Bowman County 4-H
Newsletter

2010

Calendar of Upcoming Events
• May 6 - Weigh-Ins
• May 6 - 4-H Council Meeting
• May 25 - Bowman Youth Activity Day
• May 25 - Communication Arts & Project Expo. at 3:30 (after Youth Activity Day)
• June 2 - District Communication Arts & Project Expo. - New England
• June 2 - Consumer Choice Judging - upper level of the Courthouse 1-2 pm
• June 5th - Livestock Day Camp - Bowman County Fairgrounds
• June 10 - Shooting Sports Camp - Amidon
• June 15 - 18 - Range Camp - Logging Camp Ranch
• July 11 - 4-H Horse Show - 1:30 pm
• July 15 - 18 - Bowman County Fair

Livestock Day Camp
The Livestock Day Camp will be Saturday June 5th at the Bowman All Season’s Arena. Youth will bring their own animals to camp if available. They will start with an in-depth session on the species they brought, but will also rotate to each of the other species. Species will include beef, sheep, goats, dairy, horse, and rabbits & poultry. This is a opportunity to learn about showing, fitting, and general animal care.

Range Camp
The dates are scheduled for June 15-18 at the Logging Camp Ranch near Amidon. The camp can hold 40 campers and is open to all youth 13-18. An e-mail will be sent out to all 4-Hers and leaders with an application form attached. If you are interested in attending, but do not receive the e-mail contact the office for a copy. The Bowman/Slope SCD will once again sponsor the registration fee. If you have questions about this event or wish for more information, please contact the office.

Bowman County Youth Activity Day
The Bowman County Youth Activity Day brochures have been sent to the school to be distributed. If you are interested in attending, make sure and fill out the registration form and return it to the Extension Office. The day camp will be on May 25th with Registration beginning at 9:30 am.

2nd Annual Squirt’s Bridle & Bible Camp
There will be a 2 day camp held in memory of Amanda “Squirt” Martian on June 14th & 15th at the Reva Gap, 25 miles East of Buffalo, SD. This free-will camp features hands on horsemanship classes as well as engaging bible lessons. A couple highlights will be local artists singing around the camp fire Monday night and a trail ride through the scenic buttes. For more information please contact Medora Stevenson at the Extension Office.

Canning Labels
Included in this newsletter is canning labels for all members who are enrolled in the canning project.

The State Fair Books are at the office. They will be distributed at weigh-ins and will also be available to be picked up at the Extension Office.

Council Meeting May 6th
The next council meeting will be May 6th after weigh ins. Agenda items: Finalize Livestock Day Camp, Youth Activity Day, and 2010 Bowman County Fair Schedules.
April - Month of the Military Child

April is month of the Military Child and a great time to bring awareness of the unique stresses and challenges facing military youth and children when a family member deploys. Operation Military Kids was created to help “suddenly military” youth before, during and after their parents are deployed. The River Rambler 4-H club and the NDSU Bowman County Extension Service presented Tristen & Peyton Peterson with Hero Packs from Operation Military Kids for their bravery while their mom is deployed. The packs included, support information to assist them during the stressful deployment, a thank you letter, and a few fun items for them to enjoy. The packs are a symbol of thanks to Peyton and Tristen for the sacrifices they make every day and to honor them for their strength.

Fair Trophies
It’s the time of year again to recruit sponsors for Fair Trophies. Thank you to all of the clubs that sponsor a trophy or trophies. If your club does not sponsor a trophy, we strongly encourage you to consider it. You can call our office to see which trophies do not have a sponsor.

ND Junior Beef Expo and Western Star Heifer Classic
4-H, FFA and junior breed association members 21 years old and younger will again have the chance to participate in two major youth beef events at the Upper Missouri Valley Fairgrounds in Williston in June. The Western Star Regional Junior Heifer Classic and the ND Junior Beef Expo will both be held there. The Western Star will be June 25-26 and the ND Jr. Beef Expo will be June 26-27. Please contact the office for registration information.

Geospatial Technologies & 4-H
Geospatial technologies have been identified as one of the three highest growth industries in the US today. This training will be for Extension Staff, 4-H Volunteers, and 4-H members (13 or older.) This hands on training will be held in Bismarck, ND on June 2, 3, and 4, 2010. If you would like more information about this event, please contact the Extension Office.

Prepretual Starter Flock Program
A program initiated by the North Dakota Lamb and Wool Producers Assoc. with the intent to encourage and assist young people to enter the sheep and wool industries and help sustain this important food and fiber industry and our American culture. For an application to be accepted into this program, please contact the office.

May Meeting Question for Roll Call: What is your favorite part about spring?