



West 1 Field Education Unit 4-H HEADLINE NEWS



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Take A Walk on the Wild Side!

Make plans now to attend 4-H Camp (ages 8-12) in June. Workshop topics will include: Making Tracks, Acrobats, Hoot Owls, Forests Forever, Canoeing, Hiking, and Building Birdhouses. Plus many more fun and educational activities for you to enjoy while at camp. Don't forget you don't have to be a 4-H member to come to camp so invite a friend to come with you.

Session 1 will be June 11-14-Ziebach, Dewey, Perkins, Harding, Lyman, Tripp, Hughes/Stamley-Coordinator Robin Lee Dieken

Session 2 will be June 18-21-Haakon, Jackson, Gregory, Pennington, Meade, Bennett, Jones-Coordinator Vera Boje

Session 3 will be June 22-25-Custer, Fall River, Butte, Lawrence, Beadle-Coordinator LaDonna McKnight

These are the weeks that have been selected by the counties to attend 4-H camp. Please keep in mind that if this time doesn't work for you or your family you can attend another session if there is space available-check with the coordinator for that session and don't forget you must have 1 adult for every ten youth that will be attending. The cost of camp is \$40.00/camper.

ALL Counties need to remember that you need to have 1 adult (18 or older) for every ten campers. DO NOT send in registrations until you have your chaperones lined up! Camp pre-registration is Due May 15th.

Camp Counselor Training (ages 15-18) will be June 1, 2, & 3—Please note date change! Call all Teens! We are looking for some good camp counselors, if you are 16 (15 with educators recommendation) and you like to work with younger kids, please consider being a Jr. Camp Counselor. Applications can be picked up from any County Extension Office.

Creating Opportunities for a Lifetime

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Teen Leadership Conference

Teen Leadership Conference 2007 will be held June 5-8 at the SDSU Campus, Brookings, SD for youth ages 13-18. This year's theme will be "Breaking Free at TLC." This year participants will practice leadership as they learn, work and develop friendships with youth from across the state. The conference will include over 100 workshop choices and a registration fee of \$125! Early bird registration will be due April **15th**. Registration forms are available at your local Extension Office now.

4-H Livestock Judging Contest

The 4 Corners 4-H Club will be hosting a livestock judging contest on Friday, April 6th at the Baker Hereford Ranch, Piedmont. Registration will be at 12:30 pm with judging at 1 pm. Directions to Bakers are:

*From Piedmont: 8 miles east on Elk Creek Rd, another 1 mile past the STOP sign, left on 142 Ave. go 1 mile, right on 218 St., turn left on Coyote Lane, go to the 2nd barn.

*From Flying J Truck Stop from I-90 in Rapid City: 8 miles north on Elk Vale Rd., left on Elk Creek Rd. go 1 mile, right on 144 Ave. go 1 mile, left on 218 St., right on Coyote Lane, go to the 2nd barn.

Rapid City Quarter Horse Association Scholarship

The Rapid City Quarter Horse Association is sponsoring a \$1000.00 scholarship to a horse project member that is currently a senior who will graduate this spring. Applicants must be from West River and enrolled in the horse project for the last 3 years. For applications or more information, call or write: Patty Brunner, 6679 Long View Rd, Rapid City, SD 57703 -- (393-2577). **DEADLINE: May 1, 2007.**

4-H Hall of Fame Application

Your local Extension Office has application forms for the 2007 South Dakota 4-H Hall of Fame nominations. They are due June 1st to the State 4-H office.

5th Annual Whitney Preserve Introduction to Range & Pasture Project

Saturday June 9th, 2007
9:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.

Plant Identification

Plant Classification: grass/forb/shrub, season of growth, annual/biennial, poisonous/noxious/edible
Proper Collection Methods, How to press plants, and Exhibit preparation

Bring sack lunch, clipboard/pencil, small shovel or spade, and box to take plant specimens home for pressing. Refreshments will be provided by The Nature Conservancy.

Directions from Hot Springs: Take Hwy 18 Truck Bypass to State Hwy 71 – Follow Hwy 71 approximately 8 miles to turnoff at Cascade Springs bridge - turn right and follow dirt road through gate to Nature Conservancy building. (Watch for signs)

For planning purposes PLEASE RSVP to the Fall River County Extension Office by June 7th (605-745-5133)

For further information contact: Dwayne Breyer (605-745-4992) dwaynebreyer@yahoo.com, Mark Keffler (605-745-6990) mkeffeler@tnc.org or Bob Novotny (605-745-3586) rnovotny@fs.fed.us.

Parents and leaders are encouraged to attend.

2007 South Dakota 4-H Rodeo Schedule

You can get the entry forms and schedule from the website <http://4h.sdstate.edu> by May 1st!! The rodeo schedule is posted there now and some rodeo entry forms.

Family Gardening Workshop

Master Gardeners, Cathie Draine and Brad Morgan will offer a free workshop on Family Gardening at 7:00 PM, Monday, April 30th at the Pennington County Extension Office in Rapid City. Unlike many children's gardening programs that tend to be non-family, that is, in or after school in a kids-only setting, this family gardening workshop will emphasize the traditional roles of grandparents and working parents in cultivating lifelong gardening practice in children and teens right at home. Please RSVP by calling the Pennington County Extension Office at 394-2188.



April 6-Livestock Judging School-Baker Hereford Ranch
 April 15-Teen Leadership Conference Early Bird Registration Due
 April 21-Black Hills Horse Care Clinic
 April 30-Family Gardening Workshop

April 14- Western 4-H Family and Consumer Sciences Show Board Meeting 10:30 am Pennington Co. Office
 April 14-Western Dakota 4-H Camp Association Board Meeting 1:30 pm, West River Ag Center
 April 27-29-State Shooting Sports Competition, Ft. Pierre
 May 5, Horse Safety Training, Tiltrum Ranch North of Hermosa 10:00 am
 June 1,2,3 Camp Counselor Training, Camp Bob Marshall

For all listings please check with county offices to confirm dates, times, and locations. 4-H members are always welcome to participate or compete at any county event in any county with a few exceptions.

Performing Arts Camp

Dates for the 2007 South Dakota 4-H Performing Arts Camp will be Sunday, June 17 through Saturday, June 23 at Northern State University, Aberdeen. Youth who are age 13 by January 1 are invited to participate. The registration fee is \$250 per person and due April 15th. The registration form and additional information about the 24th annual camp will be on the 4-H Website or available at your local County Extension Office.

Milwaukee to Host 2007 Regional 4-H Volunteer Conference

Volunteer 4-H leaders are urged to mark your calendars for the 2007 North Central Regional 4-H Volunteer Leader Forum, Oct. 12-14, 2007.

The annual forum, hosted and sponsored by University of Wisconsin-Extension's 4-H Youth Development Program, will be held in Milwaukee at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel. Early bird registration will begin in April.

In keeping with the conference theme, "Capture the 4-H Spirit," the meeting will offer you opportunities to learn how to bring youth and adults together to work in partnerships, reach diverse audiences, and implement hands-on learning opportunities. The forum, which attracts nearly 500 4-H volunteers and staff from 12 states and representatives from some Canadian provinces, rotates throughout the Midwestern states. The conference web site at <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/ncvlf/index.cfm> will continue to update information about the conference, including details about the program, registration, and lodging. If you have questions contact your local Extension office.

Dakotas SARE Youth Sustainable Agriculture Grants for 2007

Grants are available to provide opportunities for youth age 8-18, to learn more about Sustainable Agriculture. You will design and carry out a Sustainable Agriculture project of your own and report your results to the public. Guidance from your adult sponsor and parents is encouraged but some independence is expected. For more information, contact your local Extension Educator.

SD 4-H Council Ambassador Opportunity

Apply to become a State 4-H Council Ambassador. You will participate in an interview during Teen Leadership Conference. Your role as a State 4-H Council Ambassador will be to provide leadership opportunities to youth throughout South Dakota. Requirements for Application are a resume, cover letter, 1 letter of recommendation (non-relative), and 2 non-relative reference. Contact your local Extension Office for more information.

Black Hills Horse Care Clinic

There will be a Black Hills Horse Care Clinic on Saturday, April 21, 2007, 10:00 AM-4:30 PM at the Meade County Fair Building in Sturgis, SD. The program includes: Equine Nutrition, Grazing Management, Natural Balance Shoeing, Health Programs, Equine Massage, and Natural Horsemanship. Cost is \$7/4-H member, \$15/person or \$40/family. The cost also includes meal and educational materials. Pre-register by contacting your local Extension Office by **April 16th**.

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