

Ohio 4-H News and Notes

Week of September 21, 2014

Fall Workshop 4-H Shooting Sports

Fall Workshop October 31 – November 2, 4-H Shooting Sports Adult Leader training. Deadline is September 24 and fast approaching please send those registrations in as soon as possible. [CLICK HERE FOR](#) registration form.

Ohio 4-H Teen Advisory Council (TAC) Service Project “Ohio 4-H Care’s for Kids”

TAC is collecting hats, toys, and blankets in each county in order to donate them as Christmas gifts to pediatric cancer patients in the state of Ohio. Each county is asked to place its own box at their Extension Office and collect at least 25 items per county. Also, a poster that is located on the TAC page of the Ohio 4-H website provides information about the collection drive and deadlines. [Ohio 4-H TAC](#) webpage.

The deadline for the collection drive is quickly approaching though. We ask that all items be collected by October 31st. If your county has an abundance of items or your box is getting full please let me know! I would love to arrange for a TAC member to pick them up or get them mailed to the 4-H Center! Please contact me at Kameron.rinehart@yahoo.com or at my cell 1-740-505-2805.

Openings on Curriculum Committee

If you have an interest in helping to improve Ohio 4-H curriculum, please consider applying for a position on the Ohio 4-H Curriculum Committee. Immediate openings exist now for representatives from Erie Basin and Maumee Valley. The group meets three times a year to discuss and review new titles, titles for discontinuation, and efforts underway. These terms will go through 2017. A description of committee responsibilities and a list of current members are available on the Staff Resources page (look under Curriculum Committee.) If you would like more information or have specific questions, contact Jane Wright at wright.646@cfaes.osu.edu or 614-292-0909. To apply, please send a letter of interest (email ok) to Kirk Bloir, Interim Associate State Leader, at bloir.1@osu.edu.

Service Opportunity: Media Smart Youth Teen Leaders Program

The *Eunice Kennedy Shriver* National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, National Institutes of Health (NIH) shares a service opportunity for 4-H members and 4-H alums. The Teen Leaders Program was developed based on recommendations from National 4-H Conference delegates at a briefing that they did this past spring for NIH staff. NIH is now accepting applications from youth ages 15 to 20 for the [Media-Smart Youth \(MSY\) Teen Leaders Program](#).

MSY is a 10-lesson curriculum for youth ages 11 to 13 that explores media, nutrition, and physical activity. Throughout the program, youth analyze advertisements and make media messages of their own, try healthy snack recipes, and discover fun ways to be physically active.

MSY teen leaders commit to carrying out the program from start to finish. In return, they receive leadership experience, community service hours, and recognition from the NIH, plus training and \$1,000 for program expenses.

This is a great service project for 4-H'ers and 4-H alums!

Applications are due October 24, 2014. For more details and to apply, visit the [Teen Leaders page](#).

[MSY Teen Leaders Flyer FINAL](#)

Vote Risk Ranch Best Children's App

Risk Ranch is a contestant in the Best Mobile Apps For Children award! Based on CME Group and 4-H's Commodity Carnival board game, Risk Ranch is a fun and fast-paced, single-player game with engaging, real-life content, challenging you to take on the role of a modern day farmer and bring your steer to market. Show your support by "recommending" the app! Go to: [Best Mobile Apps For Children](#) and click the "Recommend This App" button on the top right.

2014 Excellence in 4-H Award Nomination, Due October 20

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 20, 2014. jinks.2@osu.edu. Please nominate one or more individuals, whom you think are deserving of this recognition.

[2014 Excellence in 4-H Nomination Form](#)

[Excellence in 4-H List of Award Winners](#)

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