



4-H Leader News

September 2009

4-H Calendar:

September

- 12 Shooting Sports - 9:00 a.m.
Mr. Wendt's home – D.S.
- 22 Jr. Leader Meeting 6:30 p.m.
Livingston Parish Fairgrounds
- 22 Fashion Board Planning
Meeting 6:00 p.m. –
Livingston Parish Fairgrounds
- 26 Shooting Sports Activity 8:45
a.m. - Waddell Wildlife Mgt.
Area – Baton Rouge.
- 30 Area 4-H Leader Training
9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Lamar Dixon Expo Center

October

- TBA Jr. Leader Meeting 6:00 p.m.
Livingston Parish Courthouse
- TBA Fashion Board Meeting to
follow Jr. Leader Meeting
- 4-10 **National 4-H Week**
- 5-11 Livingston Parish Fair
- 18-24 **National Character Counts!
Week!**
- 20 Officer Training Day, 4:00 PM
Technology Center
- 23-Nov 8 State Fair –Shreveport
- 28 Project Training Day
Family Life Subjects
Form due to 4-H office
- 30 **Enrollment Cards due to 4-H
Office**

November

- 5 Project Training Day
Family Life Subjects
North Corbin Elem, 4:00 p.m.
- 12 Project Training Day Ag and
Natural Resources Form due
to 4-H office
- 19 Project Training Day Ag &
Natural Resources –
Fairgrounds – 4:00 p.m.

Meeting Program

The program for this month will include an introduction to 4-H and how to become a member. Old & new business cut-outs are included for those clubs prepared to conduct a business meeting.

What is the Leader News?

The Leader News will keep you posted of upcoming activities, will inform you on the monthly meeting topic, and will include old & new business cut-outs for your 4-Her's to use at the club meetings.

Leaders if you have any information concerning your school club send us the information and we will try to publish it in the next issue so other leaders can benefit from it. We hope this newsletter will be useful to you. If you have any suggestions on what we could include or how to improve it please let us know.

Old & New Business:

We would like to see 4-H members participate more in the club meetings by reading the old and new business of the newsletter. Each month you will receive a copy of the old & new business cut-outs. We ask that you fill them out, cut a part, and give to 4-H members to read at the club meeting. For example, if you are a 4th—6th grade leader you may have club members who participated in 4-H Camp over the summer. Have them share their experience with the other club members at the meeting. Feel free to elaborate on our abbreviated reports, as well as, report on other activities that your club has conducted. Please use only the business that relates to your club's grade(s).

Club Meeting Schedule:

Please check the club meeting schedule for the date and time of your meeting. Contact us immediately if you need to make adjustments.

** We will frequently be using e-mail to communicate with most of our leaders. The Leader Newsletter will be sent to you electronically each month. You may also find a copy of it on our website under "newsletters".

If you have a disability which requires special assistance for your participation in any of our 4-H activities, please contact Christy Sorenson or Bobby Bingham at 686-3020.

National 4-H Week: October 4-10, 2009



This is a wonderful opportunity to promote 4-H, as well as, show teachers and other school personnel how much our clubs appreciate their cooperation. Some ideas may include: door decorations, news articles, bulletin board displays, treats for the teachers, etc. More information can be found in your Leader Handbook.

National Character Counts! Week: October 18-24, 2009

The Annual Character Counts! Week is October 18-24, 2009! National Character Counts! Week is celebrated every year during the third full week of October. You may want to visit the Character Counts! website at www.charactercounts.org for activity ideas and ways to celebrate Character Counts! Week.

Jr. Leadership Club

If you have 4-Her's in grades 7th—12th please invite them to become a member of a parish wide club called the Jr. Leader Club. The club plans, organizes, and conducts various community service activities, along with many fun events each year. The first meeting will be **Tuesday, September 22, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.** at the Livingston Parish Fairgrounds. The schedule of Jr. Leader Club Meetings will be announced after the first meeting.

4-H Outdoor Skills: Shooting Sports

The Livingston 4-H Outdoor Sports Association has been formed to administer the 4-H Outdoor Skills Program in Livingston Parish. For a student to participate in the Outdoor Skills Programs (Shooting Sports, ATV Safety, and Sport fishing) they must be an active member of a school 4-H Club. Outdoor Skills Program activities will take place on Saturday's during the school year. Please refer to your Leader Handbook & e-mails for dates of activities and additional information pertaining to the Outdoor Skills Program. The first Shooting Sports activity will be on **September 12, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. at Mr. Robert Wendt's home in Denham Springs.**

Project Training Days:

4th, 5th, & 6th grade 4-H members may participate in Project Training Day to learn more about their projects. Those members wishing to attend should sign up with their leaders. The Project Training Day forms may be found in your Leader Handbook. Forms are due to the 4-H Office for the 1st Project Training Day by October 28, 2009 and November 12, 2009 for the 2nd Project Training Day. **4-H members may only sign up to participate in one of the trainings not both.

Things to do this month:

- * Encourage contest participation • Prepare officers for meeting
- * Complete and turn in Letters of Authorization & Leader Information forms by September 11, 2009.
- Enrollment Cards are due October 30, 2009. * Club dues are due by November 2, 2009.

Sincerely,

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Old & New Business Cut-outs

4-Her's who participated in 4-H Summer Camp were:

4-Her's who participated in 4-H University were:

4-Her's who participated in 4-H Day at the Capitol were:

4-Her's who participated in the State 4-H Horse Show were:

4-H who participated in the 4-H LOST Camp were:
