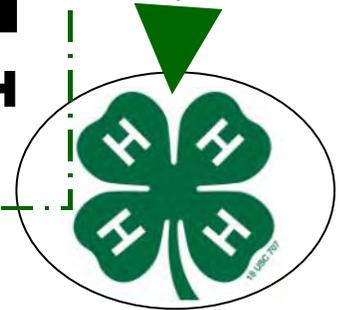




Clover Patch

Newsletter for Grant County 4-H September 2013



DATES TO REMEMBER

September 17	Promotion & Expansion Meeting @ 7 pm
September 20	Office Closing at 1 pm
September 23	Junior Leaders Gathering @ 3 pm
September 24	4-H Leaders Meeting @ 6 pm
October 2	4-H Association Meeting @ 6 pm

The Grant County 4-H website is up and running!

Families will be able to access forms, important documents, and curriculum resources.

My hope is by the end of the year to have all the curriculum information found in the cupboards will be located on the website.

Visit:

www.grantcounty.sd.gov/

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Advisor Comments...

Many signs indicate that Fall is here! Youth are back in school, cooler temperatures, and the South Dakota State Fair is in the books.

I had the honor to work behind the scenes during the State Fair and of what I could get to, I was very proud of all of our youth's accomplishments both in livestock and static. Results can be found

on iGrow, under 'State Fair'. 4-Hers who had Static exhibits at State Fair can start picking them up Friday, Sept. 6

As we continue to roll into the fall season, a new 4-H year is on the horizon. October 1st will mark the first day of Enrollment/Re-enrollment for youth eager to participate in 4-H.

Club Leader Packets will be available at the

office starting Monday, September 9. These packets will help jumpstart your club for the upcoming year.

Please look over this month's newsletter for important dates and information.

Congratulations to all the Grant County 4-H members who participated at the 2013 South Dakota State Fair!

Deadline: 4-H Record Books

Recordkeeping is a very valuable skill taught to members of the South Dakota 4-H program. The primary purposes of completing a record book are for a young person to develop skills necessary to set goals, work toward achieving those goals, reflect on his/her experiences, and set new and

higher goals for themselves. A secondary benefit is potentially earning high honors or scholarships.

Deadline Timeline:

September 28—Recordbooks due to Club Leaders

October 4—Recordbook Reviews due by Club Leaders

Recordbooks can be found on our website and are formatted to be fillable.

Announcements...

Upcoming Leader's Meeting

A 4-H Leader's Meeting will be held September 24th at 6 p.m. at the Grant County Courthouse Community Room.

Tentative agendas will be emailed out prior to the meeting.

There will be much discussion from Achievement Days and upcoming events!

State Fair Recap

4-H members who had entered exhibits at State Fair may start picking them up Friday, September 6th.

State Fair 4-H Livestock & Static Exhibit Results are now posted on iGrow, under 'State Fair'.

Reminder: 4-H Auction Thank-You's

Members who sold their animal during the Achievement Day Auction must turn in their 'Thank You' into the office 'before their check is released.

Also to those who took their swine animal to State Fair, it is your responsibility to get the check of what you sold your animal for to the buyer. Those who sold other species, it is your responsibility to communicate with the buyer on plans.

There are extra 'thank you' cards available in the office.

Make Plans: 4-H Family Night Out

Grant County 4-H will be planning a fun event for 4-H and non-4-H families to have just have a fun night out and learn more about 4-H.

There will be various activities for all ages.

Tentative date is October 6th starting at 5 p.m. and will last until 7:30 p.m. More information

Show Us Your Show Animal Contest

4-H'ers in the junior age division who are involved in livestock exhibits are encouraged to enter Nasco's "Show Us Your Show Animal" contest. Entries must include a photo and a story (800 words or less) about the members' relationship with their animal and their experience preparing for their event. Prizes include:

- 1st Prize – Andis® Progress™ Cattle & Horse Clipper (\$300.75 value)
- 2nd Prize – Oster® ClipMaster® Model 610

Variable-Speed Clipper (\$283.95)

- 3rd Prize – Wahl® Storm® Variable-Speed Clipper (\$199.95 value)
- 4th Prize – \$100 Nasco Gift Card
- 5th Prize – \$50 Nasco Gift Card



Mail entries by September 29 to:
Nasco's Showing & Grooming Contest
901 Janesville Ave
Fort Atkinson, WI 53538-2402

Remember that you have to schedule to use the Community Room through the Grant County Auditor's Office (432-6711). Any activities planned for the Courthouse Community Room on Monday nights, plan on starting at 7:30 p.m. or later.

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.

For Sale: Sheep Stand made of steel, head holder (2 sizes for small or large sheep), a side panel that can be moved from one side to the other, cable crank to allow the stand to be lowered to load sheep on and raised for ease of sheering. Asking \$200.00/BO. For any information or pictures, call Dawn Vander Wal at 605-467-0713.



Community Garden Start-Up Webinar

Is your community interested in starting a community garden? A place to grow food, reconnect with nature or get physical exercise. A place for renters without access to land or for homeowners with yards that are too small or too shady to garden. If so, please join SDSU Extension for an introductory webinar on getting started.

Sept 9th

12-1 p.m. CDT/11-12 p.m. MDT

Sept 10th

5:30-6:30 p.m. CDT/4:30-5:30 p.m. MDT

Visit <http://iGrow.org/events/>
for link to participate.



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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.)

⇒ How about we get together? This summer has been very busy for all and I know there has been discussion about getting together. **Let's get together September 23 at 3 PM....there is no school this day. Plan for a fun time of activities!**

Looking for Project Leaders

Grant County 4-H is looking for volunteers to assist with two amazing project areas this upcoming Fall & Winter: Robotics and Shooting Sports—Archery.

This fall, it is a goal to start a Robotics Club after school, 4:00 p.m. This club would meet twice a month and be able to have a fun time learning about Robotics.

Shooting Sports—Archery will begin in January and will end in April. This is in conjunction with the Milbank Valley Archers.

Please contact the Grant County 4-H Office if interested in helping!

“Purpose is what gives life a meaning.” - C. H. Parkhurst

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Deadline

Camp Fee Assistance

The South Dakota 4-H Leader's Association will again assist with camp fees in 2013. There is a \$25 scholarship available who attended Camp Poinsett. There is a \$50 scholarship available for 4-Hers who attended TLC or Performing Arts.

Applications are due December 31, 2013.