

Sanborn 4-H News

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4-H Shooting Sports

4-H Shooting Sports will continue to be held on **every Sunday, 3:00 p.m.** at the **4-H Building, Forestburg.** You are encouraged to come, learn and have fun.

Central Electric District Meeting

The 4-H Leaders will be preparing and serving the evening meal for the Central Electric District Meeting to be held on **January 22, 2008** at the 4-H Building, Forestburg. Jr. Leaders are encouraged to assist also.



2008 4-H HAPPENINGS



\$30.00 will be paid to each 4-Her attending 4-H Camp and TLC. Full registration fee will be paid for chaperone attending 4-H Camp.



Children's Gardening Workshop II

February 23, 2008, (Sat)
Brandon, S.D. – Sioux Valley Energy Community Center (Exit 402 off I-90)
9:00 a.m. registration
9:30-4:00 p.m. program

Features Janet Anderson and Linda Naeve of Iowa State University as presenters. They will involve participants in the hands-on activities from Growing in the Garden:K-3 Curriculum.

This newly revised curriculum contains classroom lessons on all aspects of gardening; including nutrition (revision includes the new Food Pyramid). Ideas for containers gardening are included for programs that do not have access to garden plots. CEU certificates will be available for teachers.

2008 4-H Camp

The 8-12 years olds with 4-Her's from Aurora, Brule, Charles Mix, Clay, Davison, Hanson, Hutchinson, Lincoln, Minnehaha, Sanborn, Turner, Union and Yankton counties on June 9-11.

The Teen Camp will NOT be held. This year 12 year olds are encouraged to attend 4-H Camp while 13 year olds can attend Teen Leadership Conference in Brookings.

Cost for the camp is \$100.00 for 4-H members and \$120.00 for non 4-H members. Mark your calendars so you save the dates!

Adult Chaperones Needed for 4-H Camp

Both male and female counselors 21 years of age and older will be needed so Sanborn County 4-Hers can attend camp.

4-H Camp Staff

Applications are being taken for Camp Staff for the 2008 4-H Camping season. Applicants need to be 18 years of age and have a high school diploma. There is a commitment for the days of February 29-March 1 and June 8-13. Salary will be \$500.00 for first year and \$550.00 for 2 plus years of experience. The application deadline is February 1st. Contact the Extension Office for more details.

4-H Camp Lakodia Teen Counselor

“Mission Possible” Teen Camp Counselor training will be held on Friday night and Saturday, February 29 and March 1 at CSD Camp Lakodia, Madison. This is a leadership camp for teens who are 16 years or older and are serious about being a camp counselor on June 8-13, 2008 when our area youth (8-12 year olds) camp. The purpose of this training camp is: to help you work with campers in counseling, guiding and mentoring role to ensure that everyone has a positive camp experience, assist camper to learn, make new friends and work together as a team, maintain control of campers while incurring fun. If you are interested call or stop by the office and pick up an application form that is due February 1st with a \$10.00 commitment fee.

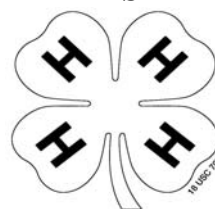
Extreme Makeover-TLC Edition

4-Hers who are 13 years and older, please mark your calendars for June 3-6, 2008 for the Teen Leadership Conference. The conference will be held on the SDSU Campus in Brookings. John Paul Murphy of

Maximizing People Potential will provide the keynote on Tuesday, along with a large group workshop on Wednesday. There will be bus service available from the west side of the state, and some sort of performing opportunity for delegates-those details in February. There are still opportunities to present workshops-grab a proposal form from the web and send it to Jenae. Find a proposal form at:

<http://4h.sdstate.edu/w4hfcs/TLC/TLCworkshoppoposal.pdf>.

MARK THESE DATES ON YOUR



4-H CALENDAR

State 4-H Shoot will be held at Ft. Pierre On April 25-27

Sanborn County Horse Safety Training and FUN Day will be held on May 21st at the 4-H Grounds, Forestburg.

Sanborn County 4-H County Horse Show

The County Horse Show will be July 1, (Tuesday), 4-H Arena, Forestburg. Pictures will be taken at 8:15 a.m. and the show will begin at 8:30 a.m.

State 4-H Horse Show

The State 4-H Horse Show will be held July 22-24, 2008 at the State Fairgrounds in Huron. Mark your calendar.

Sanborn County 4-H Achievement Days

The Achievement Days will be July 31 & August 1 (Thursday-Friday) at the 4-H Grounds, Forestburg.

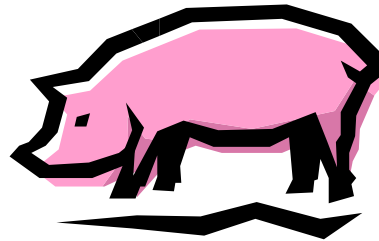
State Fair Dates

2008 S.D. State Fair dates are: August 28 through September 1. The schedule for the 4-H events has not been finalized at this point.

Attention Livestock Exhibitors
Changes for 2007-08

- All 4-H Market Livestock (Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goats) must be weighed at a designated county weigh-in, prior to the species ownership deadline. (With the exception to swine herds that have a higher status of health/bio-security. Animals can be verified and weigh on farm by ownership deadline.)
- All 4-H Market Livestock (Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goats) must be 4-H Green tagged at the time of weigh-in. NO TAGS will be handed out and sent home.
- One or more of the following must be present at the weigh in to witness tagging and weighing of 4-H Market Livestock. CES Educator, 4-H Leader or County CES Staff approved 4-H Volunteer.
- There will be NO minimum Rate of Gain required for championship eligibility at the State Fair; however the initial County Weigh-In information will be used as entry into the State Fair 4-H Rate of Gain Contest and Ultrasound.
- There will be “weigh-backs” at the State Fair for Class and/or Division Champions in the Market Division. Example: When a youth weighs their market steer at the State Fair, and he weighs 1250#, he must “weigh-back” within 5% of its State Fair weight at the conclusion of its class.
- A new and improved Rate of Gain and Ultrasound Awards system will be implemented for 2008 to recognized youth of their livestock project.

- Educational materials will be provided to 4-H Youth and Families to insure their livestock projects meet their target weights for State Fair or other end points.
- Ownership deadlines: Beef-March 31, 2008, Sheep-May 31, 2008, Swine-May 31, 2008, Meat (Market) Goat-May 31, 2008



Attention Livestock Project Members:

4-H Rate of Gain Weigh-In Dates

The Beef Rate of Gain weigh in will be **Saturday, February 9 at 1:30 p.m.** at the Jerry and Pam Moore’s farm

The Sheep and Swine Rate of Gain weigh-in will be May 3 (Saturday) at 8:30 a.m. at the 4-H Grounds, Forestburg.

State 4-H Award Trips Applications/ Due: April 1, 2008

Applications for State 4-H Scholarships are due into the Extension Office by March 28th. The specific scholarship criterion, award amount, and donor are available on the 4-H Web site. The information needed to submit an application is available at this Web site, too. If you have questions, please contact the Extension Office (796-4380). The website for the application is:

<http://4h.sdstate.edu/Files/2007%20South%20Dakota%20State%204-H%20Scholarships.doc>



Next 4-H Leaders Meeting

The next 4-H Leaders Meeting is scheduled for **February 20 (Wednesday)** at 7:00 p.m. at the 4-H Building. Union Farmhands 4-H Club will furnish refreshments.

Reminder: 2008 State 4-H Leaders Conference is Saturday, April 5, 2008. More details will be coming.

Living Up Your Club

Why not select 2 or 3 ideas that inspire you and use them to liven up your 4-H Club meetings this year?

Kids Love Surprises:

1. Send invitations to a secret meeting
2. Surprise them with a fun theme
3. Bring a special treat or guest
4. Have secret pals
5. Have a treasure hunt, with a new clue each month.

Ceremonial Magic:

1. Develop club traditions
2. Include a little history
3. Make a memory for the kids

Doing it Different

1. Mail a copy of the minutes along with a meeting reminder.
2. Have "official minute readers" to get more kids actively involved.
3. Project leaders should give quick reports and short announcement.
4. Keep unfinished business manageable by limiting number of projects you work on.
5. Don't get carried away with new business and committees.

4-H is Active Learning

1. Do something that involves EVERYONE at you club meeting.
2. Try a skill-a-thon or quiz bowl
3. Plan a field trip
4. Do a project meeting, keeping in mind that age & abilities of all the kids that it would involve.
5. Let the kids be the officers-don't put words in their mouths.

January is RESPONSIBILITY Month On the CHARACTER COUNTS Calendar.

Responsibility means doing what we are supposed to do. Sometimes, doing the right thing is very difficult and takes a lot of perseverance. People of character do not give up when the going gets rough, particularly if others are counting on them.

A wonderful example of perseverance is the heroic dog sled journey led by the famed Balto in 1925. In January of 1925, doctors found that a deadly diphtheria epidemic was poised to sweep through Nome's young people. The only medicine that could stop the outbreak was a thousand miles away in Anchorage and the only way to get the medicine to the children was by dog sled. More than 20 mushers took part, each completing legs of the journey, in temperatures that barely got above 40 degrees below zero and killer winds. Six days later, on February 2nd, Gunner Kaassen drove his heroic dog team, led by a husky named Balto, into the streets of Nome and delivered the serum, ending the life-or-death race to rescue the children of Nome, Alaska.

Perseverance creates heroes like Balto and Gunner Kaassen. There are many quiet heroes, also. A teacher who patiently teaches a struggling child to read, a child who keeps trying to do well in school while battling conditions that make it nearly impossible, or standing up to bullies with or for a friend are heroically responsible actions. Each of us has a hero inside of us. By being responsible, even when the going gets rough, you can be a hero, too.

Sled Dogs: An Alaska Epic Home-Balto:
Internet.

<http://www.pbs.org/wnet/nature/sleddogs/index.html>

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