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Upcoming Meetings or Events - 4-H Bldg

Nov 3-6:00 pm-Jr Leaders
Nov 13-6:00 pm-Leaders Mtg

Other Important Dates

Nov 3	Jr. Leaders Meeting Practice for Recognition Event
Nov 4	Recognition Event
Nov 10	Operation Military Kid- Junior Leaders
Nov 11	Centennial Trail Hike- Junior Leaders/OWSD
Nov 13	Leaders Meeting
Nov 12	Veterans Day Office Closed
Nov 12-15	Children's Book Week
Nov 19	Trip Applications Due
Nov 22	Thanksgiving Day Office Closed
Nov 23	Office Closed
Dec 1	Enrollments Due
Dec 8	Wreath Making Junior Leaders/OWSD
Dec 24	Office closed pm
Dec 25	Christmas-Office Closed
Dec 31	Leaders Dues Due 2008
Jan 1	New Years Day Office Closed
Jan 21	Martin Luther Closed
Jan 25 -	Black Hills
Feb 3	Stock Show
Jan 25	Youth Day
Feb 18	President's day Office Closed
April 5	Gardening Workshop
June 21-29	Citizenship Washington

Pennington County Jr. Leaders

By Cherie Hilton

A new year has begun and the Jr. Leaders are already out and about having fun. We met for a pizza party and organizational meeting on October 13.

Some of the events we are working on are promoting 4-H, assisting at the Recognition Event, organizing a Food Drive during the Recognition Event, and helping with Operation Military Kid.

We are also hoping to put together a photography workshop, archery demonstration and performing arts workshop. We will also be participating in activities with the Outdoor Women of South Dakota. There is a hike scheduled in November (date to be determined) and wreath making on December 8. The hike and wreath making are open for all members of the family so feel free to participate. For further information regarding these two activities, check out their website at owsd.org.



Interesting concept—the picture was taken through mirror!

If you are 12 and up and want to join in on our adventures, we would love to have you. We usually meet the first Saturday of the month at 6 p.m. at the 4-H Building. If you can't make all the meeting, please come when you can make it. If interested, please contact Cherie Hilton (787-9106) or the 4-H Office. If you want to get on the e-mail list for notification of future meetings, please let us know your e-mail address. If you don't have e-mail, let us know your phone number.

We look forward to sharing our fun with you.

Cherie Hilton
Pennington 4-H Junior Leader Advisor – Rapid City

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Kids making "Creepy Witches Fingers" out of sugar cookie dough and used an almond for the finger nail.

Junior Leaders Recognition Event Practice

The Junior Leaders will be practicing for Recognition Event Program on Saturday, November 3 at 6:00 p.m.; at the 4-H & Extension Building.



Recognition Event & KOTA Food Share Drive

Recognition Event will be held November 4 at the 4-H Building at 12:00 p.m. with the leader's annual chili lunch followed by the Recognition Event Award Program. Please bring a salad or dessert to go along with the chili. The Junior Leaders will be sponsoring a Food Drive. Each family is asked to bring a couple cans of food to donate. If you forget, cash donations are also accepted.

2007 Festival of Lights

Deadline is Wednesday, November 5. If any club is interested in participating in the parade, contact the office.

Farewell Party for Dr. Jean Berry

Everyone is invited ————Jean will be back in town on November 12.

Please set aside November 12 at 6:00 p.m., at Minervas Restaurant in the Party Room. We are having a farewell party for Dr. Jean Berry, Community Youth Development Coordinator.



Children's Book Week— November 12-15

Need a community service project? November 12-15 is Children's Book

Week. The Rapid City Area Library will be having three story times that will feature rabbit related stories. They would like to have some live rabbits at the end of the story time to join "Peter Rabbit". The times are: Tuesday, November 13 at 9:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. and Thursday November 15 at 9:30 a.m. If you would like to participate contact Maryanne Rohrer at the Rapid City Library at 394-6139 or the Extension Office.

2008 South Dakota Soybean Association

Deadline is November 15, 2007. For more information and online application forms are available at their website: www.sds soybean.org.

4-H Trip Applications Due November 19

South Dakota 4-H youth ages 16-19 years old as of Jan. 1, 2008, may apply now for participation in one of two national 4-H trips in 2008. Applications are taken through November 19 at local county extension offices.

The trips include the 78th National 4-H Conference taking place March 29-April 3, 2008 in Chevy Chase, Md., and the 87th National 4-H Congress, November 28-December 2, 2008 in Atlanta, Ga.

Delegates selected will receive one trip in a given year to represent South Dakota 4-H. Delegates may apply for additional trips in following years.

To apply, 4-H members should submit a folder containing a one-page cover letter, a résumé of up to three pages, and a letter of recommendation from a source such as a teacher, 4-H club leader, or coach.

Applicants should not include 4-H journals or record books in their folders.

For more information, contact your local 4-H club or county extension office.

New Enrollments

New enrollments for the 2007-2008 4-H year need to be in by December 1, 2007.

4-H Dues

Membership dues for the 2007-2008 4-H year will be \$3 per member with the money going to support awards, general insurance and other expenses throughout the 4-H year. Please include this money when turning in enrollments.

Leader's Insurance & Dues

This year in addition to the leaders dues we are also collecting \$5.00 per leader for liability and accident insurance. Payable at the Extension Office.

Dues are being taken for leaders for the 2007-2008 4-H year. Dues paid before December 31, 2007 will be \$5.00 and will increase to \$6 starting January 1. Dues paid after May 1 will be held for the following year. Dues need to be sent to Ardyce Elwood, 5556 Solitaire Dr, Rapid City, SD 57703.

Thank You, Thank You!!

Mary Ann McDonald would like to thank the following clubs for helping with the food booth at Western Junior Livestock Show: Heavenly Vessels, Shamrock Riders, Pocket Pets, Cheyenne River Breaks, Riding Ranchers, Cougars, and Patriot Riders. I couldn't have done it without your help.

I would also like to thank the following for pie, cookie or cake donations: Heavenly Vessels, Lynn Soulek, Mustangs, Prospectors, Shamrock Riders, Alan VanBochove, Cougars, Viewfield Wranglers, Country Kids, Cheyenne River Breaks, Blue Fire, Patriot Riders, Pennington County Extension Office-Evonne and anyone else that might have gotten missed. Appreciated all the donations.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT CLUB TREASURIES

The new 4-H Treasurer's book is on line and available at this link
<http://agbiopubs.sdstate.edu/pubdescription.cfm?Item=YD4H222>

In light of the new IRS requirements, all clubs should be using this book to at least keep an accounting system, and all clubs **MUST** do the end-of-the-year audit as outlined on pages 15-17. This report will be filed in the club file at the Extension Office.

Keep in mind that all clubs will be required to report income to the IRS in the future. We are not yet clear as to whether that will begin with 2007 finances, or with 2008, so I recommend that all clubs **do the audit this year**; so that they can learn from the process, and make the necessary changes to be ready to go for 2008.

This is a reminder ALL clubs with ANY money get an EIN number. That paperwork can be filled out, then called in for the number, with paper copies to follow.

If you need the paper work to fill out for your EIN number, contact the office.

Western Junior Livestock Show and Consumer Science Results

A copy of all the results are in the each club's box at the office.



Vegetable Gardening Workshop

Mel Glover, Master Gardener, and our horticulture judge at Central States Fair is offering a gardening workshop for kids

on Saturday, April 5th, 2008 from 10:00 a.m. to noon at the 4-H & Extension Office. Look for more details coming later.

INTO TO ROBOTICS

The September 29 Into Robotics class that was cancelled is being rescheduled. At this time the dates have not be confirmed. We are looking at maybe during Christmas vacation or early part of January. We will keep you posted.



2008 Speech Contest

Each year, the South Dakota Department of Agriculture, Division of Resource Conservation and Forestry, assists in sponsoring a speech contest for high school students. Any South Dakota student in grades 9-12 is eligible to compete for **\$2,300 in scholarship**. The 2008 topic is "Conservation through Education". If you would like more information, please contact the Extension Office for a brochure.

2008 Black Hills Stock Show Youth

Day—January 26, 2008. Watch for details coming in December.

