

October 13, 2009



TO: Lafayette 4-H Members, Family, Volunteer Leader and/or Alumni

RE: LCES Sponsored 4-H New Orleans Hornets Basketball Game

Lafayette Parish
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Dear 4-H Member, Family, Volunteer Leader and/or Alumni,

The New Orleans Hornets basketball team will once again provide a great opportunity for 4-H members and their families, volunteers, and faculty to participate. This is the seventh year in a row that they have partnered with the 4-H Program. The professional basketball game will be held on Friday, February 19, 2010 when the New Orleans Hornets host the Indiana Pacers – 7:00PM.

The New Orleans Hornets have been playing extremely well over the last few years and have some of the most exciting players in the league. The Hornets love the participation of 4-H in a game each year and provide a great opportunity to publicize and market the Louisiana 4-H program. The scoreboard and arena are filled with 4-H clovers during the 4-H halftime presentation. In addition, over 200 4-H members will have the opportunity to participate in pre-game activities.

You will find information on all available programs for 4-H members and the ordering form for tickets. Tickets are \$22 each, the Hornets will reimburse the State 4-H Foundation \$2 and Lafayette 4-H Foundation \$2 for each ticket sold for the February 19th game. Ticket orders are due to Chris Granger of the Hornets by **February 1, 2010**.

As soon as the 4-H members are selected for each event, instructions for the meeting time and place will be sent out on February 12, 2010. 4-H members will be selected for a photo with one professional basketball player, High Five the basketball players on the court, a photo with Honey Bee dancers, High Five the players while entering the arena, stand with players during the National Anthem, watch up close the players warm up prior to the game, Color Guard, sing the National Anthem, Ball boy/girl, serve as honorary captain, and participate in the 4-H halftime presentation.

Come enjoy the city of New Orleans and especially one of the best arenas in Sports, the New Orleans Arena. The Hornets are a very popular team this years, season tickets sales were a record this year, but the team has reserved 2500 tickets for 4-H to purchase. This will be a fun and great opportunity to promote the 4-H program. If you have any questions, please contact one of us at 291-7090.

Sincerely,

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HOOPS & CLOVERS



Date: Friday, February 19, 2010
Game: Hornets versus the Indiana Pacers – 7:00PM
Location: New Orleans Hornets Arena, New Orleans, La.

Purpose of Event:

- ♣ To provide an opportunity for 4-H'ers to experience an event outside of their home base.
- ♣ To provide 4-H'ers the opportunity to interact with others from around the state.
- ♣ To increase recognition of the 4-H program within the state.

Member opportunities to promote:

1. Ball girl/boy – 2 – Must be 8 – 12th grade 4-H member – **2 free tickets for both 4-H members selected.**
2. Captain's Program – one 4-H member – no age requirement – **2 free tickets for 4-H member selected.**
3. National Anthem – one 4-H member – no age requirement – **2 free tickets for 4-H member selected.**
4. Invocation – One pastor or minister to deliver 25 second invocation – **2 free tickets for individual selected.**
5. High five team – 10 – no age requirement
6. Honeybee photo – 25 – no age requirement
7. Player photo – 25 – no age requirement
8. Tunnel group (Hornets) – 25 – no age requirement
9. Tunnel Group (Indiana Pacers) – 25 – no age requirement
10. Pre-Game Courtside Program – 10 – no age requirement
11. Basketball Buddies – 10 – no age requirement – **4-H member cannot be over 6 feet.**
12. Half time presentation – one 4-H member per parish – no age requirement
13. Color Guard (Jan Morgan & Lauren Faust, Co-Chairs) 4 4-H members and 1 adult

Ticket Orders

Make a check out to **New Orleans Hornets** or fill the form for a credit card (AMEX, Visa, Master Card, or Discover) to order tickets. Send payment and form to Chris Granger, 1250 Poydras St. 19th Floor New Orleans, La. 70113 or fax to 866-794-7699 or call Chris at 504-593-4741.

If you prefer your entire parish seated together, only one order should be entered. If two separate orders are placed for the same parish, then two separate group orders will be filled. **The deadline date for ordering and payment of tickets is February 1, 2010.** Of the \$22, the Hornets will return \$2 of each ticket to the parish 4-H Foundation and \$2 to the Louisiana 4-H Foundation for an endowment to sponsor 4-H trips.

Buses and Parking –

The Hornets are arranging parking space for the buses to attend the game, the parking fee has been waived. **Please send to Charles Hebert by January 18, 2010** the number of buses that will require parking space.

Captains Program –

One 4-H member will have the opportunity to participate in the referee meeting on-court, act as an honorary captain and present the game ball for the evening. Submit your essay of 250 words or less on the topic: “4-H: Why Do I Belong”. Send your essays to **Charles Hebert January 18, 2010.** The winner will receive **two free tickets** to the game.

National Anthem – No age requirement, send video or audio tape to **Charles Hebert by January 18, 2010.** There will be an opportunity for an individual to sing the National Anthem at the Hornets game on February 19th and **the winner will receive two free tickets to the game.**

Hornets Ball Boy/Girl –

Age requirement: 13 years of age by January 1, 2010
Have you ever wanted to sit on the bench with an NBA team? You can have that opportunity if you submit an essay on the topic: “Being a Good Citizen through Community Service”. Essays must consist of 250 or less and parishes must send their essays to **Charles Hebert by January 18, 2010.** Parishes may send all of their essays to the state 4-H office; the **two winners** will each receive **two free tickets** to the game.

Invocation –

Send the name of a pastor or minister for the invocation to **Charles Hebert by January 18, 2010.** The invocation will be prior to the game and will be limited to 25 seconds or less. The individual selected will receive **two free tickets** to the game.

High Five Team – Tunnel Groups - Honeybee Photo – Player Photo – Basketball Buddies – Pre-Game Courtside Program - Contact Terril Faul

Ten 4-H members will have an opportunity to be on the court prior to the game and **High Five** the Hornets players as they are introduced on the court.

The two **Tunnel Groups** of 25 4-H members each can High Five the players as they run through the tunnel leading to the court.

Another 25 4-H members will have an opportunity for a **group photo with one of the Hornets players.**

Twenty-five other 4-H members will have an opportunity for a group photo with the **Honeybees.**

Basketball Buddies allows 10 4-H members to stand in front of the Hornets basketball team during the performance of the National Anthem. 4-H member cannot be over 6 feet.

Pre-Game Courtside Program allows 10 4-H members to watch the Hornet players up close warm up prior to the game.

Selections will be through a random drawing at the state 4-H office. Each parish must submit a list of 25 4-H members or less to **Charles Hebert by January 18, 2010.** Names will be divided by regions and drawings made for the selection of all opportunities. In other words, all seven regions will be represented in each of the opportunities. Instructions will be sent to agents on meeting times and places for the game on each of these activities following the selection of 4-H members.

Half Time Presentation Contact –

Each parish will select one 4-H member to represent their parish for the halftime recognition of 4-H. The 4-H members selected will go on the court while a promo about 4-H is read to the audience. This will be a great opportunity to experience being on a basketball court and promote 4-H at the same time. Send the name of the 4-H member representing your parish by **January 18, 2010 to Charles Hebert.**

4-H Night Hoops and Clovers

February 19, 2009

7PM · NEW ORLEANS ARENA

Don't miss CP3 and the Hornets as they take on the Indiana Pacers for a night full of excitement and entertainment!

All Upper Level Seating is \$22!

FOR LOWER LEVEL SEATING CALL 504-593-4741



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Tickets are based on availability!

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Payment: VISA _____ MC _____ AmEx _____ DISC _____ Check/Cash _____

CC #: _____ Exp. _____

Signature: _____ CC Verification #: _____

Deadline: February 1, 2010

To purchase tickets return this form with payment to:

New Orleans Hornets, Attn: Chris Granger, 1250 Poydras Street, 19th floor, New Orleans, LA 70113 or fax 866-794-7699

Questions? Call (504) 593-4741 or email Christopher.Granger@hornets.com.

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