

Clover Patch

Newsletter for Grant County 4-H



Advisor Comments...

Happy new 4-H Year! Let's drop the clover ball and confetti! Likewise to a New Year, it time to celebrate and create new goals to reach.

While cleaning off my desk, I came across a handout that I received from one of our long-time 4-H volunteers. It's titled "Knowing 4-H." It reads:

Learning how to do a project is more important than the project itself.

4-H boys and girls are more important than 4-H projects.

To "learn by doing" through a useful work project is fundamental in any sound educational program and is characteristic of the 4-H program.

Generally speaking, there is more

than one good way of doing most things. 4-H teaches members how to think, not what to think.

Competition is a natural human trait and should be recognized as such in 4-H work. It should be given no more emphasis than other 4-H fundamentals.

Every 4-H member needs to be noticed, to feel important, and to be praised.

No 4-H award is worth sacrificing the reputation of a 4-H member or leader.

Successful 4-H members are evidence of interest from family members.
4-H is not trying to replace the home, church or school—only to

supplement them.
4-H'ers should be their own best exhibit.

A blue ribbon 4-H member with a red ribbon is more desirable than a red ribbon member with a blue ribbon project.

Good examples and attitudes are the best help members can receive.

Imagination is more important than knowledge.

As we begin a new 4-H year, start setting goals and start achieving. I'm looking forward to another great and positive year working with our 4-H youth, parents and volunteers.

DATES TO REMEMBER

October 6-12	National 4-H Week
October 7	4-H Leaders Meeting @ 6:30 p.m. –Courthouse
October 14	4-H Junior Leaders Meeting @ 2:00 p.m. –Courthouse
October 15	4-H T-shirt Designs DUE to office
October 16	4-H Association Meeting at 6:00 p.m.—4-H Office
October 22-24	Sara Gone—SDSU Extension Fall Conference
October 25	CDM Judging & Horticulture Skillathon 101 at 1:00 p.m.—4-H Office

'Inspire to Do' during National 4-H Week

South Dakota 4-H has efforts set to *Inspire Kids to Do* by empowering 4-H members, clubs and counties to participate in the following 'days of doing'. Groups and members are encouraged to utilize their own interpretive creativity on how they will be inspired to do for each of the 'days of doing' and as always should wear their 4-H attire when participating.

Monday, October 7th - Inspired to Serve - #InspiredToServe Tuesday, October 8th - Inspired to go GREEN! - #InspiredToGoGREEN Wednesday, October 9th - Inspired to Lead - #InspiredToLead Thursday, October 10th - Inspired to Grow - #InspiredToGrow

Friday, October 11th - Inspired to Create - #InspiredToCreate

Finally, participants are asked to promote their efforts on social media utilizing the assigned hashtags and by tagging South Dakota 4-H on Facebook (@South Dakota 4-H), Twitter (@SDSUExt4H), and Instagram (@sdsuext4h).

"From coordinating a statewide service project to generate thousands of shoes for families in need to conducting a local workshop to better understand the challenges their peers face in the mental health arena, our 4-H youth continue to inspire us with their leadership," said Dr. Timothy Tanner, SDSU Extension State 4-H Program Director. "From projects large to small, 4-H is a place for all youth who are 'inspired to do."

Prepare for National 4-H Week

The anticipation is building for National 4-H Week, during which millions of youth, parents, volunteers and alumni across the country will be celebrating everything 4-H. Grant County 4-H will observe National 4-H Week this year by showcasing the incredible experiences that 4-H offers young people, and will highlight the remarkable 4-H youth in our community who work each day to make a positive impact on those around them.

The theme of this year's National 4-H Week is *Inspire Kids to Do*, which highlights how 4-H encourages kids to take part in hands-on learning experiences in areas such

as health, science, agriculture and civic engagement. The positive environment provided by 4-H mentors ensures that kids in every county and parish in the country—from urban neighborhoods to suburban schoolyards to rural farming communities—are encouraged to take on proactive leadership roles and are empowered with the skills to lead in life and career.

One of the most anticipated events of National 4-H Week every year is 4-H National Youth Science Day, which sees hundreds of thousands of youth across the nation taking part in the world's largest youth-led STEM challenge.



The exciting theme for this year's challenge is *Game Changers*, which will run throughout October.

Developed by Google and West Virginia University Extension
Service, *Game Changers* will teach kids coding skills through fun exercises including gaming, puzzles and physical activity.

Partnerships with schools have already started in providing NYSD event.

Remember to wear your 4-H shirt to school!

Basic & Intermediate Robotics Trainings

SDSU Extension will be hosting beginner and intermediate robotics training at three SDSU Extension Regional Centers around South Dakota. Beginner training will be held on Saturday, October 12 at 9:00 AM CDT. Intermediate training will be Saturday, October 26 at 9:00 AM CDT.

This DDN based training is open to for those interested in learning more about the basics and advancing their knowledge of using LEGO® MINDSTORMS® robots with youth.

The nearest locations to Grant County is SDSU Extension Sioux Falls Regional Center (2001 E. 8th St., Sioux Falls)

Registration: Please register by October 4, by choosing the preferred location. Training is FREE.

Basic: https://extension.sdstate.edu/ event/basic-robotics-training

Intermediate: https:// extension.sdstate.edu/event/ intermediate-robotics-training



For more information or questions, contact Christine Wood, SDSU Extension 4-H Science Technology Engineering and Math (STEM) Field Specialist at 605-782-3290.

Clover Classifieds

Ken and Mae Saeger have a Christmas Tree in storage and would like to give it away. They thought of the 4-H organization with the Festival of Trees, if anyone is looking for a Christmas tree they can be contacted (605) 432-6413.



Do you feed Show•Rite[®]? They are offering a 2019 Show Season Tag Promotion. Customers can submit feed tags from bags from January I through November 30, 2019. You will earn 50 cents per tag.

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Enrollment Opens October 1

For New or Returning 4-H Members



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https://extension.sdstate.edu/



 Returning members re-enroll ASAP

 New members, enroll any time of year. Learn about clubs at: https://sdsu.box.com/v/grantco4hc lubs

Please complete re-enrollment by January 15.



Go to https://sd.4honline.com and follow the steps for enrollment in 4H Online



Welcome to Grant A-H!





Attend club meetings and 4-H program events

Enroll for the 2019-2020 4-H Year

We will be using 4HOnline.com again this year. All returning members must register through 4HOnline.com using your e-mail address. Please do not create a new account if you are re-enrolling in 4-H. All enrollment paperwork, code of conduct, medial waivers will be electronically signed in 4HOnline.com.

All Shooting Sports participants starting in January enroll through 4-H Online. Past Shooting participants

already have an account created and do the 4-H Online process prior to registration.

In regards to 4-H participation is age. Youth to participate in activities, such as Shooting Sports must be 8 years old as of January 1, 2019

All new members will need to complete the 4HOnline.com registration as well. One important note, every family must have an email address in order to enroll in 4-

H.

If you have any problems or questions about registration, please don't hesitate to contact the 4-H office at 605-432-9221.



Getting Started: Your 2019-2020 4-H Checklist

- ☐ Enroll or Re-enroll on 4-H Online at <u>sd.4honline.com</u>.
- ☐ Contact the office to ensure you are receiving the county's monthly newsletter (Grant County Clover Patch). Our email distribution list will be modified after January 15 and those with active membership will receive the newsletter.
- ☐ Check your emails! That is how the Extension Office communicates with you. If you do not have email, please

- communicate with the 4-H Office on how we can provide communication with you.
- □ Print a copy of 4-H Record to work during the 4-H year.
 (Suggestion: complete a section at the end of each monthly meeting.)
- ☐ Ask questions! We are here to help!

While the 4-H Club provides a wonderful small group learning environment for the positive development of young people, it is

not the only way to become a 4-H member. Our 4-H program offers independent membership. Youth's work is self-directed with guidance and support of parents and mentors.

Our county 4-H program has revised the criteria for independent members to allow members to complete a 4-H year and be eligible for awards and scholarships.

Please contact Sara for more information on independent membership guidelines.

Announcements...

Shooting Sports Coaches Certification

SDSU Extension will host Shooting Sports Coaches Certification on Saturday, November 9 at Deuel County Office starting at 8:00 AM.

Register TODAY!
Registration password: I9DEUEL
https://extension.sdstate.edu/event/
shooting-sports-coachescertification-deuel-county

Contact John Keimig, SDSU Extension Youth Safety Field Specialist for questions at 605-688-4167.

4-H Leaders Meeting

The next Grant County 4-H Leaders meeting is planned for Monday, October 7 at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting will be held at the Grant County 4-H Office.



2020 County 4-HT-Shirt Design Contest

We are looking for a new t-shirt design for 2020 County 4-H T-shirts.

4-H members are encouraged to submit their designs by October 15 to the Grant County 4-H Office.

The winning design will be used on the shirts and are given to each active 4-H member.

Voting will be held at Recognition Event.

4-H Club Meetings set for October

Each club has something special planned for October! Weather it's electing club officers, or planning their year don't miss your clubs meeting!

Jr Busy Bees: Monday, October 14 at 10:00 AM-Noon—The Pumpkin Patch

Stateline: Saturday, October 5 at I:00 PM—Big Stone City Firehall

Northern Lights: Sunday, October 13 at 1:30 PM—Peace Lutheran Church, Milbank

Saddle Pals: Thursday, October 10 at 6:30 PM—4-H Grounds Exhibit Building

Madison Jr Livestock: Monday, October 14 at 6:00 PM— Courthouse Community Room **Kountry Kids:** Sunday, October 6 at 4:00 pm—Mill Theatre

Shooting Stars: Sunday, October 20 at 1:00 pm—American Lutheran Church

Young Explorers: Sunday, October 27 at 1:30 PM— Courthouse Community Room

Financial Assistance for Youth

Many of our youth participated in summer 4-H conferences and camps. Our 4-H program prides on providing educational opportunities for all our 4-H youth. However, there may be times when youth need financial support to attend these activities. There are two great financial scholarships from our county 4-H Leaders and the SD State 4-H Leaders Association.

completed by the 4-H member and turned into the correct organization.

The SD 4-H Leader's Association provides a \$25 scholarship available for 4-H members who attend Camp Poinsett or Bob Marshall. There is a \$50 scholarship available for 4-H members who attend TLC, Performing Arts or Livestock Judging.

Youth need to 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://sd4hleaders.users.santel.net/doc/App-CampFeeAssistancecombined.pdf

Applications are due by **December** 31, 2019.

A form must be

Calendar of Events

(Dates are subject to change.)

October 6-12—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 15 – Club Financial reports are due (from

Club's treasurer's books)

October 22-24—Sara Gone (SDSU Annual Extension

Conference)

November 3—Grant County 4-H Recognition Event at 1:30 p.m.—Milbank High School Cafeteria

November 12 – Office Closed (Veterans Day)

November 22-23 – Office Closed (Thanksgiving

Holiday)

December 24-25—Office Closed (Christmas Holiday)

2019 Recognition Event—November 3rd

This year's Recognition Event is scheduled for Sunday, November 3rd. Social event will begin at 1:00 PM with awards program starting at 1:30 PM in the Milbank High School Cafeteria. This is a great way to come together as a 4-H family and celebrate the accomplishments of our youth over the year!

During this event, members are awarded for their year successes.

There are three kinds of recognition available to 4-H member: participation, achievement and project awards. Members that have met the requirements can earn their 1st, 5th, and 10 year membership pins.

Also awarded are achievement pins, project medals, project achievements, Achievement Day livestock awards, showmanship awards, club herdsmanship awards, cloverbud and static awards, and much more!

Club Work Schedule for Recognition Event:

Set Up & Decorating: |unior Busy Bees

> **Serving:** Kountry Kids

Clean up:

Madison Jr Livestock & Stateline



There will be an opportunity to complete your 4-H Enrollment at 4-H Recognition

Event!

Two computers will be set up and available for families to use. Along with if you have any questions needed about enrolling for the 2019-2020 4-H year.

South Dakota 4-H Leaders Shirts & More

If you were unable to stop by the South Dakota 4-H Leaders shirt booth, do not freight! You can order apparel by visiting their webpage and completing a shirt order form. Here are steps to order yours today!

Visit http://www.southdakota4hleaders.com/



2. Click on T-Shirt & Hoodies.



 Click on TShirtOrderFormNew2019.pdf for the order form.



4. Check out the many designs and apparel options!



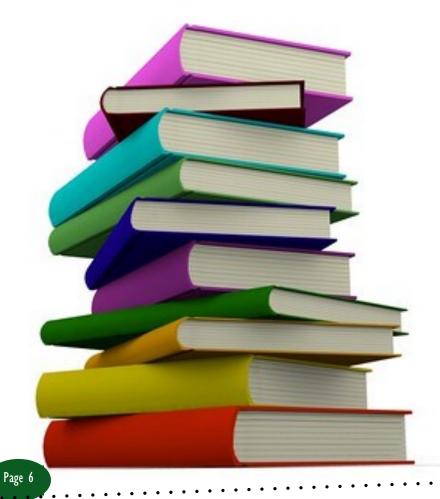
South Dakota 4-H Leaders serve as the official, non-profit organization for the 4-H leaders of South Dakota. They cooperate with SDSU Extension in sponsoring, promoting and conducting educational programs and projects to meet the needs and interests of youth in South Dakota.

Check It OUT!

Resources available through our County 4-H Office!

We have many resource tools available for youth to check out. Looking at a new project area and do not know what direction to take...maybe our 4-H curriculum books will help. Need to do research on your goat project for a demonstration, our goat resource handbook will do the trick.

National 4-H curriculum focuses on 4-H's three primary mission mandates: science, healthy living and citizenship. Curriculum activity guides provides information and activities for many of the 4-H project areas. 4-H members are welcome to exhibit their activity guides at the



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to animals.

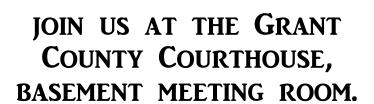
We have several resource books available for youth to check out—consumer decision making, nutrition and animal.

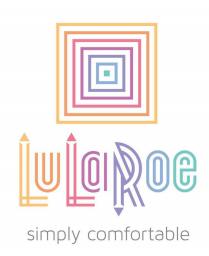
Check out books at the 4-H Office today!
Some resources can be provided digitally.

Support 4-H



On Sunday, Oct. 6th from 1-6pm





*This is a fundraiser for the Grant County 4-H Program. Funds will be used for: Youth Development Education

*LuLaRoe Laura Dallman will donate a portion of her sales to support the local youth again, but this time LuLaRoe will be MATCHING the sales made through this event.

*FUNDRAISER SALES WILL BE HONORED ONLINE ALSO: Oct. 6th & 7th. Shop online 2 ways:

Www.facebook.com/groups/lularoelauradallmansboutique Www.shoplauradallman.com (Use Promocode: 4H at checkout)

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! 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.

Our county 4-H Junior Leader program is excited about sharing leadership opportunities with other 4-H members.

Join us for our 4-H Junior Leader meeting on

Monday, October 14 at 2:00 p.m. at the Grant

County Courthouse Community Room

The meeting will last an hour.

There will be a light snack and an awesome game. We will be discussing 4-H Recognition Event and upcoming events.

Youth Leadership Moment

Leadership is often misunderstood. When people hear that someone has an impressive title or an assigned leadership position, they assume that individual to be a leader. Sometimes that's true. But titles don't have much value when it comes to leader. True leadership cannot be awarded, appointed, or assigned. It comes only from influence, and that cannot be mandated. It must be earned. The only thing a title can buy is a little time—either to increase your level of influence with other or to undermine it.

- The 21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership, John C. Maxwell

Stay Connected with Grant County 4-H!

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

Check out our Facebook Calendar for upcoming activities and events!

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To:



National 4-H Week is October 6-12, 2019!

Join Grant County 4-H starting October 1st!