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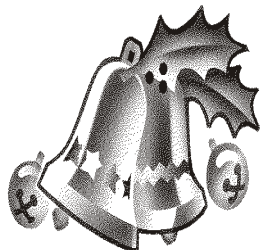
*I Pledge
My Head to
Clearer Thinking,
My Heart to Greater
Loyalty, My Hands to
Larger Service, and My Health
to Better Living, for My Club, My
Community, My Country and My World*

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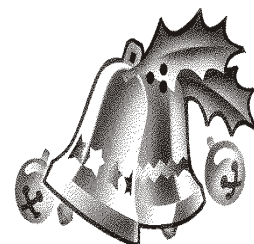
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SEASONS GREETINGS



**BEST WISHES FOR A JOYOUS HOLIDAY SEASON.
SAFE TRAVELS AND A HEALTHY NEW YEAR TO ALL.
WE LOOK FORWARD TO AN EXCITING 2008!**

4-H HIGH ADVENTURE CAVING DAY

Climb through a rock passage, squirm through the rabbit hole and discover the world underground. Meet at the Pima County Cooperative Extension on Saturday January 26th and head to Peppersauce cave in Oracle, AZ for a bit of cave exploring! We will depart at 9:00am and be back to the office by 3:30. Space is limited, registration required. \$15.00/person fee. For questions, call Elizabeth Sparks 626-5161, esparks@ag.arizona.edu.



CLOVER KID ADVENTURE DAY

Go on a treasure hunt, launch a rocket, design a Valentine's Day card, have fun with trick photography and create a delicious lunch. ATTENTION KIDS 5-8 we will be holding a 4-H Clover Kid Project day at the Pima County Cooperative Extension Saturday February 9th, from 10:00-3:00. Registration is required. \$12.00/person. Please call Elizabeth Sparks 626-5161, esparks@cals.arizona.edu

ATTENTION RABBIT LEADERS

Please remember that the ownership deadline for this year's fair is January 15th, 2008. There will be a special meeting on January 14th at the CEO, 7:00 PM, to discuss this year's new policy/procedures for identifying those prospective fair rabbits. Please be sure to have a representative from your club's project plan to attend. Any questions please call either Colleen Hale at 682-0758 or Jennifer Schultz at 520-349-7404.

POULTRY PRE-FAIR

Project Meeting Dates

Please note the following project meeting dates on your calendars. Unless otherwise noted all meetings are the CEO

- Horse, January 7, 7:00 p.m. (first Monday of each month)
- Shooting Education, January 9, 7:00 p.m. (second Wed of each month)
- Small Stock, January 14, 7:00 p.m.
- Sheep, January 15 – 6:30 p.m. (third Tuesday of each month)

Pigeon, January 19, 11:00 a.m., 4760 S. Agave Rd. (monthly)

Dog, January 23, 7:00 p.m.
Beef, January 24, 7:00p.m.

COLORADO RIVER SMALL STOCK SHOW

This year's event will be hosted by Yavapai county, at the Yavapai County Fairgrounds in Prescott Valley, on Saturday, January 19 and Sunday, January 20, 2008. Registration is from 8:00 – 10:30 a.m. Saturday. There will be a showmanship contest, breed ID contest, judging contest, and a quiz bowl. Entries are due postmarked January 1, 2008. Late fees will apply entries postmarked after this date. Forms are available from the CEO and on-line at <http://cals.arizona.edu/mohave/4h/smallshow.htm>. You can also order t-shirts. Members who participate in this event are eligible to apply for a \$500 college scholarship in their senior year of 4-H.

CAC ANNOUNCEMENT

Programs/activities at the CAC are scheduled for day use only. Camping is not allowed at the CAC unless it has been approved by both CAC Office & 4-H Office.

HORSE EVENT CONFIRMATION

Looks like rain? Snow and cold forecast? Want to know if a horse event is still on? There are a number of ways to find out. First, contact your leader. Oftentimes your leader will have that information. Second, check the website www.pimacountyhorse.org The web page will be updated if there is a change (and the change is passed on to the webmaster). Third, call the horse hotline – 626-5161 and listen to the menu of options (if outside normal business hours). Lastly, contact the event coordinator. Hopefully with all these "layers" we can keep from having anyone show up at an event that has been cancelled or moved.

RAWHIDE WRANGLERS TRAIL CLUB

Just another beautiful day in paradise! Nine riders were in attendance for our November trail ride inside the Ironwood National Monument. The December ride will be the 29th @ 10:00. Call Deb Wood for location info - 682-6811.

<p>FOR SALE</p> <p>** Purebred bantams for show, for eggs, for pleasure. Several breeds; Dutch, Rosecombs, Japanese, Cochins, Barred Rocks. Discounts for 4-H youth. 616-0161</p> <p>** Registered Missouri Fox Trotters. All ages, levels, colors, & sizes. Several "kid-friendly". Discounts for 4-H youth. 616-0161</p> <p>** 9 year old Gelding for sale \$1000. 3/4 Morgan and gentle. Call 682-4992</p> <p>** 2 female cavies used in 4H. American Shorthair red and white broken color. Call Cheyenne Hudecek, Sahuarita Community Club, 398-2930 for more information.</p> <p>**Small animal kennel (cage) setup. 6 double stacked, 22"w x 24"l x 19" h. Stainless steel kennels with pull out trays, food & water dishes, and frame. Call Bob @ 626-5161 for more info. Best offer.</p> <p>FREE PYGMY BUCK</p> <p>Papered Pymgy goat needs a good home. If interested please contact John at 975-1432 or Kim at roblesranchers@hotmail.com</p>

RECOGNITION COMMITTEE

One aspect of 4-H that everyone enjoys is being recognized for what has been accomplished. A committee is being formed to develop and plan recognition for Pima County 4-H members, volunteers and sponsors. Please contact the CEO if you would like to serve on this committee.

4-H EXECUTIVE COUNCIL UPDATE

The Pima County 4-H Executive Council meets the first Monday of each month at the CEO from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The meetings are open to 4-H members, volunteers, parents and those interested in promoting and supporting the Pima County 4-H Youth Development Program. Please contact Julie Hernandez at 780-0719, if you would like to place an item on their agenda.

The next meeting is Monday, January 7, 2008.

CALENDAR COMMITTEE

A committee to put together the 2009 4-H Calendar is being formed now! Youth members, parents and volunteers are asked to help design and sell adds for the calendar. The Executive Council needs your help to make this happen next year. Please call Marci Croddy 825-1869 for more information.

SHOOTING SPORTS CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP

Volunteers that want to a leader in the 4-H Shooting Sports project must complete the 4-H Shooting Sports certification training. A training will be held on January 26 - 27, 2008 at the Arizona City Golf Course & Duffers Restaurant, Arizona City, Arizona. Base workshop cost is \$135 which includes all meals and workshop materials (lodging is not included). Disciplines offered are rifle, shotgun, pistol, muzzleloading, archery and hunting. Registration deadline is January 9, 2008. For an application packet contact the 4-H Office or go to:

<http://cals.arizona.edu/4-h/events.html#13>.

OFFICE CLOSED

The CEO will be closed from Monday, December 24 – Monday, January 1, 2008 in observance of the Christmas Holidays. We will be observing Martin Luther King Holiday on Monday, January 21, 2008.

COMMUNITY SERVICE NIGHT



Come for an evening of community service!

Make sack lunches for the homeless and make beads for the Ben's Bell Project.



Tuesday February 5th from 5-8.

Contact Elizabeth Sparks for more information.

626-5161 esparks@ag.arizona.edu

A CLOVER TOAST!

On September 14, Spike Werda, locomotive engineer, received the prestigious Friend of 4-H award. The award has been sponsored by Pusch Ridge Riders 4-H Club the past 10 years and also is given by other clubs across the country. The club was honored to recognize Werda for his commitment to youth development.

Jollene Celaya, president of the Pusch Ridge Riders 4-H Club, made the presentation at the last meeting of the 06-07 year.

Werda has been a long time supporter of 4-H in both the Beef and Shooting Sports Education projects. Just before the award was announced, he presented the club with another \$1,000 check to be used to purchase a shotgun simulator.

This article is courtesy of The Union Pacific Newsletter submitted by Larry Neuman, locomotive engineer and volunteer of Pusch Ridge Riders 4-H.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Need money to go to college? Bad question, everyone could use some extra funds! The 4-H program offers scholarships for post high school education (including vocational oriented education). If you are going ready to enroll in Fall 2008, there might be a scholarship just for you. Some require current 4-H membership, others are open to 4-H alumni. For more information and scholarship packet, contact the 4-H Office at 626-5161 or on the web at: <http://cals.arizona.edu/pima/4-h/forms.html> Applications are due in the 4H office by February 8, 2008 at 5:00 PM.

There will be a Scholarships Workshop on January 16, 2008 at the 4-H Office at 6:30 pm. At the workshop we will go over the 4-H scholarships, forms, tips and tricks to increase the chances of getting a scholarship.

LEVEL II – YOUTH LIVESTOCK QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING

Many volunteers have asked if they can deliver basic Livestock Quality Assurance Certification Training to their club or project members. There will be a Youth Livestock Quality Assurance Trainer workshop held on January 12, 2008, from 9am to 4pm at the UA Meat Lab. Those who are interested in doing this must attend this workshop. It will only be offered once this year. More details will be available later. See enclosed flyer for more information and registration form.

MARKET HOG TAG DATES

Plan to be at the West Campus Ag Center on either January 6, or January 12, between 10 a.m. to 12 noon to tag your market hogs. If you break down, are running late, etc., you must call Ron Garigan at 906-9100. The volunteers will not stay later than noon unless you notify Ron ahead of time.

PIMA COUNTY BEEF PROJECT MEMBERS:

Due to a generous donation from UPS the fee for the clipping and showmanship clinic that the beef project is putting on in February with Josh and Casey Buzzard has been reduced to just \$25.00 (was \$75.00). Everyone received a flier at tag in for the clinic. The deadline for entry is January 30, 2008. If you have any questions you can contact Patty Todd at 850-6541.

FIRST AID KIDDING KITS

Robles Ranchers will be having a guest speaker Debbie Emholtz from Jacob's Pride - out to our area to help the kids build First Aid Kidding kits, demonstrations and helpful hints on problem births and care and maintenance of the doe and kids after the birth, 1/12/08 at 4:30 at the Robles Junction Community Center. Any questions, please contact Kim Harris at 822-3131 or roblesranchers@hotmail.com

PCJLSI

The next Sales meeting will Tuesday, January 8, 2008, 7:00 p.m. at the CEO. Meetings are open to those interested in the livestock and small stock auction.

FAIR PREMIUM BOOKS

We have received a small allotment of premium books for the 2008 Pima County Fair. The book is also on-line at www.swfair.com. Since we have so few copies of the hardcopy books, we'd like to reserve those for people that do not have internet access. If you can get the rules and forms on-line, please do so. If you need a hardcopy, it can be picked up at the 4-H Office.

FAIR RULES

Each year some rules changes do not make it into the Premium Book. Please make this change on your copy.

Sheep, page 38 under Ear-Tagging Date: The last sentence should read, "Three (3) market lambs may be ear tagged at this time per exhibitor, but only two (2) market lambs may be brought onto the fairgrounds."

When you notice other rules that were changed as agreed upon in your meetings, please let your project coordinator know so that we can get them out to everyone. Thank you.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT THIS YEAR?

The Beef Carcass project is selling programs at the Tucson Rodeo this year. They need help in selling the programs. The 4-H office has said this would be a community service for anyone who is not in the beef carcass program. You will be helping your 4-H community by helping the beef carcass program. The times for selling will be 11:00-3:00. After 3:00 you will be able to stay and watch the rest of the rodeo. The exact dates in February we will be selling will be given at a later date. If you are interested please contact Brad or Carol Ferris at 883-4323.

IS THIS YOUR LAST NEWSLETTER?

By federal law we must update our mailing list each year. We do at the first of the year when we purge out of our database all members and leaders that have not re-enrolled for the year. So, if you have not re-enrolled for the 2007-2008 4-H year, this will be your last newsletter. Not sure about re-enrollment, talk to your club leader or contact Jennifer at the 4-H office, 626-5161.

Pat Parker Memorial Small Stock Show



Canyon State Academy
 20061 E Rittenhouse Rd.
 Queen Creek, AZ. 85242



Saturday, FEBRUARY 9, 2008

8:00 am check-in

Showmanship Clinic begins after check-in

Dog Show Begins after showmanship clinic

Quiz Bowl & Skill-a-Thon throughout the day

Small Stock Show Begins after showmanship clinic

Dog Quiz Bowl & Skill-a-Thon throughout the day

Showmanship	*Dogs	*Poultry	*Rabbit	*Cavy	*Pygmy Goat
Junior (9-12 years)					
Intermediate (13-15 years)					
Senior (16-19 years)					

*=One animal per species per member **ONLY**

Round Robin Will be held immediately following the small stock portion of the show 1st place in each species will be in Round Robin.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **Zip:** _____

Club: _____ **Phone:** _____

Entry Fee: \$5.00 per person with a maximum of \$10.00 per family

Make checks payable to University of Arizona and mail with registration to:

Carol Noyes-Garcia
 4341 E Broadway Rd.
 Phoenix, AZ. 85040

Entries should be received by January 25, 2008. Please be sure you pre-register for this event. Late entries or on site entries will have a late fee of \$2.00

Concession stand will be available on site.

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Western Regional 4-H Leaders Forum

March 6-9, 2008

Boise, Idaho

<http://www.4h.idaho.edu/default.aspx?pid=101451>

Doubletree Hotel Boise-Riverside

<http://www.doubletree.com/en/dt/hotels/index.jhtml?ctyhocn=BOIR-DT>

Attention Idaho Leaders: Take advantage of this regional event in your home state! Make plans with other county and district leaders to attend. This is the best opportunity to recharge your batteries, learn new ideas, and try hands-on programming.

Stampede To Idaho!

Meet leaders from 14 western states who share the same challenges and successes in your project area, and learn some creative solutions to questions you've always wanted to ask.



Early Registration Date: 12/1/07
Earlybird Registration Fee: \$199

Carcass Evaluation & Quality Assurance Certification

<http://cals.arizona.edu/extension/quality>

January 12, 2008, U of A Meat Science Laboratory, Tucson, Arizona

The morning will feature a carcass evaluation workshop, led by Dr. John Marchello. Participants will get hands-on training in carcass evaluation for beef, sheep swine and meat goats. The afternoon session will certify Arizona Youth Livestock Quality Assurance Trainers at Level II (Can teach/co-teach workshops and certify Level I trainers and youth). In order to be certified, potential trainers must attend both sessions. Lunch will be provided with registration.

Agenda:

- 8:30 Registration and Check-In
- 9:00 Welcome/Carcass Evaluation of beef, sheep, swine and meat goats, include ing hands-on training
- 12:00 Lunch (provided)
- 12:45 Quality Assurance & Food Safety Program Update and Overview
- 1:00 Managing Livestock Health for 4-H & FFA Projects
- 1:45 Nutrition Facts for Monogastrics (Swine)
- 2:15 Nutrition for Ruminants (Beef, Sheep and Goats)
- 2:45 Walk Through Materials
- 3:00 Activities for Trainers
- 4:00 Adjourn

- ◆ Learn how carcasses are evaluated and what makes a quality meat animal!
- ◆ Become certified as a Level II trainer!
- ◆ Hear updates and get tips on how others are teaching quality assurance!

For more information, please contact Dean Fish (520/281-2994 or dfish@ag.arizona.edu) or Susan Pater (520/384-3594 or spater@ag.arizona.edu)



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Quality Assurance & Food Safety for Arizona Youth Livestock Producers

University of Arizona - Cooperative Extension

To Register, please mail to:
University of Arizona Cooperative Extension, Cochise County

450 South Haskell Avenue,
 Willcox, Arizona 85643-2790

Phone: 520-384-3594
 Fax: 520-384-3681
 E-mail: dfish@ag.arizona.edu or spater@ag.arizona.edu

Make checks payable to: University of Arizona

Name _____
 Address _____
 Phone _____
 Email _____
 Additional Names: _____

Carcass Evaluation and Trainer Certification

	How many?	Price
<input type="checkbox"/> Carcass Evaluation Only	_____	\$10.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Trainer Certification	_____	\$20.00

Registration includes lunch and materials.

Total: _____

Persons with a disability may request reasonable accommodation, such as a sign language interpreter, by contacting Jazmin Lopez, (520) 281-2994. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

Please Register by January 8, 2008!

December 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 TVL Cake Decorating @ CEO, 2:00 pm
2	3 Horse Project Meeting @ CEO, 7:00pm; Executive Council @ CEO, 6:30pm	4 P.C.J.L.S.I. @ CEO, 7:00pm	5 Dairy Goat Project Mtg. @ CEO, 6:30pm	6	7	8 Lamb/Market Goat Eartagging & Jackpot Show @ CAC, 7-5pm
9	10	11	12 Shooting Sports Ldrs Mtg @ CEO, 7:00	13	14	15 Pigeon Project @ 4760 S Agave Ranch Rd, 11:00; Harvest Hoedown Pygmy Goat Show @ CAC, 8:00 - 5:00pm
16 Lamb/Goat Eartagging @ CAC, 9-12:00;	17	18 Sheep Proj. Mtg @ CEO, 7:00pm	19	20	21	22
23	24 OFFICE CLOSED	25 Christmas OFFICE CLOSED	26 OFFICE CLOSED	27 OFFICE CLOSED	28 OFFICE CLOSED	29
30	31 OFFICE CLOSED					

January 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 New Year's Day OFFICE CLOSED	2	3	4	5 TVL Cake Decorating @ CEO, 2:00 pm
6 Swine Eartagging @ West Campus Ag, 12:00	7 Horse Project Mtg @ CEO, 7:00; Executive Council Mtg @ CEO, 6:30	8	9 Shooting Sports Ldrs Mtg @ CEO, 7:00	10	11	12 Poultry Pre-Fair @ CAC, 9:00am; Swine Eartagging @ West Campus Ag 10:00
13 Dog Agility Qualification @ CAC, 1:00	14 Small Stock Mtg @ CEO, 7:00pm	15 Sheep Proj. Mtg @ CEO, 7:00pm	16 Scholarship Workshop @ 6:30, CEO	17	18	19 Pigeon Project @ 4760 S Agave Ranch Rd, 11-1:00pm; Dairy Cattle @ CAC, 10:00am
20 Dairy Cattle Showmanship @ CAC, 10:00	21 OFFICE CLOSED	22	23 Dog Project Meeting @ CEO, 7:00	24 Beef Mtg @ CEO, 7:00pm	25	26 Beef Showmanship @ CAC, 9:00; Shooting Sports Certification Course
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**CLOVER CONNECTION
INFORMATION DEADLINES**

15th of the month

For Clover Connection Information contact:

Curt Peters, Extension Agent
4-H Youth Development
626-5161 or Fax 626-5849

Looking ahead to February....

- 2 Pygmy Goat Showmanship @ CAC 9:00 am
- 2 TVL Cake Decorating @ CEO, 2:00 pm
- 4 Horse Project Meeting @ CEO, 7:00 pm
- 4 Executive Council Meeting @ CAC, 6:30 pm
- 9 Dog Pre-Fair @ CAC 8:00 am
- 9 & 10 Beef Clip & Showmanship @ CAC, 9:00 am - 6:00 pm
- 13 Shooting Sports Leaders Meeting @ CEO, 7:00 pm
- 16 Pigeon Project @ 4760 S Agave Ranch Rd, 11:00 am
- 16 Rabbit / Cavy Health Clinic @ CEO, 10:00am - 12:00 pm
- 16 Poultry Showmanship @ CAC, 9:00 am
- 19 Sheep Project Meeting @ CEO, 7:00 pm
- 23 Lamb / Market Goat Carcass Drop off @ CAC, 9:00 - 11:00 am
- 27 Dog Project Meeting @ CEO, 7:00 pm

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