

Ohio 4-H News and Notes

Week of August 4, 2013

Real Money, Real World In-service – August 28 and September 9, 2013

The registration is now up for the “Real Money, Real World” (RMRW) in-service that will be held on August 28th and again on September 9th at the 4-H Center in the Bob Evans Auditorium. This in-service is designed for Extension Educators, Program Coordinators, and /or Program Assistants who coordinate and conduct the RMRW program.

Please be aware this is a mandatory in-service for those who plan to provide RMRW September 2013 and beyond. Counties providing RMRW should send at least one staff member to attend one of the two in-services and to pick up their prepaid 2103 RMRW kit.

Registration is \$12 per person and kits will cost \$250, but only one kit per county is needed. Get with your CED and with others in your county who may plan to attend to coordinate your kit order. Be certain to bring a paper Nationwide & Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center parking permit.

Please register at <http://go.osu.edu/RMRWinservice> by Friday, August 23 so lunches can be ordered and training packets prepared.

4-H Professionals need to take a positive approach to the partnership that we have with FCS on the RMRW programming. There are several valid reasons for attending this training:

- The curriculum being launched is very different than what has been used in the past. There are many improved changes. We do not want people to merely purchase the kit and go about doing business as usual. They need to be sensitive of all the improvements. People cannot say that they have “been there, done that” if they do not even know what the new materials contain.
- In the past there have been many RMRW users who do not understand their role in the accountability regarding quality use; we need all users to be engaged in helping define and report the outcomes of these programming efforts
- In the past there also have been many RMRW users who do not understand the hazards of duplication of curriculum; this is proprietary information; we need to protect it
- Many Educators who use RMRW do not complete proper data entry; this diminishes the output data that we can report; they need to understand not only how to report, but the importance of that reporting
- People in attendance will be able to hear and share best practices; we hear it all the time that there are good ideas that others have that no one knows about; a day dedicated to RMRW should enhance this sharing

- There are new partnerships being developed with the Treasurer of the State and the Department of Education; our Educators need to be aware of these, because of the possibility of additional funding
- This is an easy and efficient way to distribute the new kits to counties

The report has been posted to our website. [CLICK HERE](#)

International Program – Comings and Goings!

It's an exciting time for the Ohio 4-H International Program! We currently have 3 groups of 4-H youth travelers staying overseas with host families in Argentina, Finland and Japan. In addition, close to 100 Ohio families accepted Japanese exchange youth and adults into their homes last week for one month. The volunteer International County Coordinators (ICCs) are doing a great job of handling all issues and problems during the Japanese visit, which runs until August 19. Mid-Point Gatherings (picnics, swimming, bowling, etc.) are being held around the state so that host families can meet each other and consult with ICCs and the Japanese adult chaperones. Many thanks to Ohio's County 4-H professionals for your assistance in helping us identify wonderful host families and youth travelers for this summer's exchange!

Yours to Protect...The 4-H Name and Emblem

As 4-H professionals each of us has a responsibility to ensure that the 4-H Name and Emblem is being used correctly. This includes knowing how to answer general questions and how to direct issues that may come up as you work with your volunteers and other partners. To ensure that we are all working from the same information 4-H professionals are asked to take the eXtension training series on the 4-H Name and Emblem, <http://campus.extension.org/>.

If you don't already have an eXtension ID, this will require that you set up an ID in order to access the training.

As always, more complete information about 4-H Name and Emblem can be found at http://www.csrees.usda.gov/nea/family/res/youthdev_res_emblem.html.

2013 Partnership Awards

The National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) appreciates the many outstanding achievements of our partners in the land-grant universities and other cooperating institutions

and organizations. The Partnership Awards Program was established in 2007 to recognize some of the best of these achievements.

NIFA invites all land-grant universities and cooperating institutions and organizations supported by NIFA to submit nominations for the 2013 NIFA Partnership Awards Program. This program recognizes outstanding contributions, aligned with NIFA strategic goals, in support of the USDA mission. Awards for this year will recognize excellence in:

- Mission Integration of Research, Education, and Extension
- Multistate Efforts
- Innovative Programs and Projects
- Effective and Efficient Use of Resources
- Program Improvement through Global Engagement

Nominations can be submitted for individuals or teams of up to 20 members. Each institution may submit up to a total of two nominations for the entire institution, across all 5 categories, for activity in research, education, and extension.

Specific instructions and other information regarding this awards program are attached (2013 NIFA Partnership Awards criteria.doc). Nominations must be submitted via the NIFA Partnership Awards Nomination Form, also attached (2013 NIFA Partnership Awards Nomination Form.doc). All signed nomination forms must be submitted by September 4, 2013, via email using scanned files that have been saved as .pdf or .jpg files to Chevon Gibson at Chevon.Gibson@ars.usda.gov according to instructions in the attached guidelines.

Winning nominations will be recognized at the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities (APLU) annual meeting November 10-12, 2013, in Washington, DC. NIFA will pay travel expenses for one person from each winning nomination, whether it is an individual or team award.

Nominations should include only individuals or teams who have performed truly distinguished service. We ask that Deans, Directors, and Administrators thoroughly review each submission for validity of accomplishments before signing his or her approval on the nomination form.

We have many excellent examples of success in these categories across our partnership, and NIFA looks forward to recognizing great accomplishments.

Jennifer Sirangelo Named CEO of National 4-H Council

It is announced that Jennifer Sirangelo, National 4-H Council's current executive vice president and chief operating officer, has been appointed the next president and CEO. She will officially assume her new position on January 1, 2014.

For more information about this exciting news, please [CLICK HERE](#) to read the full press announcement.

National 4-H Council Youth Trustee Nominations

National 4-H Council is governed by a Board of Trustees consisting of thirty-five members. National 4-H Council has the privilege of having four young people, between the ages of 16-23 years old, serve as Trustees. Two youth seats will be available this Fall. If you know of an interested young person who fits the following attributes, please encourage them to apply. Final candidates will be submitted to Council's Board for consideration on November 14, 2013 for election to a three year term.

- Successful applicants will possess the following attributes:
- Minimum of 5 years of past involvement in 4-H.
- Be between the ages of 16-23 as of November 14, 2013.
- Be able to commit to a three year term as a Board of Trustee member.
- Be an experienced public speaker.
- Be willing to represent 4-H as a spokesperson for media opportunities (media training will be provided by National 4-H Council).
- Will have served previously in a state or national 4-H leadership/governance role.
- Proven youth adult partnership impact.

If you know of a candidate who would be interested in serving as a Youth Trustee, please have the candidate visit www.4-h.org/youth-trustees for nomination information and an application. All applications and accompanying nomination information is due August 19th. If you have any questions please contact Carolyn Kent at ckent@fourhcouncil.edu as she is working with Carolyn Fernandez to execute the recruitment process.