



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 1	State Horse Show Registrations Due
July 1-4	Office Closed
July 12	Grant County 4-H Fashion Review @ 7 PM
July 15	Grant County 4-H Achievement Day entries due
July 19-21	SD State 4-H Horse Show, Huron SD
July 28	Grant County 4-H Achievement Day Static Judging at 9:00 am @ 4-H Grounds
July 29	Breed Registration Papers Uploaded on 4H Online DUE
August 1	State Livestock Judging & Skill-a-thon Registration DUE
August 1-3	Grant County Achievement Days
August 5	Office Closed

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Advisor Comments...

We are now under a month away from Grant County 4-H Achievement Days. This past month has been filled with fun programs and activities. Most recently, we completed our livestock judging school, county 4-H Horse Show and Special Foods Contest.

I want to share a moment that I witnessed at our County 4-H Horse Show. During the warm up, I looked out to watch the youth prepare their horses for the show. I saw a senior and beginner youth engaged in conversation. The interaction put a smile on my face because regardless of the conversation, they were both smiling.

As we approach this time, regardless your age division, you can make an impact on someone's life. I think back

on my 4-H career and the friends I made, which are still close friends to me. Yes, when we are in a show ring or an event, we are serious and competitive. At the end of the event, we could be found playing card games or sharing jokes. Those are my favorite moments of 4-H!

As we are moving closer to Achievement Days, I encourage a senior member to take a new or beginner member under their wing. You will make a difference in their lives. And not only that, you will gain leadership skills.

I can't stress enough if you have questions, please do not hesitate to ask questions. There are volunteers, leaders and myself that want you to get the most out of 4-H.

State 4-H Entry Fees Reduced or Eliminated

The 91st South Dakota Legislative Session allocated \$50,000 to SDSU Extension's 4-H Youth Development program to assist with reducing or eliminating exhibit registration fees in 2016.

State 4-H exhibit registration fees will be waived at the SD State Fair

and State 4-H Dog Show.

Fees will be reduced at the State 4-H Horse Show. Exhibit registration fees are only one component of a 4-H member's participation costs; some usage or supply fees from other organizations or facilities remain.

Preparing for Achievement Days & State Events

We are under a month away from our annual event, Grant County 4-H Achievement Days!

Most families have picked up their family packets from the office and are looking at which items to exhibit at Achievement Day, or even starting registering.

Calendars can start getting busy with family trips, church events or other activities. We would like to provide you a checklist to help your family make the Achievement Day process a smooth process.

Have you?

- Picked up your family Achievement Day packet?
- Read the Achievement Day supplement guide and State Fair

Handbook?

- Registered for Achievement Days? Registration is due Friday, July 15.
- Communicated with your Club Leader on volunteering for a static judging assistant? Working at the Lunchstand & 4-H BBQ? Cleaning the 4-H Grounds by July 28th?

Those that are exhibiting animals at Achievement Days, you will answer how many pens you need for your animals when you register on FairEntry. You will not be contacted by your Club Leader.

There will be an Achievement Day Help Work Night on Monday, July 11 at 6:00 p.m. at the Grant

County Courthouse Community Room. This evening will help families with registering on FairEntry, talking about different project classes, and filling out paperwork. Families are encouraged to bring any projects they would like to enter for Achievement Days. It doesn't matter if it's one item or a tote full.

This year, youth are eligible to take 10 static exhibits to SD State Fair, 10 animals and unlimited youth-in-action. There is a firm registration of Monday, August 1 for State Fair— instructions to register can be found in the Achievement Day Supplement Guide.

4-H Animal Superintendent and Assistant Meeting

Thursday, July 14 at 6:30 p.m.
Topics of Discussion: Updates for Achievement Days

Clothing + Fashion Revue = Fun on July 12

Youth making an article of clothing or have participated in this year's sewing club, can participate in Fashion Revue.

For example, if a youth has made pajama bottoms, they can wear them at Fashion Revue and then model them at the public review later that evening.

Then, the youth can exhibit them at Grant County Achievement Days under the clothing lot. It's a two times the fun for one project!

For more information about Fashion Review, view this year's State Contestant Packet: <http://igrow.org/up/resources/01-4016-2016.pdf>



Reserve Lodging for Livestock Judging Contest

The 2016 State Livestock Judging & Skill-a-thon contest are scheduled for September 16-17 on the SDSU campus in Brookings, starting on Friday night at 5:00 p.m. with a set of practice classes and the skill-a-thon. The official Livestock Judging contest is

held on Saturday.

This is the same weekend as Beef Bowl on campus, so if you need lodging, please reserve hotel rooms as soon as possible. A block of rooms is reserved until

August 1 under South Dakota 4-H at:

Days Inn
2500 E. 6th St., Brookings
605-692-9471

4-H Leaders provide Camp Fee Assistance

The SD 4-H Leader's Association will again assist with camp fees in 2015. There is a \$25 scholarship available for 4-H'ers who attend Camp Poinsett, Bob Marshall or North Central. There is a \$50 scholarship available for 4-H'ers who attend TLC or Performing Arts.

Here is how the scholarship program works.

- Step 1 – Register for the 2016

camp and pay the full camp fees.

- Step 2 – Attend camp and have a great time!!
- Step 3 – Tell a group about camp. For the \$25 4-H Camp scholarship, tell one group. For the \$50 TLC or Performing Arts Camp scholarship tell two groups.
- Step 4 – Complete the camp assistance/scholarship application form with all

signatures and submit to the SD 4-H Leaders. You will receive your scholarship money within 2 weeks of its receipt.

You will find the form on our website at

<http://www.santel.net/~sd4hleader/doc/App-CampFeeAssistance16.pdf>

Applications are due by **December 31, 2016.**

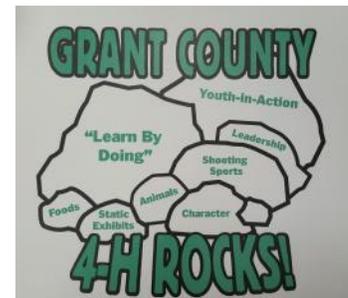
NEEDED: County 4-H T-Shirt Sponsors

For the past three years, we have been fortunate to have county 4-H shirts made for members to wear during the 4-H Dog Show and Achievement Days. Not only will these shirts be worn during these times, many of our 4-H youth wear them at other 4-H activities, such as SD State Fair, 4-H Camp, and at school.

We are looking for eight (8) shirt sponsors. Each sponsorship would be \$100. These sponsorship help cover the cost of the shirts.

If your family or business would like to be a sponsor for this year's county 4-H shirt, contact the Grant County 4-H Office by July 6th.

This year's shirt design was done by Hope Karels.



Announcements...

Photography Club

Our next photography club will be Wednesday, July 13 at 2:00—4:00 p.m. at the Grant County 4-H Office.

This month's Photography Club will be going off-site to two different locations to take photos.

Youth will learn how to edit photographs as well.

South Dakota 4-H Character Public Speaking Contest

The South Dakota 4-H Character Public Speaking Contest will not be held at the Sioux Empire Fair. The sponsor has chosen not the sponsor the contest for 2016. This contest has been offered to the counties in eastern South Dakota.

The 4-H Public Presentation Committee will be working collaboratively to offer the contest next year.

4-H Volunteer Hall of Fame Nominations Needed

The South Dakota 4-H Volunteer Hall of Fame was established in 2002 as part of the 100th birthday celebration of 4-H. Its purpose is to recognize and celebrate adult volunteers in South Dakota who have dedicated themselves to making significant contributions to the development of SDSU Extension 4-H Youth Development program. Nominations are due July 15. For a nomination form, click

[here.](#)

2016 Youth Dairy Cattle Judging Schools

Free for Youth To Attend!

Please arrive 15 minutes before advertised start time to get registered.

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June 14th, @ 1:00 pm
William & RayNelle Mueller
SilverCrest Dairy Farm

14652 486th Avenue Big Stone City, SD

Driving Directions: From the Junction of US Hwy 12 & 15 in Milbank, go east 8.3 miles on US Hwy 12, then south (right) on 485th Ave. 0.5 miles, then 1 mile east (left) on 146th St., then south (right) 0.7 mile on 486th Ave.

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Note NEW Location

July 21st, @ 1:00pm
Kevin & Suzanne Souza
Victory Farms

15987 480th Ave., Milbank, SD

Driving Directions: From the Junction of Hwy 15 & 12, go 11 miles south turn left on 160th street, then 2miles east on 153rd, north side of road Victory Farms NEW dairy. OR From Highway 212 & Hwy 15 go 9 miles north, turn right on 160th Street, go east 2 miles, NEW dairy on north side of road.

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Date: TBD....at time of publishing
Stuart Plucker family
Plucker Guernsey Dairy Farm
 27179 463rd Ave., Chancellor, SD57105

Driving Directions: I-29 South, Tea Exit, go west towards Tea, turn south at the Auto auction, go south 1 mile, then west on main street, go 5 miles west of Tea to 463rd Ave., turn north go 1/8 mile north of 463rd Avenue.



Congratulations to the 2015 South Dakota 4-H Dairy Judging Team

Dylan Frey, Darby Knoll, Christy Achen, & Nick Achen, Chaperones Mike Frey & Maryann Knoll
 The team tied for 14th overall with Dylan Frey being recognized for individually placing 21st. South Dakota had two youth in the top 25 based on their Oral Reasons Scores. Dylan Frey was 21st and his teammate Christy Achen was 22nd. The team placed 11th overall in oral reasons, out of 26 teams.

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June 23rd @ 6:30 pm
Lynn Boadwine, owner
(Heidi Selken, Dairy Herd Manager)
Boadwine Farms, Inc.

46945 251st St. Baltic, SD

Driving Directions: I-29 take Exit 94 (Baltic) go 1 1/2 mile west to water tower, then 1 mile south on 470th avenue, then 1/2 mile west on 251st street, farm on south side of road, use last driveway.

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July 20th @ 6:30 pm
Fieber Dairy, Inc.
Mike & Chris Fieber & Family

135 South Bowdoin Street, Goodwin, SD

Driving Directions: from the junction of I-29 and Hwy 212, go east 10.5 miles to county road 312 (Goodwin corner) go 1 mile south to Goodwin. At first four way stop sign, continue south 3 blocks (Fieber Dairy is on the South west edge of Goodwin, SD)

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May 26th @ 9:00 am
Steve & Vonda Ponto
SVP Farm

17832 461st Ave. Watertown, SD 57201

Driving Directions: 1. From the Watertown I-29 Exit ramp on the east side of Watertown go east to first intersection, then south to stop sign, then east one mile, then south 2 miles to 178th Street then east 2 miles, then south 1/8 mile. Farm is on East side of road. SVP Farm sign there. OR 2. From the I-29 Clear Lake Castlewood Exit: Exit ramp and go west to 461st avenue then go 4 3/4 miles north. Farm on east side, SVP Farm sign there. Ponto's Contact phone # 605 880 2493.



Calendar of Events

(Dates are subject to change.)

- July 1**—Animal Registration papers due to Grant County 4-H Office Sioux Falls
- July 4**—Office Closed (4th of July) **August 19-21**—State 4-H Rodeo, Ft. Pierre
- July 12**—Grant County 4-H Fashion Revue—Grant County Courthouse Community Room; Public Review at 7 p.m. **August 27**—State 4-H Dog Show, Mitchell
- July 15**—Grant County 4-H Achievement Day entries due via Fair Entry **August 31**—Fall State Shoot Registration Deadline
- July 17**—SD 4-H Character Public Speaking Contest entries Due **August 31-September 5**—South Dakota State Fair, Huron
- July 19-21**—SD State 4-H Horse Show, Huron **September 5**—Office Closed (Labor Day)
- July 24**—State 4-H Livestock Judging, Huron **September 10-11**—SD Fall State Shoot, Mitchell, SD
- July 29**—Grant County 4-H Achievement Day Static Judging at 9:00 a.m.—Grant County 4-H Grounds **September 22-25**—AK-SAR-BEN, Omaha, NE
- August 1**—State Fair & State Dog Show Registration Deadline (Livestock, Static, Youth-in-Action) **September 26**—Pre Conference 4-H Staff Meeting, Brookings, SD
- August 1**—State Livestock Judging & Skill-a-thon Registration Deadline **September 27-29**—SDSU Extension Fall Conference, Brookings, SD
- August 2**—Family Fun Day at 2:00-6:00 p.m. – Grant County 4-H Grounds **October 2-8**—National 4-H Week
- August 1-3**—Grant County 4-H Achievement Days **October 4-8**—World Dairy Expo, Madison, WI
- August 5**—SD 4-H Character Public Speaking Contest, **October 5-8**—Western Junior Livestock Show & 4-H FCS Show, Rapid City, SD
- October 10**—Native American Day (Office Closed)
- November**—Grant County 4-H Recognition Event at 1:30 p.m.—Milbank High School Cafeteria

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.

2016 State Fair Handbook

The 2016 South Dakota State Fair Handbook is now available through iGrow. Please use the following link: <http://igrow.org/up/resources/01-4008-2016.pdf> for the latest information.

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)

Milbank Chamber is asking for our help!

Milbank Area Chamber of Commerce is asking for our help to clean up Lake Farley after the country concert on Saturday, July 16 at 8:00 a.m.

We need to supply them with 10 people to clean up the area prior to their corn hole tournament.

If you are eager and willing to assist with this task, please contact the Grant County 4-H Office by Friday, July 8.

Remember, many hands make lighter work!



Junior Leaders Corner

For youth ages 12 and older

Are you a leader? If you positively influence and help others for a shared goal, you are a leader! Leaders aren't just elected to an office or position. You can also be a member of committees, small groups and teams. You can develop your individual leadership skills by learning more about yourself and how you work with others. In the 4-H leadership project, you will learn leadership principles, help plan 4-H programs, and recruit members.

The next 4-H Junior Leaders meeting will be meeting is Wednesday, July 13 at Noon. We will discuss possible activities and promotion tool for Achievement Days.



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