Consumer Education: Who Needs It?

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 anybody here have a question?

Check for the answer at your "community consumer education center"*

* better known as the "County Extension Office"
Times have changed. So have prices. Before inflation and the shrinking dollar really hit South Dakota, many of us were less concerned with consumer education. Now we are more concerned. The times have hit us where it hurts the most—in the pocketbook. We're just beginning to realize the importance of being a smart shopper. And, an educated consumer.

Knowing who and what to believe can be a tough decision. There is, however, a reliable force right in your community. It's your county Extension office.

There is an Extension office in every county. That's the place to look for information on everything from alfalfa weevils or the abc's of nutrition to zucchini squash and zoning/land use.

Sixty years ago the Extension Service was established to serve farm families. Many families moved to town over the years. Extension took note of this and expanded and enlarged their programs to fit the needs of ALL of us.

There are many people and places in your community that can give you good, reliable consumer information. Extension isn't the only one. It may be, however, the most universally available agency.

The Extension Service is part of a national educational network, not a commercial enterprise. We're not trying to sell you anything.

Our purpose is to pass on information that comes from the United States Dept. of Agriculture (USDA), the SD Extension Service headquartered at South Dakota State University in Brookings and other sources of researched information.

What would you like to know? If it deals with family living and the day-to-day situations that pop up, we can probably help you out.

We have information on better food buys—food preservation—energy conservation—estate planning—lawn care—animal diseases—community resource development—remodeling—money management—and a long list of other topics.

The office has a good supply of publications that are bound to interest you. Many are free.

The chances are, if we don't have what you are looking for, we can tell you where you can find it.

Give us a call or drop into the office and give us a try.

We think you'll be glad you did.
Hamlin--Courthouse, Yankton, 57078 ..... 665-3387
Hand--Courthouse, Miller, 57342 ..... 853-3643
Hanson--Courthouse, Alexandria, 57311 ..... 279-4342
Harding--Courthouse, Buffalo, 57228 ..... 375-2386
Hughes--Courthouse, Pierre, 57501 ..... 224-2105
Hutchinson-Olivet, 57022 ..... 397-2836
Hyde--County Extension Bldg., Windham, 57346 ..... 859-2515
Jerauld--Courthouse, Wellsville Springs, 57382 ..... 444-11
Jones--Courthouse Annex, Huron, 57559 ..... 669-2512
Kingsbury--Courthouse, Delmar, 57211 ..... 854-3561
Lake--4th Center, Madison, 57042 ..... 730-3546
Lawrence--Post Office Bldg., Spearfish, 57783 ..... 462-2946
Lincoln--Courthouse, Canton, 57013 ..... 897-2756
Lyman--Courthouse, Kenmare, 57544 ..... 869-2526
McCook--Courthouse, Leola, 57456 ..... 439-3331
Marshall--Butler Insurance Bldg., Highway 10, Britton, 57430 ..... 448-2571
Meade--Courthouse, 1423 Sherman, Sturgis, 57785 ..... 317-2576
Mellette--Courthouse, White River, 57799 ..... 271-5779
Miner--Courthouse, Howard, 57349 ..... 721-4461
Minnehaha--420 West 37th St., Sioux Falls, 57105 ..... 354-7700
Moody--Extension Center, 500 1st Ave. W., Flandreau, 57028 ..... 997-2469
Pennington--9th Center, 601 Centre St., Rapid City, 57701 ..... 343-6403
Potter--Courthouse, Gettysburg, 57442 ..... 765-6611
Roberts--Courthouse, Sisseton, 57262 ..... 698-7627
Sanborn--Slosh Conservation District Bldg., Woonsocket, 57380 ..... 796-1380
Shannon--Pine Ridge, 57770. ..... 862-5717
Spink--Courthouse, Medfield, 57465 ..... 972-2022
Standing Rock--McIntosh, 57461 ..... 273-3162
Stanley--Courthouse, Ft. Pierre, 59333 ..... 323-3812
Sully--Courthouse, Onida, 57164 ..... 206-3534
Tazoo--County High Bldg., Wetzel, 57355 ..... 856-6468
Tripp--Courthouse, Winner, 57580 ..... 842-2858
Turner--Courthouse, Parkes, 57052 ..... 393-3110
Union--Main St., Elk Point, 57055 ..... 356-3236
Walworth--Courthouse, Salem, 57658 ..... 664-7925
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