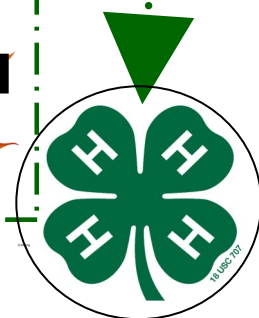




# Clover Patch

## Newsletter for Grant County 4-H

### September 2019



## Advisor Comments...

### DATES TO REMEMBER

September 4-6	Display Exhibits Pickup—Office
September 10	4-H Junior Leader Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.—Courthouse
September 16	4-H Leaders Meeting @ 6:30 p.m. —Courthouse
Sept. 18-20	Sara Out of Office
September 20	State 4-H Livestock Skillathon & Practice Livestock Judging, Brookings, SD
September 21	State 4-H Livestock Judging—Brookings, SD
Sept. 26	4-H Life Committee Meeting 7 p.m.—4-H Office
Sept. 28-Oct. 1	Aksarben, Grand Island, NE
September 30	4-H Record Books & Award Applications DUE
October 6-12	National 4-H Week

September has arrived! It's been a great year to bring new programs in for youth and looking forward to it again next year. We are in the final month of the 2018-2019 4-H year. September 30 will be here before we know!

State Fair was booming with successes of our Grant County 4-H youth. I depict the State Fair as a cherry on top of the sundae. Be proud of your successes and improve on any disappointments you may have had this past year! I am VERY proud of all of you and your accomplishments!

I'm looking forward to ending the

current 4-H year and beginning a new one. Each year comes new goals and new accomplishments. As you take time to complete your 4-H year, review the goals you set and look forward to setting new ones. We have already started setting goals here at the office.

I want to take a moment to thank Sally Heinje, our 4-H Support Staff. She will be leaving Grant County 4-H to pursue other employment. Her last day in the office is September 20.

In conversations with both 4-H youth and adults, we are looking forward to a FUN 4-H year! Let's end this 4-H year on a high note!

## Don't Miss State 4-H Event Deadlines!

**South Dakota State 4-H Livestock Judging and Skill-a-thon • September 20-21**

**Registration deadline: Sept. 6**

<https://faireentry.com/Fair/SignIn/3240>

There is a \$5 fee per event. Entries must be sent to State 4-H Office (include a copy of your invoice with payment) by September 7.

If there are fees applicable to your state event, make checks payable to SD 4-H and mail to the following address:

State 4-H Office  
SAG 109, Box 2207E SDSU  
Brookings, SD 57007

### Grant County Extension Office

210 E. 5th Ave.  
Milbank, SD 57252  
605-432-9221  
Fax: 605-432-9109

### 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!**

# 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.

A form must be 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-CampFeeAssistance-combined.pdf>  
Applications are due by **December 31, 2019**.

The county 4-H Leaders are helping out county 4-H youth out, as well with expenses. The Grant County 4-H Reimbursement Form is due by September 30, of the current year.

When completing, please identify the total event cost and if you applied for a South Dakota State 4-H Leaders Association financial assistance or other funding received. The Grant County 4-H Leaders Association only reimburses half the cost after additional funding.

The county 4-H reimbursement form can be located on BOX, <https://sdsu.box.com/v/reimbursementform>.

**Wrapping up 2018-2019 4-H Year! Access 4-H Record Book and forms digitally on BOX!**

<https://sdsu.box.com/s/dn142f6gdtuitxo5z3rtv1vgi7mgf083>

Forms are available at the office, upon request.

## Announcements...

### Homecoming Parade?

For the past couple years, Grant County 4-H has had a float in the Milbank Homecoming Parade.

Float decorating will be at the Courthouse at Noon on Friday. If you would like to help, please contact the 4-H Office.

Planning consists of securing parade transportation and decorations. The 4-H Office will pick up candy.

This year's homecoming parade is Friday, September 27.

If youth would like to ride the float, please let the Grant County 4-H Office know by Monday, Sept. 23. 4-H members can bring only small animals on the 4-H float!

### 4-H Leaders Meeting

The next Grant County 4-H Leaders meeting is planned for September 16 at 6:30 p.m.

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



### 2020 County 4-H T-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.

# End of 4-H Year Information

Congratulations on a wonderful 2018-2019 4-H year! On September 30, we will be closing out the 4-H year. There are many details to finish before that date comes around. We want to guide you to successfully completing your 4-H year. All 4-H Record Books and applications are due to the 4-H Office by Friday, September 30. Please use the checklist below to help you complete these steps.

- **4-H Record Book completed?** The primary purposes of completing a 4-H Record Book are for youth to develop the skills necessary to setting goals, working toward achieving those goals, reflecting on his/her experiences, and setting new and high goals for themselves. Youth ages 8 to 18 are required to complete a 4-H Record Book as part of their participation requirements. Cloverbuds do not need to complete the 4-H Record Book process.

Record Books are judged for neatness and completeness. Members must include all the appropriate forms. They should have a project record for year projects they are enrolled in and project worksheets where appropriate. Youth should set realistic goals for themselves and have them talk about what they did and learned while working toward those goals.

- ⇒ The 4-H Office has green 4-H Record Book covers for purchase of \$3.00.
- ⇒ *NOTE: There is only one slight change to the 4-H Record Book, which would be the animal financial form. We expanded the learning experience in the feed and labor portion.*
- **County Pin Awards?** We recognize members who have been enrolled and completed 4-H for three years and completed project proficiency through various project areas. Youth must complete participation requirements,

followed by enrolled and completed two years in project area and must show project accomplishments.

⇒ To receive project pins, youth must complete a County Pin award form for each project they wish to be rewarded.

- **Other Award Applications?** The Grant County 4-H program offers a variety of awards. Youth may have the opportunity to submit applications for Citizenship Washington Focus Trip, South Dakota 4-H Key Award, Grant County 4-H Livestock Award, Outstanding Beginner Award, Diane Frevert Memorial Award, Kay Wolff Youth-in-Action Award & 4-H Leaders Scholarship.

⇒ All documents and applications can be found at <https://sdsu.box.com/s/dn142f6gdtuitxo5z3rtv1vgi7mgf083>. There will be documents available at the 4-H Office if unable to access electronically.



## 4-H Record Book Day

Tuesday, September 10  
4:00-6:00 PM

Get a jump start on your 4-H Record Book. This day is set aside to explain the purpose of a 4-H Record Book, how to get started, things needed and much more.

# Calendar of Events

(Dates are subject to change.)

**September 3**—Office Closed (Labor Day)

**September 14-15**—State Livestock Skillathon & Judging Contest, Brookings

**September 27-30**—AK-SAR-BEN, Grand Island, NE

**September 30** – 4-H Record Books due to the 4-H Office

**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 22-24**—Sara Gone (SDSU Annual Extension Conference)

**October 30** – Club Financial reports are due (from Club's treasurer's books)

**November 3**—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)

## 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!

## What's Your BIG Idea?

The BIG Idea Competition is full swing into its 2019 BIG Idea Competition. High school students across South Dakota are invited to compete in this business idea competition, and winners will compete for over \$25,000 in cash prizes and scholarships. The optional Marketing Design competition allows students to submit an ad for their idea and to compete for additional prize money. Again, this year is a Wellness Category sponsored by Sanford Health that awards an additional \$500 to the

best business idea addressing wellness; plus a Food Animal Agriculture Category sponsored by Midwest Ag Supply that awards an additional \$500 to the best business idea addressing food animal agriculture. **NEW** this year is an Agriculture Innovation Category sponsored by the South Dakota Agriculture Foundation that awards an additional \$500 to the best business idea addressing agriculture innovation.

Students may work individually or as

a team and will be able to submit their business idea applications online, due October 31<sup>st</sup>. The online application as well as various resources and examples can be accessed at the BIG Idea website: [www.BIGIdeaSD.com](http://www.BIGIdeaSD.com).

All applications submitted by October 31<sup>st</sup> will be reviewed and ranked by several judges from the business community. The eight top scoring applications will be invited to the final competition which will be on December 11th at Northern State University.



# EXPERIENCE THE LEGACY OF CITIZENSHIP WASHINGTON FOCUS

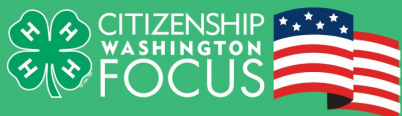
Applications are due  
October 1 to the  
Grant County 4-H  
Office!

For over 50 years, thousands of 4-H youth between the ages of 14 and 19 have traveled to Washington, DC to participate in Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF), a life-changing week that empowers 4-Hers to take their leadership skills to the next level for themselves and their communities.

4-H youth are empowered to make a positive impact in their communities, their country, and their world.

In six days, delegates will:

- + EXPERIENCE THE GRANDEUR OF OUR NATION'S CAPITAL WITH ITS HISTORIC SITES, MEMORIALS, AND MUSEUMS
- + ENGAGE IN A MEANINGFUL DIALOGUE WITH THEIR PEERS FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY ON ISSUES ARE MOST IMPORTANT TO THEM
- + PLAN AND LEAD LARGE SCALE EVENTS DURING THE WEEK AT CWF FROM CONCEPTION TO EXECUTION
- + PRACTICE INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION AND CROSS-CULTURAL COMPETENCY AS LEADERS OF POSITIVE CHANGE



Contact your local 4-H extension office or your 4-H educator for more details and how to register.

Want to bring your own delegation?  
Contact our Youth Opportunities Team at:

1-800-FOUR-H-DC

[www.4HCWF.org](http://www.4HCWF.org)



MILBANK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & GRANT COUNTY 4-H

# PHOTO & ART CONTEST

PHOTOS & ART WILL BE FEATURED ON POSTCARDS AND PROMOTIONAL ITEMS!

## Contest Rules & Information

### ENTRY DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 6

### Photography:

- Pictures must be submitted on a digital file. Send to Laurie Folk, Milbank Chamber Director at [membershipdirector@milbanksd.com](mailto:membershipdirector@milbanksd.com)
- All photographs must be original.
- Entries must include a name, address, phone number.
- Each entry should have a 1-2 sentence background story.

### Photography Lots:

- Non-Living: A photo of a non-living inanimate object, indoors, or outdoors; examples include, but not limited to: trains, boats, bench, and fence post.
- What Makes Milbank Great: A photo showing a specific person, place or thing within Milbank that might make someone want to visit our great town.
- Other: A photo that captures, but not limited to movement, wildlife, domestic animals, flowers, lake, or prairies.

### Art Work:

- Design must not be larger than 8.5"x11".
- Art work must be submitted to Laurie Folk, Milbank Chamber Director or emailed to [membershipdirector@milbanksd.com](mailto:membershipdirector@milbanksd.com), or dropped off at the Milbank City Office
- All artwork must be original.
- Entries must include a name, address, phone number.
- Each entry should have a 1-2 sentence background story.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Contact Laurie Folk, Milbank Chamber of Commerce Director at 605-432-6656 or Sara Koepke, 4-H Youth Program Advisor at 605-432-9221.

# Limited Edition State Tee

Showcase your 4-H and state pride with this limited edition supersoft Heritage 4-H State Tee! This collection includes 51 designs honoring the agricultural and natural roots of each state alongside classic 4-H icons and the unique names for residents that hail from each location.

Place your order TODAY! Pre-orders must be received by September 6. They will be delivered in time for National 4-H Week.

<https://shop4-h.org/collections/4-h-heritage-state-tees/products/south-dakota-4-h-heritage-tee>



## Need a new pair of boots?

In celebration of the 4-H legacy, Georgia Boot is offering a one-of-a-kind discount for current 4-H'ers, family, staff, alumni and volunteers. To take advantage of this limited time promotion, answer a few question and unlock an exclusive discount code that can be applied toward any

product on their site through September 30. The discount is 50% off full-price items at GeorgiaBoot.com. In addition to this great discount, Georgia Boot will give 5% of every discounted purchase back to support 4-H.

Click on the link to order a new pair of boots TODAY!



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Do you feed Show•RITE®? They are offering a 2019 Show Season Tag Promotion. Customers can submit feed tags from bags from January 1 through November 30, 2019. You will earn 50 cents per tag.

## State Fair Results and More

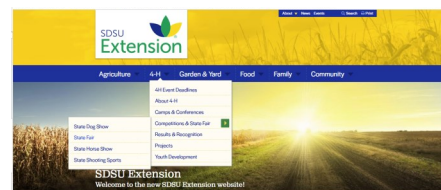
You want to know how well our 4-H youth did at State Fair? We can help you out! Follow these steps to navigate to the results.

1. Visit [extension.sdstate.edu](http://extension.sdstate.edu).

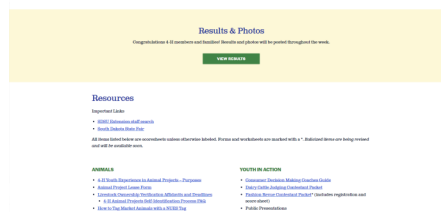


2. Put your cursor over the 4-H Tab. Then move down to Competitions & State Fair.

Finally, click on State Fair.



3. When you are the page, please scroll down to Results



& Photos.

4. On this page, you can access all the show results. At the release of this month's Clover Patch, pictures were not available. Keep checking back for any updates.

\*Note: South Dakota State 4-H Office keep results unofficial for two weeks in case if there are any changes.





## 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

**Tuesday, September 10 at  
6:30 p.m. at the Grant  
County Courthouse  
Community Room**

with a pizza supper.

*The meeting will last an hour.*

We will be having an organizational meeting by electing new officers and talking about National 4-H Week, 4-H Recognition Event, and other activities.



### Stay Connected with Grant County 4-H!

**Find information at:** SDSU Extension iGrow ([www.extension.sdstate.edu](http://www.extension.sdstate.edu)), 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))  
Check out our Facebook Calendar for upcoming activities and events!

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To:

**Get  
excited!**

**National 4-H Week is October 6-12, 2019!  
Join Grant County 4-H starting October 1st!**