August is here and 4-H Clubs are getting more active again! 4-H Clubs are electing officers, the executive board of each club is getting together to plan the year, members are re-enrolling and selecting the projects they want to take and clubs are recruiting new members. It is an exciting time of the year!

Members and parents, make sure you contact your 4-H leader about getting re-enrolled! Ask if there are any new projects being offered by your 4-H club! Parents… make sure to ask what you can do to help! Mark your calendars for upcoming events! New 4-H Leader Training, Experienced 4-H Leader Training, 4-H Small Stock Leader Training, 4-H Club Officer Training, Step up to Leadership member workshop… and that is just some of what is available in August and September!

4-H Club Reporters, don’t forget that you can send your 4-H Club news to Lisa Gerber lgerber@cals.arizona.edu at the Cottonwood Office so it can be published in this newsletter! It is always fun and inspiring to read what you have done and to see pictures as well!
4-H Leader, 4-H Teen Leader, 4-H Jr. Leader, 4-H Leadership Project

Recently I have learned that there is some confusion regarding the definitions and expectations of a 4-H Leader, 4-H Teen Leader, 4-H Jr. Leader and the 4-H Leadership Project. There are two types of 4-H Leaders.

A Certified 4-H Volunteer has completed a screening process (Application, Reference Letters, Background Check, Interview, and Orientation) and are officially designated as representatives and leaders of the 4-H program. They supervise and direct county and club 4-H programs and projects. They work under the direction of Cooperative Extension personnel to insure that the objectives and standards of the Arizona 4-H program are met.

A Resource Volunteer provides educational and resource services for 4-H youth and volunteers under the guidance and direct supervision of a certified 4-H volunteer or Extension personnel. They are required to complete a resource volunteer application prior to any 4-H event.

Age Requirement for 4-H Volunteers: The general age requirement for a 4-H volunteer to be certified is 19 years of age. Youth volunteers may help as Teen Leaders or co-leaders as well as Jr. Leaders under the direct supervision of an adult volunteer. Agents have the discretion to have teen leaders undergo the complete certification process.

Jr and Teen Leaders: The 4-H Junior and Teen Leadership experience is designed to provide members with the opportunity to learn about the qualities and competencies needed to be a leader. Leadership is not doing things for the group, it is helping the group decide what needs to be done and how. Junior and Teen Leaders may assist with specific projects or with other 4-H activities or events. A 4-H Member may be a Junior or Teen Leader for one or more projects during the year. The major duties of a Junior or Teen Leader varies by age, experience and other factors. However, in general Junior and Teen leaders work collaboratively with the adult leader to set goals, develop lesson plans, teach skills, and evaluate the activity. The Junior and Teen Leaders coordinate logistical details such as meeting times, locations, materials and supplies and expenses with the adult leader. The Junior and Teen Leaders communicate with the adult leader and members about group expectations, responsibilities and expected outcomes.

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4-H Leader, 4-H Teen Leader, 4-H Jr. Leader, 4-H Leadership Project, continued

Please note that there is a difference between the responsibilities of a Junior Leader and a Teen Leader. Also, there is an overlap of ages. This is because there may be a very advanced or mature eighth grader who could carry the roles and responsibilities of being a Teen Leader. Also, a 4-H member can enroll in the Step Up to Leadership project and opt not to take on any of the listed roles. In other words, if a 4-H member just wants to take the Step Up to Leadership project... they can. The curriculum teaches 4-H members teamwork, organizational skills, communication skills, conflict management skills and other leadership skills that any 4-H member could benefit from learning!

New 4-H Leader Training

Date: August 5, September 17, October 8
Time: 6:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Place: Shelby Hansen Memorial Room at the Prescott Frontier Days Rodeo Grounds

Whether you are an experienced 4-H leader or a newbie, this orientation will acquaint you with the 4-H philosophy and policies and give you suggestions and tools for a successful 4-H club or 4-H project. This orientation will be condensed, fast paced, get down to business with hands on activities. **It is mandatory for all new 4-H leaders and for those who have never attended**, however all are welcome and encouraged to attend. You are guaranteed to learn something new and promises to be fun. A new 4-H leader only needs to attend ONE of the trainings to fulfill the New Leader training requirement. Advanced registration is required. Registration form available at: [http://cals.arizona.edu/yavapai/4hyd/events.html](http://cals.arizona.edu/yavapai/4hyd/events.html)

4-H/FFA EXPO Planning Meeting

The Yavapai County 4-H/FFA EXPO Yearly Planning Meeting will be held Tuesday August 4 in the Shelby Hansen Memorial Room at the Prescott Frontier Days Rodeo Grounds starting at 5:00 p.m.

Annual Recognition Event

Date: August 15
Time: 5:00 p.m.
Place: Mackin Building at the Prescott Frontier Days Rodeo Grounds

This event is being hosted by the Lonesome Valley Wranglers 4-H Club

4-H Leaders: Recognition Night Awards Committee Meeting

Date: August 20
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Place: Shelby Hansen Memorial Room at the Prescott Frontier Days Rodeo Grounds

During this year’s awards selection committee meeting, there were many suggestions on how to improve the County Medal system, and how the County Medals would be awarded in the future (2010). A committee meeting has been set to formulate criteria and protocol for awarding County Medals. 4-H Leaders who are interested in this topic should try to come to this meeting! The committee will report these recommendations at the next Yavapai County Leader’s Meeting.
Yavapai County 4-H Leaders Meeting

Date: August 27  
Time: 6:30 p.m.  
Place: Shelby Hansen Memorial Room at the Prescott Frontier Days Rodeo Grounds

Preliminary Agenda Items
New Record Books--- what they look like, how we use them, how we evaluate them, etc.
County Medals --- how they are awarded --- more items will be added.

4-H Club Officer Training is open to all 4-H members who are officers or are interested in becoming a 4-H officer.

Date: September 19 (Saturday)  
Time: 8:30am to Noon  
Place: Shelby Hansen Memorial Room at the Prescott Frontier Days Rodeo Grounds

Step Up to Leadership Workshop is open to any 4-H member enrolling in the Leadership Project.

Date: September 19 (Saturday)  
Time: 1pm to 3pm  
Place: Shelby Hansen Memorial Room at the Prescott Frontier Days Rodeo Grounds

The enrollment deadline for all returning 4-H members is October 1.
The enrollment deadline for all new 4-H members is October 15.
Enrollments received after these dates are still accepted, but members won’t be able to show at EXPO.

The Yavapai County Fair will be October 1 through October 4 at Yavapai Downs. The theme for the 2009 fair is “A Harvest of Fun.” All regulations and general entry guidelines can be found in the Premium books available online at: www.yavapaidownsatpv.com/fairbook.html

Arizona 4-H Shooting Sports Education Contest - Pima County
On behalf of the Arizona Shooting Sports Committee, Yavapai county is invited to send qualified 4-H youth teams or individual participants to the 2009 Arizona 4-H Shooting Sports Education Contest. Event dates are November 14 and 15. For more information and general rules, go to: http://pima4hshootingsports.org/information.html

The Arizona State Fair will be October 16 through November 8. The Exhibitor handbook can be found online at: http://www.azstatefair.com/exhibitors/exhibitors.aspx.
4-H Leader - Small Stock Workshop!

Where & When: Shelby Hanson Memorial Room ~ Prescott Frontier Days Rodeo Grounds –
August 15, 2009 – 8:30 – 3 pm

Who: Certified 4-H Small Stock Leaders

Why: Whether you are an experienced 4-H Small Stock Leader or a newbie, this workshop will acquaint you with the basics and more of 4-H Small Stock projects. You will be given suggestions and tools for a successful 4-H club or 4-H project. This workshop will be fast paced, with hands on activities. We promise it will be fun.

What: What is 4-H? And Why Do We Do It
Using the 4-H CCS curriculum
Fun with Learning Lab Kits
Project Records
Successful Poultry, Rabbit and Cavy Project meetings
Preparing for EXPO, FAIR and CRSSS
Showmanship
Tattoo my what????

Registration Required by: August 10, 2009

4-H Leader - Small Stock Workshop!
Registration
Name:__________________________________________Club:_____________________________
Address:__________________________________City:___________________Zip:_____________
Email: ________________________________________
Phone numbers:  home___________________work______________ cell_____________________
Are you a...? Community Club Leader     Project Leader     Resource Volunteer
(Circle as many as apply)

Return registration to: Stephanie Shank, 4-H Agent
Yavapai County Cooperative Extension
840 Rodeo Dr. Bldg C
Prescott, AZ  86305
Congratulations to the 2009 EXPO Winners for Indoor Exhibits

Jr. Division A Best in Show - Janie Stevens
Int. Division A Best in Show - Emily Stevens
Sr. Division A Best in Show - Mariah Finger

Int. Division C Best in Show Leathercraft Class 4 - Justin Pritchard
Int. Division C Best in Show Class 11 - Emmett Densmore

Int. Division E Best in Show - Ariana Scott
Jr. Division F Best in Show - Mercedes Ogden

Int. Division G Best in Show - Emmett Densmore
Jr. Division G Best in Show - Brawley Darby

Division H Best in Show - Lonesome Valley Wranglers Feathers
Division I Best in Show - Angus Hill

Capitol Christmas Tree Project

Arizona has been given the honor of providing the 2009 National Christmas Tree. In addition to providing the 65-foot outdoor tree for the Capitol, Arizona 4-H Clubs have been invited to make and provide Christmas decorations for that outdoor tree and also Christmas decorations for indoor trees in federal buildings, offices and Arizona Congressional delegation offices throughout Washington, D.C.. The guidelines for creating ornaments that depict the theme “Arizona’s Gift from the Grand Canyon State” can be found at: http://www.capitolchristmastree2009.org/.

The deadline to provide ornaments will be October 5, 2009.

♦ Ship to: Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests
Attention CCT09 Ornament Coordinator
30 S. Chiricahua Dr.
Springerville AZ 85938.

If you have any questions, call Deb Bumpus at 928 333-6302.

Thanks! We can’t wait to see the results of your creative efforts!

Nutrition Seminar
Submitted by: Tamera Scott

Would you like information on nutrition for your show animals?
If so, you don’t want to miss this FREE event!

Showmaster Feeds will be putting on a nutrition seminar
Friday August 7th  5:30pm
Warren’s Hay N More
3443 N. Highway 89
Chino Valley, Arizona

They will also touch on basic maintenance, selection, showing and grooming of your show animals. Be sure to bring pen and paper as there will be lots of useful information for members, leaders and parents. If you have any questions regarding this event, please contact Tammy Scott 928-925-7679.
Lonesome Valley Wranglers 4-H Club
Submitted by: John Alder

About ten years ago, my older brother, Steven, was in a state-wide Public Speaking Contest and won 2nd Place with this Poem. I hope it reminds everyone to invite their friends to join 4-H and also to work through the difficult time that sometimes happen. Members that work through the tough times become stronger and the end result is... we all have more fun! So, Invite your Friends, Learn how to Problem solve and make the BEST BETTER!!!

A Story of 10 Members
Ten club members standing in line
One disliked the president and then there were nine.
Nine ambitious members offered to work late.
One forgot the promise and then there were eight.
Eight creative members had ideas as good as heaven.
One lost enthusiasm and then there were seven.
Seven loyal members got into a fix.
They argued over programs and then there were six.
Six members remained with spirit and drive.
One moved away and then there were five.
Five steadfast members wished there were more.
One became indifferent and then there were four.
Four cheerful members who never disagreed - until one complained of meetings, and then there were three.
Three eager members! What do they do?
One got discouraged and then there were two.
Two lonely members, my rhyme is nearly done.
One joined a sports team and then there was one.
One faithful member - feeling rather blue,
met with his schoolmate and then there were two.
Two earnest members each enrolled one more,
doubling their numbers - now there were four.
Four determined members just couldn’t wait until each signed up another, and then there were eight.
Eight excited members signed up sixteen more.
In another six verses there’ll be a thousand twenty four!

MEMBERS - IT TAKES ONE TO GET ONE! JUST DO IT!

Announcing the 2009 National Science Experiment: Biofuel Blast!

On 4-H National Youth Science Day, October 7th, young people across the nation will get a chance to examine one of the most important issues facing our nation today - energy. Youth will discover, learn and have a blast exploring alternative fuels through Biofuel Blast, the National Science Experiment.

Developed in conjunction with the University of Wisconsin - Madison Extension and Wisconsin 4-H, the experiment is designed to spark an early interest in the sciences - all part of 4-H’s bold goal to engage a million new young people in science, engineering and technology programs by 2013.

You can find everything you need to participate in 4-H National Youth Science Day online at: www.4-H.org/NYSDD. The site has lots of useful information, including the experimental facilitator’s guide, interactive tools, event planning kits and much more. Plus, new features, information and promotion will be added in the months and weeks leading up to October 7th - so make sure to register to receive event updates today.

We’re looking forward to another successful 4-H National Youth Science Day!
JOLT 2009 MISSION POSSIBLE
Submitted by Angela Teskey Peterson

I dare say that if you have not braved a Teen Leadership Camp either as a Volunteer Chaperone or as a Teenager... YOU HAVE REALLY MISSED OUT!!! WHO would want to miss out on an opportunity like attending JOLT! Journey of Opportunity for Leaders Tomorrow! Late nights, early mornings, powerful guest speakers, workshops, team building, dances, community service and meeting great people from all over the state of Arizona, even some from New Mexico and Utah!

Well, not me! This was the 4th time I’ve attended JOLT! Always Amazing! Always Rewarding! And Yes! Always EXHAUSTING! First year chaperone, Lara Densmore, was a bit nervous before camp. I really enjoyed working with her and watching her emerge from her skeptical cocoon and become a beautiful butterfly participating in everything she could with passion and a lust for learning! I know she’ll be back to JOLT!

I was SO excited that Yavapai County had such wonderful members representing our clubs! Mariah Finger from CVBL was the only member who had been to JOLT before! For the rest of the attendees it was MISSION UNKNOWN! John Alder, Katie Haas, Hanna Price and Mary Alice Wisecarver from Lonesome Valley Wranglers; Justin Darby, Emmett Densmore and Emily Stevens from the Breakaway Latigos. These members worked hard, played hard and achieved their Mission! "Learning to Lead" and hopefully more about adult-youth partnerships! Adults are NOT the bad guys! We’re here to help you on your Mission!

I have never enjoyed working with a group as much as I did this year! Perhaps that's because we have such AWESOME 4-H members right here in Yavapai County. These teens are the Leadership Stars to watch! Please ask them about JOLT! I know every member learned a lot of things to bring back to their own clubs!

Be sure to watch for JOLT 2010 info! It's an adventure you won't want to miss!! If you’d like to see a couple hundred photos and some videos of some really breath-taking trust falls- please feel to email me for a link! AngelaTeskey@aol.com

USDA and NASA Send 4-H Flag to Space on Shuttle Launch

USDA’s National 4-H Headquarters and NASA sent the 4-H flag, depicting the familiar 4-H Clover, into space aboard the Space Shuttle Endeavour on June 11, 2009, as part of the STS-127 mission.

“The inclusion of the 4-H flag on this mission is reflective of the commitment 4-H has to building young leaders in science, engineering and technology,” said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. “As the global economy expands, these leaders will strengthen the United States’ global competitiveness and leadership in these fields.

4-H promotes positive youth development, facilitates learning and engages youth in the work of the land-grant universities and USDA to enhance their quality of life. Nearly 7 million youth, ages 5-19, participate in 4-H youth development experiences in all 50 states, territories and military installations worldwide.

Azeem Ahmed, 17, who is an avid space enthusiast and 4-H member from Alabama and President of the Alabama 4-H Council, made the original request to NASA to have the flag flown with a future space shuttle mission.

“A 4-H is more than green and white - it is a collage,” Ahmed said. “It is agriculture and it’s also healthy living, leadership and citizenship and science, engineering and technology. Science, engineering and technology is one of the missions of 4-H, and by flying a 4-H flag into space, I hope we shine a new light on 4-H.”

Ahmed has been a 4-H member for seven years. He has participated in a variety of leadership and science, engineer and technology programs on the state and national level and wants people to see 4-H as he and thousands of other youth do.

To read the complete article, visit the USDA website at: http://www.csrees.usda.gov/newsroom/ews/2009news/06111_4h_space.html
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to lgerber@cals.arizona.edu or submit by mail to:
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