



Clover Patch

Newsletter for Grant County 4-H

April 2018



Advisor Comments...

Earlier this month, we kicked off our Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) training. In the training, we talk about leadership and sharing our story. This part took me back to my 4-H roots.

There is a lot more to being involved in a project area than just working with an animal or putting pictures on a poster board. Leadership and citizenship are important skills you learn and develop as part of the project.

The one thing I enjoyed most after I graduated from 4-H was to mentor

youth in a project area. Being a role model thought, involved more than just being a leader. Qualities of being a role model include:

1. Demonstrate confidence and leadership.
2. Don't be afraid to be unique.
3. Communicate and interact with everyone.
4. Show respect and concern for others.
5. Be knowledgeable and well-rounded.
6. Have humility and willingness to admit mistakes.

You are all TRUE LEADERS!

True Leaders in Service

4-H members are passionate about service. Research shows that youth who participate in 4-H programs are significantly more likely to make a positive contributions to their communities.

In April, 4-H members across the nation will participate as True Leaders in Service in multiple community service projects, culminating in a National 4-H Day of Service on Saturday, April 28, 2018.

The National 4-H website has outlined various information in making your service event successful.

1. Put Your Activity on the Map! Submit your event and details to show what is being done.

<https://4-h.org/get-involved/true-leaders-in-service/#!/event-registration>

1. A complete toolkit of resources to promote and support your True Leaders in Service Event.

<https://4-h.org/get-involved/true-leaders-in-service/#!/toolkit>

Start planning your service event today!

True Leaders in Service



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 1	Scholarship Application Deadline
April 2	Office Closed (Easter Monday Holiday)
April 5	Office Closed (Staff Training in Aberdeen)
April 8	4-H Junior Leaders Phonathon
April 13	CDM Judging @ 3-5PM—Courthouse Community Room
April 14	Fun Rabbit Show & Clinic
April 15	Market Beef Weigh-ins @ 2-3PM—4-H Grounds
April 16	State Shoot Registration Deadline
April 19	YQCA Training @ 6:30PM—Courthouse Community Room
April 26	4-H Online Help Session
April 27-29	State Shooting Sports, Ft. Pierre
April 30	Jr Leaders Mystery Trip

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Mark Your Calendars...

2018 4-H Camp

Grant County will be attending camp at Camp Bob Marshall near Custer, SD June 19-22! Youth will enjoy the Black Hills, canoeing, camp fire, talent show, workshops exploring your imagination, and much more.

Cost is \$125 per camper and registration will open on iGrow on April 1.

Fun Youth Rabbit Show & Clinic

Saturday April 14th at the Grant County 4-H Exhibit building. Registration is at 9:30 A.M. Rabbit show, showmanship practice, judging & Skillathon and much more!

Check out the flyer on page 6 for more details!

2018 TLC Camp

Teen Leadership Conference is for all youth ages 13—18. TLC will be June 8-10 in Brookings.

Youth will receive a great balance of leadership training, personal growth and fun!

Registration will be available soon.

Check out the flyer on page 9 for more details!

Why is Rate of Gain Important?

Average Daily Gain (ADG) is important to show how efficiently the animal is growing. Once you know how much your animal is gaining each day, you can estimate how much weight the animal still needs to gain before the show. It is important to know how much weight your animal is gaining each day. You do not need to weight

your animal every day. If you know how much weight your animal is gaining each day on the amount of feed you are giving, you can adjust the feed ration to help the animal reach it's ideal weight before show time.

The Grant County 4-H program takes pride in educating youth the importance of raising their animals.

Therefore, the 4-H Office will continue to offer county weigh-ins for our youth.

Market Beef Weigh-ins are Sunday, April 15 at 2-3PM at the 4-H Grounds.

Market Meat Goat & Sheep Weigh-ins are Thursday, May 24 at 5-6PM at the 4-H Grounds.

2018 Young Scientist Challenge

Calling all curious minds and problem solvers for the Discovery Education and 3M Young Scientist Challenge.

Students in grades 5-8 are asked to propose a new innovation or solution to an everyday problem,

and explain their solution in a 1-2 minute video.

Ten finalists will be chosen for their passion for science, spirit of innovation and ingenuity, and effective communication skills.

Registration is currently open at

the Young Scientist Challenge website. Entries are due April 19, 2017. Parents must sign a consent form and register their child. Students may then log in and complete the student profile and upload their video presentation.

For complete rules, visit <https://www.youngscientistlab.com/challenge>.

Clover Classifieds

We have baby bunnies! We will have several Havana, some Mini Lop and some Polish for sale in April/May. If you are looking for a 4-H project. Asking \$30/rabbit with pedigree. Contact Sally Heinje at 605-467-1676

Stay Connected with Grant County 4-H!

Find information at: SDSU Extension iGrow (www.igrow.org), Grant County South Dakota 4-H Facebook Page, or Grant County Website (www.grantcounty.sd.gov/countyoffices/extension)

Consumer Decision Making Judging Opportunity

Have you been faced with a situation buying groceries, choosing between brands while considering quality, size and cost in making a purchase?

Consumer Decision Making Judging will guide and assist youth in making proper choices through the judging model.

Each judging opportunity will have four classes of items tailored around nutrition, clothing &

textiles, entertainment & leisure, personal finance and personal care.

Judging offers life skills to 4-H members when they may be faced with their next grocery store decision.

Upcoming CDM Judging Opportunities:

There are two sessions scheduled at the Grant County Courthouse Community Room.



Friday, April 13

3:30-5:00 PM

Tuesday, May 22

3:30-5:00 PM

In addition, there will be a judging classes available at this year's Youth-in-Action Day on Tuesday, July 10.

Dairy Fest Picowsa Entries Needed

How do you view the dairy industry in the mid-west? Here is your opportunity to show off your artistic talents and put your thoughts on canvas!

The third annual Picowsa of Dairy Fest is opened to youth in junior and senior high, as well as 4-H Clubs and FFA Chapters. This year we have added an opportunity for youth to auction off their paintings and receive the proceeds or donate them to their

school, 4-H club or FFA chapter!

Deadline to register is May 1st. Judging will take place during Dairy Fest, and paintings will be on display for the public to view on June 2nd at the Swiftel Center.

For additional information, contact Suzanne Souza at 605-237-2199, by email souza004@umn.edu or Larissa Neugebauer, Dairy Fest



Coordination at 605-770-8233, by email sddairyfest@gmail.com. Event information and registration form can be downloaded [here](#).

Upcoming Dog Project Schedule

Do you have a new dog or dogs that you have wanted to train?

Attend this year's dog obedience practices, starting May 15 at 6:00 p.m. at the Grant County 4-H Grounds.

Practices will be held every Tuesday unless of inclement weather. They will take place in the livestock building show ring or outside.

The Grant County Dog Show is planned for July 31th with a tentative start time at 3:00 p.m.

Current proof of vaccination for your dog is required by second practice. Time of practices is 6:00 p.m. Practice dates for agility and rally to be determined, depends on interest.

Class 1: Tuesday, May 15—Informational Meeting, no dogs
Class 2: Tuesday, May 22
Class 3: Tuesday, May 29

    
Class 4: Tuesday, June 5
Class 5: Tuesday, June 12
Class 6: Tuesday, June 19
Class 7: Tuesday, June 26
Class 8: Tuesday, July 10
Class 9: Tuesday, July 17
Class 10: Tuesday, July 24
Tuesday, July 31—County 4-H Dog Show at 4:00 p.m.

Contact Mary Bohn at 432-5625 or Susan Busk at 605-956-0906 for more information about the dog project.

NEW: Youth for the Quality Care of Animals

Grant County 4-H Program will be implementing Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) in 2018. The YQCA program will replace Youth Pork Quality Assurance (YPQA). This program is for youth exhibiting beef cattle, dairy cattle, sheep, meat goats, dairy goats, swine, poultry, and rabbits.

The YOUTH standards for YQCA in South Dakota 4-H include:

- Youth ages 8 to 21 exhibiting swine projects at 2018 county and/or the State Fair will be expected to complete YQCA certification.
- Youth ages 8 to 18 (4-H age as of January 1st) should complete an instructor led YQCA training with a YQCA Trainer for the first year (2017- 2018). Ages 19 to 21 should complete the online certification training per

national YQCA guidelines. Please check with your county or surrounding counties for class dates.

- YQCA certification needs to be completed and uploaded to 4-H Online by June 1, 2018.
- Youth ages 8 to 21 exhibiting beef cattle, dairy cattle, dairy goats, meat goats, sheep, swine, poultry, and rabbits at county-level fairs or State Fair will be required to become YQCA certified for the 2018-19 4-H year.

The registration fee for instructor led (only ages 8 to 18 may attend) YQCA trainings is \$3 per person and the registration fee for the online training (open to all ages) is \$12 per person. Certification is for all food-producing animals a youth exhibits in a year; youth complete one certification each year.

Trainings have been scheduled at the Grant County Courthouse Community Room:

April 19 at 6:30 PM; and May 29 at 10:00 AM

Youth must register for a training through the YQCA website, <https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login>. Please sign in through your 4H Online credentials. Contact the Grant County 4-H Office with any online registration issues.

Grant County 4-H Leaders have purchased coupons for 4-H members to waive the \$3 registration fee for YQCA training. The 4-H Office has the coupon numbers available!

For additional information, please refer to [iGrow](#) for Youth Standards and Frequently Asked Questions document.

4-H and JOANN Partnership is Amazing

JOANN stores are connecting more young people to experiences where they can learn by doing, creating and making. By providing local 4-H clubs with resources and tools to run impactful programs, JOANN will bring the 4-H experience to more kids in need.

4-H Rewards Card

You can save 15% with JOANN 4-H Rewards on in-store and online purchases. JOANN will give a minimum of 2.5% of eligible transaction to 4-H.

Get the card:

<http://www.joann.com/4-h/>



Blanket Buddies: Statewide Community Service Project

The 2017-2018 4-H Youth Council Statewide Community Service Project is "Blanket Buddies".

Families and/or clubs are asked to "put their hands to larger service" by making tie fleece blankets and donating them to area health care facilities, shelters or other in need places.

There have been several clubs that have been busy making blankets. A friendly reminder the 4-H club or family is responsible for distributing their blankets to a place they agree on. The 4-H office needs to know how many blankets were made so we can report them to the State 4-H Office at the end of the community service project.



Attention: 2018 4-H Animal Information & Updates

Winter farm shows are in progress and we are starting to think about this year's animal identification and enrollment. In this article will outline changes and new process this year related to 4-H animals.

Rodeo

The official Rodeo packet is now available on [iGrow](#). The entry process is due May 1st!

To highlight important steps: members must enroll on 4H Online, complete required paper work and mail the proper paperwork to the 4-H Rodeo Finals Secretary. The office will only receive the Insurance Declaration Form I. This process is new so take time to review the entry process.

Horse

4-H members planning on participating in the 4-H Horse Show, start making plans before our first horse safety opportunity. Each youth during horse safety training, must complete two skill sets and a youth-in-action. Plan to give a demonstration at your club about your horse.

This year's horse safety training is about horsemanship. Horse safety training will be held on May 6, in conjunction with the Hairy Horse Fun Show.

Practices will be Monday nights at 6pm starting June 4. 1 practice will mandatory with 2 practices strongly suggested for youth participating in the horst project!

Ownership Affidavits, DNA & Registration Papers

For the past couple years, we have been changing the "Green Tagging" system into a more unified federal tag and guidelines. Please review the animal updates, changes will be made

on a monthly basis.

4-H animal enrollment must be completed on 4-H online this year! If you are 4-H members are planning on showing animals at Achievement Days and SD State Fair, these must be **FULLY completed by June 1.** The Grant County 4-H program adheres to the South Dakota 4-H deadlines.

YQCA Training

Moving forward this year, the South Dakota State 4-H program will implement the Youth for Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) program. As the Youth Pork Quality Assurance Plus training is being replaced by YQCA, those planning to exhibit in the 4-H division at the South Dakota State Fair will be required to complete the training. **All swine exhibitors are required to complete the YQCA training in 2018, regardless if they have been YPQA certified.**

Deadlines:

June 1—Market beef, Breeding beef, breeding meat goat, breeding sheep, dairy cattle, dairy goat, market goat, market sheep, market swine, poultry and rabbit must be entered online.

A friendly reminder that there is a DNA sample process for all market animals intended for the 4-H division competitions at the South Dakota State Fair. DNA samples will cost exhibitors \$6 per animal, **DNA samples must be on file or before the enrollment deadline.**

Beef

Breeding Beef animals will be required to have something more tangible than a herd tag for commercial animals. Breeding beef will need a tattoo at verification time of a NUES Green Tag. Grant County 4-H youth are responsible for their own Aksarben DNA identification this year and are

due June 1.

Sheep & Goat

Another important part of the NUES tagging system is that only one federal tag can be placed in animal. This becomes problematic with sheep and goats that already carry a Scrapie Tag (which is also a federal tag). Because of this, we will move away from green tagging sheep and goats. Sheep and goats still need to be verified on the online enrolment, going forward their Scrapie number is the unique identifier. This change requires the entire Scrapie number be recorded on the form including the state code.

Dairy

Families exhibiting 4-H Dairy Cattle will be required to provide one type of ID when submitting forms:

- A registration tag
- A registration tattoo
- An Electronic Identification Device (EID) tag number
- A complete Bangs tag number or a 4-H Green Tag number.

Swine

Families exhibiting swine will once again self-identify their animals. Ear tags, DNA and information will be available for families at a later date.

If families utilize an RFID tag for other shows, that is an acceptable tag for identification and can be used as a NUES green tag.

Cat & Dog

Members who are planning to exhibit animals in the cat or dog project area, will be required to enter their animal information on 4H Online. The information that needs to be entered is the animal name, sex, breed, colors and markings, age and vaccinations. A veterinary certificate for dog will be required at the first practice or the show, which event comes first. This will assist with Achievement Day entry.



4-H Fun Youth Rabbit Show/Clinic

Saturday, **April 14, 2018**

Milbank, SD

Exhibit building on 4-H grounds

9:30 am registration begins

10:00 am rabbit show judging begins

- rabbit showmanship practice
- learn how to judge rabbits
- rabbit hopping practice if requested
- educational displays
- rabbit skillathon stations



*****CCB RABBIT SUPPLY will be offering a **free stacker rabbit cage raffle for our youth** at this show. Call 605-860-8916 for equipment questions and orders. *****

Rabbit show awards

Cost: \$1.00 per rabbit entry

Hot dogs, bars and water available at lunch stand—Hardees & Pizza Hut close by

Silent Auction items to bid on

Rabbit tattooer will be available on site

Feel free to bring rabbits to sell suitable for 4-H

Sponsored by: Grant County 4-H Leaders &
South Dakota Rabbit Breeders Assoc.

Not an ARBA or SDRBA point show.

Questions: call Jody at 605-432-5049

BUILD • CAST REEL

FISHING ROD BUILD

RSVP BY APRIL 6TH TO THE
GRANT COUNTY 4-H OFFICE

Tentative Agenda:

*Begin build Friday Night and conclude Saturday
Dates will be set according to family's schedule.*



Hairy Horse Fun Show

Grant County 4H Grounds

May 6, 2018



Registration: 11 AM Horse Safety: 11:30 AM Show: Noon

1. Beg Showmanship
2. Jr. Showmanship
3. Sr. Showmanship
 ** 10 minute break to warm up
4. Beg. Horsemanship
5. Jr. Horsemanship
6. Sr. Horsemanship
7. Beg. Western Pleasure
8. Jr. Western Pleasure
9. Sr. Western Pleasure
10. Jr. Ranch Riding
11. Sr. Ranch Riding
12. Jr. Trail
13. Sr. Trail
 ***Break for Tack Change
14. Beg. English Equitation
15. Jr. English Equitation
16. Sr. English Equitation

17. Beg Hat Race
18. Jr. Hat Race
19. Sr. Hat Race
20. Beg. Keyhole
21. Jr. Keyhole
22. Sr. Keyhole
23. Beg. Poles
24. Jr. Poles
25. Sr. Poles
26. Beg Flag
27. Jr. Flag
28. Sr. Flag
29. Beg. Barrels
30. Jr. Barrels
31. Sr. Barrels

**Beg: Age 8-10 Jr: Age 11-13 Sr: Age 14 and over
(Age of January 1 2017)**

4H Rules will apply

\$2/class

*****Horses do not have to groomed and trimmed,
just clean looking**

***** Door Prizes**

***** Helmets are optional**

***** Hats are optional for games**

***** Long Sleeve shirts must be worn**

***** Please pick up around your trailer (take all
poop piles home with you)**

***** No registration once show starts**

For more information contact:

Grant Co. Extension Office 605.432.9221

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Hilary Schwagel 605.467.0241

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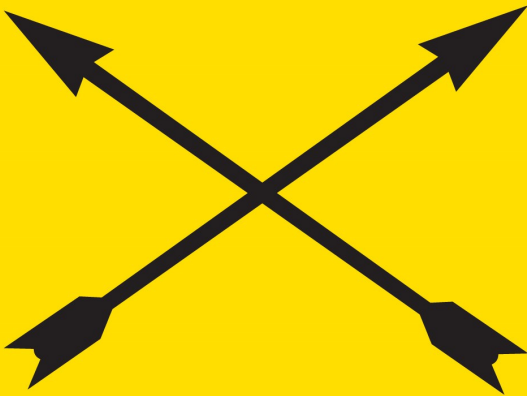
*****Horse Safety will be held at 3 PM if need to
cancel due to weather or wet grounds.**

2018

TEEN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

FEAR FACTOR

FACE EVERYTHING AND RISE



June 4-8, 2018

Early Bird Registration:
April 1-April 20 – \$275

General Registration:
April 21-May 8 – \$300

Register at iGrow.org/4h/south-dakota-4h/4-h-youth-council/

Any Teen, Age 13-18
regardless of 4-H enrollment

South Dakota State University • Brookings, SD
Teens have an opportunity to grow personally and professionally, while making life-long friendships as they explore the beautiful SDSU campus.

Hosted by: SDSU Extension 4-H Youth Council



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Spring Sewing Extravaganza

**Project 1: April 9-20:
 Zig Zag Table Runner**

**Project 2: April 23-May 7: Self Binding
 Baby Blanket & Burp Rag or Circle
 Pillow**

**Project 3: May 14-May 30:
 Apron or Kimono**

How to participate: Youth will be responsible for purchasing their material. Sewing machines will be available if don't have their own. Youth can come to the office when it works best for them within the 2-week schedule.

RSVP to the Grant County
 4-H Office prior to each
 sewing event:
 Project 1: April 2
 Project 2: April 16
 Project 3: May 17

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Calendar of Events

(Dates are subject to change.)

- April 1—Scholarship Applications due
- April 2—4-H Office closed (Easter Monday)
- April 5—4-H Office closed—Sara and Sally attending Spring training in Aberdeen
- April 8—Jr Leaders Phone-a-thon
- April 13—CDM Judging
- April 14—Fun Rabbit Show & Clinic
- April 15—Market Beef weigh-ins 2-3pm
- April 16—State Shoot Registration Deadline
- April 19—Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) Training at 6:30 p.m., Grant County Courthouse Community Room
- April 26—4-H Online Help Session
- April 27-29 —SD State 4-H Shooting Sports Match, Fort Pierre
- April 30—Junior Leaders Mystery Trip
- May 1—4-H Rodeo Finals Packet postmark on/before to 4-H Rodeo Finals Inc.
- May 3—Urban Ag Day Event
- May 17—4-H Online Help Session from 5-6:30pm
- May 22—CDM Judging school
- May 25—4-H Bike Rodeo – Grant County 4-H Grounds
- May 28—Office Closed (Memorial Day)
- May 29—Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) Training at 10:00 a.m., Grant County Courthouse Community Room
- May 31—Market Goat & Sheep Weigh-ins at 5:30-6:30 p.m.—Grant County 4-H Grounds (tentative)
- June 1—All 4-H Animal Project Identification Deadline, due on 4H Online
- June 1—Late Rodeo Finals Packet Deadline
- June 4-8—Teen Leadership Conference at South Dakota State University campus, Brookings, SD
- June 4-6—4-H Malt Wagon – Milbank City Office parking lot
- June 10-16—Performing Arts Troupe Camp, Aberdeen
- June 16-24—Citizenship Washington Focus, Washington D.C
- June 29— Grant County Horse Show
- July 1—”Youth for the Quality Care of Animals” Certification Deadline
- July 1—Breed Registration Papers due on 4H Online
- July 1—State Horse Show Registration Deadline
- July 4—Office Closed (4th of July)
- July 10—Grant County 4-H Youth-in-Action Day (Special Foods, Public Presentations, & Fashion Revue)
- July 23-25—SD State 4-H Horse Show, Huron
- July 31—Grant County Dog Show
- August 1—State Dog Show Registration Deadline
- August 6-8—Grant County 4-H Achievement Days
- August 17-19—State 4-H Rodeo, Ft. Pierre
- August 20—State Fair, State Livestock Judging & Skillathon Contest Registration Deadline (Livestock, Display Exhibits & Youth-in-Action)
- August 25—State 4-H Dog Show, Mitchell
- August 29-September 3 – South Dakota State Fair, Huron
- September 3—Office Closed (Labor Day)
- September 22-23—AK-SAR-BEN, Grand Island, NE
- October 1 – 4-H Record Books due to the 4-H Office
- October 7-13—National 4-H Week
- October 10-13—Western Junior Livestock Show & 4-H FCS Show, Rapid City
- October 2-6—World Dairy Expo, Madison, WI
- October 8— Native American Day (Office Closed)
- October 23-25—Sara Gone (SDSU Annual Extension Conference)
- October 30 – Club Financial reports are due (from Club’s treasurer’s books)
- November 4—Grant County 4-H Recognition Event at 1:30 p.m.—Milbank High School Cafeteria (tentative)
- November 12 – Office Closed (Veterans Day)
- November 22-23 – Office Closed (Thanksgiving Holiday)
- December 24-25—Office Closed (Christmas Holiday)

DEADLINES!

It is each families responsibility to adhere to deadlines. If the deadline date falls on a weekend date, you will have the next business day to turn in any materials.

Do not miss any upcoming deadlines!

Junior Leaders Corner

Junior Leaders is designed to provide members with the opportunity to learn about the qualities and competencies needed to be a leader. Leadership is a set of skills and attitudes that can be learned and developed that will help the leader influence the actions of others.

Junior Leader Phonathon Event

Sunday, April 8 at 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Junior Leaders spend an afternoon making calls to supporters to gain money for leadership opportunities for youth. In order to get done in a timely manner, it helps to have as many helping hands. There will be pizza served and snacks!



Who's ready for a Mystery Trip?

Junior Leader Mystery Trip is scheduled for Monday, April 30! This is open for youth ages 12 and older. This is a free event for those participating in Junior Leaders. Those not active Junior Leader will have a fee of \$10.00.

Schedule of Events:

7:50 a.m.—Leave Courthouse

8:50-9:00 a.m.—Arrive to Destination #1

11:30 a.m.—Lunch

1:00 p.m.—Arrive to Destination #2

4:30 p.m.—Arrive to Milbank

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To:

**Don't
forget!**

**Have you enrolled yet? If yes, GREAT and Thank you!!
If no, let's get it checked off your list.**

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