

The 4-H

CloverPatch

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Duval County 4-H
August / September 2007



Dear 4-H Families,

I truly can't believe that Fall is closing in on us already! Summer for 4-H was the best! I had so much fun with our youth at Camp, Leg, and all the other activities during the summer, Jacksonville has the best 4-H'ers! With all the good news in our department with youth successes I am distressed to have to talk about how much may change with the new 4-H year.

If our budget passes, October 1st will drastically change our 4-H program. Stephanie Kraatz and Andre Townsend will no longer be part of our team. Budget cuts will eliminate both positions and force our program to move on without their contributions as paid staff. Both are committed 4-H Alumni so I'm sure we will continue to see them in our program as volunteers, but they will be sorely missed as a part of our office staff.

I'm sure with the fabulous volunteers and families in our program we will continue to offer great 4-H opportunities, but with such a big reduction in support our future is looking a little scary.

Best Wishes,

Debbie Nistler

Duval County 4-H Program Leader



DON'T FORGET

Volunteer & 4-H Member
Recognition Banquet
is scheduled for

Thursday, August 16th

Feel free to wear a Hawaiian shirt
or tropical attire

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Our new 4-H Year starts September 1st

Make sure you get your club re-enrollment information in ASAP. **December 1st** is the participation deadline. Members must be **RE-ENROLLED** by this date to participate in activities outside of the county such as Area B and Congress.

Staff Update

We are very sad to be bringing this news to our 4-H family. If City Council passes the budget as submitted our 4-H Department will lose two positions. The Volunteer Coordinator/4-H Agent position (Stephanie Kraatz) will be lost through departmental budget cuts and our Program Assistant (Andre Townsend) will be lost through cuts in the Public Service Grant funding. Both positions are critical to our program and we are still scrambling to figure out how to function without full staffing. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to email your local City Council representative.



County Council
October 1st, 6:45 pm
Our theme is:



"Survival: Man vs. Wild"

All 4-H members are encouraged to attend, have fun & meet 4-H'ers from all over Jacksonville!

Barnes & Noble Fundraiser

Help support Duval County 4-H! **October 4-10, 2007** simply present your Barnes & Noble voucher when you make any Barnes & Noble purchase and our local program receives a percentage of the sales. This voucher is good at any Barnes & Noble store nationwide! We will be doing great 4-H promotional activities at the Atlantic Blvd location so join us for a great week! *See page 3 for details.*



**UNIVERSITY OF
FLORIDA**
IFAS EXTENSION



GREATER JACKSONVILLE AGRICULTURAL

FAIR

53rd Annual Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair

October 31st - November 11th, 2007

510 Fairgrounds Place, Jacksonville, Florida 32202

PH. 904-353-0535

www.jacksonvillefair.com

See page 13 for more details

4-H State Horse Show

Congratulations go out to our four State Horse Show participants! All four represented us well!



Caitlyn Hudgens

Christian Bailey

Carlye Castle

Emily Stutsman

Fabric Needed

Duval Diplomat Club needs colorful patterned material for boys and girls ages 2 through 17. For a Community Service project, club members are making pillowcases for children with cancer or life changing illness at pediatric hospitals.

Please drop the fabric off at the Extension Office please mark it for Duval Diplomats and attention Judie.

The pieces of fabric needs to be at least 3/4 yard.

THANKS!

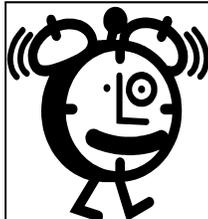
LOOKING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS?

Check out these scholarship websites...

www.FastWeb.com

www.schoolsoup.com

www.Scholarships4all.net



Take time to look at us

4-H Web Site address:

jax4h.com

JOIN US

4-H Kick Off

2007-2008

Thursday, August 23rd, 6:30 p.m.

Extension Office

1010 N. McDuff Ave

* Learn about the exciting events and activities coming up and new projects you can explore.

* 2007-2008 4-H Calendars and club packets will be available for club leaders.

* 4-H members, family and friends, and prospective members are welcome!

New County Council Officers

In an effort to get County Council in to the community and assisting your club, a new position has been created. The new officer title is **Club Ambassador Chair**. That person will be responsible for coordinating this effort. Club Leaders look for e-mails and calls from our new chair person, Kristina Pantazi, arranging a visit from County Council Officers at your next club meeting! We are hoping for a great new 4-H year!

Congratulations to our three new appointed officers for County Council, Lauren Klimek, Lacey Greene, and Kristina Pantazi.

Congratulations to our 2007-2008

County Council Officer Team

President-Abigail Vroegindewey

Vice-President-Leah Van Buskirk

Secretary-Elizabeth Boydston

Treasurer-Joel Weaver

Reporter-Andrew Pantazi

Historian-Joseph Engel

Recreation Leader-Emily Stutsman

Chaplain-Thomas Ansell

Sergeant at Arms-Tyler Ansell

Recreation Chair-Lauren Klimek

Parliamentarian-Lacey Greene

Club Ambassador Chair-Kristina Pantazi

Barnes and Nobles Bookfair



This fundraising event will be held **National 4-H week, October 4-10 , 9 AM to 11 PM**, at the Barnes and Noble on Atlantic Blvd. However, anyone can make their purchase at any Barnes and Nobles as long as they have the Duval County 4-H Foundation voucher. This means you can even send these special vouchers to family & friends in another county or state. Barnes and Nobles will donate a certain percentage of profits from each book sold using a voucher to the 4-H program. We have received the coupons in paper and electronic form that can be used at any Barnes and Nobles store. There is no cost on our part to participate. We will have 4-H exhibits (both still and action) in the store on Atlantic Blvd.

The Donation Percentage is based on the total net (pre-tax) sales of the Bookfair according to the following chart:

Net Sales	Percentage donated to us.
<\$2,000	10% Cash back
\$2,000 - \$10,000	15% Cash back
> \$10,000	20% Cash back

All merchandise sold at Barnes & Noble and Membership Pricing is eligible for the Bookfair contribution no matter the form of payment. This includes, books, music, magazines, café gift items and all other merchandise. A copy of the voucher was enclosed in this newsletter and you can call or e-mail the office to receive an electronic copy of the voucher for sharing.

FLORIDA FARM BUREAU FEDERATION 2007 YOUTH SPEECH CONTEST

Each year the Florida Farm Bureau Federation sponsors a Youth Speech Contest which begins at the county level. The winner of the county contest competes in a district contest. The district winner then goes to the Florida Farm Bureau Federation Annual Meeting in October to compete in the state competition with the other seven district winners.

2007 TOPIC: How will the Global Market affect Agriculture in the next five years?

PURPOSE: To promote a stronger interest and clear understanding of the many aspects of agriculture. To provide opportunities for our youth to gain knowledge, appreciation, and understanding of agriculture, and help to promote its many values and virtues.

The contest will be held at Duval County Farm Bureau on **Wednesday, August 22nd at 1 pm**. You can call the 4-H office for an application, rules and judging criteria. Applications *must be* received at the Duval County Farm Bureau (address below) by **Friday, August 17, 2007**.

PRIZES: First Place - \$100.00
 Second Place - \$50.00

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Any student who is at least 14 years old, and not over 18 years old on September 1, 2007 (not having reached their 19th birthday).
- Students must be a resident of the sponsoring county Farm Bureau.
- Membership in the Farm Bureau is not a requirement.
- Must display a positive attitude about agriculture and Farm Bureau.
- Previous state winners are ineligible to participate.
- Contestants may use notes if needed.

Duval County Farm Bureau
 5542 Dunn Avenue
 Jacksonville, FL 32218



MARINE SCIENCE EXPO



Super Science Saturday

West Regional Library, 1425 Chaffee Rd S

Saturday, September 22nd

3:00 to 5:00 pm.

All Duval County 4-H'ers are invited to participate

This event is a competitive event open to all 4-Hers that helps increase their awareness and appreciation of Florida's marine habitats and organisms.

Jacksonville University Marine Science Department, Sea Grant and the Duval Environmental Educators Network will bring hands-on exhibits.

4-H'ers may give demonstrations, give speeches, exhibit marine related items and participate in the 4-H Marine Science Photography Contest. (Photo contest details below.)



Refreshments, games and crafts
for the whole family!

Hosted by Duval Diplomats 4-H Club

Contact Joel Weaver at trweaver@comcast.net
or the 4-H office at 387-8850

4-H Marine Science Photography Contest

Refer to Florida 4-H website for guidelines, rules, and Official Entry Form
http://florida4h.org/curriculum/marine/state_marine_ecology_event.shtml

You may enter as many photos as you like at this local level.

Entry fee is 1 canned good per photo.

Canned goods go to WSCO, a local food bank.

15 winning entries will go to the state contest.

The State entry fee will be paid by the Foundation.

Entries and canned goods may be dropped off at the 4-H Office with the
Official Entry Form attached to the back of the photo.

ENTRY DEADLINE is Wednesday, September 19th



POP TAB TOTALS

Andre Townsend, Program Assistant

I want to thank all the clubs that collected soda pop tabs to support the Ronald McDonald House Charities. Ronald McDonald Houses work with local recycling centers to receive money for collecting tabs from aluminum cans - including those from soda cans, vegetable and soup cans, and pet food cans. All the clubs worked very hard collecting the tabs. The Ronald McDonald Houses will benefit greatly. Every club member is to be commended!

American Grown	14 lbs	= 17,738 pop tabs
Unstoppables	8 lbs	= 10,136 pop tabs
Robin Red Breast	8 lbs	= 10,136 pop tabs
Duval Diplomats	4 lbs	= 5,068 pop tabs
Extreme Challengers	1 lb	= 1,267 pop tabs

Totalling 35 lbs = 44,345 pop tabs

WOW!!

A new 4-H year is here so start collecting those pop tabs now! To date, more than 400 million pop tabs have been collected, generating more than \$4 million.

Fun pop tab facts

The ring-pull can was invented in 1962

The pop tab was invented by Ermal Fraze om Kettering, Ohio

1 inch = 1 pop tab	1 lb = 1,267 pop tabs
1 foot = 12 pop tabs	1 km = 40,000 pop tabs
1 meter = 40 pop tabs	1 mile = 63,360 pop tabs

Marine Ecology Event

The event will be held **November 3rd** at the Osceola County Extension Office in Kissimmee. There will be 2 workshops for youth who are planning to compete in the event.

Full details about the event are available at:
http://florida4h.org/curriculum/marine/state_marine_ecology_event.shtml

On **Friday, October 5th** (time to be determined - probably 1 pm), a walk at the River to Sea Preserve in Marineland. We will have the opportunity to see many of the plants, birds and fish that are on the species list. On **Saturday, October 20th** from 10 am to noon, a practice marine ecology event will be held at the St Johns County extension office. This will be set up just like the actual event and will give youth a chance to learn how the competition is run. It will also, give them time to practice going through the different sections of the event. For more information about the event, leaders and youth can contact:

Maia McGuire, PhD
 Sea Grant Extension Agent
 3125 Agricultural Center Dr
 St. Augustine, FL 32092
 904-209-0430



4-H Family & Friends Days at Daytona 500 Experience (formerly Daytona USA)

**Thursday January 17th
 Friday January 18th**

Price:

- \$16 + tax per person on orders received by **Monday January 14, 2008**
- \$18 + tax per person on all orders received **Wednesday January 16 - Sunday January 20, 2008 (NO EXCEPTIONS)**

Package includes the following:

- Admission to Daytona 500 Experience (attraction, motion simulators, displays, trivia games, winning car from Daytona 500 – Kevin Harvick’s, 16 Sec. Pit Stop Challenge, Heritage of Daytona history, etc.
- 30-40 minute tour of Daytona International

Speedway (guided on a tram, may stop at various places on the track **depending on track activity**)

- 5 Tokens for Speed Play Game Room
- 1 hot dog and small soda from 4th Turn Grill
- 15% off discount voucher for Pit Shop (gift shop)
- Viewing of NASCAR 3-D the IMAX Experience (1 hour 3-D IMAX movie)
- 1 Pencil

Contact the 4-H office for ordering information, and FAQ’s about the event. It’s never too early to place an order or post this successful outing on your calendars. Last year over 500 students and their families joined in on the fun. Make sure you don’t miss out!

Duval County 4-H'ers did an Incredible Job at Congress

Audy Toelle

Fourteen youth from Duval County attended Congress. We had an excellent showing.

Kristina Pantazi won First Place in her fashion division and Daisha Stephens won Second Place.

Our horticulture judging team, consisting of Tyler Ansell, Leah Van Buskirk, Elizabeth Boydston, and Savannah Hustus won First Place.

Jonathan Daniels interviewed for and won two scholarships totaling 1,500.00 dollars.

Caleb Burkett attended and won top honors for his photograph.

Also attended were Alex Holt, Lacey Greene, Lauren Klimek, Andrew Pantazi, Leah Sutton and Abigail Vroegindewey.



Caleb Burkett on the "catwalk"



Camp Cherry Lake-Wow! What a week!

Campers and Counselors from all over Jacksonville spent a fabulous week at Camp Cherry Lake in Madison Florida. Youth spent the week making friends, learning about their environment and developing many great skills that they will carry with them for the rest of their lives! Recent studies have shown that campers show improvement in skills such as independence, leadership, decision making and peer relationship. The best part is 4-H'ers have a great time!



1st Place Horticulture Judging Team: Savannah Hustus, Leah Van Buskirk, Elizabeth Boydston, & Tyler Ansell



Daisha Stephens, Lauren Klimek, Lacey Greene, Jonathan Daniels, Kristina Pantazi, Tyler Ansell, Leslie Allen (partly hidden), Leah Van Buskirk, Leah Sutton, and Judie Toulouse-Foundation Coordinator



Lauren Klimek, Shane McWilliams-St. Johns Co, Leah Sutton, Lacey Greene, & Kristina Pantazi

The Best Part of "Leg" (Annual State Legislature Program)

Valerie Ansell, Club Leader

The last week of June, I had the awesome privilege of taking 11 Duval County 4-H'ers over to Tallahassee for the 2007 Florida 4-H Legislature program. Each of the kids had duties for the week. Kristina Pantazi was a reporter. Joshua Kinard was a lobbyist. Jonathan was a Senator. Jordan Dominquez-Kinard was the head lobbyist. Savannah Hustus, Tyler Ansell, Leah Van Buskirk, Elizabeth Boydston, Joe Engle, Leah Sutton and Andrew Pantazi were Representatives. Because it was my first experience as an adult (I had been to "Leg" as a 4-H'er myself) and my duties were to be with the lobbyists. I was also accompanied by Cindy Van Buskirk, who knew the ropes.

in the actual chairs that the real Supreme Court Justices sit when they hear trials. AND they were able to go behind the automatic door into the room where the Justices get ready. I thought *this* must be the best part of Leg.

On Thursday, all of the committee meetings were finished and bills were being debated on the Senate and House floors. Seeing the kids taking on the roles of their duties was amazing! They decided which party they would represent, Green or Gold. The bill sponsors had their scripts ready to go to the "well" to present. The Lobbyists had voiced their parties opinion in the committee meetings. The reporters had already printed several newsletters. It was totally awesome to see these kids, ages 14 to 18, walking, talking and doing what our elected officials do each year during the House and Senate sessions. I thought *this* must be the best part of Leg.

Would you believe it wasn't even close. The *best* part of Leg was seeing three youth from Duval County nominated by the adult volunteers and the Leg committee. Kristina Pantazi was nominated to be considered for "Outstanding Reporter". Tyler Ansell and Andrew Pantazi nominated to be considered for "Outstanding Representative". Seeing these three "Outstanding" youth from Duval County nominated was definitely the best part of Leg!



After arriving on Monday we got our room assignments. I thought I would be rooming with someone, probably Cindy, but no, all of the adult chaperones got their very own dorm room complete with sink! I thought *this* was going to be the highlight of the week, my very own room. I didn't have to listen to anyone snoring! Tuesday morning I realized I was mistaken. After getting off of the elevators I couldn't believe my eyes. These kids, 4-H'ers from all across Florida were dressed in business attire ready to take the Capitol.

Wednesday, I was part of the group that went to the Supreme Court building. We didn't just take a meager little tour with a guide. The kids got to sit



Back row: Elizabeth Boydston, Tyler Ansell, Joseph Engel, Jonathan Daniels, Andrew Pantazi, Jordan Dominquez-Kinard, Joshua Kinard
 Front Row: Leah Sutton, Savannah Hustus, Leah Van Buskirk, & Kristina Pantazi.

State 4-H Legislature a HUGE Success!

Duval County 4-H Delegates joined approximately 200 other 4-H teens from across Florida in Tallahassee for the 35th Annual State Legislature (“Leg”) Program. Delegates were back in the dorms and enjoyed a fun and very productive week. We want to recognize Jordan Kinard for all his hard work this year on the Leg Planning Committee. Special congratulations to our Chris Allen Award Nominations: Kristina Pantazi was nominated for her work as reporter, Andrew Pantazi was nominated for his work as Representative, and Tyler Ansell was nominated and won for his work as Representative.

The Chris Allen Award is a state award given to outstanding Leg participants in memory of Chris Allen, a former Duval County 4-H'er who was tragically killed while active in the Florida 4-H program. This award recognizes the same passion he felt for Leg and the Florida 4-H program, we are honored to have three locally this year.



Senate

Senator Jonathan Daniels



House of Representatives

Representative Lizzie Boydston



Elizabeth Boydston, Tyler Ansell, Andrew Pantazi, Leah Van Buskirk, Jordan Dominquez-Kinard, Leah Sutton, Savannah Hustus, Joshua Kinard, Kristina Pantazi, and Joseph Engel



Representative Pantazi

Representative Tyler Ansell



Westside Wranglers
 Michele Greene, Club Leader

To kick off our summer, we attended County Councils Water Fun Day at Summer Waves on Jekyll Island. We had a blast on the water slides!



In June, we enjoyed a tubing trip down the Rainbow River and horseback riding on Amelia Island Beach. We had a party on July 4th at the Rhoden's lake house. We went jet skiing, wake boarding and viewed a wonderful fireworks display.

While having lots of fun in the sun, we have continued to learn about horses. At our June meeting, we had a horse hoer, Ken Roberts, as our guest speaker. He taught us all about tricks of his trade. We learned the proper names of the tools he uses, and what they are used for. He showed us different kinds of horse shoes and told us why certain shoes are suited for horse having a specific job, or being ridden on a particular terrain. Lastly, he demonstrated how to deal with a horse that is uncooperative for the farrier.



We held our July meeting at Ray Taglione's Holistic Horse Health Barn, a full service horse rehabilitation facility. First we toured his place and he shared with us all of the many services he offers. They have everything from equine dentistry to corrective shoeing. We discussed the benefits of bioscans, massage therapy and chiropractics for unsound horse. Next we learned about the rescue and rehabilitation of horses. Ray showed us how he rescues downed and injured horses with his horse slings and transports them for treatment with his horse ambulance. One of our 4-H'ers, Austin Wynn, posed as the horse! We learned so much! Thank you Ray Taglione!



Club News

Duval Diplomats

Susan Stutsman, Club Leader
Meri Ivy Read, Club Reporter

On June 26, 2007 the Duval Diplomats held their annual elections. They were held at the H.E.R.I. library. Matthew Berry was elected president. Zack Lee was elected vice president. Allison Berry became treasurer. Scotty Read became secretary.

After the elections were over we had an oceanography class. We learned about the different groups of people who study the oceans. It was fun! Next we made fish print t-shirts. We painted the sides of a dead fish and pressed them onto our new club t-shirts. The whole club enjoyed it even if it was a little smelly.



Annie Davis works on a fish print shirt with Emily Stutsman helping

Duval Diplomat Officers, Allison Berry, Matthew Berry, Scotty Read, and Zack Lee.

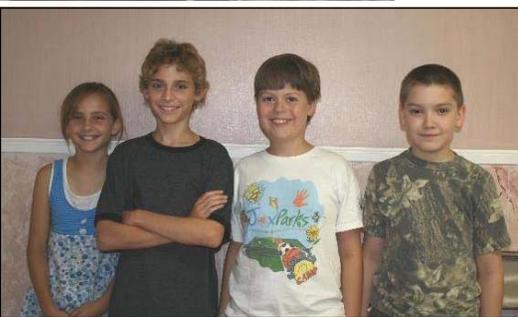


Photo by Annie Davis, Club Photographer

Rebecca Fisher at the Rabbiters Costume Party



Unstoppables

Valerie Ansell, Club Leader

The Unstoppables 4-H club closed out the year by having a bowling and pizza party. Everyone enjoyed the bowling. We ate so much pizza the guys at CiCi's could barely keep up with us! At the bowling alley we all received our club awards for the year.



Moms get their 4-H polo shirts



The Rabbiters

Valerie Ansell, Club Leader

The Rabbiters 4-H club concluded the 4H year by having a bunny costume party. We had everything from a pink ballerina to a pirate. It was a lot of fun and each participant received an award. We also made bunny picture frames and enjoyed cupcakes.

Rabbiters end of year party



DUVAL COUNTY 2007 CLOVER AWARDS



Recipient	Club	Age Division	Award Level
Albert, Alyssa	The Rabbiters	Cloverbud	Cloverbud
Daniels, Joshua	The Unstoppables	Cloverbud	Cloverbud
Lee, Josh	Proverbs & Duval Diplomats	Cloverbud	Cloverbud
Read, Maddie	Duval Diplomats	Cloverbud	Cloverbud
Ansell, Thomas	The Unstoppables & Rabbiters	Intermediate	Gold
Berry, Matthew	Duval Diplomats	Intermediate	Silver
Boydston, Victoria	The Unstoppables	Intermediate	Silver
Davis, Ian	Duval Diplomats	Intermediate	Bronze
Denmark, Miranda	Westside Wranglers	Intermediate	Silver
Lee, Brianna	Proverbs & Duval Diplomats	Intermediate	Bronze
Lee, Zack	Proverbs & Duval Diplomats	Intermediate	Bronze
Melanson, Taylor	Acting Out	Intermediate	Silver
Stutsman, Emily	Duval Diplomats	Intermediate	Emerald
Weaver, Joel	Duval Diplomats	Intermediate	Silver
Ansell, Timothy	The Unstoppables & Rabbiters	Junior	Gold
Balint, Christian	Duval Diplomats	Junior	Bronze
Berry, Allison	Duval Diplomats	Junior	Silver
Boydston, Mary Ellen	The Unstoppables	Junior	Silver
Daniels, Amaris	The Unstoppables	Junior	Silver
Davis, Annie	Duval Diplomats	Junior	Bronze
Hughes, Savannah	American Grown	Junior	Bronze
Jeffcoat, Marena	Acting Out	Junior	Silver
Lee, Eliza	Proverbs & Duval Diplomats	Junior	Bronze
Read, Mari Ivy	Duval Diplomats	Junior	Bronze
Read, Scotty	Duval Diplomats	Junior	Bronze
Upp, Dakota	Acting Out	Junior	Bronze
Weaver, Jennifer	Duval Diplomats	Junior	Bronze
Ansell, Tyler	The Unstoppables	Senior	Gold
Boydston, Elizabeth	The Unstoppables	Senior	Silver
Greene, Lacey	Westside Wranglers	Senior	Gold
Holt, Alex	Acting Out	Senior	Bronze
Klimek, Lauren	Westside Wranglers	Senior	Silver
Van Buskirk, Leah	Extreme Challenger	Senior	Gold

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!!

PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, AUNTS, UNCLES, ALUMNI, FRIENDS OF 4-H, TEENS AND 4-H VOLUNTEERS

The 4-H Foundation needs volunteers (adults and teens over age 14) to help in the 4-H Fund-raising Booth during the Greater Jacksonville Fair! The Duval County 4-H Foundation will be staffing a booth in the Agricultural Building to sell 4-H items and tickets. Please call Judie at the 4-H office to sign up. Remember, 4-H youths benefit from the monies raised through these efforts. **We REALLY need you to help!!!!** Please see the schedule at the bottom of the page for shift hours.



Throughout the Jacksonville Fair, 4-H needs volunteers to help in the 4-H Munch Wagon and the 4-H Fund-raising booth. We need adults and teens over age 14. Fair dates are Wednesday, **November 1** through Sunday, **November 12**.

Please contact Judie for more information and to volunteer e-mail Judiet@coj.net, FAX 387-8902, Phone 387-8858.



Call to schedule a time to help with these fund-raising efforts!



Munch Wagon helpers will help cook and serve the popular Pigs-On-A-Stick. The Duval County 4-H Foundation will be staffing a booth in the Agricultural Building to sell 4-H items & tickets. What a way to build **friendships and teamwork!** Come join us for a good time and to help raise much needed funds for 4-H activities and opportunities.



This is a great opportunity for you to help put more \$\$ in the 4-H Foundation by assisting with the Munch Wagon or Foundation Booth. **We are scheduling workers now.** Please contact Judie to volunteer. She can be reached by e-mail at Judiet@coj.net, by fax at 387-8902, or by phone at 387-8858. Please see the schedule at bottom of page for the shift hours.



WE REALLY NEED YOUR HELP!!!!

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		October 31 Opening Day 4:30-10:00	November 1 4:30-10:00	November 2 11:30-5:00 or 4:30-10:30	November 3 11:30-5:00 or 4:30-10:30	November 4 11:30-5:00 or 4:30-10:30
November 5 4:30-10:30	November 6 4:30-10:30	November 7 4:30-10:30	November 8 4:30-10:30	November 9 11:30-5:00 or 4:30-10:30	November 10 11:30-5:00 or 4:30-10:30	November 11 11:30-5:00 or 4:30-10:30

52nd Annual Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair

"Fair-Tastic Fun For Everyone!"

October 31-November 11, 2007

<http://jacksonvillefair.com>



There are so many ways for 4-H'ers to get involved!

Volunteer at the Munch Wagon
Clubs can sign up to earn money for their club by sweeping with the Broom Brigade
Join us for 4-H Day at the Fair and participate in (all require advance registration):

Livestock Judging
Consumer Choices
Dog Show

Sign up for many other competitions at the fair such as:

Rabbits and Poultry
Baking (*See bottom of this article for partial list*)
Crafts (*See Page 14 for partial list of crafts*)

If you are interested in participating in any of these events please contact the person in charge to RSVP.

Broom Brigade

This is a great fundraising opportunity for clubs. Please contact Leslie Allen, 737-5632, to sign up. Spots are limited.

4-H Munch Wagon

This is our biggest county fundraiser and we need your help! Your club can sign up to work the munch wagon as a club. **Some age restrictions.** Contact Judie at the 4-H office or send an e-mail to JudieT@coj.net

Jacksonville Horse Fair

October 27 & 28 at the Equestrian Center.
Join us for a fabulous County Show!!

4-H Poultry Youth Show

Wednesday, October 31st, 9:00 a.m.

4-H Rabbit Youth Show

Wednesday, October 31st, 10:00 a.m.

4-H Market Lamb & Sheep Show

Wednesday, October 31st, 7:00 p.m.

4-H Dog Show

Friday, November 1, 6:30 pm

4 H Beef Show

Friday, November 2nd, 7:00 p.m.

4-H Horticulture Judging Contest

Saturday, November 3rd, 9:30 am

ON SITE REGISTRATION: 9:00 am

Youth Livestock Judging Contest

4-H/FFA Livestock

Saturday, November 3rd, 9:00 a.m.

4-H Consumer Choices Judging

Saturday, November 3rd, 2:30 p.m.

ON SITE REGISTRATION: 2:00 p.m.

Contest information, rules & regulations and registration forms (when needed) can be found at:

<http://jacksonvillefair.com>

Culinary Competitions

Cake Baking Contest, Wednesday, October 31st, 7:00 p.m.

Cake Decorating Contest, Wednesday, October 31st, 7:00 p.m.

*GHIRARDELLI CHOCOLATE CHAMPIONSHIP, Thursday, November 1st, 7:00 p.m.

*EAGLE BRAND GREAT BAKING "BONANZA", Saturday, November 3rd, 2:00 p.m.

*KC MASTERPIECE MEMORABLE MEALS CONTEST, Monday, November 5th, 7:00 p.m.

*HIDDEN VALLEY "FAMILY FRIENDLY FOOD" CONTEST, Tuesday, November 6th, 7:00 p.m.

*FLEISCHMANN'S YEAST "BAKERS UNITED for a CAUSE" CONTEST, Wednesday, November 7th, 7:00 p.m.

*The GREAT AMERICAN SPAM CHAMPIONSHIP, Thursday, November 8th, 7:00 p.m.

*"STICK with CANOLA OIL FRY IT for the FAIR" CONTEST, Saturday, November 10th, 2:00 p.m.

Contest information, rules & regulations and registration forms (when needed) can be found at:

<http://jacksonvillefair.com>

Consumer Judging Contest

This year, the Consumer Judging contest will be Saturday, **November 3**, at the Greater Jacksonville Fair. Registration is at 2:00 p.m., and the contest starts at 2:30 p.m. This contest is open to Junior, Intermediate, and Senior 4-H'ers. A workshop to prepare for this contest will be held **October 10** from 3:00-5:00, which is an early release day for public school student. If you wish to attend, please RSVP **by October 13**.

Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair

GENERAL CRAFTS - YOUNG AMERICAN

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| A. Mosaics | G. Tile Craft |
| B. Jewelry | H. Models |
| C. Wall or Door Decorations | I. Clay Art |
| D. Decoupage | J. Wall Baskets |
| E. Candles | K. Traditional |
| F. Plaster | L. Sculptural Baskets |

CHRISTMAS CRAFT - ALL AGE DIVISIONS

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| A. Centerpiece | H. Tree Decorations |
| B. Arrangements | I. Novelties |
| C. Tablecloths | J. Afghans or Bedspreads |
| D. Aprons | K. Stockings |
| E. Wall Hangings | L. Tree Skirts |
| F. Door Decorations | M. Rugs |
| G. Decorated Trees | N. Dolls |

WOODCARVING - ALL AGE DIVISIONS

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| A. Relief | D. Animals/Fowl |
| B. Flat | E. Novelties |
| C. Figures | |

WOODWORKING - YOUTH

- A. Woodwork
- B. Decorated Wood

ART - YOUTH

Class Description

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| 1. Oil Painting | 8. Recycled Designs |
| 2. Acrylic Painting | 9. Mixed media, use of 2 or more art media in one piece |
| 3. Watercolor Painting | 10. Print Making |
| 4. Tempera Painting | 11. Sculpture |
| 5. Pastel Drawing | 12. Tole Art |
| 6. Pen & Ink Drawing | 13. Other Not Listed |
| 7. Charcoal Drawing | |

CERAMICS - Youth Division

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| A. Hand Molded | I. Relief Decoration |
| B. Combination Cast and Hand Molded | J. Overglaze |
| C. Underglaze | K. Humorous |
| D. Regular Glaze Decoration | L. Two or More Glazes |
| E. Regular Glaze Decoration | M. Dry Brushing |
| F. Stain | N. Antique |
| G. Crackle | O. Wall Plaque |
| H. Scraffito | |

Farm Bureau Quiz Bowl

Participate in the first ever Florida Farm Bureau Youth Quiz Bowl! Each team will consist of four players between the ages of 13-18 (as of September 10th). Teams will compete at the Florida Farm Bureau Annual Meeting in **Daytona Beach on October 10th, 2007**.

Teams will be quizzed on a brief understanding of the following Subject Areas

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| • Farm Bureau 101 | • Agriculture History |
| • Field and Specialty Crops | • AgriTechnology |
| • Livestock | • Agriculture Issues |
| • Natural Resources and the Environment | • Civics and Government |



Prizes: For winning First Place each team member will receive one free ticket to either Busch Gardens or Sea World (you choose) and the team will jointly receive \$200! Each member of the second place team receives one free ticket to either Busch Gardens or Sea World (you choose)!

For more information or to register your team go to **floridafarmbureau.org**. The registration deadline is **September 10th** and due to limited space, only the first eight teams to register will compete. You won't want to miss out!

Smart Snacking

Jevetta Stanford, 4-H EFNEP Extension Agent

Youth need to refuel their bodies more than three times a day, especially when they're really active. Walking, playing games in gym class, carrying your backpack - it all takes energy. Snacks are small meals eaten to prevent hunger in between meals. Oftentimes youth do not get all the nutrition needed in regular meals because of busy schedules. Snack foods rich in vitamins and minerals help to make up the difference. Snacking has received a bad reputation over the years because many are loaded with fat, sugar, and sodium. Here are some helpful tips to get you on the right track for smart snacks!

Snack Often: Plan to eat snacks no more than two hours between meals or other snacks. For example, if you eat breakfast at 7:30 am, plan a mid-morning snack for 9:30 am.

Snack Smart: A smart snack includes at least two foods from the following food groupings:

- Fruit & Vegetables
- Meat or Meat Alternatives
- Grain or Grain Alternative
- Milk

Pre-portion snacks and ingredients: Cut up fruits and vegetables in advance to make snacking safer and easier. Put snacks in small plastic bags or on a serving plate to grab on the go.

Keep it healthy. Avoid high sugar, fatty, and salty snacks, like soda, fruit snacks, and chips. Read food labels and ingredients list before making your snack selections.

Pretty Parfaits



Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup non-sugar breakfast cereal
- 1 cup yogurt
- 1/2 cup fruit-fresh or canned (drained)
- Cup or bowl for serving

Directions: Place several spoons of yogurt in a cup or bowl, covering the bottom of the cup or bowl with yogurt. Place a layer of breakfast cereal on top of the yogurt. Add another layer of yogurt to the cup or bowl. Place several spoonfuls of fruit over the yogurt, covering the yogurt layer. Continue to layer until all ingredients are used.

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2007 4-H Horse Fair
October 27 & 28, 2007
Jacksonville Equestrian Center



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Over the last 52 years, the Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair Association is proud to have contributed over 2.5 million dollars to local charities and awarded scholarships to worthy students who have exhibited a desire to further their education. The Association's purpose in offering these scholarships is to encourage personal growth and assistance to qualified students planning to major in agriculture, veterinary medicine and other fields of study.

At time of application, a student must be a resident of Duval, Baker, Bradford, Clay, Nassau or St. Johns County and at least a high school senior, enrolled or planning to enroll in a four year university, junior college or technical institution. The scholarship application must include an essay, (500 words or less) briefly discussing the applicants background and leadership abilities. Applicants should list any community, high school, college, sorority, fraternity or religious group in which they are or have been involved and their leadership experience within those organizations.

An application form can be found at www.jacksonvillefair.com or contact the 4-H office. The application package should also include three, (3) original letters of recommendation. The complete Scholarship Application Package, (application, essay and 3 letters of recommendation) must be received in the office of the Greater Jacksonville Fair no later than **October 1st. *Incomplete packages will not be accepted.***



All *complete* applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee of the Greater Jacksonville Fair Association. Winners will be announced during the Greater Jacksonville Fair. The decision of the Scholarship Committee is final. Scholarship funds are assigned to and administered by the applicant's college, university or technical institution. Should the chosen applicant leave school, any unused portion of the scholarship will be returned to the Fair. Although you may e-mail jaxfair@bellsouth.net or fax (904-353-0535), your application and essay, the three letters of recommendation must be originals and can not be faxed or e-mailed. Your *complete* application package should be delivered or mailed to: Greater Jacksonville Fair, c/o Scholarship Screening Committee, 510 Fairgrounds Place, Jacksonville, FL 32202 by **October 1st**.



Look What's Happening...



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AUGUST



- 16 **4-H Recognition Banquet, 6:30 p.m.**
- 17 Farm Bureau Federation Youth Speech Contest *Deadline*
- 22 Farm Bureau Federation Youth Speech Contest, Duval County Farm Bureau, 5542 Dunn Ave, 1 pm
- 23 **Kick-Off, 6:30 pm**



SEPTEMBER

- 1 NEW 4-H YEAR BEGINS TODAY
- 10 Florida Farm Bureau Youth Quiz Bowl registration *deadline*
- 15 Fair Horse Show *DEADLINE*
- 17 District Council Meetings, Clay County meeting room, 5:30 pm
- 19 Marine Science Expo Photo Contest *Deadline*
- 22 Marine Science Expo - Super Science Saturday, West Regional Library, 1425 Chaffee Rd S, 3:00 to 5:00 pm

OCTOBER



- 1 **County Council Meeting, Survival, Man vs. Wild, 6:45 pm**
- 4-10 Barnes and Nobles Bookfair, 9282 Atlantic Blvd, 9 am to 11 pm
- 5 Marine Ecology Workshop, Marineland
- 7-13 NATIONAL 4-H WEEK
- 10 Florida Farm Bureau Youth Quiz Bowl, **Daytona Beach**
- 20 Marine Ecology Workshop, St Johns Co Office
- 27 & 28 Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair Horse Show, Equestrian Horse Center
- 31 to Nov 11 Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair, Fair grounds



UPCOMING DATES

- October 31 to November 11 - Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair, Fair grounds
- Nov 3 - Marine Ecology Event, Osceola Co. Office
- Nov 19 District Council Meetings, Clay County meeting room, 5:30 pm
- Dec 1 RE-ENROLLMENT *DEADLINE*
- Jan 28 District Council Meetings, Clay County meeting room, 5:30 pm
- March 17 District Council Meetings, Clay County meeting room, 5:30 pm
- May 19 District Council Meetings, Clay County meeting room, 5:30 pm





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