

OCTOBER, 2008

- ... St. Landry 4-H Foundation Membership Drive (ALL MONTH)
- 1-5 Southern Region Rock Eagle 4-H Leader Forum
- 5-11 National 4-H Week: "Celebrating 100 Years!"
- 9-10 Louisiana Cattle Festival, Abbeville
- 17 4-H Club Silver Tray Awards Forms Due
- 17 Executive Committee Ballots Due
- 17-18 International Rice Festival, Crowley
- 22 Fall Activity Day, Ag Arena-Opelousas, 4:00 p.m.
- 23-Nov. 9 Louisiana State Fair, Shreveport
- 24-26 Yambilee Festival (Cooked Foods/Yamimals-Oct. 24)
- 29 Jr. Leader Membership Meeting & Dues, 4:30-6:00

NOVEMBER, 2008

- ... St. Landry 4-H Foundation Membership Drive (ALL MONTH)
- 3 4-H Dues Deadline,
- 5 4-H Elementary Workshop Registration Deadline
- 19 Jr. Leader Meeting, Extension Office, 4:30-6:00
- 21-22 Jim Bowie Livestock Show, Ag Arena
- 25 4-H Elementary Workshop Day, Extension Office
- 27 Thanksgiving Day

YAMBILEE FESTIVAL



The 2008 Yambilee Festival is scheduled for October 24-26th in Opelousas. This year's festival will include a **Yam Cooked Foods Contest** (dishes which include one cup of yam product) and **Yam-i-mal Contest** (decorate a yam to look like an animal) on **Friday, October 24th at LeVieux Village Grounds**. If anyone is interested in exhibiting a yam dish or yam-i-mal contact the Yambilee Office immediately at 948-8848.

SPIRIT AWARDS

Silver Tray Awards will be presented to clubs promoting National 4-H Club Week. Summarize your club activities on the form and return it by **October 17th**.

SAFE AT HOME ALONE

Staying at Home Alone takes a great deal of responsibility. Before you stay alone for any amount of time you should do the following things:

- Work with your parents to develop your family's ground rules.
- Practice making any snacks and completing any chores before you are home alone. Have a responsible adult check your ability to do the job well before you attempt it by your self.
- Practice any emergency drills (weather, first aid, fires, etc.)
- Always communicate with your parents or guardians about any concerns you have about being home alone.

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK OCTOBER 5-11, 2008



Join five million 4-H'ers in celebrating National 4-H Club Week. **FOUR-H is 100 YEARS OLD in Louisiana!** Suggested activities are flag raising ceremonies, poster contests, school assembly programs, green & white day, teacher appreciation functions, wearing 4-H name tags & radio spots. **Theme: "4-H: Celebrating 100 Years"**

OFFICER INSTALLATION

Each club is to have its officers **Elected** by the date of the **October Meeting**. Officers to be elected are President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Reporter. A candlelight installation program will be conducted at your **October Meeting**.

JIM BOWIE LIVESTOCK SHOW

The Jim Bowie Livestock Show will be **November 21-22, 2008** at the Ag Arena in Opelousas. There will be Beef Breeding, Steers, Sheep Breeding, Market Lambs, Market Goats, Breeding Goats and Dairy Shows. Showmanship will also be included. Contact the Extension Office at 337-948-0561 for more information.

HORSE & LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS

To show horses or livestock (beef cattle, dairy cattle, sheep, swine, goats & poultry), contact Alison Muller at 948-0561. **ENTRY DEADLINE: MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2008. (NO EXCEPTIONS, FOR THERE ARE STATE DEADLINES TO MEET.)** St. Landry Parish 4-H follows two show programs, the LSU State Show & the Southern University Livestock Show. Possession dates (date you acquire the animal at your home) are listed below:

	LSU	SOUTHERN
GOATS	9/27	-----
COMMERCIAL EWES	9/27	-----
COMMERCIAL HEIFERS	9/27	-----
STEERS	9/27	10/1
MARKET LAMBS	9/27	11/30
MARKET HOGS	12/1	12/15
MARKET GOATS	9/27	11/30
BEEF BREEDING	9/27	11/30
DAIRY	9/27	11/30
BREEDING SHEEP	9/27	-----
BREEDING SWINE	12/1	-----
EXHIBITION CHICKENS	10/1	-----
BROILERS	-----	1/28

Mail Form to: Horse & Livestock Shows,
1065 Hwy. 749, Suite A, Opelousas, LA 70570.

2008-2009 HORSE & LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS

Name _____

Address _____

City, Zip _____

Phone _____ SS# _____

Grade _____ School _____

Parent's Signature _____

No. of animals: _____ Horse _____ Goats _____ Beef _____ Poultry _____ Dairy _____ Swine _____ Sheep _____

JUNIOR LEADER MEETING

The October meeting of the St. Landry Parish Junior Leaders (Grades 7th-12th) will be **Wednesday, October 29th from 4:30-6:00 p.m. at the Extension Office.** A business meeting and educational program will be conducted.

THE MEMBERSHIP FEE IS \$5.00 PER YEAR. ALL MEMBERS MUST HAVE PAID ENROLLMENT ON FILE BY OCTOBER 31st TO REMAIN ON THE MAILING LIST.

2008-2009 JUNIOR LEADER DATA (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Name _____
 Address _____
 Phone _____ Age _____
 Birthday _____ Grade _____
 Circle One: Male Female
 School _____
 Email _____

4-H CLUB DUES

By **November 3, 2008**, 4-H Leaders should submit 4-H dues to the Extension Office. Make check payable to: St. Landry 4-H Foundation. Assessment is **\$3.00 per member** for parish dues for the 2008-2009 school year. **Please adhere to the due date, so that we may keep our records in order.**



RICE FESTIVAL



The 2008 International Rice Festival is scheduled for **October 17th-18th** in Crowley. This year's festival will include a rice cooking contest (dishes which include rice products). If anyone is interested in exhibiting rice dishes at the Rice Festival, contact the Extension Office immediately at 948-0561.

4-H FALL ACTIVITY DAY

This event will be **Wednesday, October 22, 2008** at the Ag Arena in Opelousas (Behind the Yambilee Building on Highway 190). 4-H'ers bring your pets, plants and poster to enter in this fun-filled event. **Registration begins at 3:30 p.m. Contests begin at 4:00 p.m.**



PET CATEGORIES

1. Dogs on leash (must have rabies tag & tame.)
2. Cats on a leash (may also be in a cage.)
3. Fish (in a fish bowl)
4. Birds (in a cage)
(NO CHICKENS, TURKEYS, DUCKS OR GEESE)
5. Rabbits (in a cage)
6. Reptiles and Rodents (in a cage)

PLANT CATEGORIES

(A) Foliage, (B) Flowering, (C) Succulent, (D) Hanging Plant, (E) Pole Plants, (F) Misc. Herbs

Membership and participation in activities and events are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, national origin, gender, religion, age, veteran status or disability. If you have a disability that requires special accommodation for your participation in an activity, please contact us at 337-948-0561.

LSU AgCenter/Cooperative Extension Service
 St. Landry Parish Extension Office
 1065 Highway 749, Suite A
 Opelousas, LA 70570

4-H ELEMENTARY PROJECT WORKSHOP DAY

On **Tuesday, November 25th** at the Extension Office (Next to National Guard Armory/Airport Road), 4-H Members in Grades 4th-6th will have the opportunity to participate in "Hands On" workshops that relate to the 4th-6th Grade 4-H Project Books. In each workshop, they will actually make or construct something to take home with them. There will be four workshops to choose from:

- 1) **ROCKETRY:** Learn about aerospace; make and launch a rocket.
- 2) **FOODS & NUTRITION:** Learn about healthy food choices, food safety and make healthy snacks.
- 3) **WETLANDS:** Learn about Louisiana's wetlands and make your own edible wetland.
- 4) **AGRICULTURE:** Learn about Louisiana agriculture and make a farm charm and chi pet.

4-H'ers may choose two (2) workshops to attend. We will attempt to give everyone their first 2 choices, but because we can only work with so many at a time, we may have to place them in another workshop.

To participate, 4-H'ers must pre-register by Wednesday, November 5. The cost to participate is \$10.00. The workshop is **LIMITED TO THE FIRST-50** 4-H'ers that pre-register. **LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED.**

4-H ELEMENTARY PROJECT WORKSHOP DAY

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2008
 9:30 A.M.—12:30 P.M.**

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

SCHOOL _____ GRADE _____

Please select **ONLY 2** of the workshops you'd like to attend:

- Rocketry
 Foods & Nutrition
 Wetlands
 Agriculture



COST: \$10.00 / 4-H'er
DEADLINE: November 5th – LIMITED TO 1ST 50
MAIL TO: 4-H Elementary Workshop
 1065 Hwy. 749, Suite A
 Opelousas, LA 70570

CHECKS PAYABLE TO: St. Landry 4-H Foundation

