



Brown County 4-H



December 2021 Newshound

4-H Christmas Tree

The 4-H Christmas Tree will be at the Brown County Courthouse from December 1 until December 21. This year's charity is Sleep in Heavenly Peace. Here are the supplies they are needing:

Twin Sheet Sets

Pillows

Twin Comforters or Quilts

Twin Mattress Pads

Gift Cards for Lowe's for Building Supplies

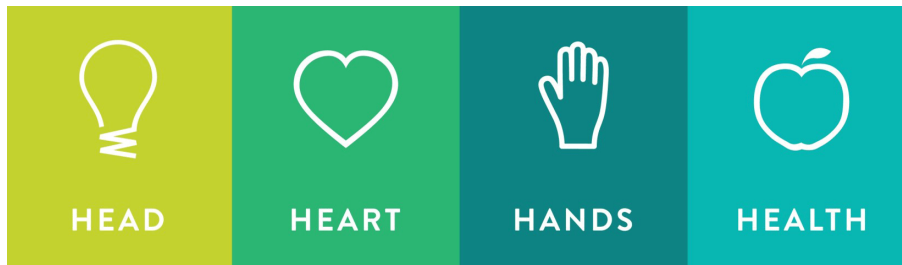


Leader's Meeting

The next leader's meeting will be **January 31, 2022**, at 7:00 pm at the Aberdeen Extension Regional Office.

2021-2022 Volunteer Renewal/Enrollment Process

All Brown County 4-H volunteers must pay a \$10 re-enrollment fee for the new 4-H year. Be sure to talk to your club leader to determine if they will cover the cost or if the individual volunteer is responsible. The checks should be made out to the **State 4-H Office**. Any NEW volunteers must fill out the work agreement form (which can be found on the SDSU Extension website or 4Honline), they will also need to submit the \$10 fee and will have a background check completed by the State Office. The forms and checks for volunteers should also be sent to the Brown County 4-H Office by December 17th as they will be mailed in with the renewal fees. The Brown County 4-H Office will mail in all the checks at one time. It is extremely important that all fees and forms are turned in on time. Per the State Office, Lapsed Volunteers - \$75 and Volunteer Work Agreement. Please contact the Brown County 4-H Office if you have any questions on this process.



SD 4-H Leader's Association Dues

Leaders: Please send your 2021-2022 Leader's Association dues to the Treasurer or the 4-H Office. Leader's names and dues are to be mailed to Ellen Schlosser (37751 106th Street, Frederick, SD 57441) or can be dropped off at the 4-H Office (Please contact Ellen if you drop them off at the 4-H Office so that she is aware that they are there). Please include **all of the leader's names** that you are paying for so that credit can be given to the correct person. Dues are \$4.00 if paid before December 31, 2021. After January 1, 2022, dues are \$5.00. The dues need to be to Ellen Schlosser by December 17th so that she has time to get them postmarked by December 31st. Checks should be made payable to: Brown County 4-H Leader's Association. Please do not submit cash.

Also include the following to Ellen: Name, Address, City, Zip Code, Email Address, Years of Service



YQCA Information—Mandatory Training Required

YQCA certification is being accepted by many livestock shows and fairs that require youth quality assurance certification. Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a national multi-species quality assurance program for youth ages 8 to 21. The program is designed to provide an estimated 60 minutes of education each year. The online program requires the passing of a series of three quizzes to earn certification. An in-person YQCA workshop requires complete attendance. YQCA is the result of a collaborative effort between states that have previously offered multi-species youth livestock quality assurance programs, the National Pork Board's Youth PQA Plus program and representatives from other national livestock groups. YQCA is available as an online or face to face program for youth everywhere in the United States. YQCA in-person workshops may be available to youth where state 4-H or FFA offices or state/national livestock organizations have partnered to have qualified trainers offer in-person workshops. Brown County's face to face training dates are tentatively scheduled for the following, please note these dates could change so be sure to pay attention to future Newshounds and the Brown County 4-H Facebook page:

- January 10th at 4 pm in the basement of the Aberdeen Extension Regional Center
- February 15th at 4 pm in the basement of the Aberdeen Extension Regional Center
- March 17th at 4 pm in the basement of the Aberdeen Extension Regional Center
- April 15th at 4 pm in the basement of the Aberdeen Extension Regional Center
- May 17th at 4 pm in the basement of the Aberdeen Extension Regional Center

4-H ARCHERY

The Safety Course for Archery is scheduled for January 4, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the basement of the Aberdeen Extension Regional Center (13 2nd Ave SE, Aberdeen, SD 57401). More information will be coming in December.

4-H BB GUN

The Safety Course for BB Gun is scheduled for January 3, 2022, at 7:00 pm in the basement of the Aberdeen Extension Regional Center (13 2nd Ave SE, Aberdeen, SD 57401) for those members who are new to the program. Shooting line space is limited, if the line is full, you will have to wait for it to open up. Parents need to attend practices with youth as well. Practices will be held every Monday beginning January 10, 2021, at 6:30 pm. Holsing Family building 12888 389th Ave, Aberdeen, SD 57401.

Brown County Community & Family Extension Leaders Scholarship

The CFEL Clubs of Brown County will be sponsoring two \$300 scholarships to Brown County 4-H youth. The deadline for the scholarship materials to be returned to the 4-H Office is Tuesday, February 15, 2022.

Applicants must be a senior in high school and have intentions of continuing their education at a vocational school, college, or university. If you are interested in applying, you must submit all the following to the Brown County 4-H Office:

- The CFEL Scholarship Form which will include the following:
(form can be picked up at the Brown County 4-H Office)

- Information form that includes:
 - What club or state offices have you held
 - A list of projects that you have been enrolled in
 - How long you have been in 4-H
 - Honors and Awards
 - Photo copied items from your current record book
 - 4-H Story
 - Completed score sheet from your past year record book
 - Signed completed form by Becca Tullar -Brown County 4-H Advisor

- A brief story explaining:

1. How the scholarship will be used. Include your educational emphasis and school location.
2. How your 4-H experiences have benefited you and how you have utilized your 4-H experiences in your school and community life.

- One sealed letter of recommendation from your high school superintendent, principal, teacher, employer, or any other individual who is not a relative.



BROWN COUNTY 4-H DECEMBER SCAVENGER HUNT



DRINK HOT CHOCOLATE



**LOOK AT CHRISTMAS
LIGHTS**



DECORATE COOKIES



BUILD A SNOWMAN



**SHARE A FAMILY
TRADITION**

MUST COMPLETE ALL 5 (WITH PHOTOS) FOR A CHANCE TO WIN CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS

Contest submissions are due to the Brown County 4-H Office on December 20th by 5 pm. Send photos to becca.tullar@sdstate.edu

Winners will be drawn on December 21st and can come to the Brown County 4-H Office to grab your Christmas ornaments just in time to celebrate!

Adopt a Tree Program

The Brown County 4-H Office, Brown County Fair Grounds, and the Aberdeen City Forester, Aaron Kiesz, have partnered to add some shade to the Brown County Fair Grounds. As 4-H clubs, you can help us with our mission. We are looking to plant trees out at Fair Grounds with the help of our 4-H Clubs. As clubs, you can purchase trees, help to plant them, and maintain them. We will order trees this fall, plant in the spring, and you and your clubs will maintain them year around. More information will be coming out!

If I were YOU, when you start looking through I would start by setting the "zone" option to a 3 and then move one to zone 4. We are technically a zone 4 but zone 3 trees are going to be the safest for getting through on those really tough winters.

Not everything they have listed on their website are things that they still currently offer, however, they are just one of our many suppliers so I can always look elsewhere for things you might see that you are specifically interested in. Same goes with bare root- some trees they ONLY offer bare root for example. Once I have a list of trees you guys are interested in, I can go from there on what I can offer you.

Here is the link for tree choices:

<https://shop.baileynurseries.com/Product/Inventory?filter=&category=15-SHADE&page=1&displayFilters=False&brand=&height=&heightUnit=Inches&zone=3&exposure=&pageSize=20>

Below is a club request form. Please complete it by January 10, 2022

Brown County 4-H Adopt a Tree Request Form

Club Name - _____

Type of Tree - _____



Please contact the Brown County 4-H Office for more information. Thank you!