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People's Choice Essay Results

Congratulations to all of the writers in this year's 4-H essay contest. KC Star staff scored the essays, with the highest score in each age category (8-10, 11-13, 14 and older, Adult) included in October KC Star Northland edition. Announcement to be made later!!!

People's Choice at the County fair and small animal shows gave us a chance to read all of the essays and select our favorites in each age category and also overall. Essay writers named for this recognition are:

8-10:

Elly Anderson, Farley Jolly Workers

11-13:

Shannon Lee, Farley Jolly Workers

14 & older:

Evan Grusenmeyer, Hoover Heroes

Adult:

Karen Lee, Farley Jolly Workers

Overall :

Kylie Sherwood, Hoover Heroes

Other essays were written by: Sydney Oberdiek, Farley Jolly Workers, Josh Elkins, Platte County Park Rangers, Lindsey Reichert, Hoover Heroes. All essays are on our web page for your enjoyment: extension.platte.edu/platte

Thanks for all who voted after enjoying the essays!

**Wet 'N Wild Family Fun
September 5th**

Meet other 4-H families, invite or bring along families that are interested in 4-H for a great Friday evening event on September 5th.

This is our annual family fun event that doubles as a great way for potential 4-H families to have fun, picnic, and maybe win door prizes.

Time: 6:00-8 pm

Where: Parking lot of Platte Resource Center; picnic and some activities moved inside in case of rain or inclement weather.

Cost: each family is asked to bring a side dish or dessert; hot dogs provided by 4-H council.

What will we do: Water related fun and educational events for people of all ages, plus drawings and door prizes.

Colored t-shirts and shorts must be worn over swim suits, shoes required too.

Register: RSVP by August 29th with your name, number of guests, and ages. Remember this is for entire families, so youth must come with parent/adult

Note: Each 4-H club is asked to host/ conduct one of the activities, which may include a frozen t-shirt challenge or bubbleology, or design a boat or your own watery ideas? Platte County Park Rangers are in charge of the event.

Be sure to volunteer to help your club at your August club meetings or contact a Park Ranger directly.

Happy New 4-H Year

Do you have your Discover 4-H yard signs from last year? If so, NOW is the time to put them up in your yard, school, etc.

Make a poster for your school, church, or better, invite a family to join your club. Invite new kids and their parents to your next club meeting, family fun event and recognition event (for them to see the benefits and awards available). Stress family based learning as a key part of 4-H.

If a project leader, turn in attendance and completion information to your club or office, if county wide.

**Year end completion OR
Where did this year go?**

The 4-H year officially ends August 31, so now is the time to review and share your learning, goals, and efforts, as well as those of your entire club.



Due September 1st

- Member award applications: First Year, County medals, I Dare You
- Club secretary books (used for club seals, member completion pins, leader awards)
- Year end fiscal report from club treasurer
- Club summary/write up of community service for county recognition
- Youth Service to Communities form (page 55 in Clover) for state recognition/seals
- County wide involvement checklist for traveling plaque recognition



SAVE THE DATE TO CELEBRATE!

Recognition Event ~ ~ October 11th ~ ~ 3-5 pm

This is right after our Holiday fair is over, so you can do two events with one trip.

The Clover Form enclosed is for each member to fill out for points that can be exchanged at the Clover Store or used in the auction. If you turn in by October 1st, you will earn bonus points.

Recognition event is also when some of the county wide projects for the next year are announced.

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning citizenship, leadership and life skills.



2008 Platte County Fair was Very Fine

A snapshot album of our 4-H fair:

- Great exhibits, talent, animal shows, wonderful follow through by many families and clubs to help with set up, check in, hosting, clean up, and promoting 4-H!!!!
- Closer view: 4-Hers completing project work and the year by bring exhibits for review and discussion with volunteers, and to showcase 4-H.
- Many parents helping with the fair itself, getting members to the building, shows, presentations
- Long view: Platte 4-H families should be very proud of their program and appreciate the work of all project leaders, club leaders, and the many other volunteers who made not only the fair, but the whole year so meaningful and supportive.
- Starting with July 15th small animal show; July 16, dog obedience show; the July 19th set up; July 21 entry; and July 23-26 fair; and July 27 pack up. It was full of amazing involvement and demonstration of much learning and work by 4-Hers and their families.

Thank you!

- Truman & Jamie Byergo and Lindsey Reichert represented 4-H in the talent show on Thursday of the fair with piano selections and dancing.
- Josh Elkins, Evan Grusenmeyer, Molly Grusenmeyer, & Lindsey Reichert were presented on Wednesday, opening night of the fair as our outstanding 4-Hers, ambassador and scholarship winner.
- Seniors Jacque Bowling, April Brown, Morgan Crader, & Molly Grusenmeyer for great senior showcases. You will be missed in Platte, but wish you well in college!

2008-2009 Themes & Logos



Want to 'name' next year's theme for Platte County 4-H? Please turn in your suggested theme by the August 21st 4-H council meeting at which time, yours and the 7 already suggested at fair will be voted on by the council and KC Star staff.

The theme will then be announced at our September Family Fun Event, and then the logo designs will be due by September 18th 4-H council meeting. The theme and logo are used on certificates, posters, etc for the 4-H year.

The theme & logo will be announced at October 11th Platte County 4-H Recognition Event; recognition given to the "theme generator and logo designer" at that celebration.

Some theme from the recent past . . .

- What 4-H Means to me—now and in the future
- 4-H: a proud past and bright future: 100 years and going strong
- Behold the Power of Platte County 4-H
- Growing with 4-H
- 4-H Has it All
- Discover 4-H
- 4H, 4-You, 4-Me, 4-Fun, 4-Life

Platte 4-Hers to Missouri State Fair

Lady Bugs & Beetles: Jamie Byergo, Kendall & Haley Johnson, Daniel Silber, Madelyn Rawlings, Rachel Rawlings

Hoover Heroes: Ben Clark, Mark Roe, Michael Roe, Kaela McKenzie, Monica Wise, Evan Grusenmeyer, Hannah Termorshuizen, Hillary Whitacre, Codie & Kylie Sherwood, Aaron & Lindsey Reichert, Gabbie Remboldt, Katie Swisher

Farley Jolly Workers: Meg & Shannon Lee, Sydney Oberdiek, Molly Mathews, Cassandra Johnson

Platte County Park Rangers: Addie Eber, Kyrsten Turner, Kaman Turner, Emily Mynatt

State 4-H Horse Show: Kylie & Codie Sherwood, Brittany Horseman, Cody & Amanda Hankins, Gabbie & Emma Remboldt

State 4-H Dog Show (August 12) Haley & Kendall Johnson, Emma & Gabbie Remboldt, Kylie & Codie Sherwood, Morgan Crader, Jacque Bowling, Cody & Amanda Hankins

Demonstrations: Evan & Molly Grusenmeyer, Ben Clark, Josh Elkins, Madelyn Rawlings, Nathan Stump, Daniel Silber, Addie Eber, Mariah Mathews, Aaron & Lindsey Reichert

State Shooting Sport events: Ben Clark, Mark Roe, Michael Roe, Clint Greenough, Gabbie Remboldt

State 4-H Beef Show: Jamie Byergo



HOLIDAY FAIR UPDATE

All 4-H families are requested to help make this new county wide fund raising event a success, since all premiums, pins, events, awards, day-camp, Clover Kid camp, leader manuals, etc are funded by it.

Vendors will be selling their items on Saturday October 11th in the Platte Resource Center, 4-H building, 10 am to 2 pm and if they individually sell more than \$150, they will pay 4-H 10%. (see listing later in this mailing) Help will be needed Friday evening, as well as all day Saturday, since after this event, we will set up for our Recognition Event.

4-Hers: Your entrepreneurship and skills can be featured: 4-Hers can sell project related items (but not foods) without collecting taxes or filling out forms, as long as funds go back into project work. We will have special area for 4-Hers to display and sell any items, or take orders for larger items. The \$15 fee for a table and the 10% 'commission' to 4-H council will be decided /detailed later. So if you will have items to sell, please let us know ASAP, so it can be included in our promotions.

4-H COUNCIL DECISIONS

These will be some of the decisions to be made at the August 21, 4-H council meeting. Share your ideas with your club's representative.

- People's Choice Award
- Holiday fair booths for 4-Hers
- Volunteer Forum scholarships
- Leader certification dat4es
- 2008-09 theme selection
- National 4-H Week display/contest
- Club officer training
- Winter fair/events
- Clover shop plans/funding
- Borders gift wrapping

CLUB REPORT

The meeting of the Farley Jolly Workers was called to order at 7:10 on June 25. The meeting was brought to order by Andrew Cicha. Aeriana and Elizabeth Brentlinger and Andy Cicha led the pledges.

Project reports included: Daniel Cicha - God's eye, Logan Lee – pancakes, Sydney Oberdick - day camp, t-shirt and jar, Shannon Lee, cards, Elly Anderson, pizza and cupcakes, Mariah Mathews - omelettes, gardening and cherry preserves.

Our Farley Community Project was discussed for September. One adult has an essay written for the essay contest and we're looking for more essays by July 1. Elly Anderson and her mom helped out at Nearly New. Logan, Shannon and Meg Lee, Sydney Oberdick, and Elly Anderson attended Day Camp. County Fair will be here soon. The Mathews, Lees, Cichas, and Andersons will help with check-in on July 21st. The Johnsons and Knutsons will be at the 4-H building for the clean-up of the building on July 27th. July 30 is Platte County Citizen newspaper inserts. Shannon Lee and Andrew Cicha adjourned the meeting. Snacks were provided by the Cichas. The craft was tissue paper flowerpots.

Reporter Shelby W. Knutson

4-H VOLUNTEER FORUM OCTOBER 17 & 18

Discover the Clover 4-H Volunteer Forum is a grand opportunity to learn about 4-H leadership and select from project/event related workshops ranging from Clover Kids to rabbits or robotics or crochet.** This is for parents, volunteers, leaders, and those thinking about it, or just wanting more information on 4-H in general and project areas. This will be in Columbia

Sport fishing certification training begins on Friday, but all other workshops are on Saturday, October 18th. The day begins with a breakfast at 7:30 and ends at 4:30 pm. Fee of \$40 includes breakfast, lunch, snacks, conference bag & pen, some project literature from workshops and a small gift.

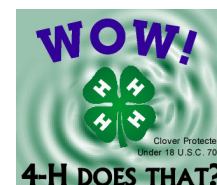
If you are interested and able to go, please request a copy of the registration packet. You will indicate your 1st-3rd choices for each workshop, some are all day, some 2 hours and some 1 hour in length.

Please contact 4H Council or Sharen by August 21st council meeting if you want to attend, so we can plan for travel, and investigate possibility 4-H Council funds supporting part of the registration cost.

All forms and payments are due into Columbia by September 15th

WORKSHOPS ON SATURDAY OCTOBER 18TH

Sportfishing	4-H Heritage Projects
4-H volunteer orientation	Project Leader
Clover Kids	Horse
Global	Dog project
GPS	Food
Aerospace	Home Environment
Beef	Youth Adult Partnerships
Gardening	Electricity
Goat	Health
Conservation	Entrepreneurship
Swine	Virtual communities
Sewing	Marketing 4-H
Sheep	Child Development
Robotics	Quilting
Special needs challenges	Rabbits
Community Mapping	Judging/Demonstrations
Ham Curing	Financial championships
Project meeting boost	PowerPoint
Small Engines	Photography
Poultry	Games/Recreation
Poster pointers	Leadership
Teaching Science, Engineering, & Technology	





Platte County 4-H Events

- August 11 Lady Bugs & Beetles meeting
August 12 Hoover Heroes 4-H club
August 14 Platte County Park Rangers Meeting
August 7-17 Missouri State Fair
August 21 7 pm 4-H council meeting
August 21 Theme suggestions due, for 2008-2009 4-H year
August 21 Date to indicate interest in attending Volunteer Forum & being considered for council financial support
August 26 Farley Jolly Workers meeting
August 29 Wet & Wild Family Fun event registrations due
- September 1 Due Date for County Medal Applications, club secretary books, treasurers report, club award forms, First year member application, I Dare You (see Family Handbooks, pages 9-11) each family was mailed one, but is also on line at extension.missouri.edu/platte
- September 1 Happy New 4-H Year
Sept. 5 Family Fun Event, 5:30 pm- 8 pm
September 15 Discover the Clover Volunteer Forum registrations
September 23 Pet Power temperament testing
October 11 Holiday Fair Fund Raising event 10-2
October 11 Recognition Event 3-5 pm
October 17-18 Discover the Clover Volunteer Forum, Columbia