



Clover Club News

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4-H DEADLINES & REMINDERS:

- **January 16-18th**
Camp Counselor Certification
- **January 10th**
Horse Judging Clinic
- **January 9th-** deadline to register for senior LAW weekend!
- **February 17th**
Jackson County Fed Cattle Show.

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It's the LAW!

Leadership Adventure Weekend, that is! This leadership event will be held January 23-25 at Camp Ocala, and is a fun-filled senior 4-H educational weekend planned by youth. This year's LAW will focus on developing goals.

This event is organized by the youth led LAW Committee of the State 4-H

Executive Board. The Committee is composed of 4-H members who work together with staff to develop this event, and you will see 4-H members in leadership roles during the weekend. To sign up, or get more information, call the 4-H office no later than Monday, January 5th, at 482-9620. Registration deadline is January 9th, and spaces are limited.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

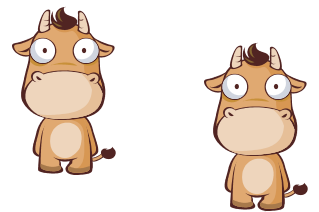


Fed Cattle Show & Sale

It's time to get your show skills tuned up and steers groomed up. The 2009 Jackson County Fed Cattle Show is just around the corner! Check-in will be Monday, February 16th, from 4-6 PM. A Livestock-Judging Contest will start at 9:30 AM, on Tuesday, February 17th (remember,

you must pre-register with the 4-office in order to be excused from school). The show will start at 2:00 PM; awards ceremony & buyer registration at 6:30 PM. The auction will begin at 7:00 PM. Be sure to have your buyer(s) lined up ahead of time. If you have any questions or concerns

about your animal, please feel free to contact Doug Mayo or Patti Peacock at the 4-H office at 482-9620.



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Community Service Ideas

Every 4-H Club is required to do at LEAST one service project each year. Here are a couple of ideas that you can do as a club or an individual 4-H member:

Hero Packs– 4-H Operation Military Kids is a program to help support military families, especially when one or more parent is deployed. In 2009, there will be at least 5 units deployed from the Panhandle (we don't know when or where). You can help by providing Hero packs for the children of deployed soldiers. 4-H is providing backpacks and several other items for the packs. You or your club can also donate items such as scrapbook supplies, phone cards, stationery, disposable cameras, and even letters to youth whose parents are deployed. For more information, please contact Janet Psikogios, 4-H OMK Regional Director, at 850-784-6105.



Sneak Peek— Upcoming Events!

Mark your calendars! We have several exciting events coming up in the New Year:

- **January 16-18th– Camp Counselor Training at Camp Timpoochee.** Registration form is enclosed in this newsletter.
- **February 17th– Fed Cattle Show and Sale.**
- **March 3, 5, 6, 7, 2009– Shooting Sports Training.** Teens and adults can become certified 4-H shooting sports instructors in archery, rifle, or shotgun. Must be at least 14 years old. March 3rd and 5th will be from 6-8PM; March 6-7 will be at 4-H Camp Timpoochee. Registration info will be available in January.
- **April 14th– 4-H Day at the Capitol–** tour the Capitol and talk to legislators about 4-H.
- **April 28th– 4-H/Tropicana Public Speaking County Contest**
- **June 15-19th, 2009– County Camp at Camp Timpoochee.** Camp rates have gone up about \$20.00 per person, so the registration fee will be around \$200.00. Registration will be available in April. Start saving now!
- **September 25-26th, 2009– Northwest 4-H Volunteer Leader Forum** at Camp Timpoochee. There will be workshops, funshops, motivational speakers, and door prizes. More info will be available in June.



2009 Camp Staff Applications

The University of Florida is currently accepting applications for the 2009 Summer Camp Staff at all four 4-H Camps. Last year, two of our 4-H alumni did an excellent job at Camp Timpooshee! Applicants must be high school graduates and must complete a background check and required training. Applications can be found on the state 4-H website at florida4h.org/camps/application.

Florida State Fair—4-H Showcase

Florida State Fair 4-H Showcase and Fashion Revue will be held at the State Fair in Tampa February 7th, 2009 10:00AM-3:00 PM. 4-Hers from across the state will be competing in Fashion Revue, Share the Fun and Public Speaking. All 4-H competition will be held in the Special Events Building. Don't miss seeing our 4-Hers in action!



- **Character Keepers**– There will be a practice scheduled for January 12th, at Mr. Melvin's office. The presentation will be on January 26th, at Golson and McClain, at 3:30 PM. If you would like information, contact Lisa Hamilton the Character Counsel at 482-0001.
- **Dayspring Eagles 4-H**– Next meeting will be January 30th at 3:15PM in the cafeteria. For more info contact Dayspring Academy at 526-4919.
- **Eureka 4-H Club**– Next meeting is January 2th at 10AM at the Extension Office. For more info, contact Kate Bagy at 482– 3022
- **Graceville Kountry Kids**– Next meeting is January 20th, at 6PM, at the Graceville Civic Center. For more information, contact Laurel Merritt at 334-671-2027.
- **Horsing Around**– Next meeting is January 17th, at 10 AM, at the Angel's Gate Ranch. For more info, contact Virginia Coco at 526-3417. **NOTE* Please Come if you would like to see this club continue to exist!**
- **4-H Lego Storm**– January meetings are January 5th, 6th and 9th from 9 AM-12 PM at the Extension Office. For more info, contact Nikki Maddox at 569-2297. **Competition is January 17th, in Live Oak.**
- **Panhandle Pioneers**– Next meeting is January 9th at 3:45PM at the Extension Office. Please bring a canned item for the **Food Drive**, and we will be learning the art of **basket weaving**. For further information, please contact Kate Bagy, at 482-3022.
- **Sharp Shooters**– No meeting scheduled at this time for January. Additional shooting sports instructors are needed. For more info, contact Anita Githens, at 482-4351.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Eureka 4-H Club 10AM	3
4	5 Lego Storm Practice	6 Lego Storm Practice	7	8	9 4-H Lego Storm, 9 AM; Panhandle Pioneers 3:45 PM; LAW registration	10
11	12 Character Keepers practice 3:00 PM Melvin's Office	13	14	15	16 4-H Lego Storm 9AM Counselor Training	17 Horsing Around Club 10AM; Counselor Training
18 Counselor Training	19 Office Closed MLK HOLIDAY	20 Graceville 4-H Club Meeting, 6PM	21	22	23	24
25	26 Character Keepers presentation at Golson and McClain.	27	28	29	30 Dayspring Eagles 4-H 3:15 PM	31

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For more info about the Jackson County 4-H Program, contact our office at 850-482-9620 or visit our website at <http://jackson.ifas.ufl.edu/4h/>