



4-H CLOVER CONNECTIONS

A 4-H Youth Development Newsletter

January 2010

What are you learning?



4-H Cooks! Contest

When: Monday, January 18

Time: 10:00 am

Where: Madison 4-H Office

Contest Divisions: Beef, Catfish, Chicken, Corn, Egg, Pecan, Rice, Sweet Potato

This is the easiest contest you'll ever enter! Just follow these simple instructions:

1. Select a favorite family recipe that meets contest divi-

sion requirements.

2. Make a typed or handwritten copy of your **RECIPE**.
3. Prepare your dish at home the night before and save **ONE LARGE SERVING** to enter in the contest. (If entering one recipe in more than one division, you will need to bring a serving for each division in separate containers.)

4. Pack your entry in a plastic, covered, disposable container labeled with your name.
5. Bring your entry to the 4-H Office COLD and ON ICE in an *insulated* ice chest.

1st place winners will represent Madison Parish 4-H in the regional cook-off on March 1st. Contact the 4-H Office for details.

TREASURE BOX

4-H Awards Deadline!

Honey Bee Essay Contest

When: February 12, 2010

Topic: Is My Community Honey Bee-Friendly?

Length: 750-1000 words

Awards:

Parish: 1st—\$50, 2nd—\$25, 3rd—\$15

State: 1st—\$100, 2nd—\$50, 3rd—\$25

National: 1st—\$750, 2nd—\$500, 3rd—\$250

Must include a endnotes, bibliography and a brief biological sketch of essayist.

For more information or assistance, contact the 4-H Office.

If you are an active 4-H member you owe it to yourself to compete for recognition as an Excellence or Key Award winner.

Key Awards are given to graduating seniors for career achievement in all aspects of 4-H youth development. The Excellence Award is just for junior members up to age 13 for participation in their club, camp and project area.

It's so easy to enter for these awards. Just complete a quick questionnaire and total your points!

Don't miss this opportunity for additional awards and recognition at your school's awards assembly.

Deadline for entry:

January 15, 2010



Check out the 4-H Clubhouse at: <http://www.lsuagcenter.com/en/4H/Kids/>



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Clover Clues!

- Want more 4-H opportunities? Sign up to join an afterschool community club. Contact the 4-H Office for details.
- Remember to save your Doug's receipts and turn them in to your 4-H Club leader.
- Don't forget...4th-6th graders...must turn in a project book for camp scholarships.

Shutterbug Entry Form

NAME

GRADE

SCHOOL

DIVISIONS (Circle One)

ART
ACTION
ANIMAL
LANDSCAPE
PORTRAIT

Dates & Deadlines:

- 1/4 Deadline: Ag Expo's Ag Photo Contest entries due
- 1/4 December Shutterbug Entries Due
- 1/14 Teen Leadership Meeting:
- 1/15 Deadline: Key and Excellence Award applications
- 1/15 Deadline: 4-H Night with the Hornets tickets
- 1/15-16 Ag Expo—Ike Hamilton Expo Center, West Monroe
- 1/18 4-H Cooks! Contest scheduled—10:00 am at 4-H Office
- 2/1 Deadline: Food & Fitness Camp registration
- 2/1 Deadline: Hornets vs. Pacers ticket sale
- 2/3-6 Northeast District Livestock Show, Delhi
- 1/19 4-H Night with the New Orleans Hornets game
- 2/22 Deadline: Junior Leadership Conference registration
- 3/1 District 4-H Cookery Contest
- 4/1 4-H Portfolios due

4-H Teen Conferences Set

The dates for 4-H Junior Leadership Conference and Co-op Youth Conference are on the calendar!

4-H Junior Leadership Conference:

When: March 26-28

Age: 15 years and up

Cost: \$65

Tracks:

- Camp Counselor Certification
- Leadership
- Healthy Living
- Citizenship



- SET (Science, Engineering & Technology)

- Public Speaking

Deadline: February 22

A maximum of 8 delegates per parish may attend.

Co-op Youth Conference:

When: April 30-May 2

Cost: \$30

Age: 13 years and up

Deadline: April 20

Organize your own co-op business and win trips or cash awards!

Be on the Board of Directors, make business decisions, and feel the thrill of success working with other teen leaders and professional business men and women.

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