CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 1  Rodeo Finals Packet DUE

May 3  Urban Ag Day Event

May 15  Dog Project Information Meeting (no dogs) - 4-H Grounds @ 6:00 PM

May 17  4-H Online Help Session— Courthouse @ 5:00-6:30 PM

May 22  CDM Judging School—Courthouse @ 3:30-5:00 PM

May 25  4-H Bike Rodeo @ 4-H Grounds

May 28  Office Closed- (Memorial Day)

May 29  YQCA Training— Courthouse @ 10:00AM

May 31  Market Goat & Sheep Weigh-ins—4-H Grounds @ 5:30-6:30

June 1  All Animal project Identification due on 4-H Online!

Advisor Comments...

We all love spending time outside. And the best way to enjoy our time in the sun and protect our skin is by wearing sunscreen. Yet skin cancer rates continue to rise in the United States.

That’s where Coppertone® and 4-H come in. We’re teaming up to inspire kids and families to adopt healthy, sun-safe behaviors—rain or shine—for a lifetime of healthy fun in the sun.

Calling all scientist and innovators! We need your help to make sun safety a daily habit. 4-H and Coppertone® want you to share your fun, creative ideas to remind yourself—and others—to stay safe in the sun with dairy sunscreen use!

- Enter the Sun Smarts Challenge through May 11 for a chance to win $1,000 cash!
- Use your imagination to come up with ideas and inventions that make sunscreen easier to use or reapply—the sky is the limit!

Submit your entry through an online submission form found through this link: https://4-h.org/get-involved/partners/coppertone-sun-smarts/.

Upcoming Dog Project Schedule

Do you have a new dog or dogs that you have wanted to train?

Attend this year’s dog obedience practices, starting May 15 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.

The Grant County Dog Show is planned for July 31th with a tentative start time at 3:00 p.m.

Current proof of vaccination for your dog is required by second practice. Time of practices is 6:00 p.m. Practice dates for agility and rally to be determined, depends on interest.

Class 1: Tuesday, May 15—Informational Meeting, no dogs
Class 2: Tuesday, May 22
Class 3: Tuesday, May 29
Class 4: Tuesday, June 5
Class 5: Tuesday, June 12
Class 6: Tuesday, June 19
Class 7: Tuesday, June 26
Class 8: Tuesday, July 10
Class 9: Tuesday, July 17
Class 10: Tuesday, July 24
Tuesday, July 31—County 4-H Dog Show at 4:00 p.m.

Contact Mary Bohn at 432-5625 or Susan Busk at 605-956-0906 for more information about the dog project.
**Mark Your Calendars...**

**2018 TLC Camp**
Teen Leadership Conference is for all youth ages 13—18. TLC will be June 8-10 in Brookings.
Youth will receive a great balance of leadership training, personal growth and fun.
Registration will be available soon.
Check out the flyer on page 7 for more details!

**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. 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 May 31st!

**NEED HELP? Come to 4-H Online Help Session**
Need help getting your animals entered into 4-H Online before the June 1 deadline? Not sure what you need to do this year on 4-H online or just want a little help? Come to the office from 5-6:30 P.M on May 17 for a help session! Feel free to bring your project or animal information. You are welcome to bring your laptop too!

**Consumer Decision Making Judging Opportunity**

Have you been faced with a situation buying groceries, choosing between brands while considering quality, size and cost in making a purchase?

Consumer Decision Making Judging will guide and assist youth in making proper choices through the judging model.

Each judging opportunity will have four classes of items tailored around nutrition, clothing & textiles, entertainment & leisure, personal finance and personal care.

Judging offers life skills to 4-H members when they may be faced with their next grocery store decision.

**Upcoming CDM Judging Opportunities:**
At the Grant Count Courthouse Community Room.

**Tuesday, May 22**
3:30-5:00 PM
In addition, there will be a judging classes available at this year’s Youth-in-Action Day on Tuesday, July 10.

**Why is Rate of Gain Important?**

Average Daily Gain (ADG) is important to show how efficiently the animal is growing. Once you know how much your animal is gaining each day, you can estimate how much weight the animal still needs to gain before the show. It is important to know how much weight your animal is gaining each day. You do not need to weight your animal every day. If you know how much weight your animal is gaining each day on the amount of feed you are giving, you can adjust the feed ration to help the animal reach it’s ideal weight before show time.

The Grant County 4-H program takes pride in educating youth the importance of raising their animals. Therefore, the 4-H Office will continue to offer county weigh-ins for our youth.

**Market Meat Goat & Sheep Weigh-ins are Thursday, May 31 at 5:30-6:30PM at the 4-H Grounds.**

**Clover Classifieds**
We have several Havana, one Mini Lop and some Polish for sale. If you are looking for a 4-H project. They come with transition food and pedigree. Contact Sally Heinje at 605-467-1676

**2018 State Fair Handbook**
The 2018 South Dakota State Fair Handbook is now available through iGrow. Please use this to find and read any updates for this year.
**HOSTA Training for Youth Farm & Ranch Workers**

SDSU Extension will be conducting Hazardous Occupations Safety Trainings for Agriculture courses throughout the state. Youth planning to work on a farm or ranch this summer are encouraged to attend.

Trainings will be held in Aberdeen June 5-6 and Clear Lake June 7-8.

"If youth are 14 or 15 and working on a farm or ranch that is not their families they are required by law to attend a training," said John Keimig, SDSU Extension 4-H Associate.

The trainings will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the first day and 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. the second day.

**Registration is required through iGrow.**

"The agricultural industry is the only industry in the U.S. that allows youth under the age of 16 to be legal employees," Keimig said. "The HOSTA programs aims to help teach those young employees about the dangers associated with working on the farm and ranch."

Since 1969, the United States Department of Labor has declared many agricultural tasks to be hazardous to youth younger than 16. Currently, the law states that any individual who is 14 to 15 years old must be trained on the safe operation of tractors, farm machinery and other hazardous activities in the agricultural industry.

"One exception to the rule is youth who are employed on their home farm," Keimig explained. "When youth reach 16 years of age this law no longer applies to their employment."

While not required to work on the family farm, Keimig encouraged all youth who plan to engage in agriculture work this summer to attend.

**Program Details**

HOSTA was developed to respond to the need for resources to inform and support the Youth Farm Safety Education and Certification Regulation which is administered by the U.S. Department of Labor. The training consists of independent study as well as hands-on participation and classroom instruction.

Independent study materials will be sent to 14-18 year-old participants. SDSU Extension personnel will be coordinating the training.

For questions on Hazardous Occupation Safety Training for Agriculture, please contact Keimig at 605.688.4167 or john.keimig@sdstate.edu.

**Youth for the Quality Care of Animals**

Grant County 4-H Program will be implementing Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) in 2018. The YQCA program will replace Youth Pork Quality Assurance (YPQA). This program is for youth exhibiting beef cattle, dairy cattle, sheep, meat goats, dairy goats, swine, poultry, and rabbits.

The YOUTH standards for YQCA in South Dakota 4-H include:

- Youth ages 8 to 21 exhibiting swine projects at 2018 county and/or State Fair will be required to become YQCA certified for the 2018-19 4-H year.
- The registration fee for instructor led (only ages 8 to 18 may attend) YQCA trainings is $3 per person and the registration fee for the online training (open to all ages) is $12 per person. Certification is for all food-producing animals a youth exhibits in a year; youth complete one certification each year.

**Trainings have been scheduled at the Grant County Courthouse Community Room:** May 29 at 10:00 AM

Youth must register for a training through the YQCA website, https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login. Please sign in through your 4-H Online credentials. Contact the Grant County 4-H Office with any online registration issues.

For additional information, please refer to iGrow for Youth Standards and Frequently Asked Questions document.

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**Grant County 4-H Leaders have purchased coupons for 4-H members to waive the $3 registration fee for YQCA training. The 4-H Office has the coupon numbers available!**
The SDSU Dairy Club would like to invite you to join us for the 15th Annual Jackrabbit Dairy Camp at the South Dakota State University campus in Brookings.

At camp there will be 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.

They are excited to provide opportunities for youth to enhance their fitting skills and provide assistance with topline fitting.

Rope halters will be provided, but participants may bring any of their own show supplies to use at camp. Lodging for two evenings in a SDSU residence hall, meals, entertainment, and materials provided are included in the $60 registration fee per participant.

Registration is limited to 5 youth/counselor and will be handled on a first come first serve basis with a maximum cap of 40 participants. Additional information can be obtained by going to https://www.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/file-archive/2018-04/2018%20Dairy%20Camp%20Brochure.pdf.

Youth between the ages of 8-18 interested in learning more about the dairy industry are invited to register. Registration deadline is Monday, May 21st 2018.

For your convenience, registration materials can be found at this link: https://www.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/file-archive/2018-04/2018%20Dairy%20Camp%20Brochure.pdf.

See the flyer on page 9!

4-H and JOANN Partnership is Amazing

JOANN stores are connecting more young people to experiences where they can learn by doing, creating and making. By providing local 4-H clubs with resources and tools to run impactful programs, JOANN will bring the 4-H experience to more kids in need.

4-H Rewards Card
You can save 15% with JOANN 4-H Rewards on in-store and online purchases. JOANN will give a minimum of 2.5% of eligible transaction to 4-H.

Get the card: http://www.joann.com/4-h/

Blanket Buddies: Statewide Community Service Project

The 2017-2018 4-H Youth Council Statewide Community Service Project is “Blanket Buddies”.

Families and/or clubs are asked to “put their hands to larger service” by making tie fleece blankets and donating them to area health care facilities, shelters or other in need places.

There have been several clubs that have been busy making blankets. A friendly reminder the 4-H club or family is responsible for distributing their blankets to a place they agree on.

Please report the number of blankets made and distributed to the 4-H office so we can report them to the State 4-H Office at the end of the community service project.
Attention: 2018 4-H Animal Information & Updates

Winter farm shows are in progress and we are starting to think about this year’s animal identification and enrollment. In this article will outline changes and new process this year related to 4-H animals.

Rodeo
The official Rodeo packet is now available on iGrow. The entry process is due May 1st!

To highlight important steps: members must enroll on 4H Online, complete required paper work and mail the proper paperwork to the 4-H Rodeo Finals Secretary. The office will only receive the Insurance Declaration Form I. This process is new so take time to review the entry process.

Horse
4-H members planning on participating in the 4-H Horse Show, start making plans before our first horse safety opportunity. Each youth during horse safety training, must complete two skill sets and a youth-in-action. Plan to give a demonstration at your club about your horse.

This year’s horse safety training is about horsemanship. Horse safety training will be held on May 6, in conjunction with the Hairy Horse Fun Show.

Practices will be Monday nights at 6pm starting June 4. One practice will mandatory with 2 practices strongly suggested for youth participating in the horst project!

Ownership Affidavits, DNA & Registration Papers

For the past couple years, we have been changing the “Green Tagging” system into a more unified federal tag and guidelines. Please review the animal updates, changes will be made on a monthly basis.

4-H animal enrollment must be completed on 4-H online this year! If you are 4-H members are planning on showing animals at Achievement Days and SD State Fair, these must be FULLY completed by June 1. The Grant County 4-H program adheres to the South Dakota 4-H deadlines.

YQCA Training
Moving forward this year, the South Dakota State 4-H program will implement the Youth for Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) program. As the Youth Pork Quality Assurance Plus training is being replaced by YQCA, those planning to exhibit in the 4-H division at the South Dakota State Fair will be required to complete the training. All swine exhibitors are required to complete the YQCA training in 2018, regardless if they have been YPQA certified.

Deadlines:
June 1—Market beef, Breeding beef, breeding meat goat, breeding sheep, dairy cattle, dairy goat, market goat, market sheep, market swine, poultry and rabbit must be entered online.

A friendly reminder that there is a DNA sample process for all market animals intended for the 4-H division competitions at the South Dakota State Fair. DNA samples will cost exhibitors $6 per animal, DNA samples must be on file or before the enrollment deadline.

Beef
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 of a NUES Green Tag. Grant County 4-H youth are responsible for their own Aksarben DNA identification this year and are due June 1.

Sheep & Goat
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 online enrollment, 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.

Dairy
Families exhibiting 4-H Dairy Cattle 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.

Swine
Families exhibiting swine will once again self-identify their animals. Ear tags, DNA and information will be available for families at a later date.

If families utilize an RFID tag for other shows, that is an acceptable tag for identification and can be used as a NUES green tag.

Cat & Dog
Members who are planning to exhibit animals in the cat or dog project area, will be required to enter their animal information on 4H Online. The information that needs to be entered is the animal name, sex, breed, colors and markings, age and vaccinations. A veterinary certificate for dog will be required at the first practice or the show, which event comes first. This will assist with Achievement Day entry.
Hairy Horse Fun Show
Grant County 4H Grounds
May 6, 2018

Registration: 11 AM   Horse Safety: 11:30 AM   Show: Noon

1. Beg Showmanship
2. Jr. Showmanship
3. Sr. Showmanship
   ** 10 minute break to warm up
4. Beg. Horsemanship
5. Jr. Horsemanship
6. Sr. Horsemanship
7. Beg. Western Pleasure
8. Jr. Western Pleasure
9. Sr. Western Pleasure
10. Jr. Ranch Riding
11. Sr. Ranch Riding
12. Jr. Trail
13. Sr. Trail
   ***Break for Tack Change
14. Beg. English Equitation
15. Jr. English Equitation
16. Sr. English Equitation
17. Beg Hat Race
18. Jr. Hat Race
19. Sr. Hat Race
20. Beg. Keyhole
22. Sr. Keyhole
23. Beg. Poles
24. Jr. Poles
25. Sr. Poles
26. Beg Flag
27. Jr. Flag
28. Sr. Flag
29. Beg. Barrels
30. Jr. Barrels
31. Sr. Barrels

Beg: Age 8-10 Jr: Age 11-13 Sr: Age 14 and over
(Age of January 1 2017)

4H Rules will apply

$2/class

***Horses do not have to groomed and trimmed, just clean looking

*** Door Prizes
*** Helmets are optional
*** Hats are optional for games
*** Long Sleeve shirts must be worn
*** Please pick up around your trailer (take all poop piles home with you)
*** No registration once show starts

For more information contact:
Grant Co. Extension Office 605.432.9221
Heidi Mischel 605.467.6046
Hilary Schwagel 605.467.0241

Cancellation heard on radio
KMSD or KDIO

***Horse Safety will be held at 3 PM if need to cancel due to weather or wet grounds.
2018 TEEN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

June 4-8, 2018

Early Bird Registration:
April 1-April 20 – $275

General Registration:
April 21-May 8 – $300

Register at iGrow.org/4h/south-dakota-4h/4-h-youth-council/

Any Teen, Age 13-18 regardless of 4-H enrollment

South Dakota State University • Brookings, SD
Teens have an opportunity to grow personally and professionally, while making life-long friendships as they explore the beautiful SDSU campus.

Hosted by: SDSU Extension 4-H Youth Council

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Learn more at iGrow.org.
Workshop Wednesdays

May 30 – Bird House; RVSP by May 23
June 13 – Floppy Disk Desk Organizer; RSVP by June 6
June 27 – Glove Monsters; RSVP by June 20
July 11 – Lighted Canvas Picture; RSVP by July 3

Location: Grant County 4-H Office at 2:00-5:00 PM

Workshop Wednesdays are designed for youth to complete a project within their schedules.

Contact Information:
Sara Koepke, 4-H Youth Program Advisor
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South Dakota State University Dairy Club Proudly Presents...

Jackrabbit Dairy Camp

June 7th-9th, 2018

South Dakota State University Dairy Club

Questions? Comments?
Please Contact:

Brooke Engstrom
Phone: (320) 905-7012
Email: brooke.engstrom@jac ks.sdstate.edu
The Highway 12 Round Up Prospect Show will be held at the Day County Fairgrounds on June 10, 2018.

The Highway 12 Round Up Prospect Show is open to all South Dakota 4-H members and all those who are eligible for Jr. Points Shows. The Prospect Show will follow the rules and guidelines of the South Dakota Junior Point Show Association. 4-H ownership rules apply to the animals in the show. The Show includes: Swine and Beef. Cost is $30 per head of beef and $20 per head of swine and is a jackpot show. No pre-registration. All entries will be taken on the day of the show during the livestock check in.

For More Information Contact:

Swine Show Superintendent
Dan Hegg 605-345-9504  
Assistant Superintendent
Nathan Duerre 605-880-0541

Beef Show Superintendent
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Lonnie Amundson 605-880-0583

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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!

Calendar of Events
(Dates are subject to change.)

May 1—4-H Rodeo Finals Packet postmark on/before to 4-H Rodeo Finals Inc.
May 3—Urban Ag Day Event
May 17—4-H Online Help Session from 5-6:30pm
May 22—CDM Judging school
May 25—4-H Bike Rodeo – Grant County 4-H Grounds
May 28—Office Closed (Memorial Day)
May 29—Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) Training at 10:00 a.m., Grant County Courthouse Community Room
May 31—Market Goat & Sheep Weigh-ins at 5:30-6:30 p.m.—Grant County 4-H Grounds (tentative)
June 1—All 4-H Animal Project Identification Deadline, due on 4H Online
June 1—Late Rodeo Finals Packet Deadline
June 4-8—Teen Leadership Conference at South Dakota State University campus, Brookings, SD
June 4-6—4-H Malt Wagon – Milbank City Office parking lot
June 10-16—Performing Arts Troupe Camp, Aberdeen
June 16-24—Citizenship Washington Focus, Washington D.C
June 29—Grant County Horse Show
July 1—“Youth for the Quality Care of Animals” Certification Deadline
July 1—Breed Registration Papers due on 4H Online
July 1—State Horse Show Registration Deadline
July 4—Office Closed (4th of July)
July 10—Grant County 4-H Youth-in-Action Day (Special Foods, Public Presentations, & Fashion Revue)
July 23-25—SD State 4-H Horse Show, Huron
July 31—Grant County Dog Show
August 1—State Dog Show Registration Deadline
August 6-8—Grant County 4-H Achievement Days
August 17-19—State 4-H Rodeo, Ft. Pierre
August 20—State Fair, State Livestock Judging & Skillathon Contest Registration Deadline (Livestock, Display Exhibits & Youth-in-Action)
August 25—State 4-H Dog Show, Mitchell
August 29-September 3 – South Dakota State Fair, Huron
September 3—Office Closed (Labor Day)
September 22-23—AK-SAR-BEN, Grand Island, NE
October 1 — 4-H Record Books due to the 4-H Office
October 7-13—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 23-25—Sara Gone (SDSU Annual Extension Conference)
October 30 — Club Financial reports are due (from Club’s treasurer’s books)
November 4—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)
December 24-25—Office Closed (Christmas Holiday)

Save the Date.  
Saturday, June 30, 2018
Battle of the Borders Prospect Show • Grant County 4-H Grounds
Spur Creativity with Arachne Yarns

Located in a neighboring town, Ortonville is Tessie Smith. She is the owner of Arachne Yarns and More studio. I recently talked with her and her passion for teaching others about fibers, knitting and crocheting, felting, weaving, spinning and much more.

She is a great person to partner with on upcoming projects or if youth are wanting to learn something new.

Two different classes are coming up:
- Air Felting—Wed., May 9 at 5-9 PM or Sat., May 12 at 1-4 PM
  Air felting is a form of felting wool. It uses elements of needle-felting, nuno-felting or wet felting. Participants will make a small bag, perfect for your phone or checkbook. Cost for the class is $45, all supplies are included.
- Drop Spindling—Wed., May 23 at 6-9 PM or Sat., May 26 at 1-4 PM
  Learn to spin yarn using a drop spindle, one of the oldest methods to make yarn. Each student will receive a drop spindle to use in the class. Spindle are available for purchase. Cost for the class is $25.

Pre-registration is required. Contact Tessie by phone at 701-429-7374, email at tessie1506@gmail.com.

Urban Ag Day Event
Thursday, May 3 at 9:00-11:30 a.m.
Want a leadership opportunity? Come help with our first annual Urban Ag Day event. Over 85 4th grade students will be arriving to the Grant County 4-H Grounds to interact with live animals and go through a series of workshops. If you are interested in helping, please Sara know by Tuesday, May 1.

Junior Leaders Corner

Junior Leaders is designed to provide members with the opportunity to learn about the qualities and competencies needed to be a leader. Leadership is a set of skills and attitudes that can be learned and developed that will help the leader influence the actions of others.

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