

Newsletter

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Upcoming Meetings or Events - 4-H Bldg

June 7—6:00 pm Jr. Leader

July 8—7:00 pm-Leaders Mtg

Other Important Dates

- June 1 Special Foods Due
- June 3-6 TLC Camp
Livestock Judging Camp
- June 4 Dog Class
- June 4-6 Range Camp
- June 8-10 Teen Camp/Camp Coun-
selor Training
- June 10 Performing Arts Wkshop
- June 11 Special Foods Contest
Shamrock Horse Show
Dog Class
- June 15 Fathers Day
- June 15-21 Performing Arts Camp
- June 16-19 4-H Camp
- June 18 Dog Class
- June 17 RC Demo/Judging
- June 18 Leather Wkshop Deadline
- June 23-26 4-H Camp
- June 24 County Horse Show
- June 24-25 Rangeland Days
- June 25 Dog Class
- June 27-30 4-H Camp
- June 21-29 Citizenship Washington
- July 1 Leather Workshop
- July 2 Dog Class
Drawing Wkshop DUE
- July 3 State Horse Show entries
DUE to Office
- July 4 Happy 4th of July
- July 7 F Revue/Clothing Due
- July 8 Drawing Workshop
- July 9 Dog Class
- July 16 Dog Class
- July 23 Dog Class
- July 22-24 State 4-H Horse show
- July 26 Fashion Revue/Clothing
- July 30 Dog Summer Show
- Aug 1 Pre-registration DUE for
4-H Achievement Day
- Aug 14 4-H Achievement Day
- Aug 15-24 Central States Fair
- Aug 16 Style/Talent Show

Pennington County Jr. Leaders

By Cherie Hilton



**Junior Leaders Performing Arts—Tuesday, June 10—6:30
p.m. Please click on the following link for the Performing
Arts Flyer: [Performing Arts](#)**

4-H Style Show/Talent Show



If you are enrolled in the 4-H clothing project, get ready for the red carpet. This year's theme for our 4-H Style Show is "Hollywood Nites." Let's get those sewing machines buzzing now for dazzling, glitzy evening attire. Whether your outfit is prom-looking or the true red carpet look, we want you to show it off. Prizes will be awarded for outfits fitting this theme. Let's see how many participants we can get to show off their 4-H fashion on our very own 4-H red carpet. You will need to have your outfit judged on Saturday, July 26, so don't forget to pre-register your outfit by July 7. The actual Style Show will be held on August 16 at 4:00 p.m.

Also be thinking about your special talents for the 4-H Talent Show that will be held in conjunction with the Style Show. Whether you want to sing, play piano, do a skit, make up a 4-H cheer, or whatever your talent may be, we can use you. Please contact the 4-H Office to sign up.

Sewing Tips

Don't know how to put in a zipper or it has been a while and you cannot quite remember how to do it? Check out the following website for online instruction. It walks you through every step. The website is <http://www.husqvarnaviking.com>. Then you go to USA, Sewing, Sewing--Sewing Room, "Click here to visit the Sewing Room" and choose Exposed Zipper, and then pick the type of zipper (fly front, centered, invisible, open-end, lapped, and exposed). It first walks you through the materials needed and then you will need to select the "play button" on the bottom right to proceed with the step-by-step instructions on how to put in the zipper. Don't forget to push the "play button." Putting in a zipper is as easy as 1-2-3.

I hope you will investigate this website because it has a lot of other neat ideas as well. Check out the "sewing essentials" and "sewing techniques" sections that are located at the top of the page once you check out the zipper instructions.

Making A Difference

Creating Opportunities for a Lifetime

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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 4H member, there is an additional fee of \$3 to sign up with the Dog Project specialty club "Extra Ordinary Friends".

Cost \$30 per child per 4-H year (Oct - Sept). Contact Lois Schmoll 430-7688 for more info.

Summer classes – Wednesdays - 6-8:30 pm – June 4th thru July 23rd (8 weeks)

Summer Show–Wednesday, July 30th— 5:30 p.m. This is our qualifying show for the South Dakota State Fair.

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

Special Foods Contest-June 11



The Special Foods Contest is scheduled for Wednesday, June 11 in Custer. This Contest is open to any 4-H'er and provides an opportunity to learn about nutritious meals and snacks and how to serve them in a pleasant manner.

4-H'ers choose and prepare a recipe from any one of the basic food groups except fats and sugar. The Special Foods Contest will follow the USDA MyPyramid guidelines. The Extension Office has the newest Special Foods booklet.

Preregistration is due in the Extension Office on or before June 1. No late entries will be accepted.

Rapid City Demonstration/ Judging Event June 17

It's time to put together a Demonstration, Illustrated talk or Public Speech and present it at the Demonstration/Judging Event on June 17 at the 4-H Building beginning at 4:00—7:00 PM. Please pre-register with the office by June 13. Non-live-stock judging will take place following the demonstrations from 6:30—8:00 PM.



Free Leadership Training at Tandy Leather Factory

Need a refresher course or have questions on helping your kids with their leather craft projects? Call Clay at 1-877-800-1853 or 342-2221 or stop by the store at 514 7th St. Downtown Rapid City, and ask about our free leader training classes.

Fashion Revue/Clothing Construction Judging-July 26

Fashion Revue and Clothing Construction Judging will take place **Saturday, July 26 beginning at 10:00 AM** at the 4-H Building in Rapid City. Any 4-H'er can participate in Fashion Revue but a 4-H'er must be enrolled in the Clothing Project to complete the Construction Judging. Preregistration is required for both events and is due on or before **July 7**. No late entries will be accepted. Registration can be completed at the Extension Office. Please refer to the attached information sheets. **No Clothing Project items will be judged during Achievement Days.**

4-H members who are age 13 as of January 1, 2008 are eligible to participate in the State Fair Fashion Revue Contest. This will apply at the county level as well. This is only in Fashion Revue. Here is the link for pre-registration:

http://www.co.pennington.sd.us/extension/_docs/fashionreviewlots.pdf

Models Wanted



Never modeled before? Are you ready for some fun? Here is your opportunity to shine. Join others who will be modeling their clothing treasures found at garage sales, second hand stores, or their favorite sales rack. Let's see who can find the best bargain, the most awesome-looking outfit, or perhaps a wild and crazy look is you. Whatever your fancy, come join the fun. For further questions, please contact the Extension Office. The deadline to register is July 7, so you better be doing some power shopping so you don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity. Modeling will be done at the 4-H Fashion Revue and Central States Fair 4-H Style/Talent Show.

4-H Character Counts! Public Speaking Contest—Wednesday, August 6th, Sioux Falls Empire Fair. For more information contact the office at 394-2188.

North Central Region Volunteer Forum—November 6-8, 2008 in Ohio. Call the office for more information.

2009 Citizenship Washington Focus Trip - June 20-27, 2009—Deadline September 5—More details coming soon! 4-H'ers 15 and older are eligible to participate in this fun-filled educational trip.

Achievement Day—August 14

LEADERS: Achievement Day packets will be ready for pickup on June 9. It is very important that everyone has a CURRENT 2008 State Fair Book because ALL lots have been changed. State Fair Books are available on line at [http\\4h.sdstate.edu](http://4h.sdstate.edu) or can be purchased at the office for \$1.50 each.

- **Achievement Day Judging will be held on Thursday, August 14th, 2008 from 8:00 am. til 12:00 noon in the 4-H Building. Exhibits can be entered from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. Judging starts at 8:30 a.m. 4-H'ers are encouraged to participate in the interview judging process.**
- **We will need volunteers the day of judging. Please call the office to sign-up.**
- **All youth must pre-register their exhibits on or before Friday, July 11, 2008. Entries can be faxed by 5:00 p.m. or postmarked by July 11, 2008. A late fee of \$5.00 will be assessed per 4-H'er. Absolutely NO LATE entries after August 1. Late entries will forfeit their premium money and will not be able to go on to State Fair.**
- **Clover Bud Entry Tags – All clover buds will be using a clover bud entry tag instead of the 4-H entry tag. LEADERS, please make sure if you have any clover buds that they use the correct tag.**
- **All static exhibits except clothing will be judged on this day, including flowers.**
- **Leaders may come to the office and pick up each of their members computer print outs for their club. ****GOOD NEWS****—Entry tags will be generated from our new 4H Plus program this year. We will be printing the front side of the tag only — you will need to pick up the back side of the tag and fill each one out for each exhibit. Back entry tags are available at the office. Please do not use any old 4-H tags that you may have on hand. We will have your entry tags for the entries that you will be bringing on August 14 ready for you the day of check-in.**
- **Livestock Show – The livestock show will be **Saturday, August 7th, 2008 at the Custer County Fair**. More information will be mailed directly to all livestock enrolled 4-H members by July 1.**
- **LEADERS/CLUBS—We will need to watch the 4-H Building on August 16, 17, 22 and 23. Please call the office to sign up for a shift.**

Great Opportunity for your Leather Projects for Achievement Day

Leather Workshop—July 1 at 5:30 p.m., 4-H & Extension Building, Rapid City
\$15.00 including leather and tools or Free with no tools. Registration DUE June 18.

Another Great Opportunity for Achievement Day

Jill Tesnow will be teaching a beginning drawing class July 8th 6 pm to 7:30 pm. Pre-registration due July 2nd. \$5 fee includes supplies and materials.

Photography Powerpoint Presentation Available

We have just received a photography power point presentation that is available to be checked out for individuals or club use. This would be a great tool for your achievement day photography exhibits.

****RANGE CAMPS****

Range Camp

Senior 4-H members are eligible to attend Range Camp, held annually in Sturgis, SD, and sponsored by the Society for Range Management. This year's program will be held June 4-6. Information is available from Derek Oliver, who can be reached with email at derek.oliver@sd.usda.gov, or by telephone at 967-2561. Deadline June 1.

Introductory to Range & Pasture Project

Saturday, **June 7** – 9 am to 3 pm – Hot Springs

*Plant ID & Classification *Proper Collection

*Press & Mounting Plants *Preparation for exhibit

For further information contact Jeff Symstad at 745-6990 or Bob Novotny at 745-3586.

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.

UPDATE FROM THE IRS

Many clubs have been asking about filing their e-postcard. We have just received this information.

This just in from National 4-H Headquarters:

The IRS reports that the records we provided were not as "clean" as we'd hoped. There are a number of issues that need to be addressed, and the IRS needs additional time to complete the process and to list for us the records needing attention.

National 4-H Headquarters requested the filing deadline for groups on the existing list that need to file their ePostcard by May 15, 2008 be extended to 2009.

The IRS granted this request, which affects groups on our list that typically earn \$25,000 or less.

***** This means that 4-H Clubs & Affiliated 4-H Organizations (1) that were on your 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. *****

Resources for Educating Young People about the Dangers of the "Choking Game"

The "Choking Game", also commonly known as the "Fainting Game", "Blackout", or "The Pass out Game" is the name applied to a dangerous activity among children and teens that induces a partial or complete loss of consciousness brought about by the intentional deprivation of oxygen to the brain for a period of time.

Since 1995, at least 82 youth between the ages of 6 and 19 have died in the US as results of participating in this activity. The following list of online resources will help you to educate both adults and young people as to the inherent risks of this dangerous activity.

www.chokinggame.net - The Dylan Blake Foundation for Adolescent Behaviors

A Non-Profit Educational Organization founded when 11 year old Dylan A. Blake unexpectedly passed away in October 2005 from a tragic accident. Dylan's death was due to his participation in the dangerous asphyxiation activity known as the "Choking Game".

www.gaspinform.com - Games Adolescents Shouldn't Play (G.A.S.P.)

An international not-for-profit association founded for the purpose of putting an end to the Choking Game—an asphyxiation activity that causes the needless death of children and suffering of communities. To achieve this goal, GASP partners with other organizations that include Choking Game education as part of their overall message.

In addition to these two websites that deal exclusively with this activity, many additional resources are available on the web.

Kathryn Reeves, YD/4-H Specialist

****Horse News****



**A horse packet was mailed to 4-H'ers enrolled in horse or rodeo.
Please refer to your packet for other deadlines and entry forms.**

Qualifying Horse Shows — New this year—we will have two qualifying shows:
NEWShamrock Riders Horse Show— June 11—Bray Arena-Central States Fairgrounds
Pennington County Horse Show—June 24—Bray Arena—Central States Fairgrounds

Horse Safety Training

** May 31— 4-H Building—10:00—12 noon

2008 Horse Project Horse Show Guide available at the office

State Horse Show—Huron— July 22-24

2008 4-H Rodeo Schedule and Entries are available at <http://sd4hrodeo.org/home.php>



Free 4-H Horse Project White Shirts

4-H Horse Project members white shirts available for younger kids. Great condition. There is a petite one that would fit one of the beginners, a couple of smalls, and at least one medium. One of the shirts is an XS 30/31. All of them are designed for girls. Also has a cowboy hat or two that are for smaller children. Items available at the Extension Office.



2008 Rabbit Show held May 10 at the Central States Fairgrounds

It was a wet and rainy day for the Rabbit Show, but the bunnies ventured out of their holes for the show. Thank you to all the parents and volunteers that day.



Yes, that really is a rabbit.
It is an angora rabbit

Photos provided by Tana Clark

Great Opportunity!!! There are still a number of Japanese students needing home from July 25 until August 23. Needs none for male, female and a female chaperone. If interested please contact the Pennington County Extension Office for more details.



Happy Fathers Day!

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