



JUNE 2009
FALL RIVER & CUSTER COUNTY NEWSLETTER

A GREAT OPORTUNITY!

Mark Barnes of the Uncle Monkey's Melo Drama Company has offered to provide a Melo Drama camp and the opportunity to perform a Melo Drama for youth 12-18 this summer. This will be a time commitment of meeting to audition, and several practices (in June and July) before the shows that will possibly be performed (in August) at the Custer County 4-H Achievement Days, the Central States Fair and in Hot Springs of Buffalo Gap-all show details are pending at this time and will be confirmed as soon as possible.

This is what the project will entail. We will need actors, makeup artists, prop and lighting technicians, costume people, etc. to come to our organizational meeting on Monday, June 22nd at 6:30 pm at the Pennington Co. 4-H Building. This will be audition night for the aspiring actors and actresses, and to sign up night for the production crew. Following this organizational night practices will begin the following Sunday, June 28th and continue every Sunday through July and August if needed before the performances.

Then July 15-17 there will be a three day camp at Camp Bob Marshall to fine tune and learn more about stage productions, with a possible side trip to the Black Hills Playhouse on day. All participants will be required to attend the camp. The total cost for this experience including the supplies, camp fees, script and royalty fees will be \$55.00/member of cast or crew.

If you are interested and would like to participate please contact LaDonna McKnight at the Custer Co. Extension Office 673-4971 or ladonna.mcknight@sdstate.edu to pre-register by June 12th so we will have an approximate number of who is interested before our meeting on the 22nd. Once we know who is interested we will send out an application form to get an idea of how you would like to participate-act or various crew positions.

Congratulations
to all of the
Graduates in Fall
River and Custer
Counties!
Best wishes in all
you do!



Fall River 4-H Parents/Leaders Meeting

July 7th – 5:30 p.m. – Fall River County Courthouse

Fall River 4-H Members Assembly Meeting

Members Assembly Meeting June 14 – 4:00 p.m. – St. Anthony's Church – Hot Springs

Custer County 4-H Leaders Meeting-

Monday, July 13th at 6:30 pm at the Fairgrounds in Hermosa. All leaders and parents encouraged to attend. County 4-H Achievement Days work schedule to be discussed.

FALL RIVER PHONATHON – Fall River County Phone-a-thon is set for June 28, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at the Fall River County Extension Office. **ALL CLUBS** are to send representatives to work the Phone-a-thon. Pizza will be served to all workers following the calling event.

DOG FRISBEE & AGILITY COMPETITION

On Saturday, June 6th at the State Home grounds in Hot Springs, there will be Frisbee events and agility trials. Registration starts at 7:00 a.m. There will be a parade of the contestants at 9:00 with a demonstration on the agility equipment immediately following, approx. 9:30. The Frisbee Competition will begin at 10:00. Following a break, the Agility competition will begin, approx. at 11:00. Awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places will be given in each event.

Please bring your dog's vaccination record and your parents will need to sign a waiver of liability form, if under 18 years old, when you register. If you have any questions, please call Barb Rosane at 745-6802.

Special Foods Contest

July 7th at the Odd Fellow's Hall in Edgemont will be the Fall River & Custer County Special Foods Contest. A Cloverbud event will be scheduled for 9:00 a.m. with the 8 – 18 4-H member contest beginning at 9:45 a.m.

A tasting of all foods prepared will follow the Cloverbud event and judging of the 4-H member's entries. Pre-registration is due to the Fall River Extension Office July 3rd (745-5133). Contact the Extension office for preparation materials for the Special Foods Contest and guidelines for the Cloverbud event. Please pre-register by July 1st with the Fall River Office at 745-5133.

4-H Cat Workshop

How do you show a cat? Very carefully!

A free workshop on showing cats for the 4-H project will be held **June 17**, 2:00 p.m. at the Odd Fellows Hall in Edgemont and at 6:30 p.m. at the Fall River County Extension Office in Hot Springs. If you are interested in showing a cat at 4-H Achievement Days Cat Show please pre-register for this informative hands-on session. 4-H members are encouraged to bring their cats. All cats must have current health papers and have an appropriate carrier. Pre-register by June 15 with the Fall River County Extension office at 745-5133.

Photography Project Day

This year there are many changes to the photography classes in the State Fair Book. In order to help you figure out what and how to meet these new requirements the following project days have been set up:

June 23rd in Custer at 2:00 pm at the Courthouse Annex-Pine Room and 6:30 pm at the Fairgrounds in Hermosa.

June 24th at 3:00 pm in Edgemont at the Odd Fellows Hall, and at 6:30 pm at the Masonic Temple in Hot Springs.

We will be discussing the new classes and what the new guidelines are, as well as using your photos to create an exhibit ready for the fair! Learn to pick the best photos, mount them properly and what the judges look for at the fair.

Please bring **six (6)** of your best photos from this year. Bring a combination of people, animals, buildings, landscapes, etc. I will have a supply of matte board and foam board available for you to purchase. Check the class requirements to figure out picture sizes and numbers or pictures needed for each class you plan to enter. Please call the county office to pre-register by June 19th. **PLEASE NOTE:** Both County offices have purchased a supply of the pre-cut foam board that will be available for purchase for your photo projects.

Rocketry Workshop

The workshop will start on Friday June 12th from 2-4. During this time the youth will build their rockets and if time allows paint. Then on Saturday, June 13th from 9-12 we will finish any rockets and then discuss some safety issues. If time allows I will show how to build a launch pad and controls. At noon we will have lunch at the softball fields by the High School and then launch the rockets as many times as the youth wish to launch and weather permitting.

Supplies to bring:

Rocket Kit, Paint, Glue

Tools necessary to build rockets (Exacto knives, pliers, scissors, paint brushes, old news papers, clamps, etc) Bring a launch pad for Saturday if you have one. Bring a sack lunch for Saturday.

Parents/Family are welcome to attend Please pre-register with the Custer Office by Wednesday the 10th at 5:00 pm

South West Dakota 4-H Rodeo

Sunday, June 21st in Hermosa.

Volunteers to help out are needed.

Please contact Julie Maude if interested or willing.

Horse Show Practices

will be held in Hermosa-Joan Jenkins will once again this year hold Horse Show practices-the first one will be June 2nd at 6:00 pm in Hermosa at the Fair Grounds. For more information please contact Joan at 255-4341. A regular schedule will be set up on the 2nd.



Beef Cook-Off to be held at State Fair

The South Dakota Cattlemen's organization is hosting a State Fair Beef Cook-Off September 4th at the State Fair. They are hoping to get interested home cooks to compete. The contest will be at the Women's Building - open to men and women, ages 10 and older. The cooking categories are BEEF SALADS and FAST FAMILY FAVORITES. 4-Hers will be able to use their Special Foods Recipes for this contest. Recipes must be sent to Karla Pazour by August 5th (see address on brochure) and a group will determine finalists. Finalists will be notified and given a time slot to cook on September 4th. They will work with 4-Hers (if they should have other events scheduled for that day). For more information:

Karla Pazour (605) 894-4490

Nancy Stirling Neuhauser (605) 567-3328

Lisa Dorschner 605) 280-6339 www.sd cattlemen.org
OR www.sdbef.org

Please be sure to pre-register by the published dates for each workshop at your local Extension Office. If we do not have enough interest in a workshop it may be cancelled.

4-H Achievement Days Pre-Registration

4-H Achievement Days will be here before we know it. Here are some tips to help make the process a little easier. Pre-registration sheets for 4-Hers to pre-register their fair exhibits will be sent out in July. They will be due to your county office on the date set by each office. If you need additional sheets just put the required information on a separate sheet of paper. Your county office will print the **computer generated exhibit tags** for your pre-registered exhibits. The old exhibit tags will not be accepted!! **We strongly encourage you to pre-register your exhibits**, to avoid standing in line at the County Fair while we print out the computer generated exhibit tags. Please list all of the exhibits (including livestock) on the registration sheet that you might bring to Achievement Days. Most of your class numbers will come from the State Fair Book, but some will come out of the County Fair Book-this varies by county so be sure to read and follow all instructions.

Custer/Fall River County Horse Show

will be held July 2nd in Hermosa. Pre-registration materials have been sent out-please contact your county office if you did not receive them or you need another copy. They are **DUE JUNE 19th**-late entries will not be accepted.

IRS Information – Administrative Leaders!!

Leaders – By now you should have completed the online steps and submitted your 990N Form. Please notify the Extension Office when you have completed this task. If for some reason you have not submitted your 990N form, please do so immediately!

State Fair Books will be available next week-in Fall River County be sure to stop in and pick yours up at the Fall River Office.

In Custer County the books will be delivered to your Club Leader next week-Be sure to get it from your leader.

There is a book for every family!

You will need this book for Achievement Day Pre-registration.

4-H Million Trees Project

In March, 2008, the 4-H Million Trees (4HMT) Project was launched. This large scale service-learning project has a goal to plant 1,000,000 trees across the US by 2011. Clubs from across the US are invited to participate in this community service project by planting native trees in their areas. Anyone interested in participating, should visit www.4hmilliontrees.org to register or contact 4hmilliontrees@gmail.com for more information.