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**Fall into 4-H**

The 2009-2010 4-H year has started and is off to a great start. New enrollment forms have been pouring into the 4-H office since the beginning of September. Remember that to be part of the Suwannee Valley Livestock Show and Sale, enrollment forms must be in the 4-H office and stamped by November 1 at 3pm.

Make sure that you attend the Teambuilding Workshop so that you can become a better teammate and leader. We will also be participating in the 4-H National Science Experiment during the workshop. In November we will be hosting a Bread Making Workshop with the HCE organization. Please plan on attending both of these exciting opportunities.

For the 27th consecutive year, Florida 4-H and Chevron will be working together for the 4-H Community Pride Program. Let your club leader know that you want to participate in this program to make your community better. The deadline for proposals is November 6, so hurry up and get the proposals in.

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**Enroll now for the 2009-2010 4-H Year**

The 2009-2010 4-H year started on September 1. Remember that all 4-H’ers must re-enroll every year. Contact your club leader or come by the 4-H office to pick up an enrollment form. Enrollment forms are due to the 4-H office by November 1, so make sure to sign up fast. Would you like to try enrolling online? Contact Mr. Brian for more details at 386-362-2771.
2009 National Science Experiment: Biofuel Blast!

On 4-H National Youth Science Day, October 7th, young people across the nation will get a chance to examine one of the most important issues facing our nation today - energy. Youth will discover, learn and have a blast exploring alternative fuels through Biofuel Blast, the National Science Experiment.

Developed in conjunction with the University of Wisconsin - Madison Extension and Wisconsin 4-H, the experiment is designed to spark an early interest in the sciences - all part of 4-H’s bold goal to engage a million new young people in science, engineering and technology programs by 2013.

You can find everything you need to participate in 4-H National Youth Science Day online at: www.4-h.org/NYSD. The site has lots of useful information, including the experimental facilitator’s guide, interactive tools, event planning kits and much more. Plus, new features, information and promotion will be added in the months and weeks leading up to October 7th - so make sure to register to receive event updates today.

Suwannee County will be conducting the Biofuel Blast experiment at the Teambuilding workshop on October 7. Please make plans to learn about teambuilding and about science!

We’re looking forward to another successful 4-H National Youth Science Day! ♡

2009-2010 Community Pride Projects

The 4-H Community Pride program involves helping the members of the group learn about their community and encourage them to improve the quality of their environment.

All 4-H members may participate in the Community Pride project. A project is selected by the group. The process of planning, implementation and evaluation is plotted out and discussed by the group members.

Each group may submit a proposal for funding of Community Pride projects. Proposals accepted from the county must be in the State 4-H Office by the NOVEMBER 6th deadline date to be considered for the current 4-H years funding. Those groups that are awarded funding will have to follow up with the Florida 4-H Community Pride Report that will be made available when the award is received. This will be a revised final report and will be due to the State 4-H Office by the annual deadline.

For more information visit http://florida4h.org/staff/Awards_Handbook/competition_group.shtml or call the 4-H office at 362-2771. ♡
Suwannee County 4-H Technology

Are you technologically inclined? Do you spend more time with your friends online than you do in real life? Then Suwannee County 4-H has just the thing for you. From Twitter to Facebook to Snapfish to YouTube to Blogs to webpages, we have it all. Join us online on these social networking sites as we try to bring a positive environment to the World Wide Web.

Facebook

Twitter
http://twitter.com/suwannee4H

Snapfish Photo Sharing
www.suwanneecounty4h.snapfish.com/snapfish
-password is suwannee

Blog
suwanneecounty4h.blogspot.com

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Teambuilding Workshop October 7

Suwannee County 4-H will be hosting a teambuilding workshop on October 7. Invite your friends and club members to join the County Council officers as they help teach techniques to build teams and improve leadership in your clubs. The workshop is on an early release day and will be from 2-4pm. All club officers, members, and friends are invited to attend!

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Bread Making Workshop November 4

On November 4, UF/IFAS Suwannee County 4-H will be hosting a Bread Making Workshop open to all youth in Suwannee County. The workshop will be taught by the Suwannee County Home and Community Educators (HCEs). The workshop will be on a school early release day, November 4 from 2-5pm, at the Suwannee County Extension office.

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UF/IFAS Suwannee Co. website
http://suwannee.ifas.ufl.edu/4H.shtml

If you cannot tell the difference between a tweet and a text, an IM and a wall post, or a Snapfish and a YouTube, we still have hard copies of our newsletter in the Extension office.
September’s Mystery Reader
Ms. Carolyn Saft

This month’s mystery reader is originally from Suwannee County. She graduated from Suwannee High School and has worked at the Extension Office for 2 years. Her hobbies include cooking, gardening, fishing, and hunting. Check your guess in next month’s issue or online beginning October 1 at www.suwanneecounty4h.blogspot.com.

September’s mystery reader is originally from Miami, Florida. She has an undergrad degree from UF and is working on her masters degree, also from UF. Her hobbies include gardening, kayaking, and Snoopy. Congratulations to Ms. Carolyn Saft for being the September Mystery Reader!