



# ARIZONA 4-H UPDATES



May 22, 2009

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ~ National 4-H Congress deadline to submit applications to the AZ 4-H Office – June 5, 2009
- ~ SET Video Contest entry deadline JUNE 19, 2009
- ~ Shooting Sports Education Instructor Certification Course dates set for October 3 - 4, 2009
- ~ Shooting Sports Education Contest dates set for November 7 -8, 2009
- ~ Kirk travel to Japan/China: July 6 – 24, 2009

### Black Hills Recreation Leadership Lab

Each year in October, an excellent training event is offered in the Black Hills of South Dakota. I have taught workshops at this camp and if you or your volunteers are looking for an outstanding training and networking event, this is one. You will get loads of great ideas for your camp, for your programs, for hobbies and others. This year the Rec Lab is October 3-9th and it is the 63rd year this program has been offered. For more information, contact Karen Ward at: 406-932-6747. Rec Lab is designed for the re-creation of the whole person. Registration fee is \$225 for early bird registration. There is no website for getting more information.

### Micro Grants for 4-H and Others

This might also be a good project for 4-H clubs. Do you have any contacts out there? Thanks, Eric Evans MU Extension

Hey all,

I came across these two grant opportunities. They are pretty specific - the first is a \$500 for young people (under the age of 25) to help fund a disaster recovery project that they develop. The second is for Federal Employees who have experienced substantial loss due to a declared disaster. They can receive a recovery grant to apply to their own needs. Though they are very specific, they may be just the niche someone out there is looking for. I'd say make every Eagle Scout candidate in your area aware of the first opportunity and see if you can get some projects going. If you are serving folks who are Federal workers - definitely point out the second one to them. Hope to see all of you on the 27th.

<http://www.dosomething.org/grants/disaster>

[http://www.feea.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=217&Itemid=143](http://www.feea.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=217&Itemid=143)

### WRLF 2010 Workshop Proposals Wanted! - REPEAT

(2010 WRLF in Albuquerque, NM on March 11-14, 2010)

Workshops should be appropriate for volunteers, staff and teens working with the 4-H Program. Adult volunteers, Extension staff and teens are all welcome to submit proposals and have an equal opportunity to be chosen. You may submit proposals for multiple workshops as an individual or a team. Your input is invaluable. Please forward this email to anyone you think might be interested in presenting at this event. Simply complete and submit the attached proposal form by **June 1, 2009**.

Primary presenters (as named on the proposal form) will be contacted about the status of their proposal by July 20, 2009. You may submit your proposal in any of the following ways:

\* By mail to: Mindy Turner, PO Box 30003 MSC 3AE, Las Cruces, NM 88003

\* By FAX to: Attn: Mindy Turner (575)-646-3027

\* By email to: midenny@nmsu.edu

PROPOSALS MAY BE SUBMITTED AS ONE OF FOUR TYPES:

\* 90 minute session hands on learning experiences designed to provide comprehensive coverage of subject matter,

\* 45 minute mini-session introduction or promotional workshop designed to engage learners, but cover less subject matter; mini sessions will be paired in a time slot to allow for consistency in the schedule.

\* 2 part session - hands on learning experiences designed to provide comprehensive coverage of subject matter that cannot be covered in one 90 minute session,

\* Off site/Educational tour hands on learning experienced conducted away from the hotel (ex: at a local dairy; food plant; arena; etc.); off site workshops will be allotted two 90 minute sessions to allow for travel.

All attendees of WRLF are required to pay their own registration fee and travel expenses. A registration form will be available online at [nm4h.nmsu.edu](http://nm4h.nmsu.edu). Workshop presenters who are at WRLF only during their workshop and are not participating in any other part of WRLF do not need to register. If not attending the entire conference, day registration, including the meals, breaks, workshops and activities on that day will be available.

You can find more information on the event and proposal forms at:

<http://aces.nmsu.edu/4h/wrlf2010/> or go to <http://nm4h.nmsu.edu> and click on <sup>3</sup>Details<sup>2</sup> under the WRLF 2010 Logo.

(See attachments)

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### Environmental Service Activities for 4-H Clubs - REPEAT

#### *4-H Million Trees*

Led by the Belmont (California) 4-H Club, the 4-H Million Trees (4HMT) Project is a large-scale service-learning project with the goal to plant 1,000,000 trees across the United States by 2011 to beautify America, absorb atmospheric carbon dioxide, and combat global climate change. In 2008, National 4-H Headquarters signed a partnership agreement with Arbor Day Foundation in support of this project. Attached is a letter to 4-H clubs to tell them how they can get involved.

#### *National Soil Project at Northeastern University*

Dr. Geoffrey Davies and a research team are working on a project to do soil analyses of agricultural topsoil's from different parts of the U.S. 4-H clubs can help to collect samples that can be analyzed to give a much clearer assessment of the health of the Nation's soils. 4-H members and families can help to contribute to this national soil research project. Attached is the program announcement with details about how to contact Dr. Davies for more information.

(See 2 attachments)

## 2009 Upcoming 4-H Events

	2009	
Journey of Opportunities for Leaders of Tomorrow - J.O.L.T.	June 15 - 19	Camp Shadow Pines - Heber, AZ
Winter Shooting Sports Education Certification Course	October 3 - 4	TBA
Shooting Sports Education Contest	November 7 - 8	TBA
National 4-H Week	October 4 - 10	
Arizona State Fair	October 16 – November 8	Phoenix, AZ
National 4-H Congress	November 27 – December 1	Atlanta, GA