Ohio 4-H News and Notes Week of January 12, 2014

Help Us Spread the Word About Project Central Using Social Media

Project Central is awaiting 4-H members and project helpers to rate their 2013 project experiences and to also explore other potential projects for 2014. Encourage the youth in your county to visit www.ohio4h.org/projectcentral to make selecting their next project easier.

Here are some digital ways to help members and project helpers find Project Central:

- Create Facebook and Twitter posts for your county's pages, such as . . .
- Not sure what project to enroll in this year? Use <u>projectcentral.ohio4h.org</u> to learn more about projects and to preview project books!
- Tell us what you thought about the project you took in 2013 using <u>projectcentral.ohio4h.org</u> and learn what others said about their projects, too
- Take a closer look at the new and revised 2014 projects at <u>projectcentral.ohio4h.org</u>, like *Science Fun with Kitchen Chemistry* or *My Hands to Larger Service*. Other new ones coming soon.
- Choosing your next project can be tough! To review a project before enrolling, visit <u>projectcentral.ohio4h.org</u> to see what other people think and to view the project book.

Add an announcement to your county's website or newsletter, such as . . .

- Announcing Ohio 4-H Project Central! Interested in getting a close look at a project book? Want to
 rate your experience with last year's project? Members and project helpers can preview project
 books AND share feedback about their project experiences on a new website called Ohio 4-H
 Project Central. Check out the website now atwww.ohio4h.org/projectcentral for easy instructions
 and a direct link.
- Here are a few examples from <u>Franklin County</u> (http://franklin.osu.edu/topics/4-h-youth-development December Newsletter) and <u>Pickaway County</u> (http://pickaway.osu.edu/topics/4-h-youth-development/4-h-projects). Additional resources are also available under the <u>Promotion & Marketing</u> tab on the 4-H for Staff page (http://www.ohio4h.org/4-h-staff/promotion-marketing).

If you have any questions or need some assistance getting the word out, we would love to help! Please contact Erica Clark-Covert at clark-covert.1@osu.edu or (614) 688-1934.

We hope our previous message about using social posts to let your members know about Project Central was useful. Your efforts helped us reach 102 visitors to the site just on Monday alone! Keep up your Facebook and Twitter posts and be sure to let us know if you need more content suggestions, as we are here to help.

What? You're too busy to hang out on social media? Traditional methods to help us promote Project Central to the members and volunteers in your county work too. Use the free bookmarks you received a few weeks ago and order more as needed from eStore (http://estore.osu-extension.org/productdetails.cfm?PC=2816)! Also, the posters and presentation that announce new and revised projects also include information about Project Central. Print them out and post them for visitors, or share them directly with club leaders and other volunteers. They can each be found as a PDF and PPT on the website under 4-H for Staff > Resources > Publications (https://www.ohio4h.org/4-h-staff/resources).

4-H Day at Cedar Point

4-H Day at Cedar Point will be Friday, June 27, 2014. On this day, 4-H members, volunteers, parents, and friends can purchase discounted tickets for Cedar Point! The 4-H rate is \$38.00 per ticket, while general admission is \$59.99. What a deal! For more information, visit: http://erie.osu.edu/topics/4-h-youth-development/4-h-day-at-cedar-point Questions? Contact Mary Beth Albright in Erie County at 419/627-7631 or albright.75@osu.edu

Doris Huffman - Mini Grant Opportunity

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Watch and share this 1-minute video to see how Click2Science can create 'moments that click'.

Click2Science will be launching new, customizable video tools all through 2014, so fill out the <u>quick</u> <u>registration</u> now and get first access to the STEM teaching resource you'll be hearing a lot about in the new year!

Internships Available in Child Development, School-Age and Youth Development Programs

The Military Extension Internship Program is an opportunity for college students to gain practical work experience in child development, school-age, and youth programs. Interns work on military installations around the world for 10 to 15 weeks and receive a broad range of experiences, from working with children and youth and implementing programs, to learning about the management of child and youth centers.

A partnership between the Cooperative Extension System and the Department of Defense has provided the funding for this national, military childcare/youth development internship program. Through this initiative, students and recent graduates will have the opportunity to develop professional skills in childcare and youth development through practical work experience with military children, youth, and families. It is possible for current students to obtain academic credit for this experience. Interns' compensation will include an hourly wage or stipend and assistance with travel expenses.

Interns will be placed on military installations across the United States with limited opportunities for international placement. Since spring, 2010 we have successfully placed 333 interns who have developed professional skills in childcare and youth development through practical work experience with military children, youth, and families. The hire rate for employment eligible interns across Army, Navy and Air Force is now over 26%. We had four interns hired into permanent positions during December, 2013!

The Military Extension Internship Program will accept applications for the Summer 2014 class through January 31, 2014. More information and application materials can be found at http://www.ydae.purdue.edu/military/.

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