Ohio 4-H News & Notes Week of August 27, 2017

Welcome

We are happy to welcome Diana Maier, Program Coordinator, to the 4-H State Office Staff. Diana will be coordinating and assisting with statewide 4-H programming efforts in the areas of camping, teen leadership and the Ohio 4-H conference. Stop by the fourth floor 4-H Center and introduce yourself. You can reach Diana at: maier.152@osu.edu.

Meat Judging Workout Opportunity at Ohio State Meat Laboratory

On <u>September 28th (Thursday)</u>, OSU Animal Sciences will open their doors to various university meat judging teams passing through on their way to their first collegiate meat judging contest in Pennsylvania. All agricultural youth programs who have a meat judging team and are invited to take advantage of this opportunity.

Doors open at 7.30am and close at 7.30pm; room 117 in the Animal Sciences building will be reserved for all. You will need to pay for parking. If you are able to make it, please reply to Dr. Lyda Garcia at garcia.625@osu.edu so you and your students (total head count needed) can be accounted for. All three species (carcasses and wholesale cuts) will be available with no retail cuts.

National 4-H Service Project - WW1 Memorial

The National Junior Master Gardener 4-H program has partnered with the WW1 Memorial Commission on a national service project for 4-H youth to be involved with building the WW1 Memorial. The Junior Master Gardener program is proud to promote because it ties to gardening!

Groups can make a donation of \$64.99 and receive 60 poppy seed packets from the WW1 Memorial Commission. They can then sell the seeds to support their program. The recommended selling price is \$2 per seed packet which would generate \$120. Basically the first dollar goes to fund the National WW1 memorial and the second dollar stays local for the 4-H club, school group, etc. to support their activities/programs.

We are promoting through all of our JMG groups and state partners, but this is open for any and all 4-H groups. It is a great opportunity for youth to learn more about WW1, while also being a part of a national service project. Many resources, learning experiences and details on how to participate in the poppy project can be found at the website: http://jmgkids.us/poppy/

Groups can start now, but the big push is between Sept. 5 and October 20th. Representatives from 4 winning groups will be invited to experience an expense paid trip to the groundbreaking of the National WW1 Memorial in Washington DC in November.

2018 Youth in Action Awards

Applications for the <u>2018 Youth in Action Awards</u> opened August 1! This important program gives youth the chance to share their stories of how 4-H has changed their lives and how they have made a difference in their communities. <u>Click here to download the application guidelines</u>. To view a recording of the August 16th webinar, <u>please click here</u>. Please click <u>here</u> to view the promotional video. Please feel free to share the video!

4-H Mall Gift Certificate Drawing: Each 4-H educator/agent who has a young person apply for the 4-H Youth in Action Awards will be entered into a drawing for a gift certificate to the 4-H Mall! National 4-H Council will give two \$250 4-H Mall gift certificates and one \$500 4-H Mall gift certificate to the lucky drawing winners!

Texas 4-H Relief Support Campaign for 4-H Programs Affected by Hurricane Harvey

The Texas 4-H Program has been receiving requests from across the country on how to help Texas during their time of need. Below is the information just released on a campaign to support local and county 4-H Programs who have been hit by the massive storm. Please share.

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To give, click the link below http://texas4hfoundation.org/



The gulf coast region of Texas has experienced massive damage and destruction from Hurricane Harvey. In times like these we see the good in countless individuals who wish to lend a hand and help comfort those in need.

In response to the disaster on the coast many local 4-H clubs are hosting supply drives where items can be delivered quickly and efficiently to the storm zone. The Texas 4-H Youth Development Program and the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation are facilitating a monetary campaign to directly support 4-H club and county programs in the hurricane zone.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Give On-Line

Go to the Texas 4-H Foundation website at: texas4hfoundation.org

Click on link at the top right: GIVE NOW

Complete the online form (Gift Designation Box please type "4HSupportsTexas") and payment information. Once complete, click the submit button.

By US Mail

You can also send a check or money order to:
Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation
Attn: 4HSupportsTexas Fund
PO Box 11020
College Station, TX 77842

Please make checks to "Texas 4-H Foundation" and write "4HSupportsTexas" in the memo section of your check/money order.

Your donation will be tax deductible.

If you are part of a 4-H club/group (Texas or across the country) that is hosting a supply drive we would like to know the impact you are making. Once your drive is over please report your impact at: https://fs4.formsite.com/state4h/harvey/index.html



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