When I Compete...

★ I have a performance goal - never a “to only beat someone else” goal.
★ I respect and learn from other competitors more skilled than myself.
★ I don’t criticize other competitors, officials, or judges.
★ I do my best today!
★ I have fun!
★ I stay home if I can’t follow the above rules!

Foundations for Families
- By Jeff Goodwin, 4-H & Youth Development Specialist, University of Idaho Cooperative Extension System

COMPETITION…

Some people think that competitive events can be harmful to youth. While age-appropriate competition is a valid issue, perhaps “competition out of control” is the real culprit.

Maybe we should direct competitive youth events toward the golf approach instead of the boxing approach.

The good golfer competes against his or her own skill, knowledge, consistency, and more importantly, the golf course itself.

The boxer goes head-to-head and toe-to-toe against his or her opponent. It’s a brutal dog-eat-dog contest. The ultimate objective is rendering your opponent unconscious with a knock-out. Not exactly a friend-building contest.

If we spend our competitive energies and resources “playing the course” instead of “butting heads with our buddies” we can still be assured that we have run the good race and fought the good fight. This “play the course” approach allows us to do our best and still have friends the day after the contest.

So, at your next livestock show, 4-H contest, school event or other contest, think golf – “play the course as best you can”.

8 Ways to Make Your Youth Program Better

1. Hold Rules and Ethics in high regard
2. Encourage appropriate parent involvement
3. Get rid of “tunnel vision”
4. Avoid short-cut training methods
5. Get a handle on competition
6. Practice and promote unselfishness
7. Leave excess adult baggage at the gate
8. Have fun & learn!
Yavapai Cowbelles, Inc. and the Yavapai County Cattle Growers to offer Scholarships

Forms are available to be picked up in either Cooperative Extension Office. The deadline for submission is March 31, 2006 for Cowbelles and April 25 for Cattle Growers.

Arizona 4-H Youth Foundation Educational Grants...

The Arizona 4-H Youth Foundation awards educational grants to 4-H members who have college or university aptitude and capability from funds provided by endowments and donations received to support scholarship awards. The majority of awards are based on financial need, however there is funding for one scholarship based on merit criteria only.

Eligibility:

- Must have been a 4-H member a minimum of two full years, which may include the current year. Involvement during senior year is preferred, but not required.
- 4-H members who are seniors in high school and have applied to, or have been accepted and plan to attend, an accredited university or community college in the fall of the year in which the grant is awarded. Include a letter of acceptance, if available.
- Former members and previous recipients who are continuing their education at an accredited university or community college in the fall of the year in which the grant is awarded. A new application must be submitted each year.
- Application plus 4 copies must be sent to the County Extension Office by MARCH 20, 2006 to either the Cottonwood or the Prescott office.

You can get the application on-line at http://ag.arizona.edu/4-h_foundation/scholarships.htm or in either Extension office.

Yavapai County 4-H/FFA EXPO Committee is Proud to Announce “The Yavapai County 4-H/FFA EXPO Educational Scholarship”

This scholarship is devoted to those who qualify that show exemplary leadership skills; both within and beyond their respective Club/Chapter. Applicants must have been or are currently exhibitors at the Yavapai County 4-H/FFA Expo and have taken their acquired skills to another level.

The deadline for turning in applications is April 1, 2006. The winner or winners will be announced prior to the Auction on Saturday, April 22, 2006.

For more information & applications visit the Expo website: www.4hffaexpo.org. Information and applications may also be obtained from either Extension Office. For questions contact Pam ~ Phone: (928)445-6590 x 226
Horse Committee Corner
Yavapai County 4-H Horse Shows ~
April 1 & 2, 2006 at Orme School &
May 13 & 14, 2006 at Orme School

Horse Show packets will be mailed out soon. Deadlines for entries are March 15 and April 26, 2006. These entry forms need to be submitted in a club packet, not individually. Please see your leaders to coordinate this.

Remember, you must be a member in good standing in order to participate in the county horse shows and to complete your 4-H year. For Horse Project members, this includes:
a. 80% attendance of project meetings
b. 80% attendance of community club meetings
c. Give a demonstration
d. Attend the Yavapai County 4-H Equine Education Day
e. Participate in a judging - horse or livestock
f. Proper I.D. of their project horse(s)

Members must have no outstanding debt and will provide their leaders with an up-to-date record book. This can be rough draft. County requirements are fully explained on the Yavapai County 4-H Member Completion Requirements available through your leader or the Cooperative Extension office.

Great News! You can now print your own copy of the Yavapai County 4-H Horse Project Rules and Procedures AND the Horse Project Record Book online! The website is http://cals.arizona.edu/yavapai/4hyd. Every member should be very familiar with this rule book, it has everything in it. Information like proper attire and equipment, as well as what the judges are looking for in each class.

The Horse Committee meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month, starting at 6 pm.
February 21, 2006: Prescott - Mackin Building, Prescott Frontier Day's Rodeo Grounds
March 21, 2006: Camp Verde - Camp Verde Recreation Center
(To confirm meeting times and dates, contact Michelle Stevens at 928-636-1718) These meetings are open to any interested parent and member, your participation is greatly appreciated!

March 4, 2006 will be the last Schooling Show at Orme School for this season. Plan on attending to get in shape for the county shows. Cost is $10 for the day, sign ups start at 8 am and classes begin at 9 am.

Upcoming Clinics:
March 4, 2006: Orme Schooling Show.
March 5, 2006: Roping Clinic at Arena de Loma
March 11, 2006: Showmanship Clinic with Brittany Levine. Prescott Rodeo Grounds, 9 am to 12 noon. Pre registration required, due by March 8th, available online.
March 19, 2006: Roping Clinic at Arena de Loma.
March 21, 2006: Horse Committee meeting, Camp Verde, 6 pm.
April 1 & 2, 2006: Yavapai County 4-H Horse Show.
April 15, 2006: Clean up Day at Groom Creek Horse Camp. Great community service opportunity! Call Michelle Stevens 928-636-1718 for more information.

Please call me for any further information ~ Michelle Stevens - YC4-HHC Chairperson, 928-636-1718
Livestock owners are often interested in checking "weight gain" of their animals. Commercial feedlot operators fatten large numbers of animals for slaughter; 4-H project owners maintain and improve their animals for the showmanship ring, or fatten for sale; horse owners who manage stock properly want to know the weight of their horse in order to determine a proper ration.

Commercial operations have mechanical scales in their stock yards to determine yard in-weights, sale weights and rate-of-gain for animals on feed. Others, with only a few animals and no scales available, often resort to "guessing". There is little room for guessing when calculating rations, for the practice of "working in the dark" can produce other problems.

Here are some methods available to calculate the weight of large animals by the use of body measurements. Use a tape and measure in inches.

**BEEF CATTLE**:  
1. Measure the length of body, from point-of-shoulder (A) to point-of-rump or pin bone B).  
2. Measure the circumference or heart girth (C). Measure from point slightly behind shoulder blade, down over fore-ribs and under body behind elbow. When these measurements, in inches, are made - use the following formula:  
3. Heart girth x heart girth x body length / 300 = weight in pounds. **EXAMPLE**:  
   Heart girth(76") x heart girth(76") x body length(66") / by 300 = 1,270 lbs.  
   
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   \text{heart girth (76") x heart girth (76") x body length (66") / by 300 = 1,270 lbs.}
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*** Sheep and Goats: Use the same method described for beef cattle. When working with unshorn sheep, be sure to part or compress the wool to insure an accurate heart girth measurement.

**HOGS**:  
1. Measure the circumference (heart girth) of body (C).  
2. Measure the length of body (A - B). Do this by restraining the animal, depressing the head and measuring the length of body from between the ears (poll) over the backbone to the base of the tail. When the measurements, in inches, are made, use the following formula:  
3. Heart girth X heart girth X length / 400 = weight in pounds  
   For hogs weighing less than 150 pounds, add 7 pounds to the weight figure you gain from this formula; for hogs weighing 151 to 400 pounds, no further adjustment is needed.

**HORSES**:  
It is easy to estimate the weight of your horse, using body measurements. Tests have shown that the results obtained are accurate within 3% of actual scale weight.  
1. Measure the circumference (heart girth) of body (C).  
2. Measure length of body from point-of-shoulder (A) to point-of-rump (B). When these measurements, in inches, are made - use the following formula:  
3. Heart girth X heart girth X length / 300 + 50 = weight in pounds  
   Heart girth(70") X heart girth(70") X length(65") / by 300 + 50= 1,111 Lbs.  
   
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   \text{heart girth (70") x heart girth (70") x length (65") / by 300 + 50= 1,111 Lbs.}
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Parents... Take Note!

As EXPO approaches, please remember:

1. Thou shalt not feed, train and care for the animal, for thou art trying to teach the child responsibility.
2. Thou shalt forgive a child for making mistakes in the showing, for thou hast made mistakes too.
3. Thou shalt not get mad when thy child forgets items in the show box, for one day thou may forget the show box.
4. Thou shalt help the show management, for they are doing a job that thou would not want to do.
5. Thou shalt see that their child is on time for all showing activities, for thou should not want to wait on another.
6. Thou shalt be sure that thy child has the animals entered and the registration papers in order by the designated time.
7. Thou shalt teach the child that winning a blue ribbon is a desirable goal, but making friends along the ay is a more worthy goal.
8. Thou shalt not complain about the judge, for it is his opinion that has been sought.
9. Thou shalt not forget that livestock projects are teaching projects, not necessarily money-making projects.

Communicate!

With EXPO upon us, parent support and involvement is a necessity. 4-H leaders must THINK Ahead; plan for your club needs at Expo and ask family members to become involved. Be specific with details. What are you asking them to do, when and where? Most people are willing to help if they are only asked. As EXPO approaches, let’s remember to communicate.

LEADERS: Communicate with members - be sure they have project & EXPO information.
PARENTS: Communicate with leaders - be sure your child is ready for county activities and fair competition.
LEADERS: Communicate with parents - let them know how much the 4-H members need their support.
PARENTS: Communicate with your children, make sure they complete their projects.
EVERYONE: Communicate with your County 4-H Extension office if there is something you don’t understand.

4-H EXTENSION OFFICE: Communicate with those who need the information.

It takes all of us to make 4-H happen and remember, communication is a two way street.
PROPER METHODS OF CONTACTING A BUYER

Pre-Contact - It is important that personal contacts not be made "cold". In other words, first send letters of introduction to a list of prospective contacts. Tell them in your letter you will be giving them a phone call and "...would like the opportunity of setting up a time when you can met with them personally..." After a week has passed, call the business/owner. Indicate you would like to set up a time when you can meet personally with the individual to give them important information about yourself, the 4-H program, and EXPO.

1. Make sure the proper person is contacted.
   ✦ The store owner - Not the Janitor!
   ✦ The manager - Not the Secretary!
   ✦ Come back later if they are not in - Do not talk to the Assistant!
   A suggested introduction: "Is the owner available? I am (your name) of the (your club) 4-H Club."

2. Your introduction to the proprietor or individual.
   ✦ Look directly at the person and speak loudly and clearly to them.
   ✦ Practice your introduction at home before family/friends.
   ✦ Make sure that you are speaking to the correct person.
   ✦ State your name and club.
   ✦ Smile and be friendly!

3. Explain your purpose for wanting to talk to the prospective buyer.
   ✦ Tell them what purposes are accomplished for 4-H and FFA at EXPO
   ✦ Let them know the times EXPO is open to the public and the dates and times your classes will be scheduled (showmanship and conformation).
   ✦ Tell them about our Website: [www.4hffaexpo.org](http://www.4hffaexpo.org).

4. How the Buyer can use his/her purchase at the Auction:
   "The animal you buy at the auction will provide you with top quality meat. Your meat can be used in the following ways":
   ✦ Personal Use: You and your family can enjoy quality fresh meat or go in with a neighbor or friend and each buy 1/2 of an animal.
   ✦ Restaurants and Markets: Advertise and serve meat raised by local youth. Use the 4-H/FFA Livestock Auction Picture in your menu and displays.
   ✦ Service Clubs, Lodges, Unions and other organizations: Put on a club BBQ. Donate the meat to charity. Auction off packaged meat to members or others to boost the club treasury.
   ✦ Business Concerns: Present packaged meat to your best customers or use in promotional campaigns. Put on a BBQ for your employees. Ideal as gifts.

5. Explain ways to support 4-H/FFA Exhibitors:
   “If you would like to attend the Auction, it will be held Saturday, April 22 at 12:00 noon. It will take place at the Prescott Frontier Days Rodeo Grounds. Anyone can bid.” You are welcome to attend the auction without bidding. A sales order catalog will be given to you upon arrival listing the animals to be sold, sale weight, the exhibitor and his/her organizational affiliation. Bids are made in dollars/cents per pound (with the exception of rabbit or poultry meat pens and handcrafted items, which are sold by the pen, head, or item). If you wish to bid on an animal, hold up your hand. If you are successful, a runner will take down all pertinent information from you. The animal goes to the highest bidder.
   ✦ You can bid by proxy. If you are unable to attend the auction, but would still like to purchase an animal, simply fill out the Absentee Bidder/Add-On Donations Form and mail to the Cooperative Extension office. A member of the 4-H/FFA Livestock Committee will act as your agent and bid for the animal or animals you choose for up to the maximum bid or total amount you have authorized. If your bid is successful, you will be notified by the Committee so payment arrangements can be made.

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Kaelin and Matt role play at contacting a buyer.
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♦ **BOOSTS!** If you don’t think you want to purchase an animal, but would still like to help out a 4-H or FFA member, you can place a set dollar amount donation towards a particular 4-H/FFA member’s animal. You can do this via mail by filling out the Absentee Bidder/Add-On Donations Form* and send a check for the specified donation amount to the Cooperative Extension Office, or you may make a donation in person during the Auction at a table which will be set up for this purpose.

6. Explain how the Buyer can handle his purchase after the sale.

♦ **Select a processor to slaughter, cut and wrap his purchase.** The processor will call the Buyer and take his cutting order. When the meat is ready, the Buyer will be notified and pays the slaughter and processing fees when the meat is picked up.

♦ **Purchase, then resell the animal to a commercial packer at current market price.** The difference between the purchase price and resale will be the actual price the Buyer pays on Auction day. The current market price for each specie will be printed in the Sale Catalog.

♦ **Choose to pick-up your purchase live after the sale.** The Buyer may pick-up live (or arrange for pick-up) and handle his/her purchase as they wish.

7. Invitation to the Buyer for the:

♦ **Show:** Tell them the time you will be showing your specie(s) based on published fair schedules.

♦ **Buyer’s Appreciation Barbeque - Saturday, April 22 from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

♦ **Sale:** Let them know that they may talk to 4-H and FFA members and view animals for sale Saturday morning any time before the auction (rather than saying, “Please come and buy my steer. ” Say, “My club/chapter members and I would really like to see you at the EXPO this year.”

♦ **Thank the Buyer for his/her time.**

♦ **Remember to leave a brochure and Absentee Bidder/Add-on Donations Form**

*NOTE: Be ready for questions! Know pertinent info about your project (breed, sex, current or projected weights, feeds fed, etc.)

8. **DRESS CODE:**

♦ **Be clean and neat for your visit.**

♦ **Wear nice, business-like clothes.** NO GRUBBIES!

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**Introducing Your 2006 4-H/FFA EXPO Ambassadors**

Chantel Castleberry, Matthew Cometh, Kaelin Cummins, Eric Fleck and Austin Jenkins are your 2006 EXPO Ambassadors. They are traveling around the county promoting EXPO. They attend community and service group club meetings and give presentations about 4-H, FFA and EXPO. In January they spoke to the Back Country Horsemens of Central AZ and the Cattle Growers Association. They will be busy throughout March attending meetings to increase community support of our activities. On March 28th Chantel and Matt will be on the AM Arizona TV Show! They are an amazing group with GREAT public speaking skills. We are all very lucky to have them working for us.
“Congratulations” to the following members on their success at the COLORADO RIVER SMALL STOCK SHOW, Kingman, AZ:

Tim Black - Reserve Grand Champion Novice Duck. & 2nd place in Novice judging.

Mariah Finger - Grand Champion Jr. Pigeon showmanship, Grand Champion/Best of Breed Pigeon conformation; 2nd place Jr. showmanship Rabbit, 1st place Rabbit conformation; 1st place Jr. Chicken showmanship, 2nd place Chicken conformation; Grand Champion Round Robin and 1st place Jr. judging

Toni Hull - 1st place Novice Rabbit showmanship, 2nd place Rabbit conformation, 1st place Jr. Cavy showmanship, 3rd place Cavy conformation and a medal for Grand Champion Novice judging.

Kate Hull - 1st place Novice Rabbit showmanship, 1st place Rabbit conformation; 1st place Jr. Cavy showmanship, 3rd place Cavy conformation. Also, 1st place in Novice judging.


Holly Meier - 1st in Novice Rabbit showmanship, 1st in Rabbit conformation, & 1st in Novice Judging.

Christine Pearson - 1st place Novice Duck. Also, 1st place Novice judging.

Jon Pearson - Grand Champion Jr. Showmanship Duck. Also, 1st place Jr. judging.


All of these members participated (the first time for all) in the Quiz Bowl and both teams lost by only a small amount!

Feb. 4th was Weigh-In Day at the Verde Valley Fairgrounds...

Before the event, Donna Goodman, project leader, taught the kids in her club how to shear their lambs and trim their hooves. Then it was off to the scales to weigh-in.

Approximately 37 lambs and 97 pigs were weighed that day. There was quite a long line at one point—the cars and trailers were backed up to the front gate of the fairgrounds. Everything moved along very nicely. Weigh-in started at 2pm and ended at 5pm.

The Cottonwood Clovers had a hands-on training.
2006 ANLS 4-H/FFA HORSE SHOW RESULTS

The Maricopa County 4-H Horse Committee and the ANLS Horse Show committee were very grateful to all of the members and their families who participated in this year’s show. They had record numbers for every class, so those who placed did very well.

Congratulations to the following Yavapai County 4-H members who placed during this January 2-day event:

Brittney Levi  Boot Scootin’ Dewey 4-H
2nd Place Senior Heading
4th Place Senior Breakaway

Matthew Cometh  Prescott Rough Riders
3rd Place Senior Heading
8th Place Senior Heeling
3rd Place Senior Breakaway

Christine Dunn  Camp Verde Cowboys
3rd Place Junior Barrels:
5th Place Junior Goats

Sami Drake  Camp Verde Cowboys
10th Place Junior Goats

Hollie Crim  Prescott Rough Riders
6th Place Senior English Equitation
8th Place Senior Western Pleasure
2nd Place Senior Western Riding
4th Place Senior Trail

Grace Somers  Back in the Saddle
1st Place Junior English Equitation
Western Reserve Jr. High Point
6th Place Junior Showmanship
2nd Place Junior Pleasure
1st Place Junior Equitation
6th Place Junior Riding
5th Place Junior Trail

These pictures were taken at what looks like a science classroom, but it’s really the Prescott Rough Riders learning how to give intramuscular & subtravenous injections using the orange.

We’ve Gone to the Dogs!

Nine eager young faces came with their four-footed partners in early December to learn about preparing for the dog show. The group will be exploring ring etiquette, proper handling techniques, gaiting patterns, purposes of the various groups and breeds, and proper care and grooming of their dog.

The dogs in the class can be blue-blooded “whatsits” as well as purebred dogs. The main ingredient for success of the participants is the desire to learn how to participate in the dog show ring!

Class is held the second Saturday of the month at the Verde Valley Fairgrounds. Class will run from 3-4:30 pm. Dogs must be on leash and non-aggressive toward other dogs.

For more information, call Sue Sammarco at 710-1617 or Vada Binick at 567-1434.
**PRE-EXPO DOG SHOW…**

Dog Show and Judging Event  March 18, 2006 ~ 10:00 a.m.
Wisecarver Home ~ Cordes Junction, Arizona

*The Lonesome Valley Wranglers* are inviting all 4-H members enrolled in the dog project to come and participate in Obedience, Showmanship and Agility Classes. There will be a regulation AKC Ring for Obedience and a large rope ring for Showmanship. Awards will be given for High Point in both Obedience and Showmanship as well as 1st-4th place. The Agility Class will be for practice only. In addition, there will be judging classes for any 4-H member interested in participating in a countywide judging event. There is no cost for either event. Please contact Molly Wisecarver for directions and further information at 928-632-0820.

Or email Molly at molly@miracleplayground.com.

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**PIMA COUNTY 4-H RABBIT AND CAVY CLASSIC**

Saturday, March 25, 2006

*There will not be registration the day of show ~ Registration due by March 18th*

Check-In 9:00 to 10:00 ~ Show Begins at 10:00
U of A Campus Ag Center ~ Covered Arena ~ 4101 N Campbell, Tucson

For more information please call or email:
Rabbits - Colleen Hale, 240-9598 / chale6bl@peoplepc.com
Cavies - Veronica Livas, 741-7463 vlivas@KGUN9.com

You can obtain a form at either Cooperative Extension Office.

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**Mandi Michael Memorial Award Applications**
Available Online at www.4hffaexpo.org/

The Mandi Michael Memorial Award was established in 2005 in honor of a precious little girl who is no longer with us. This award will be given to a deserving Yavapai County 4-H/FFA member exhibiting at this year’s Yavapai County 4-H/FFA Expo in the beef department who meets the requirements as set by Mandi’s parents.

A monetary award will be given, along with the recipients name on a perpetual plaque. A smaller plaque with the recipients name will also accompany the monetary award.

Deadline for submission is Monday, April 10th to either Cooperative Extension office. Qualified applicants will be scheduled for an interview by the selection committee on Friday, April 21.

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**“Prescott Frontier Days Royalty”**

Applications for the 2007 Prescott Frontier Day’s Queen and Royalty are now available at the rodeo office in Prescott.
Deadline for submission of applications is April 22, 2006.
Orientation takes place at the rodeo grounds on May 6 and the pageant is June 10 and 11.
For questions, call 928-445-3103.
Clogging Project to begin on Friday February 24th

We will be meeting every Friday Afternoon at the Mayer Recreational Center from 3:30pm until 5:30pm. We also would be interested in opening this opportunity up to other groups. For more information contact:
Angela Teskey-Peterson @ Angelateskey@aol.com.

HAVE YOUR STORY FEATURED IN THE 2008 NATIONAL 4-H CALENDAR!

National 4-H Supply Service wants to hear about your favorite 4-H project and why it is meaningful. Your story could be used in the 2008 National 4-H Calendar. Sending in a submission may even get you a free gift certificate towards your next purchase of merchandise from the 4-H Source Book!

The 2008 calendar theme is "My Favorite 4-H Project". It will be up to 4-H members, volunteers, parents, staff and partners to furnish the stories that will be featured. These personal testaments must tell the what, when, where, why, and how; so everyone can understand how 4-H projects are meaningful.

One story for each month will be featured in the calendar and the author will receive one $10 gift certificate towards a future purchase in the 4-H Source Book. Please limit your entry to 125 words due to the space restrictions of the calendar. Don't forget to include your contact information.

Please e-mail, fax or mail your stories to:
Maria Cascioli
National 4-H Supply Service
7100 Connecticut Avenue ~ Chevy Chase, MD 20815
mcascioli@fourhcouncil.edu
Phone: 301-961-2948 ~ Fax: 301-961-2937
The submission deadline is April 30, 2006.

YAC~YAC~YAC

Does anyone out there know what a YAC is?
No, not the water buffalo type animal..
It's a member of the Arizona 4H “Youth-Adult Council”.

The Arizona Youth Adult council is a gathering of youth members and adult leaders who work together to establish the direction of programs, design training, educational opportunities, and recruit others to participate in all aspects of Arizona 4-H. The members of the council meet 3 times a year to strengthen and unite the Arizona 4-H program statewide.

The first YAC meeting for the 2005-06 4-H year was held in Phoenix on Dec. 3 and 4. Youth and adult members from 8 counties and Ft. Huachuca were in attendance. Patti Marrs and Katie Radosevic were among them and privileged to represent Yavapai County.

The meeting was stimulating and informative. Everyone worked hard to develop new statewide programs for the upcoming year. The Training Committee worked to construct a plan for “Team Building and Ice Breaker” workshops. The Promotion Committee is working to produce a “Statewide YAC Web Site” containing up dated YAC and 4H information. The Program Committee is brainstorming and working out the logistics of a Statewide “Community Service Day” the first to be on Saturday October 9, 2006 during National 4H Week.

Keep an eye on the Clover Communicator for updates and new information.
4-H/FFA Jackpot Show  
(Sponsored by Yavapai County 4-H/FFA Expo Education Committee)  
Saturday, March 4, 2006, Prescott Frontier Days Rodeo Grounds  
Come learn how to fit and show your animals. Cost is $7/animal  
8:00 a.m.-Entry Signup Begins  
9:30 a.m.-Entry Signup Closes  
10:00 a.m.-Show Starts  
Market Swine Confirmation & Showmanship  
Breeding & Market Sheep & Showmanship  
Dairy Goats-Showmanship Only  
Breeding & Market Beef Showmanship  
♦ We are looking for older, experienced members to share their knowledge of fitting and showing with the younger less experienced members.  
♦ Fundraising Opportunity for any 4-H Club, FFA Chapter or 4-H Committee who wishes to provide a concession stand for the day.  
For more information call Heather Scott, Education Committee Chair at (928) 567 - 5097.

University of Arizona Collegiate Cattle Growers Association  
Jackpot Livestock Show  
Sheep ~ Goats ~ Beef  
Saturday, March 11, 2006  
University of Arizona Campus Farm  
Weigh-in: 7:00 - 8:00 a.m.  
Show: 10:00 a.m.  
All late entries will pay $10 per person per entry above regular fees.  
CASH ONLY AT THE GATE. ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS!  
Pre-registered entries must be postmarked on or before March 6, 2006.  
Open to all 4-H, FFA and Youth Breed Association members in good standing.  
Incomplete entries, illegible entries, no money and/or returned checks all constitute a voided entry!  
Please complete a separate entry form for each exhibitor.  
Direct questions to:  
Heather Page or Nicole Hogue  
520-975-8187 520-975-4363  
hpage@email.arizona.edu nickih@email.arizona.edu  
Mail entries to: Department of Animal Sciences, UA  
Attn: Casey McMurphy  
P.O. Box 210038  
Tucson, AZ 85721-0038
**Journey of Opportunities for Leaders of Tomorrow**

Journey of Opportunities for Leaders of Tomorrow, or J.O.L.T. is an Arizona Teen Leadership Conference, which is held annually in Heber, Arizona each June. This year the dates are June 12 - 16, 2006.

JOLT is for ALL Teens from various Organizations, Backgrounds, ages 14 to 18 or entering High School. Participants will enjoy activities that build trust, develop leadership, and improve communication skills. Teens will gather from all over Arizona to develop open-minded and positive attitudes. The dynamic staff (a youth and adult partnership), inspirational workshop speakers and J.O.L.T. participants combine to make it a memorable week.

This year’s conference will center around the theme: “The Wonderful World of JOLT...Where Leaders Come to Life”, participants will be transported to a world where teamwork, solving conflict peacefully, building positive relationships and serving others are away of life. The JOLT youth and adult staff anxiously await the opportunity to open your mind to the many JOLT opportunities.

**JOLT Fees:** Registration ends June 1st or at 138 participants (filled on a first come basis).

- **Earlybird registration:** received by April 15th - $165.00
- **Regular registration:** received by May 15th- $180.00
  *(Registrations received after May 15 will not have your name on the t-shirt).*

Send registrations to your county Extension office. REGISTRATION Forms available at the Extension office or ON-LINE at...

www.cals.arizona.edu/4-h/jolt/index.html

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**Shooting Education Certification Workshop**

- **Event Date:** June 2-4, 2006
- **Location:** St. Joseph’s Youth Camp near Flagstaff

Arizona 4-H policy requires that, prior to being recognized as 4-H Shooting Education Instructors, volunteers must complete a Shooting Education Instructors Certification Workshop. This workshop is conducted once a year by volunteer instructors who have received special instructors training endorsed by the National 4-H Shooting Education Committee. Instructors certification workshop applications and information will be available in March 2006.
Citizenship Washington Focus

Event Date: June 3-10, 2006
Location: Washington D.C.
Approximate Cost: $1,100
More Info: http://www.cwf.n4h.org/

Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) is a week-long 4-H citizenship program for youth ages 14-19. Thousands of young people from across America stay at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center, near Washington, D.C., every summer to participate in the program, which provides opportunities for young people to:

- Broaden appreciation and practice respect for themselves and others;
- Increase individual commitment to citizen involvement;
- Understand the importance of civic and social responsibilities;
- Practice fitness and have fun!

CWF participants get:
- A behind-the-scenes look at our nation's capital and the chance to meet Members of Congress;
- Motivational speakers, workshops and assemblies that increase individual commitment to citizen involvement and build lifetime skills for success;
- Activities that encourage new and lasting friendships;
- An enthusiastic college-age staff that works directly with them.

CWF program assistants immerse delegates in the culture and history of Washington, DC, through onsite workshops at its most spectacular sights. Destinations include, but are not limited to:

- The Capitol
- Mount Vernon
- Arlington National Cemetery
- Presidential and war monuments and memorials
- Smithsonian museums

Night view: The week's signature event is a tour of our nation's most historic sites beautifully illuminated. In between your tours, relax at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center, the premier meeting and conference center in the Washington, DC, area especially for young people. The National 4-H Youth Conference Center offers:

- 12-acre campus with 24-hour uniformed security
- Fitness center, full-court basketball, sandpit volleyball
- Recreation room with cyber cafe, game arcade and large screen television
- All-you-can eat buffet in the Clover Cafe
- Separate beds for 800 people in 246 rooms
- 35,000 square feet of dedicated conference space
- Facilities accessible to people with disabilities
- No room taxes or gratuities

“CWF is an indescribable experience. I was able to experience government and citizenship in the heart of our nation's capital, while interacting with people from all over the U.S. Returning home, I was more confident and focused on my ability to help make a difference.”
- Stacie Wenig, Ohio

I believe that CWF provided me the opportunity to broaden my awareness and challenge my thinking about issues.

- Katlin Mulvaney,
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