

CLAY COUNTY, SD 4-H GUIDELINES FEBRUARY 2018





A NOTE FROM LAUREN

I hope your 2018 has been off to a great start! Do you have 4-H goals for 2018? What project areas do you want to work on? This is a great time to be thinking about projects you are interested in and potential exhibits you could bring to the 2018 county fair. If you have an idea for a workshop — we want to hear from you! We are currently planning for this summer already.

I hope each of your clubs has enrolled a few new members. In 4-H, we are always reminded of the importance of diversity and inclusion within 4-H. Think about your club and events you attend in 4-H. Every group, every situation, has a culture. Those of us who have been in 4-H for a long time sometimes forget that we have our own culture, way of doing things, and are used to the many project areas and event opportunities. Many people think that South Dakota isn't very diverse, but that is not true. There are lots of people that you meet all with different backgrounds, different experiences they have gone through to make them the people they are. The University of Minnesota uses The Tree Model of Culture. In this model, there are two aspects: above ground (primarily in awareness) and below ground (primarily out of awareness). Like trees, cultures come in a wide variety and are continually growing and changing- adapting to ever-changing environments. We do not always know every person's story, so through 4-H we want to include everyone. Do you remember your first 4-H meeting? How about your first or second 4-H year? Is there someone who took your hand and led you through 4-H events? Now is your turn to include others. At your club activities or in the events that you participate in, keep an eye out for others who may need a helping hand.

Of course, we are always happy to answer questions in the office.

4-H FRUIT SALE

All families should have received the 2018 fruit order forms and informational letter. We hope you are out selling and working to top the \$2800+ in sales that was sold last year. February 21 is the date members need to give their totals to the club leader. All club totals are due in the office on February 23 by 5 pm.

4-H JUNIOR AMBASSADOR UPDATE

The Ambassadors met on January 21. We had a short meeting, did a leadership activity, and started tying fleece blankets for the statewide community service project "Blanket Buddies." These will be donated to the Vermillion Police Department. We did not make it through all of the blankets, so we will continue in February. The next meeting is set for Monday, February 19 at noon at the Extension Office. We will be ordering pizza, finishing the blankets, and possibly taking them down to the police station that day.

GOD, FLAG AND COUNTRY ORATORY PROGRAM

The Vermillion Fraternal Order of Eagles 2421 Sunshine Aerie Chapter invite you to participate in their first annual God, Flag and Country oratory program. The purpose of this program is to instill in our young people a deeper understanding of God, Flag and Country in our common lives and to make them aware of their heritage and to make it more meaningful to them in the world today. The contest will be held at the Vermillion Eagle's Club on February 24, 2018. The contestant packet is on our <u>website</u> with a more detailed explanation of the contest, rules and registration form. Registration forms are due February 10, 2018.

4-H JUDGING EVENT

Lincoln and Union Counties will be hosting a double judging event on Tuesday, March 6 in the multi-purpose room at Beresford High School, 301 W Maple Street. Judging will run 3:30 to 7 pm and is a come and go school. Please see flyer included with this newsletter.



Feb 3 - Ben Girard

Feb 3 - Amanda Havermann

Feb 4 - Stian Olson

Feb 6 - Calie Schultz

Feb 9 - Finley Oelmann

Feb 10 – Shane Slattery

Feb 11 - Emery Bohnsack

Feb 11 - Emmaline Warner

Feb 14 - Mary Dahlhoff

Feb 15 – Rayanna Slattery

Feb 17 - Theo Wittmuss

Feb 19 - Jon Danielson

Feb 19 - Brynn Shefl

Feb 21 - Danica Albaugh-Edgecomb

Feb 25 – Taryn Taggart

Tri-State Horse Expo

March 16 - 18

W H Lyons Fairgrounds

http://tristatehorseexpo.com/index.html

RABBIT WORKSHOP & FUN SHOW
Saturday, March 3 - Clay County 4-H Center
See flyer included with newsletter.

Due to the state's changes in requirements for weigh-ins, if you do not attend the county weigh-in, you will be responsible for getting ear tags and DNA envelopes from the office, and then bringing them back to the office before June 1. We are charged for tags and envelopes even if they are not used and envelopes need to be turned back in. Clay County has decided that we WILL still be holding a rate of gain contest.

If you need assistance or have any questions about the changes, please let us know!

2018 Animal Project Changes - Brit Kaufman, 4-H Animal Projects Coordinator

Please take the time to read if you exhibit any type of livestock. A document detailing the changes that are being implemented in 2018 for the Animal Project areas is attached. Personal growth, project management, responsibility, hands-on involvement, time management, and accurate record keeping, are some main objectives that can be achieved through a youth's 4-H animal project experience. These changes are being made to continually strive for the primary focus to be on youth experience.

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From Mandy Stade, SD 4-H Events Management Coordinator

We have updated 4HOnline and the animals are opened so that 4-H members can add their information. Members have until June 1 at 11:59 pm to enter their animal information into 4HOnline. A help sheet is on the website.

In helping to avoid confusing families and duplicate animals entered through Fair Entry, please enter an animal only 1 time into 4HOnline for your FAMILY. Pick one child--we suggest the youngest for animals that can return to fairs for multiple years--and enter all the animals for your family under that one child. Members of that family will have the option to show any animals listed under any of their family members and the animals will still appear for each youth in the family in Fair Entry. When an animal is selected for registration in Fair Entry, it will disappear from the list of available animals to select in future registrations for the family. This is not the case if the animal is registered under multiple kids. The animal will not disappear from the list of available animals, as Fair Entry sees each animal entered in 4HOnline as a separate animal; therefore allowing a family to select the same animal for more than one child. For example, if you have two children, John and Susie, and you have four animals, you would enter all four animals under John and enter no animals under Susie. When it comes time to enter John and Susie in Fair Entry, all 4 animals would show up for John and Susie. Once you have entered animal 1 for John, that will be taken off the animal list and will show as already used when showing the list for Susie. You can then select any of the three remaining animals. For the fair, the animals will be listed under the child whom they were picked for, not the child they are in 4HOnline under.

2018 SUMMER DATES

June 1: Livestock entry deadline June 4-8: TLC, SDSU Campus

June 13: YQCA, 4-H Center, 6 pm

June 17-23: CWF Trip

June 20: Public Presentations, 4 pm

June 27: County Horse Show, 9 am

July 13: Special Foods, Yankton

July 18: Fashion Revue, 9 am

July 19: County Dog Show, 6 pm

July 23-25: State Horse Show

August 7: Open Class Entry

August 8: 4-H Entry

August 9-11: Clay County Fair

Aug 30-Sept 3: SD State Fair

SOUTH DAKOTA 14TH ANNUAL SOIL DAYS AND 35TH ANNUAL RANGELAND DAYS June 26-27, 2018 Redfi el d, SD

Soil Days and Rangeland Days are opportunities to learn more about South Dakota resources, our soils Learning acand our rangel ands. tivities have been designed for all age groups, from 8 years to adults. The brochure is on the website.

STATE 4-H LEADERS CONFERENCE

The 2018 Spring Leaders Conference will be hosted by District N2 (Spink, Beadle & Hand) on Saturday, February 24th from 9:30 am - 1:30 pm at the Nordby Center in Huron. The registration form is included with this newsletter.

WASHINGTON PAVILION DESIGN CHALLENGE 2018

The 2018 Design Challenge is: The Incredible and Amazing Superhero Adventure! Teams will be challenged to design and create a superhero (or superhero team) and a gadget or powers that addresses a specific task (chosen by the team) that would better humankind. Prizes will be awarded to the top teams!

Register your team (anyone is eligible - schools, community groups, scout troops, families, etc.) and submit your registration form to the Washington Pavilion by April 6, 2018. You will receive details about your specific superhero adventure tasks upon receipt of registration. The packet is on our website.

TEEN

Fear Factor: Face Everything and Rise

June 4-8, 2018 LEADERSHIP



Teen Leadership Conference is an annual conference in June hosted by 4-H Youth Council in collaboration with South Dakota 4-H and SDSU Extension at the main campus of South Dakota State University (SDSU) in Brookings, South Dakota. This conference is open to any teens regardless of their involvement with 4-H. Teens have an opportunity to grow personally and professionally, while exploring the beautiful SDSU campus.

4-H LEADERS' AND FAIR BOARD MEETING

Don't forget about the joint leader's meeting on February 27 at 6 pm at the 4-H Center. This past summer, the fair board received a joint grant with the Vermillion Area Farmer's Market to discuss strengths, weaknesses, and the future of the current fairgrounds and buildings. The fair board is trying to figure out next steps and would like input from leaders, volunteers, and parents. We are looking for a few representatives from each club. If you cannot make this meeting, feel free to pass your thoughts on to your club representative, <u>Lauren</u> or Missy; If you ARE able to make this meeting, please RSVP to Lauren or Missy before Friday, February 23 so that food can be arranged.

February 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
No Shooting Sports	5	6 Dog 4-H Center 7 pm	7	8 Dog 4-H Center 7 pm	9	10
Clay County Flyers 4-H Center 1-6pm Burbank Feeders 4-H Kitchen 630p	12	13 Dog 4-H Center 7 pm	ASH WEDNESDAY Happy alentines Day	15 Dog 4-H Center 7 pm	16 Colleen out of office	17
18 Clay County Flyers 4-H Center 1-6pm	19 President's Day Office closed Jr Ambassadors 4-H Center 12 Noon	Dog 4-H Center 7 pm Meckling Live- stock 6:30 pm 4-H Kitchen	21 Fruit order totals due to club leader	22 Dog 4-H Center 7 pm	23 Club fruit orders due to Colleen before 5 pm	24
25 Clay County Flyers 4-H Center 1-6pm Jolly JJ's 3 pm Trinity Lutheran	26 Lucky Trailblazers 4-H Kitchen 630p	27 Dog 4-H Center 7 pm Clay Co 4-H Ldrs 530 pm 4-H Kitchen	28			

4-H Y-Shirt Design Contest

How would you like your <u>original</u> design printed on the 2018 county 4-H t-shirts? How about on the cover of the 4-H Fair Supplement? Submit your design for the Clay County 4-H T-Shirt Design Contest! \$25.00 cash prize to the member whose design is selected!

The four rules are 1) 4-H Clover must be used in the design and <u>must be</u> used properly, 2) one entry per member, 3) design size limited to 8.5" x 11" and 4) you must be a <u>current and active</u> 4-H member.

Entry deadline is Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at 5 pm to Colleen in the office.







Note: The winning design may have a few small modifications made to make it digital and we may change the coloring depending on the t-shirt color.



Rabbit Workshop & Fun Show

- Are you new to showing rabbits or just want to expand your skills for the County or State Fair?
- Topics Include: breed selection, showmanship, show prep, feeding, housing, and much more!
- Members are encouraged to bring their own rabbits, but not required. Bring your rabbits in a carrier or container of some sort and a carpet square. Youth must be able to handle rabbits themselves, or a parent must stay with them to help.

Register by February 23.

Who: Youth of any age looking to learn more about the rabbit project area

When: Saturday, March 3, at 1:00 p.m.

Where: 4-H Center in Vermillion

Presenter: Andy Jensen, Rabbit Breeder and Educator Extraordinaire



Questions? Or for more information: Clay County Extension Office - (606) 677-7111 Clay.county@sdstate.edu - lauren.hollenbeck@sdstate.edu







Lincoln-Union Double Judging Event

- Consumer Decision
 Making 8 Classes for a total of 400 Points
- Horticulture 8 Classes for a total of 400 Points
- For Beginners, Juniors & Seniors



When:

Tuesday, March 6

Where:

Beresford High School Multi-Purpose Room ~ 301 W Maple St

Time:

3:30-7:00 p.m. – you are able to come in and judge and leave

when finished judging

For more information, please contact:

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Lincoln.countv@sdstate.edu

Union County Phone # 605-356-2321

Lincoln County Phone # 605-764-2756

This judging session will qualify you for State Fair if you complete all 8 classes of the judging area you choose. Meaning you will not need to attend another judging event this year.







SD State 4-H Leaders Conference

Saturday, February 24, 2018 9:15 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Nordby Exhibit Hall, Huron, SD

Schedule of Events

9:15 a.m.—Registration & Welcome

9:30-10:00 a.m.—Key Note Speaker Jared Knock of Willow Lake

10:00-10:50 a.m.—Session 1

10:55-11:45 a.m.—Session 2

11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.—Lunch State 4-H Leader's Meeting

12:40-1:30 p.m.—Session 3

Session 1

Foods & Nutrition Judges Training or 4-H Safety Programs-HOSTA Details & Shooting Sports Update

Session 2

Posters & Displays Judging-What to Look For or 4-H Outdoors-Engaging Clubs in the Outdoors

Session 3

Goals of SD 4-H & State Fair Book Preview & State 4-H Office Q & A

Please fill out the registration below and return. Cost for participants is \$10, checks can be made payable to SD 4-H Leader's Association and sent to: Spink County Extension Service, 210 East 7th Avenue, Redfield, SD 57469-1299 | spink.county@sdstate.edu | 605.472.5006

Name:	County:							
Address:	City:		State:	Zip:				
Phone:	Email:				_			
	Check the sessions you wish to attend:							
	Session 1—10:00-10:50 a.m.	1	2					
	Session 2—10:55-11:45 a.m.	1	2					
	Session 3—12:40-1:30 p.m.	1	2					

Deadline to register: February 16th. Minimum number of registrations are needed to hold the conference.