



Madison County 4-H News



September/ October 2008

A NEW YEAR

WELCOME to a new year in 4-H!

This is a new year with a new agent. With our new year starting we have to make sure that we are re-enrolling. Every member and volunteer must fill out the new enrollment forms. Lets get this done in September and not have to worry with it later in the year!

We have a new enrollment program where all your information will be entered into the computer and each year you will just have to make changes to your medical history! It's a great program because each member will have the club they are in and the projects that they are working on. So at the end of the year we can get those record books from the project turned in and they can get credit for their hard work. I am very excited about starting this new year right and getting everyone involved in 4-H!!

Help me make sure you get your form filled out and turned back in to my office.

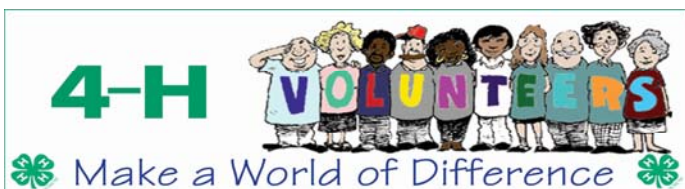
CLUB LEADERS

Thanks for your participation in our first 2008 -2009 4-H Leader Meeting. I am excited about what our clubs can do this year within the clubs and in our community. Please let me know the dates and times that your clubs will be meeting so I can have them up to date in the calendar . Also let us know of up coming events that could be open to other clubs to attend so that can also be added.

You can get the new enrollment forms by the following ways:

- 1) Your club leader.
- 2) Give us a call and we can -
 - ▲ Mail a copy
 - ▲ Fax a copy
- 3) Go online and print forms by visiting us at:
http://madison.ifas.ufl.edu/4h_forms.shtml

Thanks



Sunbelt AG EXPO

This year the AG EXPO will be on October 14-16th in Moultrie, Georgia. Admission is \$7. The EXPO is an Agricultural– based tradeshow where more than 1200 exhibitors showcase the latest in farming technology. There are both indoor and outdoor exhibits as well as educational and entertaining seminars and demonstrations offered in a variety of specialized areas. I will be taking interested students to the expo with parent permission. Call and let me know if you are interested and come by and pick up a parent permission form.



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COUNTY COUNCIL

With a new club year starting I wanted to let you know that our County Council will also be starting. Two students from each club will be selected to sit on the council. As a council member you will report to the council on your club happenings as well as work together on a county project. We will be taking field trips throughout the year and will help plan the awards banquet next year. If you are interested in representing your club on the county council, please contact Heather Johnson at the Extension Office.

New Clubs

With a new 4-H year about to start do you or someone you know want to start a new 4-H club? Have them come by the Extension Office to get more information.

LEADERS

*Does your club have a charter?
The 4-H Youth Development Program of the USDA requires all 4-H clubs to be chartered in order to use the 4-H clover.
Please make sure that your club has submitted its charter paper work.*

AWARDS & RECONGITION PROGRAM

Our 4-H Awards and Recognition Program was a great success! We had close to 45 members and volunteers attend! The food was excellent! Thanks for coming and showing your support and thanks for supporting 4-H!

The North Florida Fair is Coming!!

Get prepared for the North Florida Fair!! This is your chance to show off the projects you have been working on all year! You can enter items and win ribbons and with each ribbon comes a check for you!! You can enter animals to be judged or show an animal! There are a wide variety of things that you can enter and participate in the fair. Entry forms can be picked up in the Extension Office and all forms and items must be turned into the office by : **Monday, October 6, 2008 at 5:00 PM**

Items you can enter into the fair:

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| ~Horticulture | ~ Canning | ~Posters |
| ~Clothing Construction | ~Crafts | ~Tabletop Exhibits |
| ~Sewing | ~Hobbies, Collections
and Architectural Models | ~Scrapbooking |
| ~Needlework | ~Fine Arts | ~Poetry |
| ~Baked goods | ~Photography | |



SEPTEMBER

- 1st** - Labor Day
- 8th** - Club Leaders Meeting
- 29th** –County Council Meeting 5:30pm

OCTOBER

- 2nd-5th** - Rock Eagle Volunteer Forum
- 6th**—All Exhibits and Forms for the Fair are due.
- 14th– 16th** - EXPO
- 27th**– County Council Meeting?

NOVEMBER

- 3rd**—Baked good entries due in office for Fair by 8:00 AM
- 6th-16th** - North Florida Fair
- 24th**– County Council Meeting?

September

	1 Labor Day	2	3 LIFE Guardians Mtg. 1:00pm	4	5	6
7	8 Club Leaders Mtg 6:00pm	9 Saddles & Spurs Mtg. 6:00pm	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 LIFE Guardians Mtg. 1:00pm	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 County Council Mtg @ 5:30pm	30				

October

			1 LIFE Guardians Mtg. 1:00pm	2	3	4
				← Rock Eagle Volunteer Forum →		
5	6 North Florida Fair Entries and Forms Due	7	8 National 4-H Week	9	10	11 Livestock Weigh - In @ Ag-Barn
12	13 Saddles & Spurs Mtg. 6:00pm	14	15 LIFE Guardians Mtg. 1:00pm	16	17	18
			← Sunbelt Agricultural EXPO →		← Alachua County Fair →	
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