Ohio 4-H News and Notes

Week of August 18, 2013

So Long, Rate My Project

Thanks to those of you who have actively promoted youth and volunteer participation in RateMyProject over the last few years. It was a good idea that faltered in the delivery—annual surveys are not the best way to collect and share ongoing ratings. The opportunity for members and volunteers to share feedback about their project experiences is still a priority, so please stay tuned. If you have questions or comments, contact Jane Wright at wright.646@osu.edu or 614-292-0909. Thank you!

4-H Professionals Present at Galaxy September 16-20

CLICK HERE FOR A LIST of our Ohio 4-H Professionals who will present poster and seminar presentations for Galaxy in Pittsburgh, PA.

4-H National Youth Science Day is Less Than 8 Weeks Away

Order your experiment kits today. Don't delay! 4-H National Youth Science Day experiment kits are on sale on the <u>4-H Mall</u>. Each kit contains everything you need for a team of young people to complete *Maps & Apps* Activity 1 in the <u>Experiment</u> <u>Guidebooks</u>.

Make Your mark - put your NYSD event on the map. Make sure your 4-H National Youth Science Day event is counted. Don't forget to go to the NYSD website and register your participation in NYSD this year. Your event will be displayed on the National Event Map -- which can be viewed by press, current and potential donors and leaders in your community.

New promotional materials are now available. Bring visibility to your 4-H National Youth Science Day event with this <u>impressive suite of public relations resources</u>

and promotional materials. Spread the word about NYSD in your local community and increase engagement with these easy-to-use tools, including a social media guide, customizable flyers, posters, and ads. Don't forget to invite local press to cover your NYSD event and showcase our incredible 4-H Science programs!

Go to <u>4-H.org/NYSD</u> for details and free downloadable materials.

A Note From Howard Call Ohio Fair Managers Convention Information and Queen Forms

Queens Forms are on line at : http://www.ohiofairs.org/QueenBook.pdf

Thank You and good luck to those fairs remaining. It has been a very good last 3 weeks.

Smithsonian Agriculture Innovation and Heritage Archive

The Smithsonian is asking the public to help preserve the recent history of farming and ranching by sharing their stories about the technologies and innovations in agriculture in the Agriculture Innovation and Heritage Archive. The archive stories and artifacts will be used for Smithsonian exhibitions like American Enterprise, which will open in May 2015.

Here is the project's home page:

http://americanenterprise.si.edu/introduction/agricultural-innovation-and-heritage-archive/. There's a link on that page where people can submit their stories.

Please forward this with your families who might have a story or artifacts to share.