



NEWSHOUND

March 2009

BROWN COUNTY ROBOTICS KITS GUIDELINES

The Brown County Leaders have purchased two Robotics Kits for Clubs to use. The Brown County 4-H Leaders have the following guidelines for the use of the Kits purchased by Brown County.

- The Robotics Kits may only be checked out to 4-H Club Leaders.
- The Robotics Kits are to be used in a club setting and not loaned to individual families.
- The club is responsible for the cost replacement of any missing pieces of the kits after they are returned.
- The kits can be **checked out for a maximum of a period of two weeks** at a time.
- If individuals families would like to use the kits they may use the kit in the Brown County Extension Office during the regular office hours. It is suggested that they call to schedule a time so that space is available.
- To check out a Robotics Kit call the Brown County Office (626-7120) to check the availability and reserve a date. MZ

86TH LITTLE INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION

The 2009 Little I will be held on March 27th-28th at SDSU, Brookings. If your club would like to attend the exposition, take a tour of the campus or participate in the livestock judging contest, check out the Little I website at <http://ars.sdstate.edu/LittleI/Little%20I%202005/LI/Templates/index.dwt> There, you will find more information, registration form, schedule, listing of staff, and at the conclusion of the event, results.

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PHONATHON SIGN-UP

This year's 4-H Foundation Phonathon will be conducted Sunday and Monday evenings, March 29th and 30th, 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Extension Office. Pizza and orientation will begin at 5:00 p.m. Calling will commence at 6:00 p.m. and continue to 9:00 p.m. on both evenings (or as needed on Sunday evening). 4-H members and adults are needed for each evening. 4-H members will be calling past and potential 4-H Foundation donors and the adults will be assembling envelopes and accomplishing other tasks.

A County 4-H Phonathon sign-up [form](#) is included in the Main 4-H Club Leaders packet. Leaders, please discuss the 4-H Phonathon at your March meeting, poll your club members and parents for callers and helpers, and return the completed form to the Extension Office by March 17th (4-H Fruit delivery day).

Star callers (those with a set minimum of caller points, or more) receive hooded sweatshirts. The 2008 Phonathon resulted in \$3,456.10 back to Brown County to be used for awards, training, scholarships, etc.

Questions? Please contact Mike Frey, Phonathon Chairperson, at 605-448-5507. JM

LIVESTOCK VERIFICATION AFFIDAVIT FORMS

To ensure ownership of animals, each 4-H member and their family must complete a form to verify which animals they will be caring for and exhibiting. All market animals will be required to have a green SD 4-H ear tag for identification. Market beef animals weighed and tagged at the December market beef weigh-in are already identified. 4-H members owning these animals will need to complete the Market Beef Verification Affidavit. 4-H

members with market beef not already tagged for identification will need to get SD 4-H tags and tagging pliers from the Extension office to get their animals identified. March 27th is the deadline to have market beef animals identified and the completed Market Beef Verification Affidavit form on file at the Extension Office. Affidavit forms can be printed from the 4-H homepage <http://sdces.sdstate.edu/brown/4h/homepage.htm> or pick them up at the Extension Office.

Market sheep and market swine will need to be ear tagged for identification and have a Verification Affidavit on file at the Extension by May 29th. Breeding animals do not require ear tags but must have a Verification Affidavit on file at the Extension office by May 29th. JM

BEEF SKILL-A-THON TEST

The Beef Skill-a-thon study packet is available at the Extension office. The Beef Skill-a-thon test can be taken by 4-H members anytime Monday through Friday through the month of March, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at the Extension office. Other arrangements can be made if this time frame absolutely does not work for you. Remember the Beef Skill-a-thon test is one of the requirements to qualify for the Breeding Beef and Market Beef Super Bowl Contests and, if the state-level 4-H Livestock Skill-a-thon Contest is reinstated this year, the test scores will be used to determine Brown County's team of four seniors. JM

MARKET SHEEP & MARKET SWINE WEIGH-IN

Market Sheep and Market Swine weigh-in day will be Friday, May 1st, 4:00 to 6:00 p.m., beef barn wash rack area at the Fairgrounds. This weigh-in and identification of your animal is the first step to qualifying for the county Super Bowl Contests and any other rate-of-gain contests. There will be a \$1.50 per ear tag charge. Helping hands will be needed, so plan on helping when you come. JM

HORTICULTURE JUDGING WORKSHOP & SCHOOLS

A Horticulture Judging Workshop will be offered on Thursday, April 2nd, 4:00-6:00 p.m. in conjunction with 4-H Judging Schools. The horticulture contest has changed at the state level so a Horticulture Workshop will be offered to familiarize members with the new material and procedure.

Two Horticulture Judging Schools will be held Tuesday, June 23rd and Tuesday, June 30th both from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Extension Office. The scores from these schools will determine Brown County's State Fair 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest team members.

Contest study materials are available at the Extension Office or from the 4-H homepage.

The 2009 Horticulture Judging Contest Requirements will be in the main leader's club packet and posted on the Brown County 4-H Website. JM

RECRUIT & WIN NIGHT AT THE FAIR

The club with the highest percent traditional club membership increase by final enrollment date, May 27, 2009, will win a night at the 2009 Brown County Fair, compliments of the Brown County Fair Board! Recruit new members now! JM



FFA/4-H JUDGING CONTEST

The annual FFA Judging Contest will be Saturday, April 4th. Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. in the Groton High School Gymnasium. 4-Hers are welcomed and encouraged to participate. Please contact Adam Franken, Groton Vocational Ag Instructor (605-397-8381) for more information about the contest. Livestock, Horse and Dairy judging scores from this contest may be used to qualify for the final

4-H teams that will represent Brown County at state 4-H judging contests and to qualify for the county Beef, Sheep and Swine Super Bowls. JM

YOUTH LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST @ NORTHERN PLAINS LIVESTOCK DAY

Another livestock judging opportunity for 4-H members will be the Youth Livestock Judging Contest, part of the Northern Plains Livestock Day activities to be held Saturday, June 6th. Registration for the Livestock Judging Contest will begin at 8:30 a.m., north end of the Livestock Expo, Brown County Fairgrounds. Scores from this contest may be used to qualify for the final 4-H teams that will represent Brown County at state 4-H judging contests and to qualify for the county Beef, Sheep and Swine Super Bowls. JM

RABBIT FUN DAY *By Mike Hassebroek*

Rabbit Fun Day is scheduled for April 25th. Watch the April Newshound for more information.

RESOURCE CONSERVATION SPEECH CONTEST

Applications and more information are on file at the Extension Office if you would like to enter the 48th Annual Resource Conservation Speech Contest. 2009 Topic is "Clean Green Alternative Energy." \$2,300 in Scholarship is awarded. Applications are due to your local Conservation District by March 21st. SLT

SHOOTING SPORTS

BB Gun State Qualifying will be held on February 23rd and March 23rd at the Northern Electric. Contact Lowell Harms at 397-8169 if you have any questions. Cost is \$4 for State Qualifying and \$3 per event that you wish to register for at State Competition.

Archery postal matches will be held at the White Tail Archery Club in Aberdeen on March 3rd, 17th & 31st. For more information contact Mike Rystrom

at 225-0407. The cost is \$4 for State Qualifying and \$3 per event entered.

The State Shooting Sports Match for BB Gun and Archery is April 24th-26th in Ft. Pierre. GE

4-H INSURANCE

The deadline for having your Club 4-H Insurance Premiums to the Extension Office is March 23rd. Each Brown County 4-H member is required to be covered by the 4-H Insurance Policy. Activities not covered include skiing, sledding, tobogganing, tubing and noncommercial air travel.

An insurance [form](#) was provided for you in last month's Newshound for you to submit your club's insurance payment to the Extension Office. Additional information concerning 4-H Insurance and Volunteer Liability was also included in last month's Newshound. Please have the payment and form to the Extension Office by March 23rd. SLT

4-H PUBLIC PRESENTATION DAY

Brown County's Public Presentation Day is tentatively scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on July 9th. Additional information will be included in future Newshounds. GE

2009 TEEN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Make your summer high impact—plan to attend TLC 2009. Our theme this year is CSI: Brookings, and the week of June 9th-12th will be full of mystery, great leadership training, fun and fellowship with teens from across the state of South Dakota.

Early bird registration will be due April 15th, so be watching for the full workshop brochure on the 4-H website. Just click on the TLC link, and you'll find everything you need to get registered. Some special events will be happening at this year's TLC...There will be a special session of Speak Out for Military Kids training (SOMK), where we will be creating PSA's and podcasts to be used in the schools and communities affected by the April deployments. We will also host the State 4-H Dairy Judging Competition during TLC, so if you are a dairy judge, consider attending the entire conference. Still

under negotiation are potential in depth programs in the areas of animation, camp counselor training and range science.

As always, there will be a wide variety of workshops to help you develop your leadership skills, discover new areas of participation in and out of 4-H, and to explore potential career opportunities on the SDSU campus.

TLC costs \$150 per person, \$175 after the April 15th early bird deadline. There will be transportation from West River. SLT

4-H JUDGING SCHOOLS (Family & Consumer Science, Visual Arts, Photography, Horticulture)

Following are the dates for the judging schools in the identified areas. Within the first two schools a 1st and 2nd year member may come to an orientation at 4:00 p.m. or 5:00 p.m., otherwise other members who are aware of the judging procedure may judge any time after 4:00 p.m. and before 6:00 p.m. Judging takes about 1/2-3/4 hour. Two additional schools will be held in the summer. At those events members may judge any time between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Members should plan to attend accordingly, as judging classes will not be re-displayed at a later date. Please note, the location will be at the Brown County Extension Office.

First and second year judging members may receive help from an experienced judge during the first and second school, but will be expected to do their own work after that.

In case of inclement weather and a school needs to be cancelled classes will be rescheduled in June. Cancellations will be aired on the following radio stations: KKAA, KGIM and KSDN.

The state judging team member selection for Brown Co. in the Beginner Division (*ages 8-10*), Junior Division (*ages 11-13*) and Senior Division (*ages 14 and up*) will be based on the following for the identified areas:

- Family & Consumer Science: The combined score of two schools will determine the

team members asked to be on the state judging team representing Brown Co. If any of the top twelve individuals decline, team members will be selected from the subsequent high scores. If there are not enough persons who attended two schools, then the selection will be based on the high score of one school, etc.

- Photography: The high two scores from the schools will be combined. Participants with the four high scores will compromise the team. If four persons are not available, those who have attended one school will be contacted.
- Visual Arts: The high two scores from the schools will be added. Participants with the four high scores will compromise the team. If four persons are not available, those who have attended one school will be contacted.
- Horticulture: A horticulture judging workshop will be held April 2nd. State team selection will be from high scores of members attending the horticulture judging schools on June 23rd and June 30th. The two scores will be averaged to determine teams. If there are insufficient 2-score participants for team, one score participants will be considered.

Following is a schedule of the judging schools and individuals who indicated they would assist with tabulation. All schools will be held in the Brown Co. Extension Office. Additional parents, leaders or junior leaders may assist scoring. If there are not enough helpers to assist in scoring, the cards will be scored at a later date.

Family & Consumer Science, Photography & Visual Arts Schools

Date: Tuesday, March 24th

Judging Time: After 4:00 p.m. & begin before 6:00 p.m.

Orientation for New Members:

4:00 p.m. or 5:00 p.m.

Helpers: 4:00 p.m. Pat Downing, Kathy Sperry, Renee Marzahn

Family & Consumer Science, Photography, Visual Arts Schools & Horticulture Workshop

Date: Thursday, April 2nd

Judging Time: After 4:00 p.m. & begin

before 6:00 p.m.

Orientation for New Members:

4:00 p.m. or 5:00 p.m.

Helpers: 4:00 p.m. Ellen Schlosser,
Robin O'Neil

Family & Consumer Science, Photography, Visual
Arts & Horticulture Schools

Date: Tuesday, June 23rd

Time: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Family & Consumer Science, Photography, Visual
Arts & Horticulture Schools

Date: Tuesday, June 30th

Time: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. MZ/GE/JM

FASHION REVUE & SPECIAL FOODS

Fashion Revue will be held late morning—early afternoon at the Primrose Retirement Community on July 22nd. More details will be provided at a later date.

The Special Foods Contest will be held July 7th in the morning; location pending. MZ

BAKE & TAKE DAY—MARCH 23RD

Bake & Take Day is a promotional event sponsored by the SD Wheat Commission to encourage the use of wheat and the sharing of baked goods with family, friends and the community.

Participants who write in to tell about their Bake and Take Day activities will be entered into a random drawing for \$50 cash in one of four categories. All eligible entries collected via email and U.S. mail by April 15, 2009 will be included. Participants need to indicate a category -- youth individual, youth group, adult individual, and adult group - on the entry form available at the Extension Office or by contacting the SD Wheat Commission.

To enter the drawing, participants need to complete the entry form. Include any community service aspects, the baked goods made and number of participants. Mail entry form to South Dakota Wheat Commission, Box 549, Pierre, SD 57501.

Each year the Commission prints Bake and Take recipe booklets. This year "Wheat Pecan Twists" and "Pumpkin Cranberry Muffins" are the featured recipes; a copy of these 2 recipe's are available at the extension office. The booklets are a fun reminder of the activity and can be given to the recipient. Anyone wanted copies of the booklet may contact the SD Wheat Commission at the above address or email sdwheat@midco.net or call 605-773-4645. It is not necessary to use the recipe provided by the Commission to enter the drawing.

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4-H CAMP COUNSELORS

By Brenda Artz



Junior Leader (age 14 and older)

4-H'ers can begin applying for

4-H camp counselor positions. [Application](#) is available at the Extension Office or on-line at <http://sdces.sdstate.edu/brown/campapplication.doc>. The deadline for submitting your application to the Extension Office is Tuesday, April 21st.

4-H CAMP

By Brenda Artz

2009 Camp Theme is "The Energy Around Us." Brown County's 4-H Camp dates are June 11th-13th and June 18th-20th. Brown County can send 26 to the first session and 25 to Brown County's 2nd session. Camp cost is \$45. The Brown County 4-H Leader's Association will provide \$5 towards each Brown Co. 4-H Camper. Therefore, you pay only \$40 at time of camp sign-up. These funds are made possible through 4-H fruit sales.

- Camp sessions will be filled on a first-come first-serve basis. Camp fees must accompany the camp registration form. The registration form cannot be accepted without the \$40 camp fee, health/code of conduct form, and camp card. Camp T-shirts can also be ordered at camp sign-up.
- Age of campers is restricted to 8-13 years old. Members 14 years old and older can attend camp only if selected as camp counselors. Age is determined on how old the 4-H member is at the time of 4-H camp.
- Campers will not be allowed to switch camp sessions.

Camp fees will not be refunded unless there are special circumstances. If an individual cannot attend camp an alternate can take their place.

4-H'ers may begin registering on March 23rd and deadline for 4-H'ers is April 28th. **No Registrations will be taken before March 23rd!**

Non-4-H'ers may enroll between April 28th-May 1st if sessions are not filled. Cost is \$45 and appropriate forms will need to be filled out.

4-H DOG OBEDIENCE & SHOWMANSHIP SCHOOLS

By Sheryl Erickson

4-H Dog Obedience and Showmanship Schools will be starting, weather permitting in April. Meeting place will be at the Brown County Fairgrounds at 6:00 p.m. till 7:00 p.m. Starting dates will be published in the April Newshound. Parents please accompany your child so you are able to help school at home, if parents are unable to be there each session, make sure you have someone there to pick your child up promptly.

You will need a 6' leather or nylon leash. No chain leashes and no horse leads. Also a choker chain that fits your dog—not too big or small! Bring along a flat, buckle collar too.

We will start agility training and rally exercises in June for those 4-Her's that qualify. You must take a Basic Obedience Class before you can take part in Agility.

We will continue working on showmanship again this year. If you were given a showmanship lead last year, make sure to bring it along to class.

See you all there!

FRUIT SALES FORMS DUE

By Kathy Sperry

4-H Fruit Sale Order Forms should be totaled and money to cover the order should be turned in to your club leader or coordinator by your club due date. Hopefully, every 4-H family has ordered at

least one box of fruit for your own use and met the county goal of selling five boxes of fruit or \$85 worth of products for every member. With the price being comparable to local grocery store prices and the excellent quality, 4-H fruit is a great buy!

Just a few reminders for all 4-H'ers:

The **Yellow Master Club Order Form**, which the leader completes, is due to the Extension Office **before 12:00 Noon, Monday, March 2nd.**

The fruit will be delivered to Aberdeen on **Tuesday, March 17th.** Each club is asked to have **1 volunteer** arrive on **March 17th** at the County Extension Office Garage at **1:00 p.m.** to help with the set-up.

The **club fruit coordinator or leader and the other volunteers** he/she recruits (one person for every 20 boxes club sold) should be at the County Extension Office Garage by **3:45 p.m. on March 17th.**

No vehicles will park in the east side parking lot due to safety concerns.

Vehicles will be allowed to pull in and load out their club's order when it is ready to leave. This will reduce congestion and speed up the load-out process.

Vehicles may park on the street and the west side of the Extension Garage.

Please bring dollies to make load-out easier.

As soon as all the fruit is sorted, the club will pay with one check for the club's order and then remove it to a location for the rest of the club members to pick up the fruit.

All fruit should be delivered to the customers as soon as possible and no later than Thursday, March 19th. As you deliver the fruit ask the customer to inspect it so you know they are happy with the quality.

Any concerns about unsatisfactory fruit should be reported to the Extension Office by 3:00 p.m. on Friday, March 20th.

Be sure to be friendly and thank the customers for purchasing fruit and supporting 4-H. Thank you for all of your help with this super fundraiser!

POULTRY WORKSHOP

A Poultry workshop will be held Thursday, March 26, 6:30 p.m. at the Norstar Credit Union's meeting room in Britton. The class will be taught by Tom Jones and JaNann Jones.

You will learn how to pick out your chicken, care of your chicken and how to bathe and prepare it for showing at Achievement Days. You will watch a short Poultry video and also learn about the parts of a chicken. You will have the opportunity to then order a baby chick that you will raise and show at Achievement Days. You need to pre-register for this workshop by calling the Marshall County Extension Office, 605-448-5171, by April 23RD. Also call if you have any questions. GE

GIRLS JUST GOTTA HAVE FUN!

Looking for something to bring you out of your winter slump and welcome spring? Love spending time with your mother or daughter? We have what you need!

Join us on Saturday, April 18th in Watertown for a fun-filled *girls* day, giving you the perfect excuse to spend some quality one-on-one time with your mom or daughter. Enjoy doing what girls love most - lunch out on a Saturday with their "best gal pal", checking out purses and picking just the right colors for the season!

Come and see what you share with so many other mothers & daughters! Mother & daughter pairs are made up of one mom & one daughter (4th grade on up)

Contact your local Extension Office in mid-March for further information. SLT

HAPPY
ST. PATRICK'S
DAY



MARCH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2nd	Brown Co. Crop Improvement Scholarship Applications Due Fruit Sale Form Due To Extension Office By Noon
17th	Fruit Sale Delivery Date
21st	Resource Conservation Speech Area Contest Deadline
23rd	State 4-H Scholarship Applications Due to Extension Office 4-H Insurance Form & Money Due to Extension Office
24th	FCS, Photography, Visual Arts Judging School
25th	AK-SAR-BEN Market Beef DNA Samples Due to Extension Office
28th	Market Beef Affidavit/Verification Deadline
29th	FFA & 4-H Judging Contest, Groton H.S. Gym National Ag Day 4-H Phonathon, Extension Office
30th	4-H Phonathon, Extension Office
31st	4-H Market Beef Affidavits Due to Extension Office

4-H Motto: "To make the best better"

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.



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Dear 4-H Families,

## The Green Review-Chris Zdorovtsov-Horticulture Extension Educator

### What nutrients do plants need?

Plants need 17 elements to grow and develop properly. Eight of these elements are needed in small quantities. These eight minor or trace elements are known as micronutrients. Even though a plant only needs small amounts of these elements, they are just as important as the macronutrients. They include:



|            |          |           |
|------------|----------|-----------|
| Boron      | Chlorine | Cobalt    |
| Copper     | Iron     | Manganese |
| Molybdenum | Zinc     |           |

Try to remember them by making up a rhyme using the first letter of each element!

### How does climate affect fruit?

Climate is a major factor when growing fruits and nuts. Deciduous plants, the type that drop their leaves and go dormant in the winter, usually grow in the temperate parts of the country. These deciduous plants can handle the freezing temperatures of winter and would not grow well in the warm tropical climate. Some examples include apples, pears or cherries. Tropical and subtropical fruit are mostly evergreen plants that will be severely damaged or even killed by freezing temperatures. For example pineapple or papayas grow well in places like Hawaii or southern Florida.

### 2009 State Horse Show & Livestock Judging Dates

The 2009 South Dakota State 4-H Horse Show is scheduled to take place at the SD State Fairgrounds in Huron, July 21-23, 2009. The livestock judging will take place July 24<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the Summer Spotlight event in Huron.

### State 4-H Scholarships

State 4-H Scholarships are due to the State 4-H Office April 1<sup>st</sup>. Applications and a list of available scholarships can be found on the 4-H website or by calling your local extension office. There are many scholarships available and do not have to be used at SDSU.



### State 4-H Leaders Conference April 4, 2009

Plans are underway for the 2009 State 4-H Leaders Conference that will be held in Sioux Falls on April 4, 2009. Southeast Technical Institute, Sioux Falls from 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Contact your extension office for registration information. It is due by March 15, 2009.



### **South Dakota Horse Fair, Judging & Hippology Contest**

The South Dakota Horse Fair, Inc. will be held at the W.H. Lyon Fairgrounds, (Expo Building and Armory) Sioux Falls, SD March 20-22, 2009. There will be a Horse Judging Contest in conjunction with the South Dakota Horse Fair, Saturday, March 21, 8:30 a.m. at the Armory. Hippology Event at 10:30 a.m., Amory and Horse Safety Training, 3:00 p.m. in the Armory. \$6 fee for adults. \$4 age 6-13, 5 & under free. For more information contact Rhonda Dinan (605)368-2441.

### **North Central 4-H Camp, Lake Richmond**



This pertains to any youth planning on attending 4-H camp in June. We will be completing 2 projects at camp that you can take to your achievement days or fair and exhibit. Please make sure you are signed up for the following projects on your enrollment form: **Crops and Aerospace** The deadline for adding projects is May 31, 2009 which is before 4-H camp. The campers will be making a kite and crop sample board that can be exhibited.

### **So What is INB?**

Are you not sure how to keep your youth ages 11-14 involved? Well we have a solution for you. The South Dakota 4-H Youth Council is hosting INB. The main purpose of this event is to show youth some of the opportunities that lie ahead of them through the 4-H program. The event starts at approximately ten o'clock in the morning and ends at approximately three o'clock that afternoon. There is going to be three of these events held throughout the state this year. They are Pierre, March 7, Aberdeen, March 14, and Sioux Falls, April 4. For registration information please contact your local extension office.

### **TLC—Teen Leadership Conference**

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### **IRS Information**

4-H Clubs should now file their 990N forms with the IRS. This is an on-line form, which takes 5-10 minutes to complete. Clubs should file immediately upon receiving notification from the Extension Office. To file, the club must have their EIN number handy. First you will have to complete a Log In ID and password. Once that is established, it is fairly easy to log in and complete the simple questions to complete the process. FYI—because of when the IRS completed the data base system, clubs may need to file 2007 AND 2008. The necessary form will automatically come up, just note which year is being completed, and print the suggested documentation—then take it to the Extension Office for safe keeping in the your club file.

### **2009 SYSO BB Gun Shoot**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> annual SYSO BB gun shoot is being held Sunday, March 15 at the Sioux Empire Fairgrounds in the armory building. Contact your local extension office for a registration flyer.

## **2009 Air Pistol Rule Changes**

The air pistol rule book has three changes and is effective for 2009. A summary of the changes, completed by the rules committee, is as follows:

1. Paragraph 3.1 has been deleted.
2. Adopt the basic supported position for the beginner (8-10) class. The maximum age would be ten.
3. Permit two target heights, 36" for seated positions and 55" for standing.

## **Workshop for dog project leaders and judges.**



There will be an obedience, showmanship, rally and agility judges training workshop, March 7th at Eagle Pass Lodge in Ree Heights beginning at 8:00am. Participants can arrive Friday night, please specify if you plan on arriving Friday night so that rooms can be assigned. Cost is \$10.00 to cover lunch and refreshments during the breaks. **Register by March 4<sup>th</sup>** so that lunch and refreshments can be planned. Contact your local extension office for more information.

## **Girls Just Gotta Have Fun!**

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## **Want to Learn more about what 4-H offers?**



Are you new to 4-H? Whether you are new to 4-H or have been in it for years there is something for everyone. Come and learn more about 4-H activities and projects at the 4-H promotional day, Monday, April 13, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the ARCC in Aberdeen. There will be presentations and booths on special foods, judging, Youth in Action and many more project areas. Door prize drawings will held. Watch next month's North 1 Clover for more information.

With the youth in mind,

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