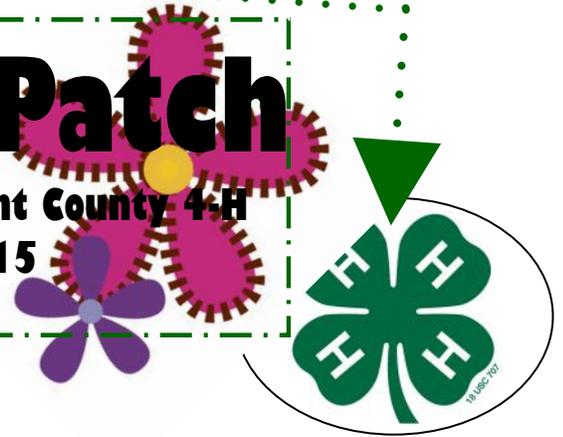




# Clover Patch

Newsletter for Grant County 4-H  
May 2015



## Advisor

### DATES TO REMEMBER

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May 29	Market Swine Self-Identification, Goat & Sheep Weigh-in at 3 PM—4-H Grounds
May 30	4-H Junior Leader Fun Day, Sioux Falls,
June 1	All Animal Ownership Affidavits DUE

Over the past several weeks, my family and I have been enjoying the nice weather. Liam turned one last month and it has been nice to see him grow to enjoy the outdoors. We will be able to finally plant a garden which Dustin and I are excited to grow fresh produce.

The month of May is always a time where summer calendars are filling up and when most activities occur. I cannot stress enough to please keep up to date with the calendar of events on when activities and deadlines are. I do not want your family to miss out on a fun event.

We are in the midst of planning Achievement Days. It's crazy to think how that time creeps up on us. It feels like we just ended 2014. I'm very

happy on how well the plans are coming along. My intent for this year's Achievement Days to be filled with family fun interactive activities.

Lastly, make sure you stop in to say hi to our new part-time secretary Nikki Rabe. She started last month and has been getting acquainted with the office. If you have forms that need to be turned into the office, she has a crop box on her desk for them. She will mostly be here four days a week to make sure the office is open. This will allow more convenience for families who have questions or need to drop items off.

Remember, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to stop in the office or ask your Club Leader.

### South Dakota 4-H Performing Arts

Calling youth interested in an theater arts educational experience for ages 13 through 18. This year's seven-day preparation camp is scheduled for June 7-13 on the Northern State University campus in Aberdeen, SD. Registration deadline is May 4! Forms were emailed in 4-H Update.

### 4-H Camp Bob Marshall—Custer, SD

Grant County will be attending camp at Camp Bob Marshall near Custer, SD June 23-26. This year's theme is Way to the West. Youth will enjoy the Black Hills, canoeing, camp fire cooking, leather crafts, and much more. Registration fee is \$45/4-H camper, \$55/non-4-H camper.

Forms are due to the Grant County 4-H Office by May 15. There are no

refunds after June 1. Forms can be picked up at the office or downloaded from 4H Online, under your family screen. Remember, you do not need to be in 4-H to attend camp!

After May 15, carpooling details will be discussed. Jason and Susan Karels have offered to be chaperones, along with Sara Koepke.

# Announcements...

## May Power Project Day

Flip flop plant sconces.

The date is on May 9 at 4:30 at the courthouse. Cost is \$8.00 per person. This includes all supplies.

Registration deadline is May 5th.



## Enrollment and Reenrollment

**LAST Call!** It is important that youth are enrolled or re-enrolled for this 4-H year before they participate in any 4-H events and activities.

Enrollment can be done through [www.sd4honline.com](http://www.sd4honline.com). Please do not create a new account if you are uncertain if an account is already created.

Please contact the office or your 4-H Club Leader for assistance.

Enrollment must be done by May 31st!

## Ronald McDonald Pop Tabs

Keep collecting pop tabs for the SD 4-H Statewide Community Service Project. Ronald McDonald Houses act as a place to stay for families with hospitalized children who are receiving treatment. Ronald McDonald's Houses provide over 7,200 bedrooms to families around the world each night, with an estimated value of \$257 million in lieu of hotel costs. We will be donating not only pop tabs, but also monetary donations and volunteer hours. A competition will be held among the counties and a prize will be awarded to the county that donates the most in each of these categories.

## 2015 State Fair Handbook

The South Dakota State Fair 4-H Division Handbook is available online. Hard copies of the handbook will be available to families, please communicate with your Club 4-H Leader. Read them to be current with the latest info. <https://igrow.org/up/resources/01-4009-2015.pdf>

## Make Plans: Dog Obedience and Practices

Do you have a new dog or dogs that you have wanted to train? Attend this year's dog obedience practices, starting May 19 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.

Mary Bohn, dog project leader says if you can't make it to a class, please let her know at the preceding class so she can explain to you what to practice. She strongly encourages you to attend every class.

The Grant County Dog Show is planned for July 23th with a tentative start time at 3:00 p.m.

Please do not bring a female dog in heat to class. 4-Hers can still attend and watch, but plan to keep the dog home for at least 2 practices. Current proof of vaccination for your dog required by second practice.

Time of practices is 6:00 p.m. for basic level and 7:00 p.m. for high level of obedience. Practice dates for agility and rally to be determined, depends on interest.

Class #/Date	Practice Focus
1—5/19	No Dogs-Informational Meeting
2—5/26	Bring dogs, get supplies/meet & greet
3—6/2	Heel/Sit. Left/right/about turns
4—6/9	Long sit/Review
5—6/16	Long down/Review
6—6/23	Stand for exam/Review
7—6/30	Recall/Review
8—7/7	Showmanship-bring leads
9—7/14	Showmanship-bring leads
10—7/21	Figure 8/Review
11—7/???	Practice for dog show

People to contact about the dog project are: Mary Bohn—432-5625; Susan Busk-605-956-0906; Tammy Magilke-467-0626; and Paula Rausch-880-6041.

## 2014-2015 4-H Animal Updates

### **Important Reminders:**

**May 27**—Horse Safety Training @ 6 PM, Grant County 4-H Grounds

**May 28**—Swine YPQA Certification @ 10 AM, Courthouse

**May 29**—Swine Identification, Market Goat & Sheep weigh-in @ 3 PM, 4-H Grounds

The 2015 4-H Livestock Ownership Verification Affidavits are available on iGrow. New this year, many columns have an asterisk on them. This denotes that this is required information. If the information is missing for 4HOnline, the form will be considered incomplete. The rabbit and poultry forms will be due June 1 as well. This is a new requirement from the State 4-H Office.

A new Livestock Lease form is available at <http://igrow.org/up/resources/01-4008-2015.pdf>. Youth are able to lease market animals for 2015 4-H year. The only animals that cannot be leased will be market swine as the State Fair show

is terminal.

The “Green Tagging” system will be changing, starting with the 2014-2015 4-H program year.

Beginning with the 2015-2016 4-H program year, South Dakota 4-H Youth Development will move to completely different tags. Currently our tags are four numbers with a single letter. In the future, we will use National Unified Ear-Tagging System (NUES) tags. NUES tags are federally required for animals to technically cross state lines.

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 Ownership Verification Affidavit forms, 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.

Another “change” for the 2015-2016 4-H program year will be in pre-identification for 4-H Dairy Cattle. Going forward, families 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

To stay consistent, 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 or a Green Tag.

An email was sent out January 27 to 4-H Families regarding the many Livestock updates from the State 4-H Office.

## Malt Wagon coming to Milbank

KMSD Radio will once again sponsor the Malt Wagon for the Grant County 4-H Program. This year the Malt Wagon will be in Milbank June 1—3 at the Milbank Visitors Center. The schedule is as follows:

Monday, June 1st:  
10:00 AM—Shooting Stars  
12:45 PM—Young Farmers  
3:00 PM—Junior Busy Bees  
5:00—8:00 PM—Shooting Sports

Tuesday, June 2nd:  
9:00 AM—Northern Lights  
12:45 PM—Young Explorers  
3:00 PM—Kountry Kids  
5:00-8:00 p.m.—Shooting Sports

Wednesday, June 3rd:  
10:00 AM—Saddle Pals  
12:45 PM—Madison Jr. Livestock  
3:00 PM—Anyone unable to attend their session

## 2015 TLC Camp

Teen Leadership Conference is for all youth ages 13-18.

TLC will be June 1-5 in Brookings. This year's theme is Hollywood. Registration can be found at

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tlc-2015-gone-hollywood-leadership-character-action-tickets-16402463209>

## Clover Classifieds

We are continuing with a feature that consists of 'ads' for items that are 'lost & found', 'for sale', 'wanted', etc. So, if you have anything you would like to put in the 'Classifieds' for the next month, please call or bring in to the office, by the last Monday of the month.

## Stay Connected with Grant County 4-H!

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



## 4-H Fun Rabbit Show

Saturday, May 2, 2015

Milbank, SD

Exhibit building on 4-H grounds

9:30 am registration begins

10:00 am show judging begins

- also judging classes to qualify for state  
judging teams

- showmanship practice

- rabbit hopping practice if requested

- educational displays



**FLORIDA WHITE**  
Maximum Weight - 6 lbs



**DUTCH**  
Maximum Weight - 5 1/2 lbs

Awards: ribbons for class placing; Best of Breed trophies (3 or more entries) ;

Best and Reserve in Show awards

Cost: \$1.00 per rabbit entry

Lunch stand available on site

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



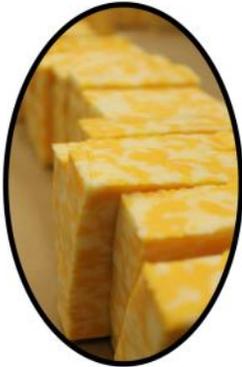
# Jackrabbit Dairy Camp 2015

The SDSU Dairy Club would like to invite you to join us for the 12th Annual Jackrabbit Dairy Camp at the South Dakota State University campus in Brookings.

At camp we'll be having workshops on showmanship, fitting, dairy cattle judging, advocating, and more. Participants will also have the opportunity to work one-on-one with a heifer throughout the camp. We are excited to provide the opportunity for youth to enhance their fitting skills and provide assistance with topline fitting.

Lodging for two evenings in a SDSU residence hall, meals, entertainment, and materials provided are included in the \$60 registration fee. This \$60 fee is per participant. Registration is limited to 5 youth/counselor and will be handled on a first come first serve basis. Additional information can be obtained by going to <http://www.sdstate.edu/ds>.

Youth between the ages of 8-18 interested in learning more about the dairy industry are invited to register. **Registration is open from March 29th to May 15th. If your registration has been received, expect a confirmation letter about one week after the May 15th deadline.**



## TENTATIVE CAMP SCHEDULE

### THURSDAY, JUNE 4TH

- 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM REGISTRATION
- 1:30 PM – 2:00 PM WELCOME & COUNSELOR INTRODUCTIONS
- 2:00 PM – 4:30 PM WORKSHOP: DAIRY CATTLE JUDGING CONTEST
- 4:45 PM - 5:15 PM HEIFER VIEWING
- 5:15 PM - 6:00 PM SUPPER
- 6:00 PM – 6:45 PM HEIFER AUCTION
- 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM WORK WITH HEIFERS
- 8:30 PM – 9:30 PM EVENING ACTIVITY
- 10:30 PM LIGHTS OUT

### FRIDAY, JUNE 5TH

- 8:00 AM – 8:45 AM BREAKFAST
- 9:00 AM – 11:45 AM WORKSHOPS: SHOWMANSHIP PROMOTION
- 12:00 PM – 12:45 PM DAIRY FOOD PRODUCTS LUNCH
- 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM FITTING / FIELD TRIP (GROUP 1)
- 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM FITTING / FIELD TRIP (GROUP 2)
- 5:00 PM – 5:45 PM WORK WITH HEIFERS
- 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM SUPPER
- 7:30 PM – 10:00 PM EVENING ACTIVITY
- 10:30 PM LIGHTS OUT

### SATURDAY, JUNE 6TH

- 8:30 AM – 9:20 AM BREAKFAST/DORM CHECKOUT
- 9:30 AM – 10:00 AM HEIFER PREPARATION
- 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM SHOWMANSHIP SHOW
- 11:00 AM – 11:30 AM AWARDS / CLOSING CEREMONY
- 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM GRILL OUT WITH PARENTS
- 12:30 AM DAIRY FEST\* / PICK-UP

\* Dairy Fest is a fun event hosted by the dairy industry and local community for educating the public about the industry. Dairy Camp staff will bus the campers to the Swiftel Center where the Dairy Fest will be held, and where parents can pick up their child and luggage. At that time, families are free to either travel home or stay and check out the Dairy Fest.

**South Dakota State University  
Dairy Camp 2015**

**June 4th-6th, 2015**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 Age \_\_\_\_\_

Have you attended previously? Yes No

Years of Experience Showing Dairy: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: Male Female

Adult shirt size: S M L XL

Make checks payable to: SDSU Dairy Club

### Registration Checklist

Please Enclose:

- Registration Form
- Check payable to "SDSU Dairy Club" for \$60
- Health Form
- Liability Form

**Please send your registration to:**

**Brandon Hawkins  
13968 County Road 24  
New Ulm, MN 56073**



## 2015 Youth Dairy Cattle Judging Regional Schools

### Kids Gain Experience & Skills in Dairy Cattle Judging

Beginner and 1st time judges will gain Understanding & develop skills in:

- Identifying basic cattle body parts and correct structure
- Taking organized notes to defend their decisions
- Properly delivering a set of oral reasons
- Evaluating and ranking cattle based on the Dairy Cow Unified Scorecard
- Confidence in public speaking and decision making skills

More experienced judges will expand their knowledge and practice of

- Identifying correct dairy cattle breed standards
- Dairy Cattle Selection through performance and pedigree evaluation
- Delivering oral sets of reasons utilizing proper note taking techniques

### Free to Attend

May 27th, 2015 @ 6:00 pm

Mike and Sara Frey—Frey View Dairy  
41161 115th St. Claremont, SD  
Driving Directions: From Claremont, SD go 2 miles north, 1 mile east 1 mile north & 1/2 mile east.

June 4th, 2015 @ 1:45 pm

Central Plains Holstein Show-Dairy Fest  
Swiftel Center, 824 32nd ave, Brookings, SD  
Driving Directions: Take exit 132 off of I-29, go east to 32nd Ave, then 1 Block north on 32nd avenue. Located on the north end of the Swiftel Arena.

June 16th, 2015 @ 1:00 pm

Loren & Jackie Sprik  
27984 372nd Ave., Geddes, SD  
Driving Directions: 4 miles south on Hwy 44/50 junction & 2 miles west on north side of road. Whisper -N-Creek Dairy Goats will also provide 2 classes of dairy goats to

judge. Prizes will be awarded to judges.

June 23rd, 2015 @ 1:00 pm

William & RayNelle Mueller—Silver Crest 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.

July 22nd, 2015 @ 6:00 pm

Fieber Dairy, Inc. Chris Fieber  
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)

July 28th, 2015 @ 10:00 am

Kevin & Suzanne Souza—Victory Farms  
48176 153rd St. Milbank, SD  
Driving Directions: From the junction of Hwy 15 & 12, go 4 miles south to 153rd street, then 3 1/2 miles east on 153rd, north side of road—Victory Farms Main Dairy.

For more information contact:  
Tracey Erickson, Dairy Extension Field Specialist  
605.882.5140  
Email: Tracey.Erickson@sdsstate.edu



# Calendar of Events

(Dates are subject to change.)

- May 25**—Office Closed (Memorial Day)
- May 25**—Special Foods Workshop – Grant County Courthouse Community Room
- May 27**—4-H Horse Safety Training at 6:00 p.m. – Grant County 4-H Grounds (rain date May 29)
- May 28**—Youth Pork Quality Assurance Certification at 1:00 p.m. – Grant County 4-H Office
- May 29**—Youth Pork Quality Assurance Certification at 10:00 a.m. – Codington County Extension Office, Watertown
- May 29**—Market Swine self-identification, Goat & Sheep Weigh-ins at 3:00 p.m.—Grant County 4-H Grounds
- May 30**—4-H Junior Leader Fun Day, Sioux Falls (pre-registration required)
- June 1**—Breeding Beef, Breeding Meat Goat, Breeding Sheep, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goat, Poultry, Rabbit, Market Goat, Market Lamb, Market Swine & Horse Ownership Affidavits & Rodeo Forms Due to Grant County 4-H Office
- June 1-5**—4-H Teen Leadership Conference, Brookings
- June 6-7**—Dakota Youth Prospect Livestock Show, Watertown
- June 7**—Southern Cattlemen’s Association Prospect Beef Show, Hutchinson County 4-H Grounds, Tripp
- June 8-13**—4-H Performing Arts Camp, Aberdeen (tentative)
- June 20**—Clark County Prospect Livestock Show, Clark
- June 23-26**—4-H Camp Bob Marshall, Custer
- June 23-24**—SD Rangeland Days, Chamberlain
- June 26**—Grant County 4-H Horse Show (rain date June 30)
- June 26-27**—Triple Threat Livestock Expo – Brown County Fairgrounds, Aberdeen
- June 30**—Grant County 4-H Special Foods Contest at 10 a.m.—Milbank High School Home Economics Room
- June 30**—State Horse Show entries and State Livestock Judging Team entries Due
- July 3**—Office Closed (4th of July)
- July 8**—Babysitting Clinic, Grant County Courthouse Community Room (pre-registration required)
- July 9**—Grant County 4-H Fashion Revue—Grant County Courthouse Community Room; Public Review at 7 p.m.
- July 15**—Grant County 4-H Achievement Day entries due via Fair Entry
- July 17**—SD 4-H Character Public Speaking Contest entries Due
- July 18-19**—Battle of the Borders Showdown Prospect Show—Grant County 4-H Grounds, Milbank
- July 20-23**—SD State 4-H Horse Show, Huron
- July 24**—State 4-H Livestock Judging, Huron
- July 31**—Grant County 4-H Achievement Day Static Judging at 9:00 a.m.—Grant County 4-H Grounds
- August 2**—Family Fun Day at 2:00-6:00 p.m. – Grant County 4-H Grounds
- August 3-5**—Grant County 4-H Achievement Days
- August 5**—SD 4-H Character Public Speaking Contest, Sioux Falls
- August 14-16**—State 4-H Rodeo, Ft. Pierre
- August 22**—State 4-H Dog Show, Mitchell
- September 2-7**—South Dakota State Fair, Huron
- September 24-27**—AK-SAR-BEN, Omaha, NE
- September 28**—World Dairy Expo, Madison, WI
- October 4-10**—National 4-H Week
- October 7-10**—Western Junior Livestock Show, Rapid City
- November 8**—Grant County 4-H Recognition Event at 1:30 p.m.—Milbank High School Cafeteria

## Color A Smile: Spread Kindness

A 4-H club in another part of the state is conducting a neat community service project to spread kindness and help brighten other people's day - and they are asking for other clubs to be part of the effort. You simply color a picture through [www.colorasmile.org](http://www.colorasmile.org). There are 3 different picture pages for 4-H youth to consider coloring (one allows you to draw your own picture). If you are

interested, please color your picture and bring it to the NEXT 4-H meeting and Leaders should turn it in at the county office by MAY 29. One big batch of colored pictures will be collected to submit to the Color A Smile organization. The organization then distributes the photos to the elderly and military AND...Don't think you are too old for coloring! Did you know....Research has shown that the activity of coloring helps

people of all ages de-stress! It also stimulates brain activity related to motor skills, creativity and wellness!. So COLOR away!!

Options:

a) if your child wants to color a different photo, go to the website and browse the different images:

[http://colorasmile.org/volunteer/addtl\\_coloring\\_bk\\_pages.html?page=1](http://colorasmile.org/volunteer/addtl_coloring_bk_pages.html?page=1)

b) feel free to ask friends, relatives, classmates, Sunday schools, preschools to color a picture as well, then collect and bring to our May 4-H meeting.

# Junior Leaders Corner

(Remember, any member age of 12 and older can be involved in Junior Leaders which participate in many fun and exciting activities and community service events throughout the year.)

- ⇒ The Junior Leaders will be having a summer fun trip May 30 to Sioux Falls. Registration is required by May 25th. Junior Leaders will pay entry fee to Wild Water West and Sky Zone Indoor Trampoline Park. Snacks and other items are the youth's responsibly. Also, we will have a lunch and supper meal before returning home.
- ⇒ Next Junior Leader Meeting is tentatively being scheduled.

**Being involved in Junior Leaders looks great on community service, scholarship applications and much more!  
Get involved today!**

**Congratulations Grant County 4-H members on your high school graduation!**

## Calling all Cloverbuds—For youth K-2 grade



Our regular Clever Cloverbuds will meet on May 18 at 3:30-4:30 PM at Koch Elementary.

Come for a fun time!

The South Dakota 4-H Cloverbud

Program is a non-formal education program. The program appeals to a child's natural curiosity, enthusiasm for learning and high energy level. It provides opportunities for exploration and active learning in a non-competitive environment.

This year, Grant County 4-H office will be offering a wide variety of activities and experiences monthly to encourage children to explore and think about the world around them.

*A summer Cloverbud event is being planned during Achievement Days!*

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To: