis (Kit #2)  
Feb 25, 3:30 PM, Faith Library, Faith (Kit #2)  
Mar 6, 2:00 PM, Hudson Hall, Spearfish (Kit #2)  
Mar 13, 4:00 PM, Ag/Sci Building, High School, Newell (Kit #2)  
Mar 18, 3:30 PM, UCC Church, Belle Fourche (Kit #2)  
Apr 3, 2:00 PM, Hudson Hall, Spearfish (Kit #3)  
Apr 8, 3:30 PM, UCC Church, Belle Fourche (Kit #3)  
Apr 10, 4:00 PM, Ag/Sci Building, Newell High School (Kit #3)

#### Public Presentations Dates

March 13, 4:30 PM, Newell High School  
April 3, 2:30 PM, Hudson Hall, Spearfish  
May 30, Time TBA, Belle Fourche



#### Fashion Revue Date

May 30, Belle Fourche

#### Special Foods Date

June 4, Sturgis (tentative)

#### Pennington County Youth In Action Days

May 3-4, Walter Taylor Building, Rapid City

#### 2013 SD 4-H Leader's Convention

Mark your calendars for the 2013 SD 4-H Leader's Convention which is scheduled for Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> in Aberdeen. Ideas for break-out sessions are needed. If you have suggestions contact Paula Linke at [sd4hleaders@santel.net](mailto:sd4hleaders@santel.net).

#### Save the Dates

Teen Camp for ages 13-18 will be June 10-14, 2013  
Youth Camp for ages 8-12 will be June 21-24, 2013



#### 4-H Scholarship Applications Due April 1

High School seniors and current college students with at least five years membership in the South Dakota 4-H program are encouraged to apply for the 2013 South Dakota 4-H Scholarships. All applications are due by April 1.

#### Private Pesticide Applicator Training

There will be a Private Pesticide Applicator training class on Wednesday, February 20, 2013 at 1:00 PM at First Interstate Bank in Belle Fourche. This will be the only local training class in the area. For more information contact Ruth Beck at 605-773-8120.

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# MEADE COUNTY 4-H NEWS

## NEW – Livestock Changes for 2013!

The County Fair Horse Show will be held on Tuesday evening, August 13 at 5:00 PM.

Dairy cattle and dairy/meat goat exhibitors will be invited to begin interview judging at 9:30 AM during Wednesday of the county fair. No line bumping will be allowed this year so plan to be there early to get through the lines that are normally the longest.

The dairy cattle show will begin one half hour later at 1:30 PM, followed by dairy goats at approximately 2:00 PM and then meat goats.

## ALL 4-H/FFA MARKET BEEF AND FEEDER YEARLINGS ARE REQUIRED TO WEIGH IN THIS YEAR!

Market Beef and Feeder Yearling weigh in is scheduled for **March 23 at 9:00 am** at St. Onge Livestock. Please plan ahead!!! You can bring more than one head if you are not sure what one you are taking to fair. They **do not** have to be halter broke. We will be putting ear tags in if they do not already have one. If you are unable to attend, please make arrangements to have your animal brought to the location of weigh in and be weighed. There will **not** be an alternate day to weigh in unless weather cancels. If you are planning on going to the State Fair we will also take care of the DNA requirement as well. Call Stephanie if you need help with transportation. The plan is to have one or two workshops along with the weigh in. If you have further questions please call Stephanie at 605-381-0046 or email her at [steph@crookedoaktrucking.com](mailto:steph@crookedoaktrucking.com).

To be eligible to sell in the livestock sale during the fair, you **MUST** participate in showmanship in the species in which you plan to sell. As always, you must also be present to take your own animal through the sale ring.

## Club Building Maintenance at Fairgrounds

4-H clubs who wish to have any building maintenance for their club-assigned building at the Butte/Lawrence County Fairgrounds reimbursed by the Fair Board must submit a proposal of any repairs and estimated expenses to the Board by **April 1**. If your club is willing to pay for the expenses, no proposal is needed.

## Board & Committee Meetings

### Butte/Lawrence Leader/Parent Meeting

March 18, 6:30 PM, Spearfish Chamber of Commerce

### Butte/Lawrence County Fair Board

February 12, 7:00 PM, Butte Electric, Newell

**Butte/Lawrence Jr. Leader's Meeting** – February 17, 2:00 PM, Congregational Church, Belle Fourche

## Livestock and Static Judging Contests

February 16 will give you a great opportunity to judge both static and livestock classes all in one location at the Sturgis Community Center in conjunction with the Northern Hills Ag Fest. Static judging will be available from 10:00 AM to noon and registration for livestock judging will begin at 10:00 AM with judging from 10:30 to 11:30 AM. Enjoy the booths and have lunch and then join us again at 1:30 PM for judging awards and prizes sponsored by NHAgFest.

## Potential State Horse Show or State Fair Livestock Participants

If there is even a small chance you may take livestock to the State Fair or might attend the State Horse Show if you qualify, you must contact the Meade Co. Extension office ASAP. There are additional steps that must be taken and/or training that must be completed by certain deadlines in order for you to attend these State Competitions. Please contact Jenny right away if State Competition may be a possibility for you or your family so we can make appropriate arrangements.



## Meade County Horse Show – Save The Date

The Meade County Horse Show will be held Thursday, June 27. Watch for details in upcoming newsletters.

## Board & Committee Meetings

### Meade County Leader's Meeting

- February 19 at 6:00 PM at the Erskine Building  
This will be a **special meeting** to approve or disapprove of proposed changes to the Meade County 4-H Leaders Association Constitution and By-Laws. The proposed changes will be sent via email and available at the office no less than 2 weeks prior to the special meeting per the current Constitution and By-Laws. Most of the proposed changes are small grammatical fixes; however, there are a few other important changes necessary to ensure the Meade County 4-H Leaders Association will be a 4-H Affiliate in good standing during the process of re-chartering of every 4-H Club and 4-H Affiliate this year across the state. If you have any proposed changes you would like to suggest, please contact Rebecca Poelstra at 605-561-0106 or by email at [rpoelstra@spe.midco.net](mailto:rpoelstra@spe.midco.net). A copy of the current Constitution and By-Laws are available at the Extension Office.  
The next regular meeting will be held April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

### Meade County Fair Board Meeting

- February 19 at 6:30 PM at the Erskine Building

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#### **Entering Animals Into 4HOnline**

Families with 4HOnline access may begin uploading specific animal information for each member. Effective for the 2012 – 2013 4-H program year, **all animals used for 4-H projects must be entered in 4HOnline** so please get started on this now. You may begin entering all horse, dairy and breeding animal information right away. Please read and follow the instructions on the Help Sheet found on your home screen after logging into 4HOnline and on [iGrow.org](http://iGrow.org).

Please send all Market Animal information directly to the County 4-H Office using a completed Ownership Affidavit form as soon as possible. County staff will enter all Market Animal information in 4HOnline. The Ownership Affidavits are available on [iGrow.org](http://iGrow.org) and on the Butte/Lawrence County Fair website.

For most species, you will need to collect the following information to enter: breed, date of birth, color/markings, and herd tag or tattoo number. There is also a place to upload a completed ownership affidavit, and registration papers and lease agreements (when applicable). For horses, you will need four pictures, one of each side of the horse. If you need assistance adding your animals to 4HOnline, please contact your county Extension office.

\*\*Please also remember to update your email address or other info in 4HOnline as things change so we always have your most current information.

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