



4-H News

August 2016

Butte/Lawrence/Meade

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 B/L Office Closed – At Nisland Fair Grounds State Fair entry deadline!	2 B/L County Fair!	3 B/L County Fair!	4 B/L County Fair!	5 B/L County Fair!	6 B/L County Fair!
7	8 B/L Office Closed MC Office Closed	9 MC Office Closed	10 MC Office Closed	11 MC Office Closed	12 MC Office Closed	13
14	15 YMHFA – Belle Fourche – Register! 8:30-5:00	16	17 YMHFA – Newell Register! 8:30-5:00	18	19 4-H State Rodeo! Pierre, SD	20 4-H State Rodeo!
21 4-H State Rodeo!	22 State Fair Entry Projects may be dropped off at the B/L Office this week!	23	24	25 Meade School District Open Houses	26	27 State 4-H Dog Show Organic Garden Feed Event! 5:00-8:00pm
28	29	30 MC Office Closed	31 Fall Shoot Match 2 Fall State Shoot Deadline MC Office Closed	SOUTH DAKOTA STATE FAIR! Huron, SD August 31- September 5.		



Butte/Lawrence County Fair
Dates are August 2-6, 2016
 (Please Note Date Change)



August

- 1 State Fair & State Dog Show Registration Deadline (Livestock, Static Exhibits, YIA)
- 1 Breed Registration Papers Due to Co Office
- 1 State Livestock Judging & Skill-A-Thon Registration Deadline
- 2-6 Butte Lawrence County Fair
- 2-8 B/L Office Closed
- 8-12 MC Office Closed
- 15 & 17 YMHFA Seminar 9-5pm FREE!
15-Belle 17- Newell
- 19-21 State 4-H rodeo, Ft. Pierre SD
- 20 Archery Cert Course, Belle Fourche
- 27 State 4-H Dog Show
- 30 – Sept. 2, Meade Co. Office Closed
- 31-5 State Fair, Huron
- 31 Fall Shoot Match 2
- 31 Fall State Shoot **DEADLINE**

September

- August 31-September 5 –
South Dakota State Fair!
- 6, 8,10 Hunt Safe, Belle Fourche
- 10-11 State 4-H Fall Shoot – Mitchell, SD
- 9 Lawrence County Leaders 1:00 TBD
- 8 Livestock Judging Team Rosters due to State 4-H Office
- 11 McPherson Angus Ranch Livestock Judging, 1:00 PM
- 13 Butte Leaders 6:30 TBD
- 15 B/L Leaders Meeting 6:30 UCC in Belle Fourche
- 16 State Livestock Skill-A-Thon – SDSU Campus, Animal Science Building16 Practice Livestock Judging Classes – SDSU Campus, Animal Science Arena
- 17 State 4-H Livestock Judging – SDSU Campus, Animal Science Arena
- 18 Meade Co. Jr. Leaders Mtg., Ext. Bldg, 4:30
- 19 Meade Co. Leader's Mtg, Extension Bldg, 4:30
- 26-29 Meade Co. Office Closed

October

- 3-9 National 4-H Week
- 5-8 Western Junior, Livestock Show & 4-H FCS show – Rapid City, SD
- 18 MC Fair Board Meeting, 6:00, Extension Bldg.

November

- 25-30 National 4-H Congress – Atlanta, GA



Board & Committee Meetings

Butte/Lawrence Leaders Meeting

September 15 6:30 UCC, Belle Fourche

Butte Leaders Meeting

September 13, 6:30 location TBD

Lawrence Leaders Meeting

September 8, 1:00 location TBD

Livestock Sale Committee

August 4, 8:00 in sale ring at Fairgrounds

Meade Co. Jr. Leaders

September 18th, 4:30, Extension Bldg.

Meade Co Leaders

September 19th 4:30, Extension Bldg.

Meade Co. Fair Board Meeting

Oct. 18, 6:00, Erskine Building

BEEF BOWL AUGUST 27th in Spearfish

Enjoy the Northern Hills Beef Bowl on August 27th at Lyle Hare Stadium in Spearfish for great football and beef. These football games will feature Sturgis vs. St. Thomas More at 4 pm and Spearfish vs. Belle Fourche at 7 pm. 4-H will be promoting beef during the games. Like the Northern Hills Beef Bowl Facebook page and follow them on Instagram and Twitter @nhbeefbowl to win great prizes before and during the games. A tasty beef meal will be sold before the games.

Rapid City Quarter Horse Association is sponsoring a \$1000.00 scholarship to a 4-H Horse project member that is currently a senior in High School who will graduate this spring. Applicants must be from West River and enrolled in the 4-H horse project for the last 3 years. Contact Patty Brunner at 393-2577 or the Pennington County 4-H Office at 394-2188

State 4-H livestock Judging Contest

The 2016 State 4-H Skill-a-Thon will be held September 16 and the Livestock Judging Contest will be held September 17 on the South Dakota State University campus in the Animal Science building. –Register by

August 8th. See more at: <http://igrow.org/4h/south-dakota-4h/state-4-h-livestock-judging-contest/#sthash.FduaUKDI.dpuf>

Deadline for

SD GFP Hunter Safety Courses

These courses are available in our area:

- Belle Fourche Archery Certification course, Aug 20
- Belle Fourche Hunt Safe September 6, 8 & 10

Visit this link for more information:

<http://gfp.sd.gov/outdoor-learning/hunter-education/hunt-safe.aspx>

Regional Shooting Sports Information

There are several different groups and locations within our three counties so there are multiple opportunities to participate. Shooting Sports is open to 4-H members ages 8 – 18 as of January 1, 2016.

Butte County 4-H Shooting Sports

Our season is off and running. Please Contact Heath Olson for more information: heath.olson@hotmail.com or Amy Hauck, sdcowboy1@msn.com or 569-0408

Lawrence County Sharp Shooters

Held at the Crowley shop near St. Onge. Be sure to get enrolled in 4-H and choose "Lawrence County Sharp Shooters" in the group section of your enrollment so we can keep you in the loop as things develop. If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie at 381-0046 or steph@crookedoaktrucking.com

Meade County Shooting Sports

Meade County 4-H will have shooting sports group for archery, BB rifle, BB pistol, pellet rifle, and pellet pistol. Contact the Meade Co. Extension office for details. Groups will be shooting in Union Center, Sturgis, and Lead. Be sure to select the shooting sports project area when enrolling in 4H Online if you are interested.

Bullseye Archery Club

The Bullseye 4-H Archery Club shoots in Lead. If anyone is interested in shooting archery, please contact Priscilla Lary at 920-1293. Pass along the word.



Butte Lawrence County Fair Date Changes:

The fair dates and events have been adjusted by one day. The Butte/Lawrence County Fair Dates will now be held **August 2-6th, 2016**.

Superintendents Needed

Looking for new Dairy Cattle Superintendent. Please contact the Butte/Lawrence Extension Office for a Citizen Interest Application if you are interested in volunteering for this position.

REMINDER: Participation Counts & Adds Up To Points & Prizes

Butte-Lawrence 4-H'ers just a quick reminder to encourage you to participate in speaking, judging, fair exhibiting and other youth in action activities throughout the summer. Based on your participation at the county and state level, you earn points that are awarded at the

A Message from Michelle May, Butte Lawrence county Youth Program Advisor:

This week of Fair Prep has been a busy one for all. The Office. The Leaders. The Youth and their families. The Community. The Fair board. The phone has been ringing almost non-stop and the office has been steady. But, as I sat in the sweltering heat this morning of the Extension Office that has been without air conditioning for three days and surveyed the office copier that broke down just in time for printing our final County fair items, well, I find myself SMILING. It is moments like this where ones PERSPECTIVE and the power of CHOICE come greatly into play. I am smiling because through it all the fair will go on and soon and very soon the fairgrounds are going to be filled with youth and their families who are eager and ready to participate! We

recognition event in the fall. With your points you have two options - you can SPEND them to purchase 4-H items featured on the display board at the Recognition program, or you can SAVE them from year-to-year and redeem them toward 4-H trips such as Citizenship Washington Focus or the South Dakota Teen Leadership Camp.

Dress A Rabbit Contest

Start planning your costumes for the Dress A Rabbit Contest at the Butte/Lawrence County Fair on Friday, August 5 at 9:00 AM.

We would like to thank the many businesses' who contributed to County Fair –

Pope & Talbot for donating sawdust for the grounds.

Tractor supply in Spearfish for sawdust & Coupon Books.

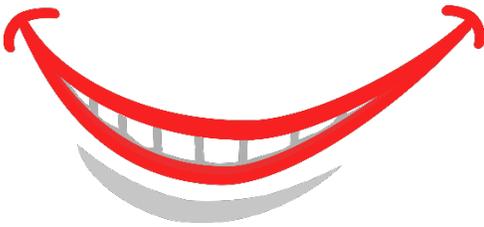
Running's in Belle for the participants buckets!



keep our eyes focused and in perspective because that serves as a great reminder of why we all do what we do and we will be there to see it all unfold. We move forward because we know that at the end of the day youth will be smiling and lives will have been challenged and changed. And, that is why I am smiling and not stressing. I marvel at those who have come forward, stepped up and out in order to assist and give of themselves and of their time. I am smiling because, it is a choice and I choose alongside many others to make the best better.

Gratefully –

Michelle May



Welcome, Cindy Riley, Butte/Lawrence County Administrative Assistant:

We are also smiling as we welcome, Cindy Riley, on board as the Administrative Assistant for the Butte/Lawrence County Extension Office. Many of you already know Cindy and the wealth of experience and expertise that she brings to the program and office. But for those of you who do not, here is a bit of information about her:

- *Cindy is a lifelong Butte County Resident & was a 4-H Member for 10 years!
- *Cindy and her husband have a farm/ranch operation on the South/West edge of Butte County.
- *Cindy comes with a list of experience from her career in 4-H as a leader, parent, volunteer and judge!
- *She is a member of the non-livestock Committee and an Extension Club Member as well.
- *Cindy comes to our office with professionalism, attention to administration and detail and dependability!
- *She has a great love for 4-H and always will. We are confident that adding her to the team with continue supporting our efforts to make the best better!

MEADE COUNTY NEWS

Meade County 4-Her of the Month

Here is your chance to nominate a 4-Her of the month or quarter. Meade County 4-H would like to honor a *4-H Member of the Month* in order to focus public attention on outstanding 4-Her within Meade Co. The member will be chosen from candidates based on several factors such as community service and 4-H involvement. Nomination forms are on the website at meadecounty.org/4-H or contact the Meade Co. Extension Office.

Faith Stock Show

If you were not able to exhibit at the Meade County Achievement Days, you are allowed to exhibit at the Faith Stock Show. Refer to the local newspaper for more information regarding check in times.

CONGRATULATIONS

A big high five to everyone who exhibited at achievement days! I was so proud of all the youth who took part and impressed the judges. You are the reason that I LOVE this job. Keep up the good work.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

To plan a fair is not an easy task and I just want to express my appreciation to those families who devoted hours upon days to make the Meade Co. Fair and Achievement Days a reality. Special thanks to my fair board members who helped pull it together. The event was well attended and our numbers were up which was one of my goals. I hope that you were able to enjoy the fair in some way or another. I would appreciate any feedback regarding the fair so please let one of us know your thoughts. If you know of anyone who would like to join our fair board, we would love to visit with them.

Also thanks to all the trophy/award sponsors and livestock sale sponsors. I will be posting a list on facebook so please thank them if you see them around or patronize their businesses.

Livestock Sale Recipients

Checks will be mailed within the next month so make sure you thank your buyer/buyers as soon as you can.

Meade County Office

The office will be closed the week of rally so the best way to get a hold of Jenny is through email. It will also be closed during the state fair as well. As always, I can't guarantee I will be in the office on any given day at set office hours, so a text or email can help for us to meet up. There are many days I will miss someone just by running out to the fair barn or down to the garden.

McPherson Livestock Judging

September 11th, 1:00 PM at the McPherson Angus Ranch. Hosted by the McPherson's and the Hereford Cross S 4-H Club. Come and get in some practice before Western Jr. Livestock Judging or the State Livestock Judging. There will be judging for beginners, juniors, seniors, cloverbuds, and even adults if they want! A meal will be served. RSVP is appreciated for planning. Award will be given in each division.

Directions to McPhersons: Go east from Sturgis on 34, turn off at the Buffalo Chip on the Alkali Rd. follow pavement for 5 mi, keep going straight on gravel for 16 mi, McPherson Angus Ranch sign up and Star Ranch Dr sign. Turn and go south for 2 1/2 mi. From Union Center-----go west on 34 for 16 or 17 mi, turn at Hereford 11 miles sign and continue on the Hereford Road for 8 mi. It will then become the Alkali Road. Follow that for 7 1/2 mi and come to the McPherson Angus Ranch sign and Star Ranch Dr. Turn and go south for 2 1/2 mi.

CDM (Consumer Decision Making)/ Static Judging

If a 4-Hers is wanting to complete their static judging for 2016, leaders are welcome to take the kits to their club meetings or you can contact our office to set up a time to get your judging in. If you are wanting to receive your project pin, you need to get 2 judging's in. We did have it set up at achievement days, but I know that not too many people were able to get to the judging. I am willing to work with you so just give us a call to set up something.

Meade County Elementary School Open Houses

We will be setting up a table at the elementary schools in Meade Co. to promote 4-H. I am looking for leaders, parents, and 4-Hers to come and promote at these events on August 25th. I am still looking to see when I could do something in Faith but as of right now I will need someone in Piedmont, Whitewood, Sturgis, and rural schools.

Building Update

Raffle for Fit Bit Blaze. Be watching for your tickets in the mail!



Youth Scholarships

Youth, who have at least five years of active membership in South Dakota 4-H (current high school senior or enrolled in college, technical institute, etc.), are eligible to apply for South Dakota 4-H Scholarships.

The South Dakota State University (SDSU) Collegiate 4-H Scholarship is only open to active members in Collegiate 4-H currently attending SDSU.

Scholarships available are at this

link: <http://igrow.org/up/resources/01-4007-2016.pdf>

4-H Youth Council Statewide Service Project

The South Dakota State 4-H Youth Council selected the Make-A-Wish Foundation of South Dakota as their statewide community service project. "They will be collecting cash donations throughout the next calendar year to try and raise the \$5,000-\$6,000 necessary to grant one

wish for a child in South Dakota," explained Audrey Rider, SDSU Extension State 4-H Events Field Specialist. Counties throughout South Dakota will compete to see which 4-H county can raise the most money. The winning county will receive a prize. The mission of Make-A-Wish: We grant the wishes of kids with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy. - See more at: <http://igrow.org/news/4-h-youth-council-state-wide-service-project/#sthash.WzCEEghL.dpuff>

Ten Commandments for 4-H Parents

Doing the right thing as parents isn't always easy, however, the following list can act as a guide when it comes to teaching youngsters about responsibilities of preparing for and exhibiting at

4-H Achievement Days.

- 1. Parents shall not feed, train and care for animals nor complete exhibits, for we are trying to teach the child responsibility.*
- 2. Parents shall forgive a child for making mistakes, for we have also made mistakes.*
- 3. Parents shall not get mad when a child forgets things, for one day we may forget more important things.*
- 4. Parents shall support the staff and volunteers, for they are doing a job you wouldn't want to do.*
- 5. Parents shall see that their child is on time for all events for you would not want to wait on others.*
- 6. Parents shall teach the child that winning a ribbon is a desirable goal, but making friends and learning new things are more worthy goals.*
- 7. Parents shall not complain about the judge, for it is their opinion that has been sought.*
- 8. Parents shall remember 4-H projects are teaching projects, not necessarily money making projects.*
- 9. Parents shall remember 4-H projects are family projects to be enjoyed and supported by the entire family.*
- 10. Parents shall remember, we help all children by setting the best example we can.*

*****Important Information*****

- **August 1st** is the deadline to register exhibits for the State Fair.
<http://sd4hstatefair.fairentry.com> Be sure to fill out a Display Exhibit Entry Form for any exhibits that you plan on taking to the SD State Fair. The form is available at:
<https://igrow.org/up/resources/01-4017-2015.pdf>

Saturday, AUGUST 1, 2016

State Deadlines

- Deadline for Display & Livestock Entries
- Deadline for State 4-H Dog Show Entries
- Deadline for All 4-H Youth-In-Action Entries: Fashion Revue, Public Presentations, Special Foods, State 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging Contest, State 4-H Consumer Decision Making Contest, and Horticulture Skill-A-Thon.

Here is the link to the State Fair Book: <http://igrow.org/up/resources/01-4008-2016.pdf> Be sure to read through for any changes for 2016.

- They have uploaded fashion review and special foods packets, guidelines for many of these project areas and this is also where the state fair book is located: <http://igrow.org/4h/south-dakota-4h/state-fair/> You can also find a lot of information in the resources section of this page: <http://igrow.org/4h/>

***This is a friendly reminder that registration for the Livestock Judging and Skillathon contests is due August 8. Contests will be held September 16-17 in Brookings. Families can access the FairEntry page at:

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