

Ohio 4-H News and Notes

Week of November 24, 2013

State Leadership Camp-Save the Date!

This event will be held June 2-6, 2014 at Camp Ohio. It is open to young men and women 4-H members ages 15 to 18 and mature (as deemed by county 4-H professional) 14 year olds. Individuals who attend should be enthusiastic and outstanding 4-H members with leadership qualities and/or potential. Attendance for this camp is important and each camper will be expected to stay through the entire duration of camp (school excuses will be available upon request). Cost, registration details, and more information will be coming soon! Questions? Visit <http://www.ohio4h.org/4-h-camps/leadership-camp> or contact Hannah Epley, epley.24@osu.edu or Erica Ralston, ralston.90@osu.edu.

ALSO, we are looking for individuals to serve as camp counselors and adult staff! If you have individuals (18+) who would be interested in helping, please let us know! They would be required to participate in some trainings prior to camp, including May 16-18 at Camp Ohio and June 1.

2014 OFMA Junior Fair Conference Registration Materials Due December 10, 2013

CLICK BELOW:

[Junior Fair Registration](#)

[A Step Beyond: Experienced JFB Members Registration](#)

[2014 OFMA Junior Fair Conference Schedule](#)

For more information, please contact Lisa McCutcheon, mccutcheon.46@osu.edu

**Project Y.E.S!
National Service Internship Program**

Project YES! is a national service internship program dedicated to providing quality youth development programs to children and youth of military families. Project YES! invites college students to join in meeting the needs of military families facing deployment.

If you are interested in becoming a Project YES! intern visit:

<http://militaryfamilies.extension.org/yes-intern-program/>

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Leadership Opportunity: 4-H participation at National Ag Day Nominations due to state office December 1, 2013

National 4-H Council is pleased to offer an agriculture leadership opportunity for college students to represent 4-H in the 2014 National Ag Day events in Washington, D.C. this spring. Students will participate in a training at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center from **Sunday, March 23 thru Tuesday March 25, 2014**. The Agriculture Council of America (ACA) sponsors 100 student representatives from across the country to participate in the training and attend the [National Ag Day](#) activities on Capitol Hill. The students—from FFA, AFA, 4-H and Student NAMA—put a face on the future of agriculture and personally emphasize the importance of agriculture in our everyday lives.

4-H participants must cover their own travel expenses to and from the National 4-H Youth Conference Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland. However, the onsite expenses of rooms, meals, and ground transportation will be covered through sponsorship from ACA. There is potential that National 4-H Council will obtain additional sponsorship money to cover costs of travel for the 4-H delegation.

These 4-H members should...

- Be over 18 and enrolled in college
- Be 4-H alum or currently active in collegiate 4-H
- Have a strong interest and/or career plan in the agricultural industry
- Have the desire to learn about communication and leadership skills

This training is planned for March 23-25, 2014 with the following tentative agenda:

- March 23 Welcome and dinner at National 4-H Youth Conference Center.
- March 24 Full day of leadership and advocacy training around agricultural issues at National 4-H Youth Conference Center.
- March 25 National Ag Day event at USDA and Congressional visits on Capitol Hill.

To have a 4-H member considered for the National Ag Day Training, please submit his or her resume to Tom Archer, archer.3@osu.edu no later than December 1st.

Program Grant Offered to 4-H

National 4-H Council wants to alert local 4-H chapters/extension agencies of an immediate opportunity to apply for up to \$1,000 program grant from a Darden restaurant in your community. Restaurants in the Darden family include Red Lobster, Olive Garden, LongHorn Steakhouse, The Capital Grille, Bahama Breeze and Seasons 52.

As a part of their funding priorities, Darden Foundation looks to provide funding for programs that foster opportunity for low-income students to graduate from high school and for community gardens that help promote food security. Many 4-H programs will align with either or both of these priorities. Regardless of which priority your program best aligns with, your application should weave in these overarching points along with your program's specific goals, target audiences and expected outcomes.

Online applications are being accepted through the Darden Foundation web site, www.dardenfoundation.com, beginning November 15, 2013 through December 10, 2013.