

Duval County 4-H Noon Notes – May 26, 2009

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Apply for State 4-H Council Office by June 1

The State 4-H Council Officers are elected each year by their peers at our State 4-H Congress held the last full week of July. Officer candidates are required to submit through your county agent a completed application and candidate commitment form by **June 1** in order to be eligible to run for a State Council Office. Presidential Appointed applications are due the Friday before Congress. Applications can be found at http://florida4h.org/youth/officer_app.shtml.

Order Your 4-H State Council Yearbook by June 1

Florida 4-H members can be part of a soft-bound book that will be designed to capture the essence of Florida 4-H in the 2008-2009 year. 4-H clubs, parents, and volunteers are invited to submit pictures, put in a congratulations page for your graduation senior, and other 4-H related information. Go to your local community businesses to put in an ad to help support the yearbook. Select from these links for an introductory letter from the following links for more information on [purchasing personal advertisements](#), [business advertisements](#) or [pre-orders](#) for the book. Action needed by **June 1**.

Camp Counselors Applications Needed by June 1

For those 4-H members that attended 4-H Camp Counselor Certification Training and are interested in being a camp counselor for **July 13-17**, please let me rgodke@coj.net know by **June 1**. All counselors must have completed the state camp counselor certification program and completed a county application. The Foundation will pay only for the required number of counselors. No one is guaranteed a paid slot. Because of 4-H Foundation Budget Cuts and the slow economy we will most likely not be able to send as many Camp Counselors. The Duval 4-H Foundation will pay: 100% of the camp fee for up to four senior aged counselors and 50% of the camp fee for up to four junior counselors which would require payment of \$95.

Plan Now To Attend 2009 Camp Cherry Lake

Summer time is fast approaching and we are looking forward to a fun-filled camp week, **July 13-17**, 2009 at Camp Cherry Lake in Madison County Florida. Campers, ages 8-12 years old (as of Sept. 1, 2008), will have an exciting week of outdoor recreation and educational activities planned for them this summer. The base cost of camp is \$190. The Duval County 4-H Foundation will sponsor a \$65 scholarship to 30 individuals that have been enrolled as a Duval 4-H Member (including Junior Master Gardener and EFNEP 4-H programs) by April 1, 2009. To request the scholarship, please complete the scholarship section on the form. Members that qualify for free or reduced school lunch **and complete** the lunch application form *prior to the deadline*, a \$29.64 camp cost refund is available. Some 4-H members received Clover Buck Awards last fall and they can apply them to camp costs. Call Rick if you need to check your Clover Buck balance. See camp information and registration forms attached. Registration and payments will be due **June 15**.

Register by June 1 for Florida 4-H Dog Conference

The Florida 4-H Dog Conference will be held **August 7-9** at Camp Clover Leaf in Lake Placid, FL. The \$80 fee per member includes; lodging, meals, seminars, training sessions for agility, showmanship, obedience & rally, activities, costume parade, best dog tricks, quiz bowl, swimming and fun with your dog. Don't miss this 3 day camping opportunity for you & your dog!!! Sign-up information is posted on the 4-H dog website, www.fl-4-dog.com. Early sign-up date is **June 1**-\$40 is due at sign-up and you will receive \$5 off the total fee if you register by June 1, 2009. The remaining balance is due by **July 1**. Registration is limited so sign up early. If you have any questions e-mail or call Beverly Ruble: 863-386-1943 or baruble@att.net

Register by June 10 for 5th Annual 4-H State Rabbit Show

If you would like to see some very good rabbits or exhibit your own, you should attend the 4-H State Rabbit Show that will be held **June 20** at 9:00 am, at the, Charlotte County Environmental Campus, Port Charlotte Florida. The Registration Deadline is **June 10** by 5:00 pm and the cost is \$2.00 per rabbit/cavy per class. If you have questions, contact via email [Holly Shackelford](mailto:Holly.Shackelford) or [Pam Phillippe](mailto:Pam.Phillippe), or phone 941.764.4340. For more information go to: <http://charlotte.ifas.ufl.edu/4h/4h-03-events.htm#rabbit>.

Florida 4-H Dress Code Available for youth and adults

Get the latest guidelines for appropriate 4-H attire when representing the Florida 4-H youth development program with the new factsheet on "Your 4-H Image." This factsheet also includes the Florida 4-H Dress Code for youth and adults.
http://florida4h.org/events/files/4H_image_factsheet.pdf.

Local National 4-H Fundraiser Coordinator Needed

The Duval County 4-H program is looking for a volunteer to head the national pet treat fundraising campaign in Duval County. Florida 4-H will be participating in an annual nationwide program that will benefit every level of 4-H. Mark your calendars for **Oct. 9 - Oct. 26**. It will be 4-H's answer to Girl Scout cookies. The 100% made in the USA, superior-quality pet treats are supplied by Best In Show Pet Treats and reflect the values and image of 4-H. The company supplies all the materials and works with each participating County to maximize ease and success. If you love to organize and motivate people to sell then please contact rgodke@coj.net.

2008-2009 Duval 4-H Scrapbook Needs Photos

The Duval County Council is developing a county scrapbook. If you have some good 4-H photographs, that have been taken since September 2008, and would like to share them, please email them marked "Scrapbook" to Gaye Schmidt at GSchmidt@coj.net. They may be published on the Duval 4-H website.

4-H Summer Series Horse Shows Offered

The Clay County 4-H Summer Series is offering an open 4-h horse shows **June 12-13, July 24-25, and August 7-8**. Speed Events are Friday Night; Saturday Classes began at 8:00 A.M. It will be held at the Clay County Fairgrounds, Highway 16 West, (3 miles west of green cove springs). To request a flyer contact rgodke@coj.net

Attend the 4-H Wild World of Nature Camp

Kids' ages 8-10 are invite to enroll in the 4-H Wild World of Nature Camp that will be held June 22-25 9-12:30, at the Mandarin Garden Club, on Loretto Rd. At this four day nature camp you'll build a take home science kit for home explorations. Working with 4-H volunteers, you'll see the world around you in a whole new way. You can eat like a bug, grow a seed upside down, make your own paper, design an insect and its habitat, Move like a sea turtle, make a camouflage mask, adopt a worm at this camp. Register now because enrollment is limited. The cost is \$50 and includes materials and a daily snacks. To register call Gaye Schmidt at 387-8850 or email GSchmidt@coj.net

Duval County Farm Bureau Federation Scholarship Offered

The Duval County Farm Bureau Federation is offering three \$1,500 college scholarships to its members. The purpose of the scholarships is to emphasize the importance of knowledge of Agriculture and Veterinary medicine and personal growth of the recipient. The recipient must plan to enroll in a college or university and the family must have been members of the Duval County Farm Bureau for a minimum of two (2) years. Participation in this program is open to all qualified individuals regardless of race, color, sex or national origin. Applications must be received in the Dunn Avenue office by **July 31, 2009**. For an application form Contact rgodke@coj.net.

4-H Record Books Due August 3

I know everyone has their 4-H record books up to date. The last part of July your 4-H Club Leader will be collecting them. Leaders must submit Record Books by Monday, August 3, 1:00 PM to enter them in the county contest.

4-H Record Book Judges Needed

Do **you** like to read about the success of 4-H members? You are just perfect for judging 4-H **Record Books** on August 3, 1:00 PM at the Extension Office. This is a great learning experience for leaders and parents of younger 4-H members. Reviewing all of these records books can help you prepare Senior 4-H Members for awards and scholarships applications. If you would like to help, contact rgodke@coj.net.

Reserve August 10 for 2009 4-H Achievement Night

The date has been set for the 2009 4-H Achievement Night, **August 10**, 7:00pm, at the Extension Office.

Florida Association of Home & Community Education Scholarship Available

The Florida Association of Home & Community Education has several \$500.00 scholarships available for 4-H Participants. This Scholarship Grant is available to any 4-H member who has completed three (3) years of satisfactory 4-H work. The grant much be used at one of the Florida State Universities, Junior Colleges, or Vo-Tech Schools. This is a grant & need not be repaid. The Scholarship Committee will give preference to FAHCE members re-entering or entering the workforce and 4-H members. The Application must be postmarked by **Aug. 15**. If you would like an application contact Rick Godke at rgodke@coj.net.

Affirmative Action 4-H Reports Needed

Several 4-H clubs have not completed the required Affirmative Action 4-H Reports. If you receive a request from the Extension Office please complete and return the paperwork as soon as possible. This is a requirement that must be completed.

Chaperone Certification Program Trainer Needed

Duval County needs a Chaperone Certification Program Trainer. The trainer completes training in a one day workshop and then is certified to certify other future overnight chaperones from our county. If you are interested please contact Rick at rgodke@coj.net by **June 1**. Training will be held in **August**.

4-H District 6 Council Meetings Dates Set

The 4-H District 6 Council is a group of senior age group 4-H member representing each county in the northeast corner of Florida. They host events, training and community service activities. Officers serving from Duval this year include: Racquel Doty, 1st vice-president; Joel Weaver, Treasurer; and Emily Stutsman, Reporter. The dates are now set for the 2009-2010 4-H District 6 Council Meetings which will be held at the Clay County Extension Office. If you are interested in attending this group please put these dates on your calendar: **2009: Sept 21 and Nov 30; 2010: Jan 25, March 15, and May 24.**

Florid 4-H Centennial Gala Held in Jacksonville

The Florida 4-H Centennial Gala (formal attire) will be held **Nov 14, 2009 6:00 pm** at the Embassy Suites, at Baymeadows road, here in Jacksonville. The cost is \$100 per person, a money maker for the Florida 4-H Foundation. If you would like to learn more please email me rgodke@coj.net.

2009 State Marine Ecology Event

The Florida Marine Ecology Event will be held Saturday, **November 14** at the [Osceola County Extension Office](#) (in Osceola Heritage Park) in Kissimmee, FL. Here are the guidelines, rules, study materials, and registration forms for the 2009 State Marine Ecology Event are now online at http://florida4h.org/projects/marine/state_mee.shtml. The Marine Aquatic Photo Contest will be held in conjunction with the event. Forms and guidelines for the 2009 4-H State Marine and Aquatic Photo contest are now on line at http://florida4h.org/projects/marine/state_photocontest.shtml. Because of budget cuts The Duval 4-H Foundation will no longer pay the entry fees.

Bits and Pieces

Recycling Program Raises 4-H Funds

The Duval 4-H Foundation will be recycling used ink cartridges, cell phone and toner cartridges to earn money for the Duval 4-H program. The process is simple; just pick up a special postage paid, self addressed, Duval County 4-H bar coded, envelope, or box, for your family or office from Judie Toulouse judiet@coj.net. Place items in the package, seal and send to (TRF) The Recycling Factory. The recycling company will pay the postage and shipping fees. They will accept ink cartridges (HP, Cannon, and Dell) that have only been used once. (Brand must be present and intact). The print head must be in good condition.

Lost Not Found

... at the Volunteer Recognition Program, **found** a large gray hooded sweat shirt with Florida in blue.

New Online Grants Management Portal Opens

Check out this one-stop resource that makes it easier to learn and apply for funding opportunities, submit reports, and receive information from National 4-H Council. [Announcing 4-H's New Online Grants Management Portal](#)

Congratulations to--

... the 4-H members that have qualified for the State 4-H Horse Show:

Ashley Aderhold, Christian Bailey, Lacey Greene, Savannah Roberts, Emily Stutsman, and Samantha Usoff. They exhibited skills in Western Riding, Speed Events, and English-style Riding when they competed with 9 other counties in northeast Florida to advance to the State 4-H Horse Show.

Thanks to--

.... Judie Toulouse, Duval County 4-H Foundation, Board and Financial Supporters for the very successful 2nd Annual Seafood Dinner & Auction held May 9

.... Karla Nurmela, for being the best Volunteer Fund Raising Coordinator for the 2nd Annual Seafood Dinner & Auction

.... Lee Holifield and the Fund Raising Committee for diligent support of the 2nd Annual Seafood Dinner & Auction

.... Duval County Fair Livestock Committee, Neil Stagner and Mr. Andy for organizing a poultry Judging Contest that will be held at the 2009 Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair

.... Duval County Fair Livestock Committee, Julie Usoff, and Andrea Casterline, for organizing a Dog Show that will be held at the 2009 Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair.

.... Duval County 4-H Horse Exhibitors that assisted with the fairground cleanup following the Area B Horse show

.... The Westside Wrangler 4-H Club for taking the organizational lead for the Duval County 4-H County Council Rodeo Night held **May 11**. Fun was had by all.

...The Old Fashioned Garden Circle, the oldest, longest running garden circle in the state of Florida recently donating \$100 to the Duval County 4-H Camping Program in gratitude for extension staff so graciously speaking to the club members.

Duval 4-H Calendar

May 2009

28 Farm Bureau Youth Speech Contest, 4:00 PM, Extension Office

June 2009

1 Camp Counselors for Camp Cherry Lake, **Application DUE**
1 4-H State Council Yearbook, Submissions DUE
1 State 4-H Poultry Judging Contest, Gainesville
1 Camp Cherry Lake Counselor **registration DUE**
1 Florida 4-H Dog Conference, early **registration DUE**
2 4-H Camp Songs, NAS Jacksonville and NS Mayport, 10:00 AM
6 State Poultry BBQ Demonstration Contest, 4-H Camp Cloverleaf, Lake Placid
7-12 4-H Horsemanship School, Welaka State Forest
10 4-H State Rabbit Show **registration DUE**
7-13 Citizenship Washington Focus, Washington, D.C
12-13 4-H Summer Series Horse Show, Clay County
14-19 4-H Horsemanship School, Welaka State Forest
15 Camp Cherry Lake Camper **registration DUE**
15 Summer Fun Day and Beach Clean Up, Food, Fun, 11 AM-Noon
16-19 Culinary Camp for Youth, 9 AM - 3 PM at the Extension Office
19 4-H Video Contest, **DUE**
19 State 4-H Horse Events, Gainesville
20 4-H State Rabbit Show, 9:00 AM, Port Charlotte Florida
22-25 4-H Wild World of Nature Camp, 9 M-12:30 M, Mandarin Garden Club
22-26 Military Kids (OMK) Camp Counselor, Camp Ocala
22-26 State Legislature, Tallahassee, FL
22 Duval County Council Board, Plan for 2009-2010, Extension Office
23-26 Culinary Camp for Youth, 9 AM - 3 PM at the Extension Office
27-30 4-H Kansas Exchange

July 2009

1-3 4-H Kansas Exchange
1 Duval 4-H Scrapbook, **Submission Due**
10 Duval County 4-H Volunteer Monthly Report, **DUE**, Extension Office
13-17 Camp Cherry Lake, Madison County Florida, Bradford/Duval
14-17 Sewing Day Camp, 9:00 AM, Extension Office
21-24 Sewing Day Camp, 9:00 AM, Extension Office
24-25 4-H Summer Series Horse Show, Clay County
27-31 Military Kids (OMK) Camp Counselor, Camp Ocala
27-31 Florida 4-H Congress, Gainesville, FL
31 Duval County Farm Bureau Federation Scholarship, **Applications Due**

August 2009

3 4-H Record Books **DUE** 1:00 PM
3 Judging 4-H Record Books 1:00 PM
7-8 4-H Summer Series Horse Show, Clay County

- 7-9 Florida 4-H Dog Conference, Camp Clover Leaf, Lake Placid, FL
- 10 4-H Achievement Night, 7:00 PM
- 10 Duval County 4-H Volunteer Monthly Report, **DUE**, Extension Office
- 15 Home & Community Education Scholarship, **application DUE**
- 24 Duval County Council, 7:00 PM, Elections, Extension Office
- ? Chaperone Certification Program Train the Trainer

September

- 21 4-H District 6 Council Meeting, 5:30 PM, Clay County Extension

October

- 9-26 National 4-H Pet Treats Fundraiser
- 20 Duval County 4-H Advisory Meeting, Extension Office, 12:00 Noon

November

- 4-15 Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair, Jacksonville
- 7 Poultry Judging Contest (tentative), 2:00 PM, Greater Jacksonville Fair
- 14 Youth Dog Show (tentative), 10:00 AM, Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair
- 14 Florida 4-H Centennial Gala, 6:00 PM, Embassy Suites, on Baymeadows, Jax.
- 14 State Marine Ecology Event, Osceola Extension, Kissimmee, FL
- 19 Farm City Day, NOON Extension Office.
- 30 4-H District 6 Council Meeting, 5:30 PM, Clay County Extension

4-H Electronic Links

Florida 4-H Events Calendar Available Online

<http://florida4h.org/events/calendar.shtml>

Duval County 4-H Calendar Online

<http://duval.ifas.ufl.edu/4-H.shtml>

Florida 4-H Centennial, May 2009 Newsletter

http://florida4h.org/events/centennial/files/centennial_may_news.pdf.

Check out the 4-H's national online newsletter, Clover Corner News;

<http://4hblogs.org/ccn/>.

Check out the state 4-H news letter at: [Clover Voice: Florida 4-H Newsletter](#)

Check out the state 4-H Web Site: www.Florida4H.org

Check out the state 4-H Volunteer Newsletter:

http://florida4h.org/volunteers/volunteer_association/files/Feb09_Volunteer_Newsletter.pdf

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