Black Hills Stock Show® Youth Day

The 2018 BHSS® Youth Day, being held on January 27, is full of can’t-miss events including the Beef Cookoff, Dog Show, Livestock Judging, Horse Quiz Bowl, Livestockology, and Hippology!

Any youth (non 4-H and 4-H) are invited to enter Youth Day activities!

PRELIMINARY YOUTH DAY SCHEDULE
Saturday, January 27, 2018
Subject to change as necessary
All Times are Mountain Time Zone

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Note: WIT 4-H Building = Walter Taylor 4-H Building

To register for the 2018 BHSS® Youth Day, complete all required registration forms in the 2018 BHSS® Youth Day Contestant Packet and return them to the appropriate locations before the January 12, 2018 deadline!
Pennington County 4-H Calendar

January 2018
1st - New Year’s Day - Office Closed
6th - Black Hills Archery Registration Day, Black Hills Archery
7th - Junior Leaders Meeting, 3:00 p.m., Walter Taylor 4-H Building
8th - Black Hills Shooters Club begins, 6:30 p.m., Walter Taylor 4-H Building
13th - Black Hills Archery Practice Begins, Black Hills Archery
13th - Bread Baking Workshop, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., Walter Taylor 4-H Building
15th - Martin Luther King, Jr Day - Office Closed
16th - Leaders Association Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Walter Taylor 4-H Building
23rd - Horse Committee Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Walter Taylor 4-H Building
27th - Black Hills Stock Show® Youth Day, Walter Taylor 4-H Building & Central States Fairgrounds

February 2018
11th - Junior Leaders Meeting, 3:00 p.m., Walter Taylor 4-H Building
13th - Pennington County Leader Training Session 2, 6:00 p.m., Walter Taylor 4-H Building
19th - President’s Day - Office Closed
19th - New 4-H Member Orientation - 4:00-7:00pm
24th - Horse Safety Training, Time TBD, Walter Taylor 4-H Building

March 2018
4th - Junior Leaders Meeting, 3:00 p.m., Walter Taylor 4-H Building
13th - Horse Committee Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Walter Taylor 4-H Building
13th - Leaders Association Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Walter Taylor 4-H Building

The Pennington County 4-H Webpage is up and running!
Visit the Pennington County 4-H Webpage for information on enrollment, specialty projects, upcoming events, and 4-H resources.

The best place to find information on current events will be the Calendar on the Pennington County 4-H Webpage

If you would like an event or club meeting added to the calendar please email pennington.county@sdstate.edu by the 25th of each month.
**Current Members & Families**

**Youth re-enrollment is open for the 2017-2018 4-H year!** Enter sd.4honline.com and re-enroll for the new 4-H year! Your membership in 4-H will show as “pending” and will not be completed until Pennington County 4-H dues of $5.00 per youth membership has been paid.

**Volunteer/leader re-enrollment is open for the 2017-2018 4-H year!** Enter sd.4honline.com and re-enroll for the new 4-H year! Your membership in 4-H will show as “pending” and will not be completed until Pennington County 4-H dues of $15.00 per volunteer membership has been paid.

*Returning volunteers do not need to complete a Volunteer Work Agreement.*

*Beginning January 1, 2018: New volunteers dues will increase to $75.*

**New Members**

We ask that every new member complete and return a New Member Enrollment Form, available at the Pennington County 4-H office and our Pennington County 4-H website to ensure everything is ready for the new year.

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**Club Information Required**

The following items are needed in the Pennington County 4-H office as soon as possible!

1) [Club Information Page](#) - even if you do not believe your club will have accommodations for new members the office needs this information. Every club is required to submit their Club Information Page.

2) [Club Financial Audit](#) - clubs who do not have funds or a bank account will need to return a form checked “Our Club does not have a bank account or hold any funds.” Every club is required to submit their Club Financial Audit.

3) [Club Assurance Statement](#) - Every club is required to submit their Club Assurance Statement every 4-H year.

4) [Meeting with Each Organizational Leader](#) - Every club was required to meet with Matthew Olson, 4-H Youth Program Advisor, before December 31, 2017. If you did not have a meeting with Matthew Olson please contact the Pennington County 4-H office as soon as possible.

**THANK YOU to those club leaders who have already taken care of some, most, or all of these items.**

All forms are available on the [Pennington County 4-H website](#).

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**Remembrance Wreath Laying**

**MANY THANKS for your assistance in the Remembrance Wreath laying!**

We are so proud of our 4-H members, leaders, and volunteers who helped lay wreaths for the 2017 Holiday Season. You showed a true sense of community service and respect for those who have served.

The office has received many thanks from community members who were touched by the service you have provided.

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**2018 4-H Calendars**

Order your 2018 4-H calendar and support SD 4-H in the process! This year’s calendar features several of our Pennington County 4-H Photography members!

4-H’ers who enter photography exhibits at the South Dakota State Fair have the opportunity to be featured in the annual South Dakota 4-H Calendar. Photos featured are selected as Judge’s Choice and Honorable Mention winners during the judging process at the South Dakota State Fair. To place your order, visit the [iGrow Store](#). Cost is $10 per calendar.
4-H Year Information

Junior Leaders Meeting, Feb 11, 3:00 p.m.
The Pennington County Junior Leaders have been working hard to prepare fantastic workshops and events for 4-H members. The next Junior Leaders meeting will be Sunday, January 7, 3:00 p.m. at the Walter Taylor 4-H Building.

Horse Committee Meeting, Jan 23 5:30 p.m.
The Pennington County 4-H Horse Committee has been established to create an awareness of the opportunities available through 4-H Horse Project work, to promote the 4-H Horse program, to keep members and parents informed about the rules, policies, opportunities, etc., which affect local clubs, to make recommendations regarding situations that arise at 4-H Horse shows, and to clarify rules, policies, and procedures which are in affect. Any member, parent, or volunteer involved in the Horse Project is welcome to attend. The next Horse Committee meeting will be Tuesday, Jan 9, 5:30 p.m. at the Walter Taylor 4-H Building.

Leaders Association Meeting, Jan 16, 6:30 p.m.
The Pennington County Leaders Association has been established to provide advice and support to volunteer leaders and youth, promote volunteer leadership and training, support special youth activities, provide scholarships, special recognition, and incentives for youth and volunteer leaders, enlist program support (financial or otherwise), and coordinate financial assistance for youth programs and activities. Any parent or volunteer in the Pennington County 4-H program is welcome to attend. The next Leaders Association meeting will be Tuesday, Jan 9, 6:30 p.m. at the Walter Taylor 4-H Building.

Black Hills Archery Club Season Begins, Jan 6
Registration day at BH Archery is Saturday, Jan 6 with practices beginning Saturday, Jan 13th. The Black Hills Archery season runs through the end of April. For more information on the archery program, contact Black Hills Archery at 605.394.9663 or the Pennington County 4-H office at 605.394.2188.

Black Hills Shooters Club Season Begins, Jan 8, 6:30 p.m.
The first day of the gun safety program will be Monday, January 8, 6:30 p.m. at the Walter Taylor 4-H Building. The Black Hills Shooters season runs through the end of April. For more information on the gun safety program, contact the Pennington County 4-H office.

Record Books
The most up-to-date Pennington County 4-H record book pages are available for everyone! Both fillable and printable versions of the record book pages can be found on the Pennington County 4-H website and can be found below:

Having troubles downloading your pdf files? We have a Record Book Saving Information Guide for your reference!

Be sure to check out the Record Book Tutorials as well!

Complete Packet Fill it out Print it Project Area Plan and Journal Fill it out Print it
Section III: Public Presentations Fill it out Print it My 4-H Project Pictures (optional) Fill it out Print it
Section IV: Exhibits/Animal Entries Fill it out Print it Breeding Animal Financial Record Coming soon Print it
Section V: 4-H Events Fill it out Print it Horse & Rodeo Financial Record Coming soon Print it
Section VI: 4-H Activities Fill it out Print it Non-Animal Financial Record Coming soon Print it
Section VII: Club Meetings/Participation Fill it out Print it Poultry Financial Record Coming soon Print it
Section VIII: 4-H Leadership Fill it out Print it Rabbit/Cat/Dog Financial Record Coming soon Print it
Section IX: Community Involvement Fill it out Print it
Section X: 4-H Story Fill it out Print it
Section XI: My 4-H Club Members (optional) Fill it out Print it

Blanket Buddies
Blanket Buddies is the 2017-18 SD 4-H Youth Council’s statewide community service project!

The SD 4-H Youth Council is challenging each county 4-H program to make the most number of fleece tie blankets to donate to a local health care facility, shelter, and/or food pantry. Any 4-H entity interested in participating should contact their 4-H office for more information on recording the number of blankets made and donated. The public is welcome to join in assisting in this service project!

This service project is running until August so let’s pledge our “Hands to Larger Service” for our community!

Complete News Release, available on iGrow.org
Bread Baking Workshop - Saturday, January 13, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., Walter Taylor 4-H Building

What could be better than the smell of fresh-baked goods on a Saturday morning?
The smell of our January bread baking workshop, of course!

Join local bread connoisseurs Joyce Bowman and Mary Lunders as they teach you the ins and outs of cinnamon rolls! Dust off those measuring cups, pull out those aprons, and get ready to learn how to make these delicious treats. Participants will create cinnamon rolls to take home and bake.

Cost is $3 and space is limited!
Contact the Pennington County 4-H office at 605.394.2188 | pennington.county@sdstate.edu to register today!

Pennington County 4-H New member Orientation - Monday February 19, 2018

New to 4-H and want to learn all about the opportunities you have in 4-H? Or a returning member that needs some refreshing on the 4-H year? Join the Pennington County 4-H Junior Leaders as they host a new 4-H member orientation on February 19 from 4:00-7:00pm at the Walter Taylor 4-H Building. The orientation will be set up in stations that you may visit at your leisure. You don’t have to come for the whole time, you can just come for the information you want or need! There will be a 15 minute presentation at 4, 5, and 6pm with the rest of the time open for visiting the different stations. Please RSVP by February 15, 2018.

Stations include:

- Project areas and Resources
- Record Books
- Contests—County and State
- Opportunities for older members
- Animals
- 4-H Awards
- SPIN Clubs

Pennington County Leader Training, Session 2 - Tuesday, February 13, 6:00 p.m., Walter Taylor 4-H Building

Looking for a little direction or discussion as a volunteer with 4-H? You are in luck!
Pennington County is implementing a new series of volunteer trainings!

The second session of the Pennington County Leader Training will include dinner. Session details available shortly.

Pennington County Leader Training is mandatory for all 4-H volunteers in Pennington County.
There will be a total of four (4) training sessions:

- **Third Session**: Tuesday, April 10, 6:00 p.m., Walter Taylor 4-H Building
- **Fourth Session**: Tuesday, June 12, 6:00 p.m., Walter Taylor 4-H Building

Pennington County registered 4-H volunteers are required to attend two (2) sessions.

HORSE Safety Training - Saturday, February 24, Time TBD, Walter Taylor 4-H Building

Youth Horse Ownership Responsibility Safety & Educational Training teaches youth about proper horse care management and safety, while always covering an aspect of equine welfare.

Complete details to come.

HORSE Safety Training is required of every member wishing to participate in any SD 4-H Horse Show Event.
**MyPI and Teen CERT**

As a teen it may seem unlikely that you would ever be caught in a disaster but what if you are? Would you know how to protect yourself, your family, or your friends in case of disaster? If you are interested in preparing yourself for an emergency situation we have the program for you!

SDSU Extension and South Dakota 4-H will be offering an award-winning youth preparedness and educational outreach program known as MyPI (My Preparedness Initiative). MyPI is a component of the National Youth Preparedness Initiative, a partnership of states across the US, delivering an innovative and engaging curriculum for teenagers across South Dakota.

**Why MyPI?**

MyPI is an engaged and recognized component of a nationally supported, progressive approach to preparing youth for emergencies and disasters. The MyPI National is also recognized as an Affirmer of the national strategy. Replicated from the award-winning MyPI Mississippi program, teens will be trained in emergency management, fire safety, search and rescue, CPR and AED usage, and preparing your household and community in a disaster with the community service project “Prep + 6”.

**MyPI offers a flexible 5-10 week, three-component program.**

**Component A:** Teens will complete the US Dept. of Homeland Security/Fed. Emergency Management Agency-certified Teen CERT training along with corresponding modules focusing on Disaster Preparedness, Fire Safety and Utility Control, Disaster Medical Operations, Light Search and Rescue, CERT organization, Disaster Psychology and Terrorism.

**Component B:** The add-on catalog features certification in CPR and AED usage along with a tech. track comprised of awareness programs, focusing on HAM Radio, NOAA Weather Radio, Smoke Alarm Maintenance, and Smart Phone App and Social Media in Emergency Preparedness. The add-on catalog also includes a Disaster simulation and a Career Track that focuses on public safety, fire service, and emergency management careers.

**Component C:** The final element of the program which includes a comprehensive family and community service project entitled "Prep + 6". Each participant helps develop emergency supply kits and emergency communication plans for their family AND 6 additional families or households. This component allows for significant enhancement in individual, family, and community preparedness and resilience.

*To graduate from the program students must complete all three components.*

**Component A: Teen CERT Training** will run February 5 - March 5, 2018 for Pennington County. If you are interested in this great opportunity, complete an online interest form to begin the registration process!

Not quite sure about Teen CERT training yet? Get familiar with the program!

Check out this awesome video on the Pennington County Teen CERT program, read through the CERT Training brochure*, and check out their Facebook Page!

*Note: brochure is for the 2017 training session, dates are not accurate.

Questions may be directed to Jane Amiotte at the Pennington County 4-H office or to the Pennington County Emergency Management office at 605.394.2185.