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My Heart to Greater
Loyalty, My Hands to
Larger Service, and My Health
to Better Living, for My Club, My
Community, My Country and My World.*

The Clover Connection...

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Help at the Food Booth During Fair

The Pima County 4-H Leaders' Association Food Booth needs a few awesome people (18 to be exact) to help at the Pima County Fair. Eat well, have fun and meet new people! Remember, you could be one of the few, the proud, the first, to use the new Food Booth. Contact Richard or Mary Boxx-Hampton for details, 690-5760.

P.S. The food booth now has curly fries.

Fair Food Booth Tickets

Food Booth tickets will be available once again this year at Fair Work Day on April 9, 2005. Support your food booth at the Fair and get a great deal doing it! Tickets make awesome prizes for herdsmanship and barn duty. Remember, buy a \$20.00 ticket, get a \$5.00 ticket free, buy a \$10.00 ticket and get a \$2.50 ticket free. Your kids don't have to carry money around with them. Support the 4-H Leaders' Association Food Booth! Profits go to support county 4-H programs, scholarships and activities.

Arizona 4-H International Exchange Program



Host Families Wanted for Japanese High School Students 2005-2006 Placements needed by May 1.

Ryuto Nakagawa is a 16 year old boy from Chiba, Japan. He lives with his parents, his grandparents and older sister. He would like to live in a rural, non-farm setting. Ryuto is active on his school swimming team, he likes Judo, English, PE and video games.

Sadahiro Kimura is a 15 year old student from Itami-City, Japan. He lives with is older brother, parents and grandparents. He would like to live in a rural, non-farm community with a family that has many children and a dog. Sadahiro wants to play basketball and soccer with his American friends. His is also interested in fishing.

Yui Wada is a 17 year old high school student from Yokohama. He loves sports especially baseball and volleyball. He is really involved in leadership and citizenship. He helped chair the “Yokohama Student Forum” and is learning Chinese. He is involved in his school’s canoe club. He lives with his parents and younger sister. Yui would like to live in an Urban community.

Our girls this year are twins, but they should not be placed in the same community.

Shio Yoshida lives in Kanagawa (near Yokohama). Her hobbies are cooking, jogging, an exercising. Shio would like to live in an Urban community

Asami Yoshida is probably quieter than her sister, she likes to shop, travel and cook. Asami would like to live in an Urban community.

Host Families are needed for Summer Inbound Program 7/24 to 8/20. Placements needed by May 1.

Do you have room in your heart and your home for a Japanese Young Person who will be with you from July 24 until August 20. We will not have the particulars about which kids are coming until later. However, the sooner we get interested families identified and screened, the sooner we can make the connections.

What do Potential Host Families Need?

- Openness to new experiences
- Appreciation of teens
- Positive Attitude and flexibility
- A spare bed and some area for privacy
- Summer inbound students need host siblings of the same sex and approximate age.
- Be able to be certified as Arizona 4-H volunteers.
- High school students must be placed in local schools with school approval.

Contact Julie Adamcin at (520) 626-5161 for more information email adamcin@ag.arizona.edu

Fair Information Packet

Each family has been mailed a Fair Packet. It contained order forms for wrist bands, ride coupon sales, parking passes, and camping information. Please call the CEO, 626-5161 and speak to Yesmin if you did not receive your Fair Information Packet.

Beef Carcass Raffle Winner

Harrison Lochner won the Beef Carcass Raffle . . . a limousine for . . . the prom? Congratulations to Harrison and a thank you to all beef, sheep and swine members for selling tickets.

Sales Committee Meeting

The PCJLSI will meet on Tuesday, March 1st, 7:00 p.m. at the CEO. This month we put together letters to established buyers and identify follow up contacts. Volunteers are welcome to attend and assist with the letter stuffing, etc. Please call Ed Konrath, 298-1570 for more information.

Small Stock Meeting

Monday, March 14, 7:00 p.m. at the CEO will be the last Small Stock meeting before the Pima County Fair. All leaders and junior leaders are encouraged to attend. Directors will share basic information you will need to have and how to prepare for the fair. The next Small Stock meeting will be the Small Stock Fair Critique, on Monday, May 9 at the CEO. Please plan to attend both meetings and good luck at the fair.

Fair Work Night

Fair Work Night will be Tuesday, March 15, 2005 starting at 4:00 p.m. All beef, sheep, swine members and families are encouraged to help set up. This counts as part of the overall club herdsmanship score for fair. Please bring your own pliers, wire cutters, gloves, etc. Identify them with your family name so they can be returned to you if lost. Everyone is reminded to stop by the 4-H Office in the barn to sign-in when you first arrive. Your club/project will not receive credit if you do not sign in.

Get Your Fair Information

This month's Project meetings usually focus on what you need to do to be ready for the fair. Please make an effort to attend.

Beef: Tuesday, March 15, PCF during work night

Sheep: Tuesday, March 15, PCF, during work night

Swine: Thursday, March 17, 7:00 p.m., CEO

Dairy Cattle: Thursday, March 17, 7:00 p.m., CEO

Goat (Dairy & Meat): Thursday, March 17, 7:00 p.m. CEO

Rabbit & Cavy Classic

The 4-H Rabbit & Cavy Classic will be held on Saturday, March 19, 2005 at the CAC. Volunteers who wish to assist are asked to call Kay Moreno at 886-9548. Members wishing to participate are encouraged to take part.

Livestock Quality Assurance Workshop

There will be a Livestock Quality Assurance Certification Workshop on Saturday, March 26, 2005, at the CAC from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Please pre-register by calling 626-5161 and asking for Yesmin. Pre-registration is required. On the day of the workshop, check-in will be from 8:00 - 8:45 a.m.

Letter Writing Contest

Last month we published the rules and guidelines for the letter writing contest. All entries must be in the CEO by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 8, 2005. Each club may submit three entries in each category. Our sponsor is very excited about past letters. I encourage each club to submit letters for the contest. Let's overwhelm our sponsor with entries, the more the better they like it.

2005 University of Arizona Livestock Judging Clinic Scheduled

The U of A Livestock Judging Team and Coach, Clay Bailey, have scheduled the Second Annual U of A Livestock Exposition. The Expo will be held April 29 - May 1, 2005 at the U of A Campus Ag Center, on N. Campbell Ave. The judging clinic will take place on Friday night and Saturday, with a livestock judging contest held on Sunday. There will be opportunities for judging beef, sheep, swine and a coaches session.. Friday night's sessions will consist of a coach's clinic, novice and advanced sessions on note taking and oral reasons format. Saturday will consist of novice and advanced livestock evaluation, oral reasons and a coach's livestock evaluation section. Pre-registration is mandatory. The registration deadline

is April 1, 2005. Those registering between April 2 and April 15 will be charged a \$10.00 late fee. Participants will receive great instruction, a t-shirt, stenographer's notebook, judging handbook, lunch and dinner on Saturday and lunch on Sunday. The fee is \$35.00 per person for all three days. For more information contact Bob Peterson at 626-5161 or Clay Bailey at 621-5810.

Planning to Succeed - Beef Fitting and Showing Clinic

Saturday and Sunday 1/29-30/05 Josh Buzzard along with very knowledgeable friends gave a very informative hands-on clinic on how to wash, dry and clip steers and heifers and tricks to showmanship. We started each day at 9:00 and didn't finish until approximately 5:00 in the evening. Some of participants didn't want it to end. Not only did Josh actually demonstrate the techniques needed to wash and clip but he then went to each participant as they clipped their own steers and gave individual precise instructions that they needed to get the job done.

After the clipping was almost done we took a break and Josh explained the necessary nutritional needs to finish feeding a steer for the fair. He answered questions and even had his dad, Wayne, evaluate and give nutritional pointers for each steer. The final phase of the clinic was when Josh and his sister, Kelly, critiqued and gave showmanship pointers to everyone. Participants were asked about the clinic and everyone said it was very informative and couldn't wait to do it again next year.

Gymkhana Timers are Missing

The timers used for gymkhana are missing. They are in a large aluminum case, about 4 feet long. If you borrowed them, please return them to the 4-H Office as they are needed for the Gymkhana Show at the Fair.

For Sale:

Alpine dairy goat, in milk, sold with milking stands, \$150. Kids will be available after mid-March, Doe Kid \$100, Buck Kid \$15. Registered and show quality. Call Monessa Hernandez at 229-3632.

For Sale:

12-year-old registered, black quarter horse mare, very gentle and good with kids or as a 4-H horse, \$1500 OBO. Call Ashley 219-9521 or 661-3815.

For Sale:

Cattle clipping chute, \$200. Call 744-2673.

Don't Quit

When the going gets rough and things look bad,
When frustration and fear make you sad,
When success seems dim and risks are high
And you begin to wonder how hard to try.

There'll be lots of reasons to give it all up,
To throw in the towel and abandon the cup.
But these are no times to turn about.
Don't be a quitter -- stick it out!

When your goal seems lost and well beyond reach,
Find the courage within to fill the breach.
So don't give up even when the odds are low.
You may win it all with the very next blow.

Life's filled with twists and turns, you know.
Down goes up and to goes fro.
Winds change and so does luck
To give an edge to those with pluck.

They say, "Success is failure turned inside out.
It's the silver tint of the clouds of doubt."
The art of winning is doing your best
When you're wounded and weary and you want to rest.

When you fight to the end, you won't always win
But you build strength and pride deep within.
And beyond the winning and losing is the feeling you earn,
Knowing you gave all you had at your turn.

There's joy and glory in the fight well fought.
So no matter how often and hard you're hit,
Give it all you have -- never quit!

National and International Youth Service Days

April 15-17, 2005

Wanted: Incredible Kids Doing Pawsome Deeds

Do you know children or teenagers who are making a difference in their communities? Build-A-Bear Workshop® wants your help in finding them. The company is now taking nominations for its second annual Huggable Heroes™ program, which recognizes everyday kids in communities all across North America who go to extraordinary lengths to make life better for others. From collecting food for the hungry to raising money to bring the arts to the elderly, from reaching out to assist animals to reading to children, kids are volunteering and making significant contributions.

Nomination forms can be found on the **[Build-A-Bear Workshop website](#)** and will be accepted through March 14, 2005. Those selected as Huggable Heroes will be featured in the Build-A-Bear Workshop 2006 Huggable Heroes Calendar and honored within their communities throughout 2005.

Please help us find Huggable Heroes in the 4-H community.

National Youth Service Day Quickly Approaches

On April 15-17, 2005, young people across America, with the help of millions of volunteers, will address important unmet community needs through service-learning projects addressing literacy, hunger, public safety and the environment.

For more than 15 years, National Youth Service Day has brought together 28 million people in thousands of communities nationwide, mobilizing millions of America's youth to identify and address the needs of their communities through community service. For more information about National and Global Youth Service Day, please visit **www.YSA.org**.

Service Days Opportunity

The USDA Food Safety Van will be at the Pima County Fair April 17, 18, and 19. We need volunteers including teens to man the booth and wear the costumes. Please contact Julie Adamcin for more information.

Check out these opportunities as well:

Start Something www.target.com/startsomething

Congressional Awards: www.congressionalaward.org

Service Grants

http://www.ysa.org/awards/award_grant.cfm

So What are YOU Doing This Summer?
Here are some awesome opportunities for you.

Opportunities	Dates	Description	Deadlines and \$
Citizenship Washington Focus	June 4-June 11, 2005	http://www.cwf.n4h.org/ Your completed registration is due to the State 4-H Office by March 11, 2005.	Visit Washington, D.C and stay at the 4-H Center. Workshops, tours and a lot more. The approximate cost for this trip ranges from \$1200-\$1400. Scholarships availability
Journey of Opportunities for Leaders of Tomorrow (JOLT)	June 13-17, 2005 Camp Shadow Pines, Heber Arizona	Learn leadership skills you can use in your club and at school. Make friends with 4-H members across the state.	Scholarships are available from the County 4-H Leaders' Association. Cost will be published later
STAR (aka Teen Congress)	July 10-13th	This event is sponsored by the newly established State 4-H Youth Adult Council	TBD Scholarships are available from the County 4-H Leaders' Council
Arizona 4-H Japanese Exchange Program	7/24 to 8/20. 4-H Cultural Camp TBA	www.worldwise.org Host a young person from Japan for one month during the summer. Attend cultural camp with them	No direct costs except the costs of hosting someone in your home. Some fee for cultural camp
National 4-H Congress Applicants must submit an application and portfolio/record book (check with county 4-H Office for application deadline).	November 25 - November 29, 2005	Gather with top 4-H members from around the country in Atlanta Georgia for National 4-H Congress. Tour the area, meet with national 4-H sponsors and in general have a great time. http://www.national4-hcongress.com/	The National 4-H Congress Portfolios are due to the State 4-H Office by or before June 15, 2005. If selected, trip costs \$100.
Kids..Get Cookin! (Ages 11-14)	June 13-17, 9 am to 1 pm	Explore the basics of food preparation, food safety, table setting, and nutrition	Cost \$40
Babysitting Clinic	June 6-10, 9 am to noon	Learn about babysitting as a fun and profitable activity.	Cost \$35
Advanced Cooking Workshop	June 20-24, 9 am to 2 pm	Learn more advanced techniques in food preparation with an international flair	Cost \$50.
Kids and Plants Grow	July 11-15 or July 18-22	Plant workshop for elementary students	Cost \$30 (est)
4-H Road Trip	Early July TBD	Road trip for teens to SW Arizona	approx \$125 TBD

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15th of the month

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Looking Ahead to April . . .

- 2 Rabbit/Cavy Pre-Fair @ CAC 9:00 am
- 4 Horse Project Mtg @ CEO 7:00 pm
- 5 4-H Sales Corporation Committee Mtg @ CEO 7:00 pm
- 9 Fair Work Day @ PCF 8:00 am
- 11 Exhibits & Educational Displays due @ Old Pueblo Hall
- 14-24 Pima County Fair
- 26 4-H Leaders Association Mtg @ CEO 7:00 pm
- 29 U of A Livestock Exposition through May 1

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