Ohio 4-H News and Notes Week of December 22, 2013

Photos Needed of Volunteers

Work is being done to create a promotional video for the Ohio 4-H Conference. We are in need of good photos of adult and teen volunteers. Preferably volunteers in action. Please email photos to Amanda Forquer, forquer.13@osu.edu by January 10th .

Ohio 4-H Conference Registration Materials

The registration booklet for the 2014 Ohio 4-H Conference as well as the registration form are posted at: http://www.ohio4h.org/about-ohio-4-h/ohio-4-h-conference

Also posted is the application form for anyone that might be interested in selling items in the MarketPlace area.

In the near future, you will receive information on how to register those wishing to attend the conference. Contact Allen Auck for more information, auck.1@osu.edu

Correction to Family Guide

Two new publications are missing from the Project Guide section in the back of the *Family Guide*. The Leadership and Citizenship category on pages 36 and 37 should include 371 *Diversity: The Source of Our Strength* and 372 *My Hands to Larger Service: Teen Leaders Building Our Communities*. Both titles ARE included in the description section of the *Family Guide*, on the 2014 Advisor Order Form, and on other promotional materials. *Diversity* is already on Project Central, and *My Hands* eventually will be too. If you have questions, please contact Jane Wright, wright.646@osu.edu, 614-292-0909 or Erica Clark-Covert, clark-covert.1@osu.edu, 614-688-1934. Many thanks for your patience and support!

2013 State Fair Style Review Photos Posted

The link to the State Fair Style Review Photos is: https://osu.app.box.com/s/fznlisp3i114ia581u1z

Ohio 4-H Promotions Bulk Order Opportunity

As promised at the November 4-H Update, the Ohio 4-H promotional items bulk order opportunity is now available! Go to http://www.ohio4h.org/4-h-staff/promotion-marketing to view the items available and a bulk order form. Directions of how to order are included on the Ohio 4-H Promotions Bulk Order Form document. Questions? Contact Amanda Forquer.

Project Completion and Fair Requirements

The Project Completion and Fair Requirements document (aka, the "PCFR") is now available on the 4-H for Staff page under Resources, Publications. Feel free to use these descriptions in any county documents you're preparing. If you have questions, please contact Jane Wright, 614.292.0909 or wright.646@osu.edu or Allen Auck ,614.247.8148 or auck.1@osu.edu. Thank you!

NIJ Teen Dating Study Overview

We are seeking assistance with an exciting study that will explore the different ways that youth and adults think about the features associated with adolescent dating relationships. This study, funded by the U.S. Department of Justice and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, uses concept mapping in order to better understand how youth and adults conceptualize healthy and unhealthy teen dating relationships. Concept mapping is a unique research method that captures complex ideas and represents them in ways that help people understand how ideas are connected. We anticipate that the results of this project will be used to improve interventions and responses to teen dating violence.

How can youth-serving organizations help?

We are currently seeking organizations that work with youth ages 14-22 to participate in online sorting and rating activities. In the sorting activity (~45 minutes), participants are asked to individually group 100 ideas related to teen dating into piles based on how they see them as related. In the rating activity (~30 minutes), participants are asked to rate the 100 ideas on how frequent and how desirable they perceive them to be in teen dating relationships. Participation is completely anonymous and confidential.

Will youth participants be compensated for their time?

Yes. Youth that complete sorting and rating activities will receive a \$15 gift card to Starbucks, iTunes or Target. Youth that complete either the sorting or rating activity will receive a \$10 gift card.

How are these activities administered?

These activities are administered online. Participants need a unique username and password to log on to the websites to complete the activities. These usernames allow participation to remain anonymous while also allowing the research team to track which participants have completed the activities.

How can I get my organization involved?

Email Alyssa at <u>AGoldman@conceptsystems.com</u> to receive a list of usernames, passwords, and the activity websites to distribute to youth that you work with. Alyssa will mail your organization gift cards to distribute to those youth that complete the activities each week. *Note: Youth under 18 must have a parent sign a permission form before they can receive a username and password. Alyssa will provide you with permission forms if you work with youth under 18 that would like to participate.*

Farmland Preservation Scholarship Contest

Deadline extended to January 10, 2014

CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION

Application for the 2014-2014 National 4-H GIS-GPS Leadership Team

Attached is the application for the National 4-H GIS-GPS Leadership Team. This is a unique opportunity for 4-H teen/adult teams to take a national leadership role to advance geospatial technology in 4-H. State/LGU 4-

H teams consist of one or two teens ages 14-17 with and adult. Additional information about the responsibilities of the team is included in the application. Applications are due Feb. 15, 2014. CLICK HERE

We look forward to welcoming new members to the team in 2014