


# March

2020

4-H Friday! 03.13.2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
15 Shooting Sports Match 2 Deadline  YQCA Training- Butte Electric (Newell, SD) 4:00pm	16  YQCA Training- Hermosa 6:30pm	17  	18	19	20	21  Meade County Corn Hole Tournament
22	23	24	25	26  Jr. Leaders Meeting 5:15 WTB	27  YQCA Training- Union Center 4:30pm	28  2020 Shootout (Flyer attached)
29	30	31	April 1  Camp Registration Opens up!  SD 4-H Scholarship Deadline Registration for State Shoot Opens (Instructions Attached)	2	3	4
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18

Website: <https://www.pennco.org/4h>

Facebook: [Pennington County 4-H](#)

## *FYIs*

### Teens for Jeans

Don't forget that Pennington County 4-H is helping the South Dakota State 4-H Ambassadors with their Teens for Jeans project! All donations will make a local impact, we as a county have decided to partner with a local VFW Auxiliary and all of these jeans donated to us will go to veterans in the area! We will be accepting jeans in our office until August 1st - All jeans are welcome: ripped, holey, patched, or stained, they will take them all and use them to make different items for our local veterans!

### Camp updates

All contracts are in and dates are officially set! They will need many counselors, chaperones, and camp nurses to help camp function! Registration

will open on [Extension.sdstate.edu](http://Extension.sdstate.edu) on April 1.

- 4-H Camp Poinsett June 3-5; 8-10; 10-12
- 4-H Camp Storm Mountain June 8-10; 10-12
- 4-H Teen Camp at Bob Marshall June 16-19

### South Dakota 4-H Scholarship Deadline

The deadline for submitting scholarship applications to the State 4-H Office is April 1, 2020. The webpage has been updated with the qualifications and amounts for 2020-2021. – To date, there have not been any submissions!

- *Website:* <https://extension.sdstate.edu/event/south-dakota-4-h-scholarship-deadline>

### Rodeo Forms updated for 2020

- 2020 Rodeo Rulebook:
  - <https://extension.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/2020-01/P-00019.pdf>
- 2020 Rodeo Policy and Procedure Document:
  - <https://extension.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/2020-01/P-00015.pdf>
- Finals Entry Packet (Due May 1):
  - <https://extension.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/2020-01/MC-00746.pdf>
- Insurance Declaration Form (do not send in with finals packet):
  - <https://extension.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/2020-01/MC-00745.pdf>
- 2020 Rodeo Approval Form (Due March 1):
  - <https://extension.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/2020-01/MC-00744.pdf>

## Event Dates

- Pennington County Horse Show: June 29<sup>th</sup> Rain out Date: July 1<sup>st</sup>
- State Horse Show – July 20 – July 22
- **Achievement Days – August 21 – 30**
  - **Display Exhibit judging is TBD until we know the deadline for State Fair Exhibits.**
- State Dog Show – August 29
- State Fair – September 3 – September 7

## Leadership Academy

- This year for her South Dakota 4-H Ambassador term, Jessica Kott will be launching a Youth Leadership Academy. It will all be virtual platform with 12 lessons or assignments. At the end of the academy, participants will receive a certificate. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me her at 605-680-5188 or email [kottjessicam@gmail.com](mailto:kottjessicam@gmail.com). You can sign up at:
  - <https://forms.gle/L1BzKBw447zS9NLv7>

## Calling All Champions!

- Manna Pro is “Calling All Champions” to showcase their 4-H experience, past and present, in a photo mosaic available on [MANNAPRO.COM/4H](http://MANNAPRO.COM/4H). All participants will receive coupons from Manna Pro and the states with the most photos submitted will be eligible for cash prizes. The promotion will run from February 1, 2020 through April 30, 2020 to help bring 4-H programs to more youth across the country and Inspire all Kids To Do. For more details and official contest rules, please
  - [HTTPS://WWW.MANNAPRO.COM/4H](https://www.mannapro.com/4h).

## Animals in 4HOnline

- Families may start entering animals in 4HOnline. They have until June 1st at 11:59 p.m. to add any animal they would like to identify. After June 1st, they will still be allowed to upload Registration Papers and YQCA Certificates until July 1st at 11:59 p.m. Companion Animals are the exception and may be added until August 11th at 11:59 p.m.

## New 4-H Camp for Youth at NeSoDak

- We are excited to announce a new camp for youth ages 12-14 at NeSoDak in Waubay, SD. This new camp runs from Sunday, 6/28 to Wednesday, 7/1. Participants will have an opportunity to explore Enemy Swim Lake in canoes, bike through the Waubay National Wildlife Refuge, and participate in other outdoor activities throughout the week! Registration will be available online at [Extension.SDState.edu](http://Extension.SDState.edu) beginning April 1.

## Listen. Learn. Lead Digital Series Continues

- South Dakota 4-H Ambassador Danika Gordon wants to help youth across South Dakota gain leadership and communication skills. In order to accomplish this, Gordon has established a website titled Listen, Learn, Lead. – or L3 for short – where youth can watch TED Talks with messages focused on growing their personal skills. Read the attached news release for more information or to access the website URL.

- *Attachment: 2020.ListenLearnLead\_Gordon\_NewsRelease.pdf*

#### South Dakota 4-H Performing Arts Troupe Camp – June 14 – 20, 2020

- The South Dakota 4-H Performing Arts Troupe is a theater arts educational experience for youth ages 13 – 18 as of January 1 of the current year, or have completed 7<sup>th</sup> grade prior to camp. Camp week prepares youth to perform a musical variety show at the end of the week, at optional summer venues, and 5 performances at the 2020 South Dakota State Fair, September 5-7, 2020. Attached is the flyer.
  - *Attachment: SD 4-H Performing Arts Camp Flyer.pdf*

#### 4-H Membership in 4HOnline

- Just a reminder that 4-H youth who participate in State Events must be an active 4-H member. In order to participate in the State Horse Show, State Dog Show, State Fair, and State Livestock Judging/Skill-A-Thon/Quiz Bowl youth must be enrolled in 4-H by May 31<sup>st</sup> at 11:59 p.m. If they are not enrolled by this deadline they will not be imported into Fair Entry. If they are not imported into Fair Entry, they will not be allowed to sign in and enter for the State Event.

#### T-Shirts

- The store for ordering Pennington County 4-H Clothing is now open: Please follow this link if you are interested in making a purchase! <https://pennco4h2019.itemorder.com/>

#### Christmas Ornaments!

- Last year we were able to decorate a tree for 4-H during the Christmas at the Mansion and it was a huge hit! We figured while all of the clover decorations are out it would be the perfect time to ask: We are asking that each club design a ornament or two for the tree next year, the requirements are as follows:
  - Must be green or white
  - Should contain the clubs name
  - If you choose to use a clover, it MUST be 4 leaf as it is representing 4-H!
- Please let me know if you have any questions!

## *Meet the staff!*

### Jane Amiotte – 4-H Youth Program Advisor



I have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Outdoor Education from Black Hills State University. I have 3 Associate degrees from Western Dakota Tech in Natural Resources, Farm and Ranch Management, and Business Management.

I am the Leave No Trace State Advocate for South Dakota, just recently received my National Geographic Certified Educator certification, Certified GLOBE Instructor, Wilderness First Responder and received my Basic Wildland Fire Orientation-Certified at Level 1 and Certified as a South Dakota Rescue Technician, former voting member of the Rapid City Urban Wildlife Committee, Instructor for Project WET, Project WILD, Project Learning Tree, and the Izaak Walton League's Save Our Streams (SOS) Instructor. I am also on the Board for the Black Hills Recreational Leaders Laboratory. I am Co-President of the Hill City Evergreen Garden Club and a Pennington County Master Gardener.

Before being hired as the 4-H Youth Program Advisor here in Pennington County, I worked for South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks as a Seasonal Fisheries Biologist, a Naturalist-Intern at The Outdoor Campus-West, Visitor's Service at Custer State Park, Biological Science Technician for Mount Rushmore Memorial and the Inventory and Monitoring Program for the National Park Service.

While working for SDSU I have completed my South Dakota Youth Preparedness Initiative Instructor Certification as well as the Youth Mental Health First Aid Instructor Certification.

I am married to Richard and we have four grown children and one grandson-one in the United States Air Force (his wife is in the Navy), one a Law Enforcement Officer, one is a 3rd year Medical School Student (his wife is a teacher at Rapid City High School), and one works as a manager at a local business in Rapid City. Spencer just turned 6 months old and I get to babysit often! I cannot forget that my family also includes my 2 dogs and 2 cats. When I'm not working (even sometimes when I am working), I like to take hikes, explore the beautiful Black Hills and tour new places. I also enjoy cooking, gardening and working out on our land to get it ready for our dream home. In general-just being outside!

Stop in and say 'Hi!'

## Kim Suckow- 4-H Staff Assistant



I have lived in Rapid City for 7 years now and my husband, Greg, and I have one daughter, Savanna. She is a 6<sup>th</sup> grader and is in Softball, plays the Saxophone in Band and plays Volleyball. She has been in 4-H since she was 6 as a Cloverbud. She shoots Air Rifle, Archery, and does many of the project areas including Rabbit, Foods & Nutrition, Visual Arts just to mention a few. I have been the Staff Assistant for 2 years now and really enjoy it. I have a few hobbies I love that I don't get to do near enough. I like to cross stitch, scrapbook, and do crafts. Christmas is my favorite holiday. My family loves to ride motorcycle, camp, and do things outside.

## Regina Bakley – 4-H Youth Program Advisor



Hey All! A little history on me, grew up on my family's farm north of Brookings where we raised Red Angus cattle and field crops. I was a very active member of Brookings county 4-H; my activities included showing swine, goats, rabbits, chickens and cattle throughout the years, as well as participating in fashion review, shooting sports where I was given the opportunity to attend the National Contest Twice, photography, Performing Arts and many other areas. After graduating high school, I continued to be a part of Brookings County 4-H and was a member of the Brookings 4-H Promotion & Expansion Committee, the Hobo Day Float Committee and helped with Achievement Days whenever possible. I attended South Dakota State University where I obtained a BS in Health Education with a Minor in Health Science. I moved to Rapid City in 2017, got engaged, bought a house and got married in 2018! In my spare time I enjoy being outdoors, hunting, fishing, volunteering with the Miss SD organization, doing home remodel projects and spending time with my husband Trae and our three dogs: Kimber, Gator and Mr. Wilson!