

September 2007

The Clover Patch

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Welcome

We have an exciting year in store for you! We're very happy that you have decided to join the largest youth organization in the world. Are you ready for the Fun? It's great to have all of your new members as well as returning members. Plan to take part in all of the workshops, camps, contests and other activities to really get the most out of your membership. Being involved is the key to enjoyment. Be part of the action!



NATIONAL 4-H WEEK OCTOBER 7-13, 2007

National 4-H Week Poster contest
 Theme: **"Reading to Succeed!"**
 Posters due to 4-H Office by 4:30 p.m. on Friday,
 September 28, 2007
 Use regular size white poster.



4-H CLUB OFFICERS

All 4-H Clubs should elect a President, Secretary, Reporter, Treasurer and Community Service Chairman. All officers will be asked to arrive at the October meeting 20 minutes in advance. If you are interested in serving as an officer, please contact your local club leader. All club officers must be selected by your October club meeting.



"CATCH PHRASE FOR CAMP" CONTEST

What's a good theme for 4-H summer camp? Send in your most creative ideas for a slogan in 7 words or less. The winner will receive a \$50 cash award. The deadline is **October 20, 2007**. You must submit your slogan with your name, age, parish, mailing address, & phone number to the 4-H Office.



JOIN 4-H LEADERSHIP AMBASSADORS!

4-H Leadership Ambassadors is the former Jr. Leadership club. If you are in grades 7 - 12, you are eligible to join the 4-H Leadership Ambassador Club. Becoming a 4-H Ambassador is a fun way to meet other teen 4-H'ers from across the parish while improving your leadership and citizenship skills. You might even find yourself on your way to our next trip destination. So come join the fun!

Two representatives from each high school club will be elected and will serve on the parish 4-H Ambassador Executive committee to plan activities, socials and community service for the club. Please stay tuned for an announcement concerning a get together social that will be held in the coming weeks! Details to follow soon!



4-H LIVESTOCK PROJECT

Do you love animals? Do you have a little extra space in your yard or pasture? Are you looking for a project which is fun-filled, family-oriented, and will give you the opportunity to meet other 4-H'ers from across the state? If so, please consider the 4-H Livestock Project.

You may choose to show rabbits, poultry, goats, sheep, swine, dairy, or beef cattle. The 4-H agent can help you find an animal that is right for you and your family. For more information about the 4-H Livestock Program, you may contact Shannon Dietz, at the Iberville 4-H Office, 687-5155 or by email at sdietz@agctr.lsu.edu.



4-H'ERS RECEIVE RECOGNITION IN STATE POSTER CONTESTS

Beau Bouquet and Erin Martinez, Crescent received 10th Place in the senior and junior high division 4-H State Beef Poster Contest. **Congratulations Beau and Erin!!!!**

4-H LIVESTOCK POSSESSION DEADLINES



The possession deadline for purchasing exhibition poultry, breeding beef, market lambs, market goats, breeding sheep, and dairy cattle is **November 5, 2007**. The possession deadline for purchasing breeding and market swine (hogs) is **December 1, 2007**. **These dates are a change from last year so be sure to let your parents know.**



NATIONAL 4-H WEEK October 7-13



Suggestions for Celebrating:

- * Your local school club can make a donation to the Louisiana 4-H Foundation Fund.
- * Read 4-H facts over P.A. system each day. Members can share this responsibility so that several can participate.
- * Make clovers or special buttons or tags for 4-H members and teachers to wear.
- * Promote a "Wear Green Day."
- * Decorate school office and/or lobby with 4-H signs and banners.
- * Have members design and make 4-H posters to display in the school.
- * Set up a 4-H library display or bulletin board displaying the various 4-H project books.
- * Write an article about 4-H and submit it to the school newspaper or parent newsletter.
- * Make a list of 4-H members and club officers and display in a prominent place in the school.
- * Order a bouquet of flowers or a helium balloon. Have them delivered to the principals' office. Attach a card reading: "This is National 4-H Week. We thank you for your continuing support of our clubs activities."
- * Send a special letter of thanks to the principal, other faculty, parents, or volunteer leaders for their support during the year.
- * Provide refreshments in the faculty lounge and include a card stating that it is National 4-H Week.





IBERVILLE 4-H'ERS LIVING THE COLLEGE LIFE

Twenty- Three 4-H'ers from throughout Iberville Parish recently participated in 4-H University, the 93rd Annual State 4-H Competition formerly known as Short Course. 4-H youth from across the state competed in various contests and educational activities, and were given the opportunity to live the college life for one week.

Blue Ribbon Winners from Iberville Parish were as follows: 1st Alternate team, Brittany Persick and Lacey Blanchard, Consumer Decision Making; 4th place, Dakota Smothers, Compact Tractor Driving; 8th place team, Zachary Leblanc, Joseph Leblanc and Eric Rome, Outdoor Skills Triathlon; 9th high individual, Zach Leblanc; 3rd place team Joshua Randall and Brennan Vaughn, Sports Broadcasting.

Other participants included Lynzi Vaughn and Alexis Ledet, Child Development; Beau Bouquet and Vilien Gomez, Computer Simulation; Cindi Roy, Hattie Vaughn and Kaylee Hebert, Consumer Foods Judging; Niosha Price, Photography.

Also seven delegates, Precious Joseph, Brittany Wise, Halie Lewis, Mieke Hampton, Jamarcus Banks and Cynthia Hines participated in the Clover College non-competitive track, where they learned about various categories.

Ms. Kim and Mr. Shannon would like to thank all parents, leaders, volunteers, and 4-H'ers for helping make this year's 4-H University a success. Congratulations to all 4-H participants!



IBERVILLE PARISH 4-H'ERS ATTEND 4-H CAMP

"4-H Camp- Live it Now Remember it Forever" was the theme heard around Camp Grant Walker.

Sixty Iberville 4-H'ers, leaders, and counselors attended 4-H Camp Grant Walker in Pollock, Louisiana (near Alexandria) the week of July 9-July 13. The camp which is sponsored by the Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service of the LSU Agricultural Service was attended by West Baton Rouge, Iberville, Pointe Coupee, Caddo, Livingston, East & West Feliciana and St. James parish 4-H'ers.

Campers attended educational classes throughout the week covering topics including technology, nature, food and fitness, dramatic arts, and outdoor skills. In addition, several recreation activities such as swimming, softball, volleyball, arts and crafts, canoeing, and line dancing were there to choose from. 4-H'ers also participated in song & yell contests and cleanest cabin contests.

The 2007 group of Iberville 4-H campers were well-behaved and all were rewarded for their achievements.

Those who attended 4-H camp were: Olivia Georgetown, Jesslyn Settoon, Donovan Griffin, Traci Granier, Jeremiah Molden, Christopher Foster, Derek Sanchez, Jaci Tullier, Randi Lively, Kelsa Jackson, Morgan Lundy, Sherman Parker, Christen Diamond, Skylar Edwards, Brea Allen, Shynne Larson, Adrienne Mitchell, D'Anna Williams, Jada Pierce, Chelsea Brasseaux, Brooke Devillier, Catherine Broussard, Madeline Leblanc, Tori Jones, Brittany McMicken, Latoya Siplin, Brittany Johnson, Simon Clause, D'Andre Moore, Kayla Davenport, Tiara Davenport, Aaron Kimble, Bo Dearman, Gabrielle Aubin, John

Bradley Campo, Donisha Spradley, Sean Sibley, Jimica Williams, Mikey Flores, Stephen Harley James, Constance Clause, Troy Martin, Lydell Link, A'Shayla Woolfolk, Austin Vaughn, Alyssa Bolotte, Brennan Marcantel, Dylan Allen, Tomi Taylor, Alyssa Suarez, Kolbi Sanchez and Blake Ruiz.

Iberville Junior Leaders who served as camp counselors included: Cindi Roy, Precious Joseph and Vilien Gomez. Mrs. Brigette Diamond and Miss Tashiba Franklin served as adult volunteers, while Miss Kimberly Jones, Mr. Shannon Dietz served as the 4-H agents.



JUNIOR LEADER TRIP SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

4-H Jr. Leadership members from Iberville

Parish recently visited San Antonio, Texas and the surrounding areas for the end of the year awards trip. 4-H'ers traveled on a chartered coach with members and agents from East Baton Rouge parish. While on the trip, 4-H'ers visited Schlitterbahn Water Park, Natural Bridge Caves, Shamu and Sea World Adventure Park and lastly the Alamo. Members attending were Georgia Brown, Niosha Price, Precious Joseph, Jessica King, Leo Jones, Zach Leblanc, Vilien Gomez, Beau Bouquet, Katherine Jones, Kerry Jones, Elizabeth Young, Cindi Roy, Lynzi Vaughn, Halie Verret, Jessica Granier, Alexis Ledet, Brittany Persick, Cindy Roy, and Lacey Blanchard. Volunteers attending were Mrs. Tammy Granier and Mrs. Kelly Vaughn and Amanda Leblanc, summer intern.



4-H INVITES PARENTS TO VOLUNTEER AS LEADERS

4-H is an organization that relies often on the need of individuals and parents who have free time to donate. If your parent or grandparent or anyone you know is interested in volunteering their time at your 4-H meeting or helping 4-H agents with other activities, please have them contact the 4-H office at 687-5155 or your local school club and speak to your leader.



NUTRITION FACT!! MORE MATTERS!

Do you want a snack that is colorful, fun to eat and good for you? If so, then you need to know that More Matters when it comes to fruits and veggies. We should include plenty of fruits and vegetables in our diets each day. Snacking on fruits and veggies is a great way to get MORE in our diets. Whether it is fresh, frozen, canned, dried or 100% juice, fruits and vegetables are a quick, convenient and delicious way to stay healthy year round. Grab carrot sticks or broccoli with Ranch dressing or maybe a piece of fresh fruit the next time you feel a snack craving coming on. The health benefits of eating more fruits and veggies stack up quickly so More Really Does Matter!



4-H PUMPKIN WORKSHOP

4-H members in grades 4-6 can participate in one of our Great Pumpkin Workshops to be held on Monday, October 15 at Dorseyville Elementary & Tuesday, October 16 at North Iberville Elementary. Additional information will be provided at your September club.



"Character is: knowing the good, loving the good and doing the good."

-Thomas Lickona



THE 4-H CLUB PLEDGE



I Pledge...



My **Head** to clearer thinking



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.



4-H MOTTO

"To make the best better"



4-H SLOGAN

"Learn by doing"



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



"You must be the change you wish to see in the world."

-Mahatma Gandhi



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