

December 2017



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McPherson County 4-H monthly newsletter

Upcoming Events:

December, 2017

11-12-Mrs. Rau attending meeting in Pierre
25-Closed for Christmas
26-Office Closed for Christmas
January 1-Office Closed
January 11-Leaders meeting

January 21, 2018– ROG Weigh in at the Waltman Farm

August 2018

7 & 8– Achievement Days

Recognition Event

Award Winners:

Lance Feickert: Community Service Award, the Citizenship Award, the Mark Weig Memorial Award, The Danforth Leadership Award

Brianna Erdmann: Premier Livestock Exhibitor

Dustin Wurtz-Beginner Visual Arts award, Beginner Foods award, Beginner Conservation Award

Kaitlyn Mueller– Beginner Home Environment award

Kodi Retzer-Senior Shutterbug Award

Isabella Anderson: 4-H Achievement Award

Robin Butler: Round Robin Showman, Rate of Gain-swine

Kylee Sanborn: Round Robin Showman

Miles Hoffman: Rate of Gain-beef

****Look for pictures and sponsors later in the newsletter****



4-H Pledge

I pledge

*My head to clearer thinking,
My heart to greater loyalty,
My hands to larger service, and
My health to better living,
For my club, my community,
my country, and my world.*

4-H Motto:

"To make the best better"



Please remember to write a thank you note for the Recognition Event sponsors!!

Growing
South Dakota's Future

Thank you to the award sponsors from Recognition Event:

- *CorTrust Bank
- *Willing Workers 4-H Club
- *JW Club
- *Gene's Oil Company
- *Leola Sportsmen Club
- *Ehresman Polled Herefords
- *Albert & Marilyn Erdmann
- *McPherson Co. Parent and Leaders Association

SHOOTING SPORTS

The BB Gun shooting sports program will begin in January. Please watch the newspaper and emails for starting date. Shooting sports is open to all members ages 8-18. You must be enrolled online (at 4honline) before you can shoot.

There are some club guns for members to use, but it is recommended that members buy their own.

BB Gun coaches are Jeff & Susie Berreth, Kelli & Troy Millard, Marian & Melvin Kallas, and Shana & David Gohl.

Please contact the Extension Office with any questions.

*Thank you to everyone who donated, organized, or helped in any way to make the Turkey Shoot such a great success. It was a fun time for all.

Have Questions? Need more information on anything you read in the newsletter? Contact the McPherson County Extension Office by calling 439-3331 or e-mail the office at Mcpherson.county@sdstate.edu, or me at Jackie.rau@sdstate.edu

Mrs. Rau

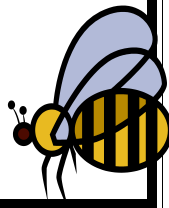
Parent and Leader's Meeting

January 11, 2018, 6:30 pm
in the Municipal building, Leola

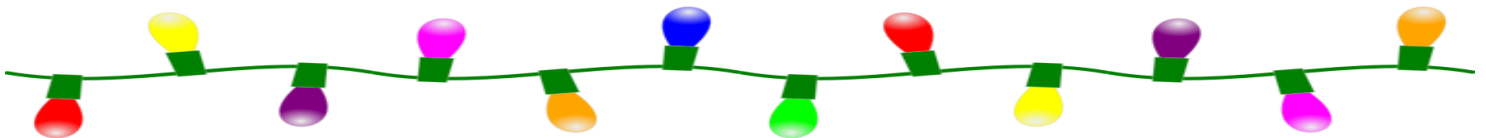
4-H Buzz
December Birthdays

6-Anthony Mack
13- Abigail Berreth
22-Jackie Kessler
26-Ahna Schauer
28-Chase Hatlewick
30-Kaitlyn Mueller

Happy Birthday!



**MEOWY
CHRISTMAS
TO YOU!**

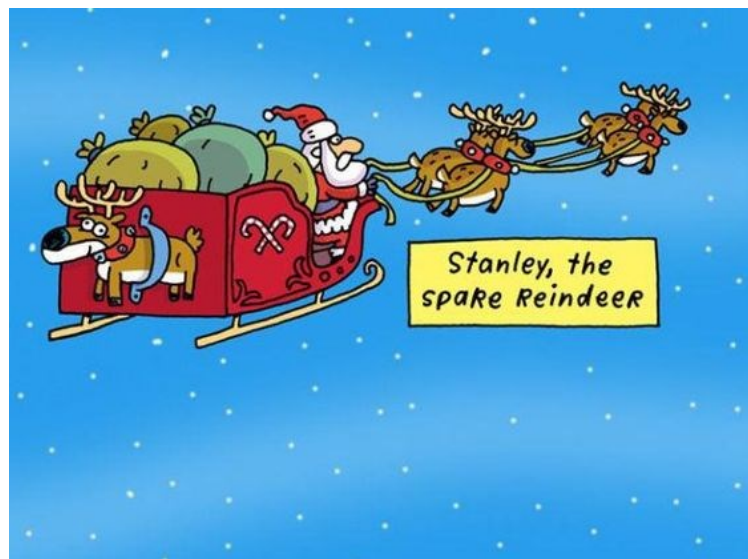


The 2017-2018 Rate of Gain weigh-in is scheduled for January 21, 2018
from 1:00-2:00 pm. (Storm date is February 4.)

****It will be held at the Waltman farm...same location as last year.**



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ENROLLMENT is NOW OPEN

The 2017-2018 4-H enrollment is now open! This includes clubs, independents, Cloverbuds and Sharpshooters. Please use your email address and password from the last year, do not create a new profile. If you do not know your password you can ask for a new one to be sent directly to your email address.

If you need any assistance with the online re-enrollment, please contact the office. There are help sheets that provide a step by step process on how to enroll online, or you can always come into the office and complete enrollment there with help.

Leaders & Volunteer Dues

Dues for the parents and leaders association are \$5.00 per person. Dues not only give you voting rights in the association but also provide you with liability insurance. Turn your dues into the office or Launa Feickert by December 15th.

Volunteers are also responsible for a \$10.00 annual fee. This fee covers your background check and liability insurance.

On January 6th, SD 4-H will be hosting an introductory workshop for robotics. An overview of the robotics curriculums will be provided as well as an introduction to LEGO MINDSTORMS programming. The workshop will be held via DDN with locations at the Sioux Falls Regional Center, Rapid City West River Ag Center, Pierre Regional Center, Aberdeen Regional Center, Winner Regional Center, and Selby High School. Pre-registration through iGrow is required. For more information or questions, contact Christine Wood at 605-782-3290 or Christine.Wood@sdstate.edu.



Christmas at the Courthouse

An open house and tree judging contest will be held December 8, 9:00-4:00 pm. The public will be asked to cast their vote for first and second place tree.

Recognition Pictures 2017

