Ohio 4-H News and Notes Week of October 13, 2013

4-H Professionals' Update - Registration

Don't forget to register for the November 5th 4-H Professionals' Update. E-mail notification was sent to each 4-H Professionals on 10/10/13.

Election Day

November 5th is also Election Day. You may choose to vote absentee rather than worry about getting home before polls close. You can request your ballot be mailed to you. **CLICK HERE** for the Ohio Secretary of State website with instructions.

4-Hinterest

A 4-H professional suggested we do a type of "Pinterest" board for ideas and sharing at the Fall Professionals Update. If you haven't visited Pinterest, think of it is an online bulletin board. People take photos of favorite objects (or copy and paste from other sites) and "pin" them to boards. The boards are grouped by themes and there are...thousands!

Just like other social media sites, Pinterest can be a great source of ideas. At the 4-H Professionals' Update, we'll take Pinterest a step farther by creating a life-size Pinterest or 4-Hinterest board! What cool idea do you have to share? Is it a Cloverbud craft or camp game? What about a new project or record-keeping idea? Do you have a great way to recognize outstanding 4-H members or recognize volunteers?

Bring your best idea in the form of a drawing, photo, directions or object and pin it on the 4-Hinterest board. You'll have time to interact with other "pinners" and gain ideas. At the end of the day, we will photograph each item, then post them on Pinterest under "Ohio 4-H" to kick off our online board.

OSU YP4H:

Biometric screening and flu shots will be available in the Board Room, across from the auditorium. 8:30 to 2:00 by appointment. Please schedule your appointment in advance at: https://linktohealth.osu.edu

The Ohio 4-H Dairy Judging Team returned from the national contest with excellent results and many honors. The team consisted of Heath Geyer (Botkins), Colton Harstine (Dundee), Cody and Corey Jodrey (Winchester). It is somewhat unusual that a team would consist of all gentlemen.

Their credits include:

High Individual Team Overall in Placings High Team in Holsteins, 3rd in Guernseys

Colton: 8th High Individual in Placings and 14th Overall, 6th High in Holsteins Cory: 2nd High Individual in Placings and 19th Overall, 2nd High in Holsteins

Heath: 9th in the Jersey breed

7th Team Overall

These 4-Hers committed to many trips and miles to learn the fine art of judging dairy cattle.

For more information, CLICK HERE.

Smith Joins OSU Extension Ohio 4-H Dairy Program Staff

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Farmland Preservation Summit Essay Contest

High school junior and senior students involved in 4-H and/or FFA are encouraged to participate in our essay contest. The essay should be typed and include 500-700 words with the topic centered on "*How has farmland preservation impacted my family and/or community*?" The essay contest winner will be awarded a \$500 scholarship. The second and third place will be awarded \$250 each.

CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION

4-H & Ultimate Mentor Adventure

Through the collaborative efforts of Marvel, UL (Underwriters Laboratories), Dolby Laboratories, National Academy of Sciences, Girl Scouts USA and 4-H, girls will have a chance to go out into the real world and ask successful women in STEM fields about what do, how they got where they are...and how others can follow in their footsteps.

The process is designed to help students to understand who they are, and why this experience can be impactful on their futures. For more information, rules and how to apply, visit www.UltimateMentorAdventure.com.

TSC Paper Clover Campaign

The Paper Clover Campaign started on Wednesday and has already raised over \$100,000 for State and County 4-H programs. Currently Texas is in the lead with \$13,720. Can your state beat that? There is still time for your county to participate:

- Contact your TSC store manager and tell him your club would like to participate in-store.
- Have 4-H'ers sign up to be in-store for designated 3 hour time slots.
- Parents or volunteers accompany 4-H'ers during their time slots.
- 4-H'ers greet shoppers as they enter the store and ask them to buy a Paper Clover to support their 4-H club.

2013 Excellence in 4-H Award Nomination, Due October 18

Once again it is time to make nominations for the Excellence in 4-H Award. This award honors superior accomplishments by an Extension Educator in developing dynamic, innovative, broad-based 4-H educational programs. The award, funded through the Charles W. Lifer Excellence in 4-H Fund, is dedicated to the recognition of outstanding professionals who serve as examples in setting standards of excellence in ten major areas of the County 4-H program.

A peer may nominate any Ohio State University Extension Educator who provides leadership to 4-H programs. Nomination forms are due to Lisa Jinks by October 18, 2013. **jinks.2@osu.edu.** Please nominate one or more individuals, whom you think are deserving of this recognition.

2013 Excellence Nomination Form Excellence List of Award Winners