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4-H Youth Council Newsletter



South Dakota State Fair just around corner

People, food, and fun! The South Dakota State Fair is quickly approaching. Soon hundreds of eager people will be gathering at the gates of the Huron Fairgrounds. Will you be among the crowd, or sitting at home with nothing to do? If you are looking for somewhere to go on September 2 through the 6th, the South Dakota State Fair in Huron is THE place to be. Bring a friend along with you and check out the livestock barns and the 4-H exhibits. Look around for the State 4-H Youth Council Members. We'll be ready to answer any questions you have for us. Check out the State Fair Hand Book for the complete list of the State Fair 4-H Events. We hope to see YOU at the fair!

Choose the Statewide 4-H Community Service Project

Have you ever wanted to be involved in statewide decisions? Do you want your voice to be heard? Youth from across South Dakota will have the opportunity to vote on the Statewide Community Service Project for the 2010-2011 4-H year at the South Dakota State Fair. Stop by the 4-H Info Center North of the National Guard Armory, in the Beadle County Extension office behind the 4-H Stage, or any of the other numerous locations to cast your vote for the Statewide Community Service Project. This year's topics to vote on are: Military Support, Children's Charity, and Giving to Others. Each club across the state will be responsible for completing a service activity, under the winning community service topic, sometime next year. If you are unable to attend the State Fair, check out our Facebook page and 'like' your favorite Statewide Community Service Project topic.



New 2010-2011 State 4-H Officers and Youth Council selected at State 4-H Teen Leadership Conference

The South Dakota State 4-H Teen Leadership Conference (TLC) was held in the beginning of June. This year's theme, iTLC...syncing our futures, incorporated technology into leadership learning. During TLC, last year's 4-H Youth Council was actively involved in teaching classes, facilitating summit group discussions, and keeping the conference running smoothly. At the conclusion of TLC, the new State 4-H Officer Team and Youth Council Members were announced.

2010-2011 State 4-H Officer Team

President – Bradley Cihak
Vice President – Jessica Duerre
Secretary – Andrea Paulson
Treasurer – Daniel Vellek
Publicist – Mark Sperry
Historian – Sammy Keller

2010-2011 State 4-H Youth Council Super C's

Caroline Hansen Shelby Kroupa Erin Wilson

2010-2011 State 4-H Youth Council Members

Second Year Members: Alyssa Morgan Jill Stern Drew Wolter
First Year Members: Laura Alexander Brittany Cihak Dillon Bohlander
Amanda Finley Rob Foiles Nathan Jager Andee Keller
Rachel Mairose Katie Martinez Sami Sleep Sarah Tow

Congratulations to all of the new State 4-H Youth Council Officers and Members and good luck on another busy year of planning, promoting, and leading 4-H leadership events across the state!

Upcoming Events

- August – Achievement Days
- August – Booth at Dakota Fest
- September 2 – State Fair Begins
- September 6 – State Fair Ends
- December – Winter Retreat
- January – Legislative Day
- Feb. & March – InB Events



Meet the State 4-H Youth Council Advisors

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[South Dakota State 4-H Council 2010-2011](#)
And
 [SD Teen Leadership Conference](#)

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Meet the New State 4-H Officer Team!

The State 4-H Youth Council Officer Team is here for YOU, the youth and adults of South Dakota! We want to hear your ideas and concerns about the 4-H Program. One of our main goals this year is to promote the 4-H Program as much as possible and to increase club enrollment numbers. We want to know how you are promoting 4-H or how we can help make your 4-H promotion ideas become reality! Contact the State 4-H Youth Council on Facebook by visiting the "South Dakota State 4-H Council 2010-2011" page.



President – Bradley Cihak

Responsible for developing the year's educational program and presiding over the meetings, is Bradley Cihak, son of Charlotte and John Cihak of Tyndall, SD. Bradley, 18, has one younger sister, Brittany.

Bradley was a senior at Bon Homme High School last spring and will be a freshman this fall at SDSU. In high school, he was involved in Cross Country, Drama, FFA, Golf, National Honor Society, and Student Council.

Bradley has been a 4-H member for 9 years. He is a member of the Town & Country Clovers 4-H Club in Bon Homme County. In 4-H, he is involved in Community Service projects, Judging Competitions, and other Youth In Action activities. His favorite projects include Dairy Cattle, Home Living, Public Speaking, Sheep, Visual Arts, and Wood Science.

This year, Bradley's goals as a State 4-H Youth Council Officer are to inform the state legislators and others about the importance of 4-H. He also hopes to gain more 4-H members across the state.

Bradley enjoys working on the farm and with his sheep, golfing, and staying active in 4-H by helping younger members.



Vice President – Jessica Duerre

Responsible for planning the TLC opening ceremony and coordinating the State Fair Info Center, is Jessica Duerre, daughter of Vicki and Thad Duerre of Bristol, SD. Jessica, 16, has three younger siblings, Nathan, Allison, and Brianna.

Jessica will be a senior this fall at Webster High School. At school, she is a Boys Varsity Football and Basketball Cheerleader, Wrestling Statistician, Band member, Student Body Reporter, Key Club Member, and a National Honor Society member.

Jessica has been a 4-H member for 10 years. She is a member of the Coteau Hills 4-H Club in Day County. In 4-H, she is involved in Fashion Revue, Judging Competitions, Special Foods, and other Youth In Action activities. Her favorite projects include Beef, Chicken, Dog, Pig, Public Speaking, Rabbit, Sheep, and Shooting Sports.

This year, Jessica's goals as a State 4-H Youth Council Officer are to increase the number of delegates attending TLC and to promote the South Dakota 4-H Youth Council.

Jessica enjoys reading, cooking, cheerleading, water sports, and shopping.

