

CLAY COUNTY 4-H



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MARCH 2023 NEWSLETTER



UPCOMING DATES & DEADLINES- MARCH 2023

- Mar. 13 - Union/Lincoln Co. CDM & Horticulture Skill-a-thon - Beresford
- Mar. 15 - SS End of Match 2
- Mar. 15 - SS Safety Scores due
- Mar. 15 - Last day to register new SS members for Winter Program
- Mar. 16 - Photography Workshop - Union Co. Courthouse
- Mar. 16 - SS State Match Registration Opens
- Mar. 16 - Fruit Arrives! Pick up until 6:00 pm
- Mar. 17 - Fruit Pick-up until 5:00 pm - All fruit must be picked up today!
- Mar. 24 - Any fruit money due to club leaders
- Mar. 25 - ETHICS SD Session 3 - Yankton 4-H Office
- Mar. 25 - Hippology Clinic - Clay Co. 4-H Center
- Mar. 25 - Volunteer Training - Winner
- Mar. 27 - Leader's Meeting followed by Foodstand Committee Meeting
- Mar. 28 - 30 - Raven/Lauren at Training; 4-H Office closed
- Mar. 31 - Club Fruit Checks Due to Office
- Mar. 31 - Camp Counselor Applications Due
- Mar. 31 - Clay Co. T-Shirt Contest Designs Due
- Apr. 1 - CCYTF Scholarships Due

WHAT'S GOING ON?

Everyone give yourselves a pat on the back for doing a great job selling fruit! As a county we collectively sold 40,000 dollars worth of products which is around 1400 items! Hope you are all ready to deliver all those boxes in a couple weeks! 😊

We could use your help to promote the Chasing the 4 of Clubs fundraiser! Please share on social medias if you will! There are flyers to spread around in the 4-H Center

4-H FRUIT SALE

- Fruit delivery day is set for Thursday March 16th. Members can pick their fruit up between 4-6pm that day. Each club needs a representative present for help sorting and to confirm their clubs orders and checkout of the kids.
- You also can pickup fruit anytime between 8-5 on Friday March 17th. All fruit must be out of the building by 5pm Friday.
- Money is due to your club leaders by March 24th.
- Club Leaders your money is due to the Leaders Assoc. by March 31st.

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noon hour)



FARM SERVICE AGENCY (FSA) YOUTH LOANS

Did you know the FSA Office in Yankton offers loans to youth in Clay County? Youth borrowers can be eligible for up to \$5,000. Applicants have to be 10-20 years old. See the fact sheet attached to this newsletter. For any questions you can contact Samantha Hagedorn, Yankton County FSA Loan Officer: 605-665-2662 ext 2.

LIVESTOCK DNA ,TAGS, & POULTRY BANDS

- DNA collection will be requirement for the 2023 State Fair. DNA envelopes will be available for pickup at the Extension Office for \$1/envelope.
- 4-H Green tags will still be available at the office for \$1 each.
- Poultry bands will be available at the office for \$0.50

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Clay County Youth Trust Fund Scholarships are out now. You can get them from your school guidance counselor, at the Extension Office, or on the county website. Also the South Dakota State 4-H Scholarships are now available on the Extension Website. See graphic on pg. for the link. All Scholarships (State and County) are due to the Extension Office by April 1st 2023.

COUNTY FAIR T-SHIRT CONTEST

Get those creative juices flowing and create the next design for the 2023 Clay County Fair T-Shirts!! The winner will receive a cash prize and their design featured on the 2023 Fair shirts as well as the 2023 Summer Supplement book cover! See the attached flyer for more details!

4-H PLEDGE

I pledge my **HEAD** to clearer thinking,
my **HEART** to greater loyalty,
my **HANDS** to larger service,
and my **HEALTH** to better living,
for my club, my community,
my country, and my world.



PAWS FOR A CAUSE

The project topic that was selected by teen participants at the 2022 Teen Leadership Conference is Paws for a Cause: A Pet Supply Drive. This project empowers individuals across South Dakota to donate new, gently used, or homemade pet supplies to be distributed to local animal shelters and care facilities. It also gives 4-H members an opportunity to provide in-kind support of the project by volunteering their time at local pet shelters or by fostering.

Donation boxes can be found at: Vermillion Runnings, Vermillion TSC, Vermillion Vet Clinic, and the Extension Office.

4-H REQUIREMENTS POLICY UPDATE

At the January Leader's Association Meeting, the following policy in regard to 4-H Members earning premium money will go into effect for the current (2022-2023) 4-H Year:

All members must meet the following requirements to receive fair premium money:

1. Presentation at club level or higher (must be approved if outside of 4-H)
2. Hand in journal or record book
3. Participate in a county event (fruit sales, food stand, Dakota Days float, etc.)
4. Attend four club meetings in four different months.
5. Must participate in showmanship for any and all livestock species in which they exhibit to receive premium money in that area.

The Independent Club Members requirements are the same as above, except instead of four club meetings, they must participate in a minimum of four county events.

AMERICAN BEEKEEPING FEDERATION ESSAY CONTEST

The Importance of Beeswax : Although honeybees are much-beloved for honey, bees also produce beeswax that can be used in many ways. For this essay, a 4-H student should discuss why beeswax is so important to the hive (it's a pantry, it's a nursery, it's the dance floor), but also discuss their favorite way to use beeswax outside the hive. Photos of candles, soaps, or lip balms that are made to show the 4-H'er's skill in using beeswax are welcomed as are recipes or brief instructions.

Each state is allowed to submit one essay. If you are interested in an application contact the Extension Office. Counties submissions are due to the State by April 14th.

2023 TEEN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

The State 4-H Ambassador Teen Leadership Conference Committee has officially selected the dates for the 2023 Teen Leadership Conference. Mark your calendars for June 5-9, 2023. This year we will be back at South Dakota State University (SDSU) in Brookings. Teen participants will have an opportunity to grow personally and professionally through engaging workshop sessions, keynote presentations, community service projects and more. Additionally, they will get to explore the SDSU campus and everything it has to offer, while making life-long connections and friendships. This event is open to any teen (age 13-18) regardless of their 4-H enrollment. More details and registration will be provided soon.

CAMP COUNSELOR

Camp counselor applications are now available! Counselors are an integral part of the camp experience and assist in leading camper activities and supporting chaperones in camper lodging. Youth between the ages of 16-18 that are enrolled in 4-H are encouraged to apply. Counselors may choose which camp they prefer: Camp Storm Mountain June 4-7 or Camp Poinsett June 5-9 & 12-14. Contact the office for an application. Contact the Extension Office for an application - They are due back by March 30th.

4-H RODEO

All of the new rodeo documents have been updated online at <https://extension.sdstate.edu/state-4-h-rodeo-resources>

This includes-

1. 2023 Contestant Packet (Due May 1 to finals sec.)
2. Insurance declaration form (due to 4-H Office, not sent to the finals secretary.)

YOUTH HORSE LITERACY PROGRAM

The Youth Horse Literacy (YHL) program is a way to enhance the old Horse Safety Program. A YHL will be a requirement to show horse at the county or state shows in 2023! There are many events that may qualify; we will share them here in the newsletter. The YHL program will take effect for this 4-H year starting on October 1st, 2022. Look for information in the upcoming months! See flyers for upcoming opportunities!

YOUTH LIVESTOCK LITERACY PROGRAM

The Youth Livestock Literacy (YLL) program is a way to enhance and expand the opportunities offered to our 4-H members to complete the YQCA requirement each year. A YLL or a YQCA certificate will be a requirement to show livestock at the county or state fair in 2023! (Horse, Companion Animal, and Dog are exempt) There are many events that may qualify; we will share them here in the newsletter. The YLL program will take effect for the upcoming 4-H year which started October 1st, 2022. Please review the attached YLL Program information sheet for the list of items that qualify to meet the yearly YQCA requirement. Any member is eligible to complete one of the alternative events; however, the YQCA option is recommended for the member's first 4 years and may be required for some national level shows. To learn about Youth Livestock Literacy opportunities in your county and beyond, contact the Extension Office.



South Dakota 4-H

Scholarship Applications Available

Scholarship awards are based on fulfillment of scholarship specific criteria and the following:

- ✓ 40% scholastic achievement
- ✓ 10% character
- 40% 4-H project involvement including citizenship/community service and leadership
- ✓ 10% financial need

Applications must be postmarked by the first Monday of April to be considered.

Applications can be found at extension.sdstate.edu

More Information

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KID KARE

VIRTUAL YOUTH BABY-SITTING WORKSHOP

LIVE ZOOM PRESENTATION DATES:

~ MARCH 27 ~ APRIL 3 ~ APRIL 10 ~ APRIL 17 ~ APRIL 24 ~ MAY 1 ~

Virtual learning experience for ages 9 & up focused on fundamental childcare knowledge & skills. A baby-sitting kit filled with essentials and activity supplies for the workshop is included in the \$15 enrollment fee.

Kid Kare is a great opportunity whether you want to start your own baby-sitting business or just want to be able to help out with siblings at home. Participants receive a certificate of completion upon finishing the workshop.

ReGISTER Here:



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Register by March 19 to reserve your spot!

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2023 4-H T-SHIRT CONTEST

Would you like your original design on the 2023 Fair T-shirts and the Fair Supplement cover?

Rules:

- The 4-H Clover must be used in the design and must be used correctly
- One entry per member
- Design size limited to 8.5" x 11"
- You must be a current and active 4-H member

Preference will be given to designs that have original graphics, drawings, themes, slogans, etc.

The winning design may have small modifications made to it to make it digital.

** Winning design will receive a \$25 prize**

Designs are due to the office by 5 pm on Friday, March 31.

Online voting will begin April 4th.





4-H PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

LEARN HOW TO TAKE BETTER PHOTOS - BRING
YOUR OWN CAMERA OR PHONE TO PRACTICE WITH

MARCH 16, 2023 | 10:00 AM

UNION COUNTY COURTHOUSE BASEMENT

209 E. MAIN ST. ELK POINT

**Please RSVP with the Extension Office.
Minimum of 8 needed to hold workshop.**

Union County
union.county@sdstate.edu
(605) 356-2321

Clay County
clay.county@sdstate.edu
(605) 677-7111

**HOLY
PEPPERONI!**

**IT'S A PUBLIC
PRESENTATION
WORKSHOP**

Any way you slice it, communication can be fun! Cook up your persuasive speaking skills with this workshop featuring Make-Your-Own Pizza & learn how to craft your own Public Presentation!

**Pizza Workshop:
Saturday, May 20
10:00 - 12:00
Clay Co. 4-H Center
RSVP by May 18!**

Also,
make
plans to
attend:



**Get Started Session
May 18 OR May 19
3:00 - 5:00
Clay Co. 4-H Center
For extra help, tips,
& ideas**

**Clay/Union
Public
Presentations
Contest
June 1
6:00 pm**

2023

10 Exhibit CHALLENGE



A CHALLENGE FOR CLAY COUNTY 4-H MEMBERS TO ENTER DIFFERENT PROJECT AREAS AND TO INCREASE EXHIBITS.

4-Her's must choose from the options below. Must exhibit at least 10 projects in the minimum project areas as described.

CHOOSE AT LEAST 2

YOUTH-IN-ACTION
(County Level)

- Judging Event/Skill-A-Thon
- Special Foods
- Public Presentation
- Fashion Revue

Curriculum

Any state level event

CHOOSE AT LEAST 3

- Educational Poster/Display
- Electricity
- Child Development
- First Aid
- Hobbies & Collections
- Clothing
- Wood
- Welding
- Plant science, crops, weeds



CHOOSE ANY OTHER COMBINATION OF 5 EXHIBITS FROM THE CATEGORIES ABOVE OR BELOW TO COMPLETE YOUR 10 EXHIBITS (MAXIMUM OF TWO EXHIBITS MAY COUNT IN EACH PROJECT AREA)

- | | | |
|--|--------------------|----------------------------|
| • Horticulture | • Visual Arts | • Shooting Sports |
| • Foods & Nutrition | • Home Environment | • Livestock (Static) |
| • Photography | • Horse | • Livestock (Large Animal) |
| • Photography - Prentis Park Challenge | • Dog | • Livestock (Small Animal) |

To enter challenge, please complete the form found in the Clay County Fair Supplement Book and turn in during Exhibit Check-In

If a 4-Her completes the challenge, they will receive \$25 in Vermillion Bucks from the Clay County Fair Board.



YLL Upcoming Dates

March 4 – Poultry Workshop – Lincoln County Fairgrounds

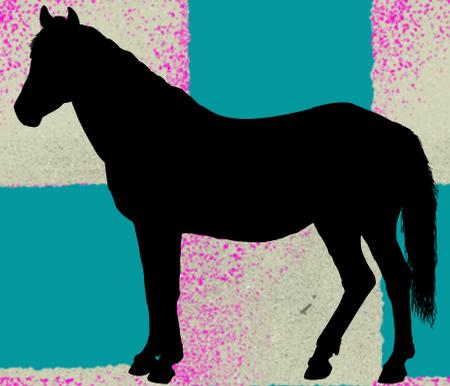
April 10 – Poultry Workshop – Watertown

April 22 – Moody County YLL (feeding, clipping, etc.) – Flandreau

May 31 – Sheep & Goat "Showman's Best Camp" – Vermillion

**Many events have pre-registration. See newsletter or contact the Extension Office for more details.

For 2023, a certificate in YLL (Youth Livestock Literacy) or YQCA (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals) will be **REQUIRED** to show a food producing livestock animal



YHL (Youth Horse Literacy) Upcoming Dates

March 25 – Hippology Clinic – Vermillion 4-H Center

June 1 – Ranch Riding Clinic – Donnelly Farm, Elk Point

****Many events have pre-registration. See newsletter or contact the Extension Office for more details.**

For 2023, a certificate in YHL (Youth Horse Literacy) will be count as the safety requirement to show your horse. Attending one of these events is not the only way to earn your certificate. Contact the office for questions.



4-H Youth Livestock Literacy

Introduction

From clinics to competitions, the South Dakota 4-H program has a long history of promoting livestock education. Though youth are encouraged to maximize their livestock education by taking advantage of *many* learning opportunities, one Youth Livestock Literacy (YLL) certified event is required each program year for youth interested in exhibiting livestock in a county fair/achievement day or state fair. This YLL safety requirement mirrors South Dakota 4-H standards in other higher risk project areas. In the livestock project area, the primary safety concern is that youth understand the role they play in producing safe food for others to eat.

Procedure [effective 2022-23 4-H program year]

Here is a handy checklist SD4-H livestock exhibitors will complete before the annual July 1 deadline:

- Enroll** youth and projects in 4hOnline.
 - If applicable to your species, get animals tagged with 4-H **ear tags** and **DNA** pulled and submitted.
- Complete at least one **YLL** certified event. See menu of options on the next page.
 - If attending the event in your own 4-H county, be sure to sign in at registration.
 - If attending a YLL event out-of-county, you will provide attendance certificate to your home 4-H county's Extension Office.
 - If using YQCA Online as your YLL event, you will convey completion certificate to your home 4-H county's Extension Office.
- Complete the **Livestock Integrity Pledge**.
 - This usually occurs during in-person YLL events, so if you used an alternative option, you will need to provide this to your home 4-H county's Extension Office.

Special Note for 4-H State Fair Exhibitors

Additional requirements apply to participate in the 4-H Division of State Fair. Some are species dependent. Look to the 4-H State Fair Book (usually available around April 1) for these additional guidelines.





YLL Menu of Options

Choose one of these five educational options to meet the annual YLL requirement

1. Attend a 4-H YLL certified event in county[‡]; common examples include:

- In-person instructor-led YQCA[^] (\$3)
 - Recommended for each exhibitor's first four years
- Species-specific clinic on vaccination, insemination, etc.
- Veterinarian clinic on animal health and nutrition

[‡]The counties without a 4-H Youth Program Advisor have fewer YLL options.

[^]To make efficient use of one's time, youth who participate in certain national livestock shows (e.g., Ak-sar-ben) should choose a YQCA option.

2. Attend a 4-H YLL event in another county

3. Complete YQCA[^] Online training

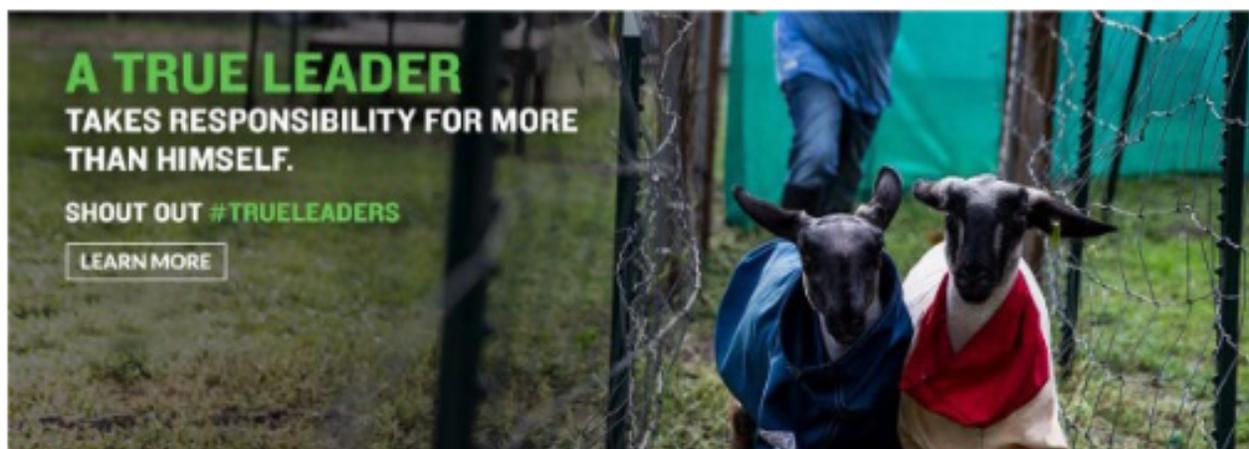
- Cost is \$12 for this web-based training; available at <https://yqcaprogram.org/>

4. Beef project youth may complete BQA and convey a current certificate to home 4-H county's Extension Office

- Certificate must be in the youth's name, not the family's name

5. Compete in the previous September's State 4-H Livestock Skill-a-Thon Contest or other approved Skill-a-Thon Contest (Jr & Sr eligible only)

To learn about Youth Livestock Literacy opportunities in your county and beyond, contact your local Extension Office. You may also have interest in learning about out-of-county YLL events by opting into the SD4-H Livestock Email Listserv; indicate interest to sdsu.4h@sdstate.edu





4-H Poultry Workshop

Learn more about poultry at one of two Poultry Workshops!

At each workshop, 4-H'ers will learn about:

- * Showmanship
- * Breed Standards
- * Egg Grading
- * Parts of the Live Bird
- * Judge 1 judging class of purebred birds

Bring 1 of your own chickens to practice showmanship & ask any questions about it! *Limit 1 per person*

Dates:

Saturday, March 4,
9 a.m. to noon

Lincoln County Fairgrounds,
Lennox, SD

Monday, April 10,
9 a.m. to noon

Codington County Fairgrounds,
Watertown, SD

South Dakota 4-H Youth Livestock
Literacy Approved Event

Hosted by the Poultry Education Committee



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4-H HIPPOLOGY CLINIC

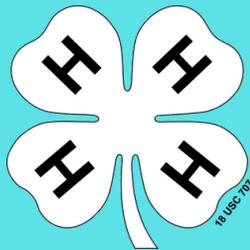
Saturday, March 25

2:00-4:00 pm

Clay County 4-H Center
515 High St, Vermillion

Will include stations, team problem, & test

SD 4-H Youth
Horse Literacy
(YHL) Approved
Event



A riding workshop in
June will also be offered
for YHL certification



SHOWMAN'S **BEST** CAMP

PRESENTED BY:    CLAY COUNTY 4-H

MAY 31, 2023

SHOWMANSHIP, FITTING & NUTRITION CAMP FOR SHEEP AND GOAT EXHIBITORS

LOCATION:

Clay County Fairgrounds
515 High St. Vermillion, SD 57069

DETAILS:

Camp for youth ages 18 and under.
Attendees should bring their sheep or goat for hands-on learning!
Registration deadline: May 1, 2023
Register online at SHOWMANSBESTCAMP.COM

PRESENTERS:

Cody Long of Cody Long Show Stock
Fitting for show

Mark Johnson of Purina Animal Nutrition, A&M Ranch
Nutrition, Feeding, Showmanship

Visit the website to learn more about our presenters!

CAMP SCHEDULE:

8:00 - 9:30 a.m. Arrival for Campers and Animals
9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Check-in
10:00 - 10:15 a.m. Welcome
10:15 - 11:30 a.m. Group 1 with Mark Johnson (Feeding and Nutrition)
10:15 - 11:30 a.m. Group 2 with Cody Long (Fitting and Shearing)
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch Provided
12:30 - 1:45 p.m. Group 2 with Mark Johnson (Feeding and Nutrition)
12:30 - 1:45 p.m. Group 1 with Cody Long (Fitting and Shearing)
2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Showmanship with Mark Johnson & Cody Long

NOTE: In order to make the most of the camp, attendees should bring their sheep or goat to practice showmanship.

REGISTER ONLINE BY MAY 1, 2023 TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT!

SHOWMANSBESTCAMP.COM

WHERE THE BEST ARE BUILT.



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South Dakota 4-H Youth Livestock Literacy Approved Event



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Rabbit Youth Fun Day!



April 22, 2023

9AM—4PM



Tripp County Fair Grounds
Winner, SD

Showmanship—Tattooing -

YLL Certification Requirements Met-

Rabbits for Sale—

Skill-a-thon—Breed ID—Judging

ALL YOUTH INVITED!!



Sign Up: call Melissa @ 605-830-1176
or Rhonda at 605-840-0171

\$20.00/participant

**(includes day's activities, 3 entries in the
show and lunch)**



Consumer Decision Making & Horticulture Skill-a-thon Contest

Monday, March 13

Come & Go Judging 4-7 p.m.

Beresford High School Multi-Purpose Room, 301 W. Maple St., Beresford

Hosted by Union & Lincoln County 4-H Programs

Find study materials at <https://lincolncountysd.org/172/Youth-In-Action>.

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CHASING THE

PROGRESSIVE 50/50 DRAWING



7:45 PM | WEEKLY DRAWING

TICKETS
\$5 EACH
OR
5/\$20

Tickets sold each Wednesday at the Clay County Extension Office from 1-5 pm and at the location listed below from 5:30-7:30 pm.

****Do not need to be present to win.**

Two weekly winners will receive \$50 in Vermillion Bucks and have a 1:52 chance of drawing the 4 of Clubs at the Grand Finale and winning half of the total pot.

Bunyans Bar & Grill

Feb 22 | Mar 1
Mar 8 | Mar 15

Varsity Pub

Mar 22 | Mar 29
Apr 5 | Apr 12

Whimp's Place

Apr 19 | Apr 26
May 3 | May 10

Old Lumber Company

May 17 | May 24
May 31 | June 7

Wakonda Pit

June 14 | June 21
June 28 | July 5

Charcoal Lounge

July 12 | July 19
July 26 | Aug 2

Beer Garden at Clay County Fair from 3-7:30 pm

Aug 10 | Aug 11

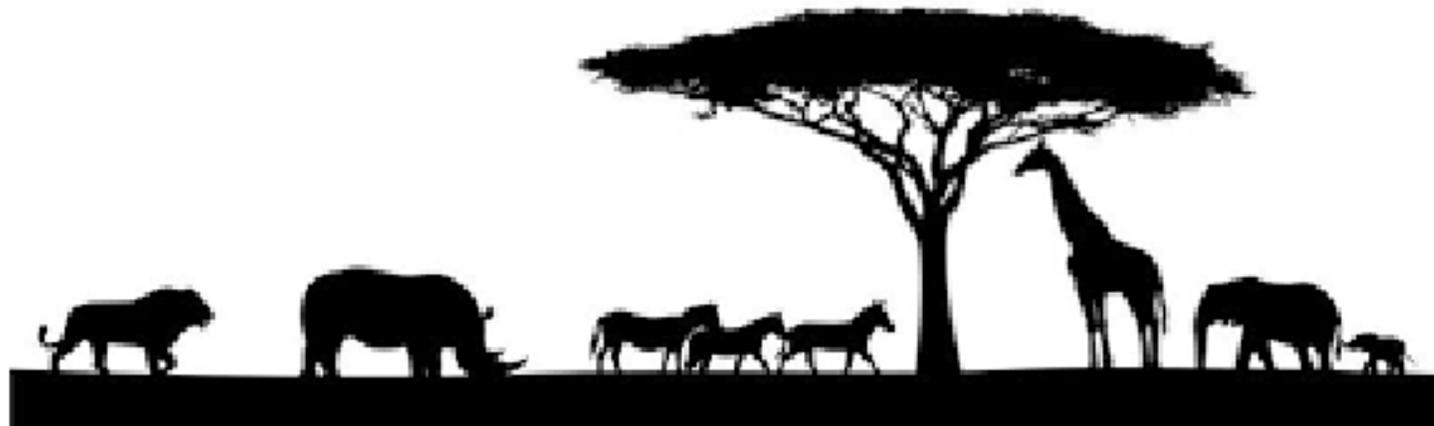
Grand Finale

Saturday, August 12 @ 4 pm

Clay County Fair | Vermillion, SD

****Weekly winners must be present to win at the Grand Finale drawing.**





2023 4-H Camps:

Safari with me

Camp Poinsett – Arlington, SD

- Ages 8-11: June 5-7 or June 7-9
- Ages 12-14: June 12-14
- \$185 per camper

Camp Storm Mountain – Rapid City, SD

- Ages 8-12: June 4-7
- \$250 per camper

Register online Extension.SDState.Edu
starting April 12th!

Contact Information:

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Youth Outdoor Education FS
Katherine.Jaeger@sdstate.edu
(605) 782-3290

OR

Your Local 4-H Advisor



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NEW!

QUARTERLY

4-H PROJECT CHALLENGE

JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH 2023

PHOTOGRAPHY: GET TO KNOW YOUR CAMERA

These challenges are designed to have fun, while also learning something new! You can use a camera or a phone!

- How do I participate?
 - You must:
 - Fill out the form on the challenge sheets.
 - Take photos/selfie while practicing with your camera, or share some of the different photos you took and what makes them different - share to the office email or social media
 - Exhibit at the fair. Can be a Photography exhibit, Educational Display, or Curriculum
 - Share the experience with a Club or County level Demonstration or Public Presentation
- A Celebration or Project Workshop related to the project area will be offered each quarter. This quarter will be a photography workshop.

Look for the challenge details in each month's newsletter. The challenge will run for 3 months each. You may begin at any time.

This is a great way to earn premium points and be able to fill out award forms!

** Special Prizes will be awarded at the 2023 Recognition Event to those who complete the challenge requirements! **

QUARTERLY

4-H PROJECT CHALLENGE

Check the boxes for each activity in each challenge you participated in. Turn in your sheet as you go, or by Oct. 13, 2023 to receive a special prize at the 2023 Recognition Event.

OCT, NOV, DEC. 2022 - FOODS & NUTRITION: QUICK BREAD VS. YEAST BREAD

- Filled out the form on the challenge sheets.
- Took photos/selfie while doing each recipe (3 total) & shared them with 4-H Office
- Exhibited at the fair. Can be a Foods exhibit, Educational Display, or Curriculum
- Shared the experience with a Club or County level Demonstration or Public Presentation
Explain what you did _____
- Bonus: Participated in Cupcake Challenge workshop

JAN, FEB, MAR. 2023 - PHOTOGRAPHY: GET TO KNOW YOUR CAMERA

- Filled out the form on the challenge sheets.
- Took photos/selfie while practicing with your camera & shared them with 4-H Office
- Exhibited at the fair. Can be a Photography exhibit, Educational Display, or Curriculum
- Shared the experience with a Club or County level Demonstration or Public Presentation
Explain what you did _____
- Bonus: Participated in Photography workshop

APR, MAY, JUN. 2023 -

JUL, AUG, SEPT. 2023 -



Photography: Get To Know Your Camera



As the technology develops so does photography. Looking back in history, you can see how photography has developed into an impressive art medium. At first, to own a camera was a status symbol, and now we have them daily in the palms of our hands.

Developing the skills and knowledge of cameras can help build a fun, creative hobby. Photography skills can also drive a career focus. We take photos daily now for record keeping and recreation. Let's take time to learn more and hone those basic skills.

Inspire Kids to Do

Skill Building

Beginning photography can be tricky. Don't be too quick to jump into being an expert.

- Take the first step in learning all your camera can do. Take a few test shots.
- Learn to hold your camera steady.
- Move into using zoom actions and placing your subject in the frame effectively.

Goals

- Learn basic physical parts to your camera.
- Learn to use zoom to get a great photo.

Project Ideas

- Start simple. Pick an inanimate object (a toy, flower, chair, etc.) and practice taking pictures.
- As you get used to the camera, start playing around with zoom features. See how your picture changes when you move and when using your zoom lens.

Self-Evaluation Before

Using the rating scale below, answer the following:

- 1 = not at all
- 2 = a little
- 3 = a lot

I know how to...

- Use landscape and portrait settings 1 - 2 - 3
- Label all parts of my camera 1 - 2 - 3
- Understand zoom and when to use it 1 - 2 - 3

Starting Out

Know Your Camera

- Review your camera user's guide (many can be downloaded by searching the web).
- Read the guide to learn about all the parts of your camera, their purpose, and how to use each feature.
- Practice using your viewfinder for different settings and angles in taking photos.
- Evaluate and share your photos.

Learning More

Zooming IN!

- Once you get a feel for the camera in hand, and taking a steady shot, start using the zoom.
- Zoom in and out to get the right direction.
- Was the result distorted?
- Move physically closer to the object and then try zooming again.

Expanding Horizons

What's the Focus?

- Direct your focal point. Find your subject, then use the proper landscape or portrait view to define picture.
- Use zoom to show details or show more of the background.
- Make sure the viewer knows what you are focusing in on.

Photography: Get To Know Your Camera

Challenge Instructions	Helpful Tips	Leadership	Curriculum and Resources
<p>Lesson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Find and identify all the basic working parts to your camera. Take a few practice shots using the different zoom options. Alternate between landscape and portrait mode to see what better frames your photo. • Take photo shots using different angles and basic features. <p>When finished, please visit: www.tinyurl.com/KS4HChallenge to tell us what you learned.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hold camera steady or try using a tripod for stability. • Find which viewfinder helps you get the right shot in the frame. • Flash can help brighten up a photo, but it can also shine too bright. • Transfer your photos to your computer. This allows you to review your pictures on a larger scale. You may notice highlights or things you may want to adjust. 	<p><i>(Suggested for Intermediate and Advanced Levels.)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teach 4-H members how to identify camera parts. • Assist younger photography members. • Other _____ _____ _____ 	<p>National 4-H Curriculum Photography Book 1: Photography Basics</p>

Life Skills Learned (check all that apply)

- Positive Self-Concept
- Inquiring Mind
- Concern for Community
- Sound Decision-Making
- Healthy Interpersonal Relationships

Share

- Print a picture you took and share it with a neighbor/friend.
- Print one of your photos on cardstock and use for a thank you.
- Present a project talk or demonstration at a club meeting telling what you learned about your camera settings.
- Other _____

Evaluate Your Experiences!

What differences did you see between your first photo and others after that?

How could learning the techniques and features of your camera help you learn quality in other project areas? _____

Name two parts of your camera you didn't know how to use prior to the challenge?

What was the hardest part of the activity? _____

To complete the Challenge, take a selfie while doing the activity. Upload the photo and take the survey about your Challenge experience.

www.tinyurl.com/KS4HChallenge

Local Contact Information

Self-Evaluation After

Using the rating scale below, answer the following:

- 1 = not at all
- 2 = a little
- 3 = a lot

I know how to...

- Use landscape and portrait settings
 1 - 2 - 3
- Label all parts of my camera
 1 - 2 - 3
- Understand zoom and when to use it
 1 - 2 - 3

Kansas Clover Classroom

Adapted from NW 4-H Advisory Challenge created by Kristy Packard, 4-H Program Manager, Golden Prairie Extension District



SOUTH DAKOTA 4-H



PAWS FOR A CAUSE

Pet Supply Donation and Volunteer Community Service Project



Let's '**paws**' for a **cause** by donating new, gently used, or homemade pet supplies to be distributed to local animal shelters and care facilities.

MAKE YOUR PET SUPPLY DONATION HERE!

Interested in **volunteering** at a local animal shelter on behalf of 4-H? Contact our office to discuss options! Your service hours will go towards our overall statewide community service impacts.

Contact:

Clay County Extension Office
605-677-7111
515 High Street Vermillion SD



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PET SUPPLY WISH LIST



FOOD

- Dry Dog Food-Iams, Purina Pro Plan, Science Diet, Kibbles N Bits
- Canned Dog Food
- Dry Cat Food - Iams, Purina, Science Diet
- Dry Kitten Food- non-generic
- Canned Cat Food - Pate style

CAT

- Collapsible Cat Cubes
- Small cardboard boxes or pop flats
- Litter scoops
- Cat toys
- Advantage Multi Flea Preventative
- Clumping cat litter
- Ping Pong Balls
- Feliway Spray
- Soft treats

DOG

- Peanut Butter (Xylitol free)
- Canned Pumpkin & Easy Cheese
- Dog Beds & Fleece Blankets
- Small, soft treats
- Stuffed animals & dog toys
- Bully sticks
- Durable leashes & collars
- Frontline/Advantage Flea Preventative
- Milkbones – Small and Large
- Canned chicken
- Canned vienna sausage

SMALL ANIMAL

- Small animal food for all species (hamsters, gerbils, rats, mice, guinea pigs, chinchillas, ferrets)
- Rabbit food
- Rabbit litter
- Bird food (parakeet, cockatiels, finches, parrots, etc.)



SOUTH DAKOTA 4-H
PAWS FOR A CAUSE

SHELTER, CLINIC, & OFFICE SUPPLIES

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hand Soap• Towels/Blankets• Laundry Detergent• Dryer Sheets• Bleach• Febreze type spray• Dish Soap | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dishwasher Soap• Glass Cleaner• Scrubbing Bubbles Cleaner• Paper Towels• Latex Gloves• Copy Paper (white or colored) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Zip Lock Bags• Garbage Bags• Kitchen Brooms• Ice Melt (pet friendly)• Peroxide• Rubbing Alcohol• Distilled Water |
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Prentis Park

PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST



Prentis Park is celebrating its Centennial. Help us celebrate this historical event by entering pictures that you have taken at Prentis Park this year in Open Class or 4-H at the Clay County Fair.



Photos must be 8" x 10" and mounted on white or black 10" x 14" foam board (can be purchased at the Extension Office).

Pictures can be color or black and white.

Pictures will be entered on Tuesday, August 8 from 4-6 pm.

Pictures will be displayed at the Clay County Fair August 10-12.

Contest winners will receive a cash prize:

1st Place \$50
2nd Place \$25
3rd Place \$10

4-H Contest winners: \$25 each age division

Please reference our Open Class Book on our website for more information. For more information about the 4-H Contest, please reference the 4-H Book.

Extension Office: 605-677-7111

www.claycountyfair.net



Farm Service Agency

Youth Loans

FACT SHEET
August 2019

Overview

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farm Service Agency (FSA) makes operating loans of up to \$5,000 to eligible individual youths ages 10 to 20 to finance income-producing, agriculture-related projects. The project must be of modest size, educational, and initiated, developed, and carried out by youths participating in 4-H clubs, FFA, tribal youth organizations, or similar agricultural-affiliated groups.

The project must be an organized and supervised program of work. It must be planned and operated with the assistance of the organization advisor, produce sufficient income to repay the loan, and provide the youth with practical business and educational experience in agriculture-related skills.

Who May Borrow

To qualify for a loan, the applicant must:

- Comply with FSA's general eligibility requirements; and
- Conduct a modest income-producing project in a supervised program of work.

How Loan Funds May Be Used

These loans can finance many kinds of income-producing agricultural projects. The loan funds may be used to:

- Buy livestock, seed, equipment, and supplies;
- Buy, rent, or repair needed tools and equipment; and
- Pay operating expenses for the project.

How It Works

To apply, the applicant must submit completed plans and budgets signed by the project advisor and parent or guardian along with the FSA application for loan assistance.

These loans:

- Have a maximum loan amount of \$5,000 (total principal balance owed at any one time cannot exceed this amount);
- Have an interest rate that is determined based on the cost of money to the federal government (after the loan is made, the interest rate for that loan will not change);
- Will be secured, in addition to promissory notes, by liens on the products produced for sale and on chattel property, including livestock, equipment, and fixtures purchased with loan funds; and
- Have a repayment schedule that varies depending on the type of project for which the loan is made. For example, if it involves raising livestock or crops, the loan is paid when the animals or produce are normally sold.

More Information

For more information, visit fsa.usda.gov/farmloans or farmers.gov. Find your local USDA Service Center at farmers.gov/service-locator.





4th ANNUAL ART CONTEST

BLACK HILLS PARKS & FORESTS ASSOCIATION

WATER IS EVERYWHERE!

From rain drops, to rivers, and the deep roots of prairie grasses; water sustains life, shapes the landscape, creates weather, and makes up 60% of the human body. *Water connects us all!* Through art and science Black Hills Parks & Forests Association (BHPFA) is encouraging students to learn about how water affects their lives and where they live. The *Water is Everywhere* art contest pairs art and science-based curriculum for elementary and middle school age students. We are hoping this art contest will offer a fun and engaging activity to help you navigate your grade level science standards!

Grade Groups: K-2nd | 3rd-5th | 6th-8th

ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY: May 5, 2023

Contest Requirements:

- ▶ All artwork should be reflective of the contest theme.
- ▶ Artwork created must be original.
- ▶ Artwork that includes appropriated or copyrighted imagery will be immediately disqualified.
- ▶ Copyrighted Images/Subjects: Copyrighted, trademarked products, packaging, brand names and advertisements may not be used within the artwork.
- ▶ No watermarks or private logos will be accepted.
- ▶ Size: 8 1/2" x 11"
- ▶ Suggested media can be (but not limited to) oil, watercolor, pen & ink, crayon, colored pencils, & markers
- ▶ Winning entries will be credited
- ▶ Artwork will be evaluated on theme portrayal, creativity/originality, and visual clarity.
 - * winners will be announced on May 22, 2023

Prizes: There will be three honorable mention winners (one from each grade group) and one overall winner. Honorable mention winners and the overall winner will receive a gift from BHPFA, and their art will become part of a traveling art display. The overall winner's art work will be made into a free postcard to be given away with the traveling display and at other events!



The following required information must completed and mailed in with artwork to:

Black Hills Parks & Forests Association
c/o Andrea Fountain
26611 Hwy 385
Hot Springs, SD 57747

Name _____ Grade _____ Age _____
 School/ Town _____
 Parent/Guardians Name _____ Parent/Guardians Phone _____
 Parent/Guardian Email _____
 Title _____
 Why is water important to YOU? _____

Signature of supervising adult _____ Date _____

Contact: Andrea Fountain, Black Hills Parks & Forests Association
bhpf@blackhillsparks.org



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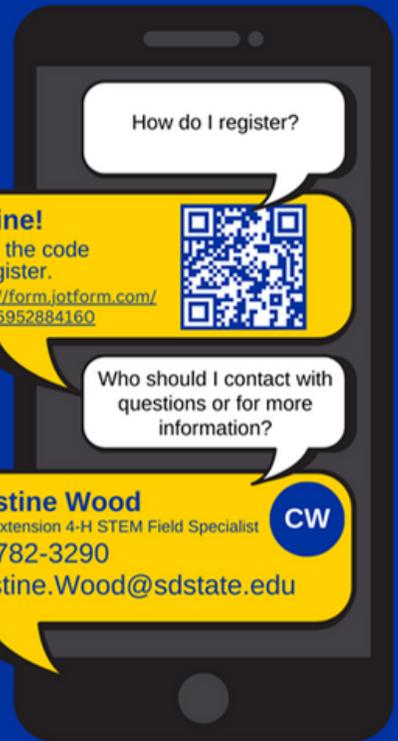
BlackHillsParks.org 605|745|7020

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