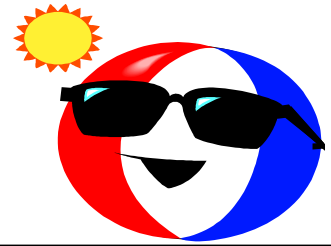




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4-H Million Trees

The 4-H Million Trees Project was conceived after a Pacifica, California 4-Her decided to do something big to help combat global climate change. The goal of this project is to mobilize the approximately 7 million 4-H youth across the U.S. and Canada to participate in this project to plant 1,000,000 trees across the continent to

help reduce atmospheric CO₂. Clubs outside of the U.S. and Canada are also invited to participate.

This monumental task seems feasible when it is broken down into smaller, manageable parts, including:

- Build this website at 4hmilliontrees.org, including a system to manage the tens or hundreds of thousands of communications between the 4-H clubs and 4-H units and the project.
- Build the network of 90,000 4-H clubs and units using the state/province, county, and local 4-H structure and existing electronic networks to quickly reach the individual clubs and units.
- Register clubs and units on this website when club and unit officers fill out the web-based form on the Registration page. Clubs can then visit arborday.org/4h annually for the next four years to become members and receive twelve trees/year at \$1/tree. Additional trees can be purchased from Arbor Day Foundation at a reasonable cost. Please note that trees can only be shipped via USPS during their dormant period. Alternatively, clubs and units can use their resources or seek donations to obtain trees, planting materials, and tree supports, if needed. We believe that any day is a good day to plant a tree.

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State Fair Books/County Fair Books

You may download the State Fair Book from the 4-H website <http://4h.sdstate.edu> or contact your county to see if they have printed copies for each family. (Some counties do) Use this book to fill out non-livestock exhibit cards. County Fair books (depending upon the county will be available or mailed out to families depending upon county) to fill out livestock exhibit entry cards and for open class entries.



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Our vision of 1,000,000 new trees planted by 4-H youth from approximately 90,000 clubs and units across the United States and Canada means:

- Native trees add beauty and heritage to urban, suburban, and rural communities across the nation
- Trees improve local air quality
- New trees absorb runoff, and bring groundwater to the surface
- Shade from these trees can help cool buildings, reducing air conditioning electricity needs, and eliminating pollution and carbon emissions associated with this power generation
- Offsetting greenhouse gas emissions from fossil fuel combustion by absorbing and sequestering about 48,000,000 million pounds of atmospheric carbon dioxide per year
- New trees make up for trees lost to deforestation worldwide
- 7,000,000 4-H youth learn they can personally change the world
- 4-HMT hopes to empower a generation of leaders by teaching them they can make a difference both individually and as a group.

We want you to learn more about this important project. Please view all the pages of the website.

If you are a 4-Her interested in this international community service project, please go to the [registration page](#) and join us

If you are a potential donor, please [support us](#)

If you want to help us publicize the project in the press or over the airwaves, and please [contact us](#)

The sooner we can build a network of participating 4-H Clubs, and raise awareness of the power of youth, the faster we can start to improve the quality of life in our cities and towns, capture carbon from the atmosphere, and begin to make a difference for our planet.

We'd love to have you [be part](#) of our vision.

PERFORMING ARTS WORKSHOP



When: Tuesday, June 10, 2008

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Where: 4-H Building Pennington County Extension Office 601 East Centre Street (Fairgrounds) Rapid City, South Dakota

Cost: Free will donation

Age: 8 years old and up; do not need to be a 4-H member to participate

Registration: Deadline to register is June 4 at 5 p.m. RSVP by calling 4-H Extension Office at 394-2188

Sessions:

Costumes Hair/Makeup

Set/props Stage/acting

Games and skits

*** Sponsored by the Pennington County 4-H Jr. Leaders

Don't Forget!!—Introductory to Range & Pasture Project-Hot Springs

Saturday June 7th, 2008

9:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.

Plant Identification/Plant Classification: grass/forbs/shrub, season of growth, annual/biannual, poisonous/noxious/edible Proper Collection techniques, how to press plants, and preparation for exhibit.

This is an introductory class geared toward those starting in the Range and Pasture project. We will deal mostly with the cool season plants.

Bring sack lunch, clipboard/pencil, small shovel or spade, and box to take samples home. We will be hiking, so dress appropriately for hiking and current weather conditions. Refreshments will be provided by The Nature Conservancy.

Directions: From Hot Springs take State Hwy 71 from Hwy 18 Truck Bypass - go 8 miles to turnoff at Cascade Springs bridge - turn right and meet at the Nature Conservancy Whitney Preserve Guest House (former Brainard Indian School-watch for signs)

For further information please contact: Bob Novotny at 605-745-3586, Jeff Symstad at 605-745-6990, or Fall River County Extension at 605-745-5133 Please RSVP to the Fall River Extension Office by June 1st.

Parents and leaders are encouraged to attend



June 3-6, Teen Leadership Conference-Brookings

June 5, BC Public Presentation Contest 1:00 pm

June 11, C/FR/P Special Foods Contest, Custer, 9:00 am

June 12, BC Special Foods Contest 9:00 am

June 18, H/J Special Foods & Fashion Revue Contest Phillip 2:00 pm

July 17, BC Fashion Revue 9:00am

July 22-24, State Horse Show

July 26, C/FR/P Fashion Revue, Rapid City

For all listings please check with county offices to confirm dates, times, and locations. 4-H members are always welcome to participate or compete at any county event in any county with a few exceptions.

4-H County Achievement Days

Fall River-July 31-August 2-Edgemont

Custer-August 7-10-Hermosa

Pennington-August 14-24-Rapid City

Haakon/Jackson-July 31-August 2-Philip

Bennett-August 6-10, Martin

Join us for a GOOD time with your dog!

Region 4-H Dog Project is open to any child 8-18 years old. You can be a 4-H member in ANY county or club to join us. If you are not already a 4-H member, there is an additional fee of \$3 to sign up with the Dog Project specialty club "Extra Ordinary Friends". Summer classes – Wednesdays - 6-8:30 p.m. – June 4th thru July 23rd (8 weeks)



Summer Show – Wednesday – July 30th – 5:30 p.m.

Location: 4-H building on Central States Fair Grounds in Rapid City.

Cost \$30 per child per 4H year (October - September).

Contact Lois Schmoll 430-7688 for more info.

ATTENTION: Sheep/Goat Exhibitors

All sheep and goats exhibited at any County Achievement Days/County Fair or the SD State Fair must have official USDA premise of origin tags in their ear and listed on the health certificate. Sheep and goats that do not comply will be DENIED entrance to the show. Tags are free but may take some time to get them. They are available at SD APHIS Veterinary Services (1-866-873-2824).

CHARACTER COUNTS! Public Speaking Contest

Registration forms for the 1st Annual 4-H CHARACTER COUNTS! Public Speaking Contest are available at your local County Extension Office. It is a great opportunity to practice and improve your public speaking skills, review and apply the Six Pillars of Character. Presentations must relate to the Six Pillars of Character. Compete for generous prizes of savings bonds in Junior(8-13) and Senior (14-18) divisions. A CHARACTER COUNTS! Public speaking contest will be held on July 31st at 2:00 pm at the Fall River Co. Fair and 4-H Achievement Days in Edgemont. Brochures are available on the 4-H website and in your local Extension Office. This contest is open to any youth 8—18. Pre-registration with the Fall River Extension office is required by July 25th. Those of attending 4-H camp this would be a great way to show off what you learned at camp!

Rangeland Days

Rangeland Days will be held in Wagner, SD June 24-25. There will be programming for youth 8-18, along with opportunities to exhibit plant collections, educational displays, compete in public speaking and in the range judging contests. A senior team will be selected to represent South Dakota at the national 4-H contest in Oklahoma, looking for a three-peat as national champions. Rangeland Days is a family friendly opportunity to introduce your 4-H members to the wonderful world of native plants. Rangeland Days has been enjoyed by ranch and town kids for over 20 years. Registration materials will be available by May 1. Contact your local office for details and registration materials.

Horse Project Information

Attention County Horse Show Participants
Horse show clinics will be held throughout the Field Education Unit to assist 4-H members in better understanding what the judge is looking for at the county horse show. Topics to be covered include discussion on legal and illegal tack, demonstrations on showmanship, stock seat, western riding, reining, and trail classes. Listed below are the locations and times of the horse show clinics. One of them will be held in conjunction with Horse Safety Training, so you can get two things accomplished with one trip to town. If you have any questions on the clinics, please contact Penny Nester at 605-347-2436 or Adele Harty at 605-859-2840.

Horse Show Clinics

June 2nd Bennett County Arena, Martin 10:30 am
Horse safety training-9:30 am
June 2nd Custer County Arena, Hermosa 5:00 pm
June 5th Fall River County Fair Arena, Edgemont 10:00 am

State 4-H Horse Show

The State 4-H Horse Show will be July 22-24 at the S.D. State Fairgrounds in Huron

Summer Spotlight

The S.D. Summer Spotlight will be held at the State Fairgrounds in Huron, SD on July 25, 26 & 27th, 2008

Update From The IRS

The IRS has granted an extension for filing the 990-N e-postcard from May 15, 2008 to 2009 for groups earning \$25,000 or less. ***

This means that 4-H Clubs & Affiliated 4-H Organizations (1) that were on the state list already submitted to National 4-H Headquarters, (2) typically earn \$25,000 or less, and (3) have a tax year of January-December 2007 – will need to file their first 990-N e-Postcard by May 15, 2009 rather than by May 15 of this year. ***



County Horse Shows Scheduled



June 11—Pennington County Horse Show-Rapid City
June 12—Haakon/Jackson Horse Show-Kadoka
June 19—Bennett County Horse Show-Martin
June 24—Pennington County Horse-Rapid City
July 9—Custer/Fall River County Horse Show-Hermosa

2008 South Dakota 4-H Rodeo Schedule

You can get the entry forms and schedule from the **BRAND NEW** website <http://sd4hrodeo.org>.



Special Foods and Fashion Revue Contests

Custer County will be hosting a Special Foods Contest on Wednesday June 11th at the Custer High School in Custer starting at 8:30 AM. Please note this will be the only contest for Custer and Pennington Counties

Bennett County Special Foods Contest will be June 12th at 9:00 am

And the Haakon/Jackson Special Foods Contest and Fashion Revue Contest will be June 18th.

The Special Foods Handbook is posted on the 4-H website. The handbook is more than 50 pages in length. Almost all of the graphics except for the place setting graphics have been eliminated. Contact your local Extension Office for a copy.

Pennington County will be hosting a Fashion Revue Contest on Saturday, July 26th at the County Extension Office in Rapid City. Bennett County Fashion Revue Contest will be July 17th in Martin

4-H members will model clothing (either purchased, sewn, or combination) for a judge to show poise, accessorizing ability, and selection of clothing. Entry forms will be available at your local Extension Office. Pre-registration entries are due July 1st!!

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