

# The Brookings County Times



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February 2016

## UPCOMING DATES

**President's Day**  
February 16 - Office Closed

**Youth PQA Training**  
March 14 @ 6pm

**Livestock Weigh-in 4pm-6pm**  
March 23 @ Vander Wal Yards

**Little International**  
April 1-2

**Market Beef Forms Due**  
April 1

**Ownership Affidavits Due**  
June 1

**4-H Camp @ Lake Poinsett**  
June 6-8

**Special Foods Contest**  
June 14

**County Horse Show**  
June 21

**Fashion Revue Contest**  
July 12

**Public Presentations**  
July 13

**Achievement Days**  
August 1-4

**4-H Rodeo**  
August 19-21

## 2016 Ownership Verification Forms

The 2016 Livestock Ownership Verification Affidavits are now available. Required fields are identified with an asterisk (\*). If required information is missing from the form when uploaded into 4-HOnline the form will not be considered complete.

Market Beef forms are due April 1; Rabbit and Poultry forms are included with the remainder of the species with a June 1 deadline and will need to be uploaded to 4HOnline as well. If you have any questions please contact the Extension Office.



## Youth PQA Training

The Brookings Youth PQA will be held in Brookings starting at **6 pm on Monday, March 14 at the Brookings County Resource Center**. Mandy Stade, SDSU 4-H Youth Program Advisor, will be the presenter.

**Youth who plan to exhibit a market hog at the 2016 South Dakota State Fair must be Youth PQA Plus trained and certified.**



## Market Beef Green Tagging & Weigh-in

The market beef weigh-in and green tagging will be held on **Wednesday, March 23 at Vander Wal Yards (20740 464th Ave) from 4-6 pm.**

**All market beef need to have a green tag and a DNA sample submitted in order to participate at the 2016 State Fair.** DNA sample envelopes will be provided at \$6 each. **This will be the only scheduled weigh in.**

Please contact the Extension Office if you will be weighing animals 605.696.8280.

## Reminder:

### Member Insurance

Independent 4-H members, please remember to pay your insurance. It was due December 1.

**Regular Members: \$3**  
**Members w/Horse: \$3.50**

**The four H's stand for Head, Heart, Hands, Health**

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## 4-H Leaders Meeting ~ MARCH 14, 2016

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The 4-H Leader's Association will meet March 14th, at 5:30 pm at the Extension Office.

All club leaders & parent volunteers are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Supper will be provided.

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## 2015-2016 4-H Enrollment

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Please complete the re-enrollment process on [4-HOnline](#) in order to be active volunteer for the 2015-16 4-H Year.. Reminder...in order to enroll in 4-H, youth must be 8 **on or before January 1, 2016**.

If you have been enrolled in 4-H before you do not need to create a new profile. Contact the office if you need help logging in.

The deadline for project selection is May 31st. This is also the last day to enroll and be eligible to compete in the state events (such as the horse show and state fair). New members may enroll after May 31st and participate at the club and county level but they will not be eligible to compete in any statewide events until the new 4-H year. Changes can be made at anytime up until the 31st of May deadline.



**4Honline**  
4-H Enrollment and Event Registration

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## 2016 4-H Rodeo

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2016 4-H Rodeo Registration is now open! Members who plan on participating in the 4-H Rodeo will need to:

- 1) Enroll as a South Dakota 4-H Member in [4HOnline](#).
- 2) Register for the rodeo project in 4HOnline.
- 3) The Insurance Declaration Form (page 6 of the contestant packet) needs to be turned into the Brookings Extension Office.
- 4) Complete the rest of the [SD 4-H Rodeo contestant packet](#) and submit it to the **SD 4-H Finals Rodeo Secretary, Heather Shoultz** before the **Sunday, May 1st deadline** (It must be postmarked on or before May 1).

As mentioned above there has been a change in process for the rodeo paperwork. Make sure to **thoroughly** read through the contestant packet in order to review any changes. The contestant packets (except the insurance form) must be turned into 4-H Rodeo Finals, Inc.- **Attn: Heather Shoultz**

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## Little I 2016



Little International will be held April 1-2, 2016. Little International is a two-day agricultural exposition planned, organized, and implemented by students at South Dakota State University for the benefit of high school and college students. The expo provides a fun and competitive opportunity for students to develop and refine skills for lifelong success in agriculture.

## Youth Rabbit Show

CCB Rabbit Supply is proud to announce the 2016 Highway 14 Corridor 4-H and Youth rabbit fun show to be held April 2, 2016 at the Kingsbury County 4-H Grounds—DeSmet S.D.

There will be showmanship, judging and anatomy of the rabbit in addition to the rabbit show.

- ◆ Doors open at 10:00am
- ◆ All entry's must be in by 11:30am
- ◆ Showmanship begins at 12:00 noon
- ◆ Rabbit show will begin at 2:00pm or earlier



## Brookings Area Chamber of Commerce Scholarship

Each year the Brookings Area Chamber of Commerce Ag Relations Committee awards two \$500 scholarships. One is awarded to a graduating high school senior and the other to a student currently enrolled at a post-secondary school. The committee prides itself on promoting and connecting the agriculture industry in the Brookings trade area and feels young farmers and industry professionals are essential to the growth of the local agricultural economy. Eligibility is limited to high school students in the trade area and post-secondary students pursuing an agricultural related field of study. For an application contact the Brookings Area Chamber of Commerce 605.692.9125 or the Extension Office 696.8280.

Applications can be emailed to: [info@brookingschamber.org](mailto:info@brookingschamber.org) or

Applications can be mailed to:

Brookings Area Chamber of Commerce

414 Main Ave

Brookings, SD 57006



## Make a Wish as New 4-H Project

The Brookings 4-H Leaders Association has made a donation to the Make a Wish Fundraiser. They would like to challenge the other Brookings County Clubs to make a donation as well.



The South Dakota State 4-H Youth Council selected the Make-A-Wish Foundation of South Dakota as their state-wide community service project. We will be collecting donations throughout the next calendar year to try to raise \$5,000-\$6,000 in order to grant one wish for a child in South Dakota suffering from life-threatening medical conditions. Counties will compete to see which 4-H program can raise the most money. The winning county will receive a prize.

## Schwan's Cares Brookings County 4-H Fundraiser

Brookings County 4-H is continuing to run their fundraiser campaign through Schwan's Cares.

During the check-out process indicate you'd like to "contribute to a fundraiser" and enter the Brookings County 4-H campaign code: 20883.

This is a great opportunity to stock up on your favorite Schwan's products while helping to raise money for Brookings County 4-H!



## Jackrabbit Memorial Show

◆ SDSU B&B/AGR Jackrabbit Memorial Show - **February 26-28** ~ Sioux Falls, SD W.H. Lyon Fairgrounds

### Friday, Feb 26

- Barns open at 8am
- Check In 4-9p

### Saturday, Feb 27

- Check In 6-8a
- Showmanship 9a
- Scholarship Ann.12p
- Heifer Ring 1 3p
- Heifer Ring 2 3:30p

### Sunday, Feb 28

- Steer Ring 1 9a
- Steer Ring 2 9:30a

If you have any questions about the Jackrabbit Memorial Show, please ask one of the 2015 Steer Show Committee Chairs:

**Dakota Thomas 608.574.2323** or **Jacob Reed 507.402.6997**



## National Engineers Week

National Engineers Week runs February 21-27th. This is a great time to try your hand at a new engineering project or sign-up for one of the many local youth engineering programs.

SDSU offers [Youth Engineering Adventure](#), [GEMS \(Girls, Engineering, Mathematics, and Science\)](#), [Ready, Set—Go](#) and [South Dakota State Electrical Engineering Camp](#). Inspiring youth to participate in engineering helps to build life skills like critical thinking, problem solving, communication, and team work.



# 4-H Eastern Camp 2016

## Camp Counselors Needed!



### Would you like to:

- ◆ Help younger campers learn?
- ◆ Make new friends?
- ◆ Work together as a team?
- ◆ Have FUN!

### 2016 Camp Sessions:

June 6-8

June 8-10

June 13-15

Counselors must be available to participate in at least ONE of these sessions, but preferably all three.



4-H Camp Eastern counselors belong to a group called, **MISSION POSSIBLE**. Why? Every year is a new adventure at 4-H Camp. Camp Counselors have a Mission to choose the yearly camp theme, bring fresh ideas for youth attending, participate in songs, crafts, recreation & swimming, campfires and FUN!

**This Mission IS Possible with the help of YOU!**

Mission Possible camp counselors must be at least 16 years of age and have the willingness to provide leadership skills to youth ages 8-12 years of age.

For an application, contact your county 4-H Office.

Questions? Contact your county 4-H Youth Advisor or

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