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October 2009

2010 PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY AWARD



The Prudential Spirit of Community Award recognizes individuals in grades 5-12 on the basis of their volunteer activities. [Applications](http://www.prudential.com/spirit) are available at

<http://www.prudential.com/spirit>

Application Deadline is October 31st. SLT

2010 BUILDING OUR SD RURAL COMMUNITIES GRANT



The instructions for applying for the "Building Our SD Rural Communities Grant" is on-line at

http://www.state.sd.us/doa/ag_dev/loan/

Applications are due October 31st. SLT

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK



National 4-H Week is October 5th-10th. Anything that you and your club can do to promote our 4-H Youth Program will be appreciated. Several 4-H members taped PSA announcements that will be aired over local radio stations during National 4-H Week. We appreciate all of your help with promotion and the various other assistance that you provide throughout the year.

4-H INSURANCE

For the past several years it has been the policy that Brown County 4-H Members be covered by 4-H Insurance. Last year's premium was \$1.50 for Regular Members, \$2.50 for Horse Project Members and \$35 for Rodeo Participants. We have not receive the up coming year's rate information. We will keep you updated as we receive the insurance specifics. SLT

RECORD BOOK JUDGING

Record Books and Club Secretary Books will be judged by paid individuals again this year. Top Record Books in each age division (Beginner, Junior and Senior) and top Club Secretary Books will be recognized at the November 8th 4-H Recognition Event. JM

4-H CLUB ENROLLMENT FORM & 4-H ENROLLMENT FORMS

Each club is receiving a Brown County 4-H Club Enrollment [Form](#). Please complete it and return it to the Extension Office by November 9th.

Main Club Leaders are also receiving enough (Member) Enrollment [forms](#) for each club member currently enrolled in the club. Additional forms, for new members, are available at the Extension Office or from the Brown County 4-H Website. **DO NOT** use any of the old 4-H Enrollment Forms. Take note that this year members need to mark if the t-shirt size is a youth or an adult size. Also, on the back of the enrollment form one of the

contacts is now the emergency contact person, be sure this person is someone other than a parent.

Page 1 must be signed and completed in full (*this includes the photo release and health insurance section*), and Page 2 must have the Primary Parent/Guardian Section filled in completely.

Each 4-H club member must complete the form and return it to their Main Club Leader.

Main Club Leaders are to return the completed forms to the Extension Office by November 9th. Members can still be added or dropped and members can add or drop projects until May 21, 2010. There will be an opportunity to confirm final member and project enrollment around May 21st. For this reason, members are encouraged to enroll in any project they may be even remotely interested in since, if need be, they can always drop the project later. Some of the project activities begin early in the 4-H year and by enrolling early, they will receive notice of any possible project related events or activities.

Any youth between the ages of 8 (by January 1, 2010) and not older than 19, can join 4-H during the October 1, 2009 to May 21, 2010 enrollment period. Now is an excellent time to recruit new 4-H club members. Remember, the Brown County Fair Board provides a "Night at the Fair" for the club with the highest percent new members. JM

RECOGNITION EVENT

This year's 4-H Recognition Event will be November 8th, 2:00 p.m. at the Ramada Inn. Plan now to attend. This is the culmination of another 4-H year. Even if you don't expect to receive an honor or award, attending

Recognition Event will give you an idea of the many awards given each year and help you set your goals to receive a particular award in the future. JM

RETURN TROPHIES

If you or your club received one of the traveling trophies presented at last year's Recognition Event, please retrieve and return it to the Extension Office. It will need to be updated and presented to this year's recipient. Thanks. JM

CLUB REPORTER FORM

For all of the newly elected Club Reporters who may be submitting club reports to the local newspaper, a 4-H Club News Report [form](#) is enclosed. Additional forms available at the Extension Office or from the Brown County 4-H Homepage. JM

SD COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE VOLUNTEER APPLICATION FORM

Each year volunteers are required to complete a new SD Cooperative Extension Service Volunteer Application Form. If you currently have one on file it will need to be updated. If there are no changes from last year then you just need to initial and date the copy we have on file. If you do not have this form on file you can get a copy off the Brown County 4-H Website. These need to be turned in by November 9th. SLT



OCTOBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 5th-10th National 4-H Week
10th Gypsy Day Parade
12th Native American Day ~ *Extension Office Closed*



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
TO THOSE WITH
OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**



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National 4-H Week

Please help spread the word and take time to promote 4-H the week of October 4-10th, 2009. **Please note that Wednesday, October 7th has been designated as 4-H shirt day. Every member in the state should plan to wear a 4-H t-shirt to school to help promote 4-H.**

Some other ideas to help promote 4-H include:

- Bring a friend to your next 4-H club meeting.
- Decorate local businesses windows and put up displays of your projects and club work.
- Send a letter to your local newspaper's editor highlighting what kids learn in 4-H.
- Hand out 4-H pencils or stickers at an athletic event

There are great resources to print out and use during this week and they can be found at <http://4-h.org/brandnetwork/4hweektoolkit.html>.

State 4-H Scholarships

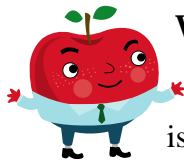
Applications for State 4-H Scholarships are postmark due April 1, 2010 to Youth Development/4-H, SAG 109, Box 2207E, SDSU, Brookings, SD 57007-2097. The updated specific scholarship criterion, award amount, and donor will soon be available on the 4-H website. The information needed to submit an application will also be available at this website along with examples of resumes to be used as a guide. If you have questions, please contact your local extension office.

The Green Review

By Chris Zdorovtsov

Can you plant the seeds inside of an apple and get an apple tree?

Not exactly! You could grow a tree from these seeds, but it will not produce an apple that is similar to the parent. Since this new tree will contain a random mix of genes, you will not know what traits the apples will have. Very few fruits are propagated from seed. Some form of asexual propagation, such as grafting, is used in order to have fruit that will produce the same type as the parent.



What is a rootstock?

Fruit and nut trees such as peaches, apples, pecans, avocados and citrus are propagated and grown on roots other than their own. These roots are known as the rootstock. The desired variety is grafted onto the rootstock. Many fruits use rootstock to overcome climatic differences or pests (such as nematodes or soil borne diseases). It is very common to put apples on a dwarfing rootstock to shrink the overall size of the plant. The smaller size allows producers to more easily spray, prune and harvest the tree. Apple rootstocks are designated by letters (or short names) and numbers such as M7, M26 or Bud 9. Each rootstock will dwarf the tree by a different percentage

With the youth in mind,
Audrey Jo Rider & Jackie Kessler
4-H/YD Extension Educators