

Sanborn County 4-H Newsletter



February 2012

4-H Fruit

It's that time again! We will be selling 4-H fruit the month of February. Order forms will be handed out to the leaders at their next Leader's Meeting on February 9th. Listed below are several things you should know:

- ◆ It is important that you **collect the money when a customer places an order.**
- ◆ All checks should be made payable to **"Sanborn County 4-H Leaders"**.
- ◆ Please bring in all **order forms and money** collected to the Extension Office **by Friday, March 2nd**. Do not turn them into your leaders.
- ◆ The fruit will be **delivered March 24th**. Plan to come help unload the truck and to pick up your fruit for delivery.



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Photo Judging Kit

Attention Club Leaders: We have a Photo Judging Class available in the Extension Office and we are working on having more practice classes for you to use. Please feel free to come in and check it out for your next club meeting.



2012 4-H Camp Dates

Mark your calendars! Sanborn County 4-Hers will be camping at Lake Poinsett (near Arlington) on **June 13-15**. 4-H Camp is for 8-12 year olds.



4-H Leaders Meeting
Thursday, February 9th
@ 7:30 p.m.

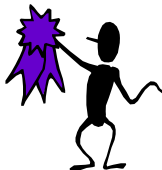
4-H Building in Forestburg



2012 Achievement Days

Mark your calendars! The Sanborn County 4-H Leaders have set the dates for the 2012 Achievement Days as follows:

Wednesday, August 1
Saturday, August 4



2012 South Dakota 4-H Scholarships Due April 1

High school seniors and current college students with at least five years membership in the South Dakota 4-H program are encouraged to apply for 2012 South Dakota 4-H Scholarships. All applications are due to the State 4-H Office no later than April 1. A committee will review scholarship applications in early April.



If you have questions, please contact Marilyn Rasmussen at 605-688-6191 or marilyn.rasmussen@sdstate.edu.

http://www.sdstate.edu/sdces/4h/opportunities/upload/2012_State_4-H_Scholarship_Policy_FINAL.pdf

2012 Youth Scholarship for Cancer Patients or Survivors

Young people, who are cancer patients or survivors, are invited to apply for the 2012 Youth Scholarship Program. Any South Dakota resident who was diagnosed with cancer before age 21 and is currently under the age of 25 and has been accepted to an accredited two-or four-year institution is eligible to apply.

The American Cancer Society Youth Scholarship Program Volunteer Review Committee selects scholarship recipients on the basis of their commitment to academic or vocational goals, current financial need, leadership, and community service. For more information, please contact the Extension Office.

Mission Possible Applications Due on February 3

Mission Possible is the 4-H Lake Poinsett Camp (LPC) Teen Counselor Training. The training will be held at the Brookings County Extension office in Brookings, SD on March 2-3, 2012. The two day, one night Mission Possible is for teens ages 16-21. During training, teen counselors plan the camp theme, daily schedule and track offerings. During the camp sessions, they will lead games, songs, recreation, and flag ceremonies. Teens will commit to serving as a counselor at one of the camps scheduled for June 6-8 and June 11-15, 2012.

For more information, please contact the Extension Office as soon as possible as the deadline is February 3rd.



Stengthening Families Program 10-14 Faciliator Training

The SDSU Extension Children, Youth and Families at Risk program invites professional and community members who work with youth to attend the Strengthening Families Program 10-14 Faciliator Training on March 27-29 at the AmericInn located at 1981 East King Street in Chamberlain, SD. Registration is FREE and includes travel, lodging, training and materials. To be certified, groups of at least three people per program site must receive training. The registration deadline is February 21.

To learn more about being a certified facilitator or to register for the training, contact Jessica Kirkham at (605)688-6037 or jessica.kirkham@sdstate.edu or Andrea Klein at (605)773-8120 or andrea.klein@sdstate.edu.

SDSU Extension Launches iGrow Horses

SDSU Extension is excited to announce iGrow Horses, a web portal for up-to-date news and information about the equine industry. Visit www.igrow.org/livestock/horses after February 1 to learn current information about horse health and production, equine events and issues. The iGrow Horse portal will also include a "Small Acreage" tab designed to serve those who own or rent properties for their horses. New information will be added weekly, so plan to visit often.

Register for the Annual 4-H Dog Leader's Retreat

All dog leaders are invited to attend the annual 4-H Dog Leader's retreat from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 25 and 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 26 at Eagle Pass Lodge (located at 19540 347th Avenue, Ree Heights, SD). The cost for the retreat is \$50 per person. Dogs are welcome, but must be kenneled. Overnight lodging is available on Friday and Saturday night. Please reserve rooms early.

Clinician Tracy Ellis Miller of Billabong Border Collies in Nisland, SD will address a variety of topics, including obedience, rally and behavior management. Tracy has been a professional dog trainer, breeder and performer for over 20 years and currently operates Tracy Miller Dog Training, a dog obedience and agility school in the Black Hills region of South Dakota. She serves as an American Kennel Club (AKC) judge and a United States Border Collie Herding Association Judge.

For more info or to register, contact Debi at debi@eaglepassranch.com. Please note in your message if you need lodging.

Drive 2 Life PSA Contest

The National Road Safety Foundation and Scholastic invite youth in grades 6-12 to submit a 30-second to two-minute Public Service Announcement (PSA) that addresses the dangers of distracted driving. Ideas may be in the form of scripts, storyboards or treatments. Video and group entries are not accepted.

The first place winner will receive \$1,000 and an expense paid trip to New York City to work with a director to film and edit the entry. Four runner-ups will receive \$500. The winning PSA will be broadcast in May on more than 220 TV stations nationwide on Teen Kids News.



Scholastic will also profile the winner in its classroom magazines. The deadline to enter is February 29. For more info, please call the Extension Office.

JST DRV PSA Contest

The National Road Safety Foundation invites youth ages 14-18 to submit a 15- or 30-second radio Public Service Announcement (PSA) that addresses distracted driving. Entries include a completed entry form and a wmv file on a standard CD or a YouTube privacy link. All entries must be received on/before Friday, March 30.

NRSF will select one winner and two runner-ups. The winner will receive a \$1,000 cash scholarship and an expenses-paid trip to the NSSP youth conference. Each runner up will receive a \$500 scholarship. Finalists will be notified in May. The winning PSA will be professionally edited and produced for radio broadcast. For entry forms, call the Extension Office.



Participate in the iGrow Youth in the Garden Webinar Series

Beginning January 25, SDSU Extension is hosting a Youth in the Garden webinar series the last Wednesday of each month. Anyone who works with youth and gardening is encouraged to participate. The one-hour webinars begin at 3:45 p.m. and consist of two or three presentation topics with a question and answer session. To participate, login to <http://igrow.org/events/category/gardens/> within 30 minutes of the specified time. Presentations topics for the next two months are below:

- ◆ February 29
 - ⇒ *Garden Resources*
 - ⇒ *Growing Transplants*
 - ⇒ *Discussion: SDSU Mini grants and Funding Q & A*
- ◆ March 28
 - ⇒ *Vegetable Gardening 101*
 - ⇒ *Scheduling the Plantings*
 - ⇒ *Discussion: Youth Gardening Project Summaries from Participants*

For more information or to be added to the SD Youth Gardening Listserv, contact Chris Zdorovtsov at (605)782-3290 or christina.zdorovtsov@sdstate.edu.



NEW Youth HORSE Training Program for South Dakota 4-Hers

SDSU Extension and the South Dakota 4-H Program have designed a new Youth HORSE Training program to replace the former "Horse Safety Training." "Youth Horse Ownership Responsibility Safety & Education Training" is a new curriculum that was developed to assist South Dakota 4-H Youth Program Advisors and project leaders in teaching Youth about proper horse management and safety.

The first installment of the 2012 material covers horse care, preparing for different horse-related emergencies and the importance of first aid through the use of hands-on activities, activity sheets and PowerPoint slides. Numerous options for delivering the new Youth HORSE Training material will be available to allow



Counties to design programs to meet their youths' needs. The new Youth HORSE Training program allows for consistent, quality training across the state for all 4-H youth enrolled in the South Dakota 4-H Horse Project.

SDSU Extension will release the new curriculum, along with updated horse ownership forms, to all 4-H Youth Program Advisors on February 15.





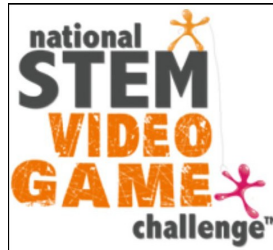
**SD 4-H Leaders
2012 Conference**

**Saturday, March 31
in Yankton, SD**

**Theme: "Growing on the
River of Change"**

2012 National STEM Video Game Challenge

The 2012 National STEM Video Game Challenge is underway. The Challenge was launched in partnership with Digital Promise, a new initiative created by President Obama and Congress and supported through the Department of Education. The initiative is designed to unlock the promise of breakthrough technologies to transform teaching and learning.



The STEM Video Game Challenge is open to students and game designers in four levels: middle school, high school, college and graduate students, and educators. Students and designers may enter the contest as an individual or a team (up to four people). Winners will receive an AMD-powered laptop computer with game design and education software. Winning entries will earn a \$2000 award for their school or the nonprofit organization of their choice.

Entrants have until March 12, 2012 to submit their ideas and games. Visit stemchallenge.org for more information or to enter the contest.

**Attention
4-Hers!**

Want to have some fun on the computer? Check out these two 4-H websites for some fun and games!



- ◆ <http://www.four-h.purdue.edu/>
(look under "Kid's Corner")
- ◆ <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/>
(look under "Kids" and "Fun & Games")



SDSU Extension Introduces AnswerLine

AnswerLine is an Extension hotline that delivers research-based information to consumers living in Iowa, Minnesota, and South Dakota. It provides answers to questions on the following topics: Child Development, Cleaning, Consumer Management, Food Preparation, Food Preservation, Food Safety, Home Environment, Household Equipment, Nutrition, and Textiles and Laundry. AnswerLine is staffed by three home economists on weekdays from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00 –4:00 p.m.



AnswerLine

Information and resources for consumers
with home and family questions.

ANSWERLINE: 1-888-393-6336

The golden rule and all the rest By Richard P. Holm MD

On Call

I was offered the glorious opportunity to be one of the teachers of a medical ethics course this year at South Dakota State University. And so the semester has begun, with 32 eager college students, eyes wide open (most of the time) looking to learn. I have discovered once again that it is the teacher who learns the most.

Reviewing the literature about the history of ethics, I learned about three schools of thinking in Western philosophy: One draws on the ancient Greek teachings of Aristotle, which holds that action starts with virtues, such as charity, honesty, and justice. A second school illustrated by 18th century German philosopher Immanuel Kant, states that action should come from the human duty to respect other rational beings. A third supports the utilitarian principle that it is the result of action, which is most important, and that would be the greatest good for the greatest number.

And, of course, some of us would say that we learned how to act in Sunday school, church, synagogue, or mosque. It is fascinating to learn that almost every human religion has the common teaching of the Golden Rule: "Do unto others as you would have done to you," or as they say in the Far East, "Don't do to others what you wouldn't want done to you."

I heard an ethicist say that it all starts with realizing the sacred value of each individual, seeing everyone as a child of God, whether they be old or young, female or male, smart or not-smart, mean or kind, the other guy or me.

One day in the clinic I walked into a patient's room and as I listened and examined, the patient's anger, frustration, and pain became obvious. I sensed someone in great need, yet I was quite helpless in giving what he wanted, and realized some of his anger was directed my way. Still, I did my best to listen hard, provide the best plan of action, and, most important, to care and do no harm. In contrast the very next patient was very appreciative that I had found her help the previous month, and reported steady improvement. Valuing each individual equally is the ethical goal and yet, I have to confess, very difficult.

It is great to talk about all those lofty ethical principles, but it is yet another to live them.

The SDSU Block and Bridle Club's 2012 Jackrabbit Classic, a South Dakota Junior Point Sanctioned Show, is scheduled for February 26, 2012 @ 9:00 a.m. at the Swiftel Center in Brookings.

2012 Jackrabbit Classic

The per head fee is \$25 (no refunds) before February 6. Registration is \$35 per head after February 6.

Prizes include:

- ◆ \$1000 Champion Heifer
- ◆ \$750 Champion Steer
- ◆ \$500 Reserve Heifer
- ◆ \$500 Reserve Steer



Check In:

- Friday, February 24, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- Saturday, February 25, 7:00-10:00 a.m.
- Sunday, February 26, 6:30-7:30 a.m.

4-H Regional Center Phone Numbers:

Aberdeen	(605)626-2870
Lemmon	(605)374-4711
Mitchell	(605)995-7379
Pierre	(605)773-8120
Rapid City	(605)394-2236
Sioux Falls	(605)782-3290
Watertown	(605)882-5140
Winner	(605)842-1267

Apply for SDSU Scholarships

SDSU offers many scholarships to current and incoming students. 4-H Youth interested in the Agriculture and Biological Sciences are encouraged to apply for these scholarships. **Students should apply for these scholarships as soon as possible for priority consideration.**

Sophomore, junior, or senior South Dakota residents with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 GPA who have participated in 4-H for five years or more showing purebred Shorthorn cattle or purebred Corriedale sheep are encouraged to apply for the Hagen Kelsey Scholarship by March 1, 2012.

If interested, please contact the Extension Office for application information.

SD 4-H LEADERS WEBSITE & FACEBOOK

SD 4-H Leaders website:

<http://www.southdakota4hleaders.com>

SD 4-H Leaders Association Facebook Page:

<http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/South-Dakota-4-HLeaders-Association/200020440024388>

\$UPPORT 4-H

Give "Gifts of Grain" to the 4-H Foundation

Self-employed farm operators in your area can donate grain from last year's harvest to the South Dakota 4-H Foundation "Give the Gift of Grain" program. Not only will gifts of grain benefit 4-H Youth Development programs, farmers may reduce their self-employment tax and increase their tax savings. For specific instructions on how to donate grain to the SD 4-H Foundation, contact Nancy Swanson at (605)688-4943 or nancy.swanson@sdstate.edu.



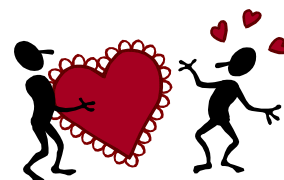
Cruise the Plains with SD 4-H Decals on Your License Plates

The State 4-H Office is selling 4-H decals to the public for placement on South Dakota specialty license plates for non-commercial automobiles and motorcycles.

The price for a set of two decals is \$20. In addition, supporters need to obtain a set of South Dakota specialty plates from their County Treasurer's office.

- ◆ For owners licensing their vehicles for the first time, there is no charge for requesting a set of specialty license plates.
- ◆ For currently licensed vehicles, owners need to surrender their current license plates and pay \$10 for a set of specialty plates.

FYI: Owners can install specialty license plates on their vehicles before purchasing a set of SD 4-H decals.



Upcoming Events:

- February 4* 2012 Black Hills Stock Show Youth Day
- February 9* ***Sanborn County 4-H Leaders Meeting*** ~ 7:00 p.m. @ 4-H Building in Forestburg
- February 25-26* 4-H Dog Leader Training Retreat
- March 2* ***Deadline for 4-H fruit orders***
- March 23* 58th Annual Eastern South Dakota Science and Engineering Fair at SDSU in Brookings
- March 24* ***4-H fruit delivery at 4-H Building in Forestburg***
- March 31* ***2012 State 4-H Leaders Conference*** in Yankton (“Growing on the River of Change”)
- April 1* ***4-H Scholarship applications due***
Market Beef 4-H green tags & verification affidavits due
- April 9* Livestock Judging School/Training @ Pam Moore’s
- April 22* ***County Shoot @ 1:00*** with pizza party
- April 27-29* ***South Dakota 4-H Shoot***

***** Shooting Sports on Sundays, 3:00-6:00 pm, at the 4-H Building in Forestburg.***