



4-H News September 2013

Butte/Lawrence/Meade

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SOUTH DAKOTA STATE FAIR

August 29 – September, 2 – Huron

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Holiday, Offices Closed
- 3 6:00 PM, Hunter Safety Course Begins, Center of the Nation Sportsman's Club, Belle Fourche
- 10 7:00 PM, Butte/Lawrence Fair Board Meeting, Fairgrounds, Nisland
- 13 DEADLINE – Western Junior FCS Show Entry Forms Due to Extension Office for Premier Exhibitor Award Eligibility
- 14-15 Fall State 4-H Shoot, Mitchell
- 16 6:30 PM, Butte/Lawrence Leader/Parent Meeting, Congregational Church, Belle Fourche
- 19-21 Newell Ram Show & Sale, Newell
- 20 DEADLINE – Final Entry Date Allowed for Western Junior Livestock Show entries
- 20 DEADLINE – Western Junior Livestock Show Scholarship Applications Due
- 20 DEADLINE – Butte/Lawrence 4-H Journals due to your club leader
- 23 5:30 PM, Meade County Shooting Sports Committee Meeting, Erskine Building, Sturgis
- 26-27 Meade County Extension Office Closed
- 30 DEADLINE – Meade County 4-H Record Books Due to the Extension Office before 4:00 PM
- 30 4:00 PM, Meade County Leader's Meeting, Erskine Building, Sturgis
- 30 DEADLINE – Butte/Lawrence Independent and Leader's End of Year Reports and Award Applications Due
- 30 End of the 2012-2013 4-H Year

OCTOBER

- 1 NEW 2013-2014 4-H Year Begins
- 5 6:00 PM, Meade County Jr. Leader's End of the Year Bash and New Year Celebration
- 7 6:00 PM, Meade County 4-H Open House, Meade County Extension Building, Sturgis
- 8 7:00 PM, Butte/Lawrence County Fair Board Meeting
- 9 National Youth Science Day
- 9-12 Western Junior Livestock Show, Central States Fairgrounds, Rapid City
- 11-12 Western Junior Family & Consumer Science Show, Central States Fairgrounds, Rapid City
- 14 Hoilday, Offices Closed
- 14 6:30 PM, Meade County Fair Board Meeting, Erskine Building, Sturgis
- 16 Meade County Extension Office Closed
- 21-23 Meade County Extension Office Closed

NOVEMBER

- 11 Holiday, Offices Closed
- 28-29 Holiday, Offices Closed

Western Junior Livestock Show

The 76th Western Junior Livestock Show will be held October 9-12, 2013 in Rapid City at the Central States Fairgrounds. Rules, regulations, entry blanks and trip/scholarship applications are available from the Western Junior website at: www.westernjuniorlivestock.com or your local County Extension Office.

Western 4-H FCS Show



The 51st Western Family Consumer Science Show will be held October 11-12, 2013 in Rapid City, SD at the Central States Fairgrounds. The show is open to all youth (4-H and non 4-H) that are interested in competing in the different events. Contests include home living, public presentations, place setting, ingredient measuring, bread baking, meat id, family life photo, vegetable id and judging, FCS skill-a-thon and Fashion Revue. **Entry forms are due to your local County Extension Office by September 13** to be eligible for the Premier Exhibitor Award, otherwise entries are accepted through the date of the show. Detailed information about the contest is available at your local Extension Office.

Hunter Safety Course

The final hunter safety course of the year will begin this month. Class dates are September 3rd, 5th and 7th, 2013 6:00 to 9:00 pm on Tuesday and Thursday and 8:00 am to 12:00 noon on Saturday.



Class will be held at the Center of the Nation Sportsman's Club Clubhouse Located west of Belle Fourche on 3VVV road. There will be a Range Session late Saturday morning. Students must attend all three sessions to receive their card. Pre-registration is not required, but it would be greatly appreciated if you would contact the Game, Fish and Parks office in Belle Fourche at 605-892-4968. Leave a message of expected attendance if no one is at the office. There is no charge for the classes and all materials and firearms will be provided.

State Law requires that juveniles 12 through 15 years of age successfully complete a Hunter Safety Course before he/she can obtain a SD hunting license. Students 11 years old may attend if their 12th birthday occurs prior to April 2014.

Horse Workshop Series

The Pennington County office will host a four week series of horse workshops on Tuesday evenings in September and October 1. The first three workshops will be at the Rounds Arena next to the Pennington County Extension Office from 6:00 – 8:00 PM each day. Space is limited to 20 participants unless you plan to attend without a horse.



Workshop 1, September 10: Equitation and arena etiquette
Workshop 2, September 17: Fitting and Showmanship
Workshop 3, September 24: Horse Judging School (Not a contest)
Workshop 4 will be at the Pennington County 4-H Office from 6:00 – 8:00 PM on October 1. Youth are invited to learn about hippology and horse quiz bowl and how to prepare yourself for competition.

Responsible Dog Ownership Day is September 20 at the Pennington County 4-H office. Sponsored by the Regional Dog Club.

2nd Annual Dakota Country Lifestyles Expo



The 2nd Annual Dakota Country Lifestyles Expo will be held September 6 & 7, 2013 at the Central States Fairgrounds Fine Arts Building in Rapid City. The Expo will be packed with

vendors of products important to acreage owners, and daily seminars including a Dakota-Made cookoff, getting started with chickens, country gardening and dutch oven cooking! Admission is Free! For a detailed schedule, visit www.DakotaCountryLifestyles.com.

Rural Women in Ag Conference

Women in the region have until September 13 to register for the 2013 South Dakota Rural Women in Agriculture Conference, Oct. 3-4 in Keystone, S.D. The conference is a time for women to do fun, relaxing events while also learning about current topics of importance in the agricultural industry. Events planned include discussion of key agricultural topics including the Farm Bill, Immigration, Easements, Consumer Perceptions and Telling Our Story. Back by popular demand is jewelry making and shopping in Hill City. New this year is a chance for women to 'Pay It Forward' by creating Love Bundles at the conference that will be donated to area women shelters. Keynote speakers and networking and social aspect of the conference are also highlights of the conference. More details can be found at the South Dakota Rural Women's Facebook page, or contact the SDSU Regional Extension Center in Lemmon, SD at (605)374-4177. The conference will be held at K Bar S Lodge and a block of rooms is being held. Book yours by calling (866) 522-7724.

BUTTE/LAWRENCE 4-H NEWS

REMEMBER To Pick Up State Fair Exhibits

Please pick up any exhibits that went to State Fair after September 3, 2013. Please pick up your exhibits as soon as possible.

County Fair Premiums

County Fair premium money will be available to be picked up at the Extension Office beginning September 4, 2013. We request that a leader from each club please pick up all premium money for your club members to disburse at your next meeting.

County Fair Lost and Found

We have several items in the office that were left at the fairgrounds last month. Please stop in to check the box and claim any items.

Livestock Sale Checks

Thanks to all committee members, volunteers and participants for their hard work. Sale checks will be available October 1 at the Butte/Lawrence Extension Office.

End of 4-H Year Info

4-H Journals – All 4-Hers need to complete their 4-H Journal for the 2012-2013 4-H year. The journal is due to your 4-H leader by Friday, **September 20**. The journal needs to be filled out, not just signed, and turned into your leader for review. Leader's will mark your journal as either complete or incomplete. It will not be judged. The 4-H Leader will need to turn in the "I Made It" page 9 to the Extension Office by September 30 for final completion.

Club Award Information

Club secretary books, historian/reporter scrapbooks and club community service award applications are also due on September 30.

4-H Treasurer's Books

Each club is responsible for having an audit completed on your financial records. The audit must be conducted by two or more people who are not signors, or related to the signors, on the account. The audit guidelines are found in the Treasurer's Record Book and the completed audit forms (pages 16 & 17) are due to the Extension Office **by November 15, 2013**.

Leaders and Independents

All end of year reports, copies of your members "I Made It" pages, and award applications are due to the Extension Office by September 30. Please plan ahead so your reports are completed by the deadline.

MEADE COUNTY 4-H NEWS

2013 Butte/Lawrence County Fair Planning

If you have questions, concerns or ideas to help make the 2014 Fair even better, please make plans to attend one of two upcoming meetings. 4-H related issues will be discussed at the Leader/Parent meeting on September 16, at 6:30 PM at the Congregational Church in Belle Fourche. Open Class and general fair issues will be discussed at the Fair Board Meeting on October 8.

Board & Committee Meetings

Butte/Lawrence County Fair Board

September 10, 7:00 PM, Fairgrounds, Nisland



Butte/Lawrence Leader/Parent Meeting

September 16, 6:30 PM, Congregational Church, Belle Fourche

Butte/Lawrence Jr. Leader's

September 22, 2:00 PM, Congregational Church, Belle Fourche

New 4-H Year Begins October 1

We have already had several calls from new members interested in joining 4-H this fall. Keep spreading the word about our great program and invite a friend to your next 4-H meeting so they can see what it is all about. Enrollment for the 2013-2014 4-H year will begin October 1 through the 4HOnline program that you have been using the past year. Remember, if you were in 4-H this year, you will NOT need to set up a new family profile in 4HOnline even if you are adding new family members to the program. Detailed instructions will be available from your club leader.

4-H Record Books and Secretary Books DUE September 30

Record books are due in the Extension Office on Monday, September 30 (the day of the leaders meeting). All record books are due including those who might be applying for trips and awards, or that still need to be judged. Secretary books are also due thin if applying for that award. All trip application forms and other applicable forms are available from your club leader or the Extension Office.

4-H Exchange

If you are interested in participating in the Meade County 4-H Exchange Trip, please contact Tacy at the Extension Office or Pam Werdel at pamela.werdel@gmail.com. Organizing and planning for the trip needs to start soon!

Meade County Junior Leaders End of the Year Bash and New Year Celebration!

At 6:00 on October 5, the Junior Leaders will be ending the year right and starting a new 4-H year off with a bang at the Meade County Extension Building. A short meeting will be conducted to go over new activities and elect officers for the new 4-H year. After that, it will be pizza and movies to celebrate a job well done! Make sure to bring any friends that interested in being a Junior Leader!

Board & Committee Meetings

Meade County Leader's Meeting

September 30, 4:00 PM, Erskine Building, Sturgis

Youth Council Hosts Regional 4-H Officer's Training

If you are or are interested in becoming an officer in your local 4-H Club, mark your calendars for October 26. The State 4-H Youth Council, including local members Abby Keffeler from Sturgis and Callie Sleep, Sydney Sleep and Lane Speirs from Spearfish, will be presenting their first Regional Center training. They hope to accomplish individual growth and personal success throughout this training.

They plan to offer training for parliamentary procedure during club meetings, along with what makes a quality officer and strong officer team. This training will be held over the Regional Center's networking capabilities, so 4-Hers from all across the state will be able to take part in this activity. Watch for the October newsletter for information on pre-registering, times, and other details.

The South Dakota 4-H Youth Council is an organization composed of 4-H teens from across South Dakota. The group's focus is to help to develop the minds of youth by increasing and promoting leadership and activity through 4-H. The teen leaders will be involved in planning the Teen Leadership Conference, held annually in June on the campus of South Dakota State University. The group also provides leadership training opportunities for youth across the state, and works with volunteers and professional staff to make 4-H more visible.

All members of the South Dakota 4-H Youth Council must be between the ages of 15 and 18 and are enrolled in 4-H. Members can apply to be on Youth Council by getting an application from their local extension office. Applications are due by May 1, 2014. Members can also request an application by e-mailing audrey.rider@sdsstate.edu.

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National 4-H Week - October 6-12, 2013

The month of October marks the beginning of a new 4-H year as well as National 4-H Week. Here's your chance to promote the best youth organization to be part of! October 6-12 is National 4-H Week. A week set aside to promote the 4-H program. Here are a few ways you can promote 4-H:

- Ask your teacher if you can share your 4-H experiences with your class.
- Ask your local newspaper to write an article about National 4-H Week.
- Ask to make a 4-H window display or hang 4-H posters in local businesses.
- Ask permission to make and hang 4-H posters in your school and on your locker.
- Wear 4-H T-Shirts throughout the week.
- Talk about 4-H with your friends and invite a guest to your next 4-H meeting.

Visit <http://www.4-h.org/> for more ideas and tools.

4-H National Youth Science Day

On October 9, 2013, millions of young people will become scientists for the day during the sixth annual 4-H National Youth Science Day (NYSD). This event seeks to spark an early youth interest and leadership in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) careers. This year, the National Science Experiment will be – 4-H Maps & Apps! The year's set of activities will turn young people into geospatial thinkers as they design and map their ideal park, use GIS mapping to solve community problems and contribute data about their community to the United States Geological Survey.

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