Good Afternoon Pennington County 4-H Members and Leaders!

4-H Club Focus

Summer Camping Opportunities

Registrations for all overnight 4-H camping opportunities are now OPEN!

**Camp Bob Marshall 4-H Youth Camp**

South Dakota 4-H is hosting three camp sessions of youth camp at camp Bob Marshall near Custer, SD. Youth will have a unique overnight experience and learn about the outdoors in the unique setting of the beautiful Black Hills! Youth ages 8-12 as of January 1, 2018 may attend any session that is available regardless of their 4-H enrollment. Registration cost is $125 per participant.

Session dates:
- Session 1: June 16-19
- Session 2: June 19-22
- Session 3: June 22-25

Registrations close April 30, 2018


Interested in serving as a camp counselor? Youth that are at least 16 years old as of June 1, 2018 are eligible to apply by completing an application. Please note the deadline has been extended to April 20, 2018.


Adults interested in serving as a camp chaperone should contact the Pennington County 4-H office ASAP.

**Camp Bob Marshall 4-H Teen Camp**

South Dakota 4-H is hosting “Dare to explore and more” camp for teens at Camp Bob Marshall. Join June 12-15 in the beautiful Black Hills. Youth ages 13-18 as of January 1, 2018 are welcome regardless of their enrollment in 4-H. Registration cost is $150 per participant.

Registrations close April 30, 2018


**Teen Leadership Conference**

SDSU Extension and the South Dakota 4-H Youth Council will host Teen Leadership Conference, June 4 - 8 at South Dakota State University. 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.

Early Bird Registrations due: April 20 - $275

General Registrations due: May 8 - $300


Scholarships for all South Dakota 4-H Camping Opportunities are available. Contact the Pennington County 4-H Office to learn more.

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Upcoming 4-H Events/Deadlines

Note: links are to the corresponding Facebook Event, if applicable - Check out the FULL Pennington County 4-H Calendar

April 7 - Pennington County 4-H Spring Shootout - All Day - Walter Taylor 4-H Building
April 8 - Pennington County 4-H Junior Leader’s Meeting - 3:00 PM - Walter Taylor 4-H Building
April 10 - Pennington County 4-H Volunteer Training - 6:00 PM - Walter Taylor 4-H Building—Please RSVP by 4/6
April 13 - Wall Youth-In-Action Day - 8:00am-1:00PM - Wall Rodeo Grounds 4-H Building
April 14 - 4-H Rabbit Fun Day - 10:00AM - Meade County Extension Building (1029 5th Street, Sturgis, SD)
April 14 - Horse Safety Training and Assessments - 2:00 PM - Walter Taylor 4-H Building
May 1 - South Dakota 4-H Rodeo Finals Contestant Packet DUE

4-H Updates and Reminders

Earth Day Volunteers Needed

The Walter Taylor 4-H Building is playing host to the 3rd Annual Earth Day Expo on April 22, 2018 from 8:30AM-5:00PM! Pennington County 4-H will have a booth and we need your help telling people about 4-H and with a kids activity. Please volunteer to support Pennington County 4-H. We’ll need volunteers for the entire day and you can volunteer for an hour or the whole day. Please email Matthew Olson, matthew.r.olson@sdstate.edu if you are able to volunteer and the times that you can volunteer on April 22.

Call for Theme Ideas

The 2018 Pennington County 4-H Achievement Days held during the Central States Fair will soon be upon us, and the Pennington County 4-H Leader’s Association needs YOUR help. Each year we have a theme for 4-H clubs to decorate their risers to. Last year the theme was “Green Since 1902: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle.” This is where we need your help.

We are asking each club to submit ONE theme idea to the Leader’s Association by May 4, 2018. The theme should include 4-H and convey what 4-H is about. Once a theme is selected, we will have a contest for 4-H members to design a poster. If you have any questions, contact the 4-H office.

4-H Rabbit Fun Day

Want to learn more about rabbits as a 4-H project?

Butte/Lawrence, Meade and Pennington County 4-H are hosting a rabbit fun day Saturday, April 14th at 10am in Sturgis.

Come on down to learn more about proper care of rabbits, try the breed ID challenge, and learn proper rabbit showmanship. We will also have a few breeders available for the kids to talk to and maybe pick out their new project. Kids are welcome to bring their current rabbit project so they can practice with judges.

The event will be held at the Meade County Extension Building located at 1029 5th Street in Sturgis.

Please RSVP by contacting Missy Lutz 605-209-0557 or Jennifer Voigt 605-347-2436.

Youth-In-Action Days Dates Announced

The 2018 Youth-In-Action days will be:

- April 13, 2018 - Wall Youth In Action Day - Wall, SD - Consumer Decision Making, Public Presentations
- May 5, 2018 - Rapid City, SD - Western Dakota Youth-In-Action Day - Consumer Decision Making, Public Presentations, Fashion Revue, Special Foods, Robotics Challenge

What are youth-in-action days? Youth-in-action days are an opportunity for 4-H members to show what they have learned so far in their 4-H year by giving a presentation, using decision making skills, etc. For more information on each Youth-In-Action event, click on the name of the contest listed above.

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