

## **FROM MRS. CASH'S DESK . . . AN UPDATE, 11/26/2008**

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If your club would like to decorate a putt-putt golf hole at the Florida State Fair to celebrate the Centennial, please call the 4-H Office. We have the forms and information you will need. There are six project areas in 4-H, and they each will have a putt-putt hole: Animal Science; Environmental Education; Family and Consumer Education; Leadership, Citizenship and Career Exploration; Communication and Expressive Arts; and Science, Engineering and Technology. The first three already have been claimed – one by the Bee-Attitudes! Your club will receive \$250 to help with decorating and travel.

*Just an idea - Participating in your community's holiday parade is community service and publicity for our program.*

The next District 8 Council meeting will be in Seminole County on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. The van will leave the Ag. Ctr. at 4:30 p.m. and the Deltona McDonald's at 4:50 p.m. **Registration and payment for Jr. Congress are due December 2<sup>nd</sup>!!!!** The application can be found at our website. Jr. Congress is an Intermediate (11-13) event planned and run by Seniors (14-18). Seniors that have never attended before can do so without teaching a class. The event is held at Camp Ocala from Friday evening through Sunday morning (January 9-11) and the cost is \$90.

**There will be a County Council Officer Training Meeting on December 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. here at the Ag. Ctr.** The next County Council meeting will be December 9<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 p.m. for dinner (provided by the Ranch Raiders for \$3) and 6:00 p.m. for the meeting. The Leaders' Meeting will have a guest speaker from the Jr. Barn Brats – Nancy Morgan – and she will speak about how volunteers in a club can work together to divide responsibilities! Reporters/Historians/Secretaries – please make sure that you are sending me your club reports on a regular basis. Our County Council Secretary will keep these in a folder. You should keep copies in your Record Book!

Well, the Volusia County Fair is over and 4-H was amazing!!!! From livestock to baking, crafts, game boards, essays and booths, and more, Volusia County 4-H was very visible. Thanks to all of the leaders, parents and volunteers!!!! We still have some monies and record books in the office (and all kinds of items left over from many 4-H events – PLEASE come and pick them up). **Please e-mail me the results for your club/child.**

### Livestock announcements:

- \*Free - 10 month old Partridge Rock rooster - 386-679-8745
- \*Market swine not sold at fair - contact Tammy Dugan - 386-566-8895
- \*Needed: doe rabbit, Flemish Giant - Alma Roach - 386-402-1120
- \*Ohana Farms in Ormond Beach has April-June 2008 Registered Black Angus Steers for sale. Mention 4-H or FFA when you call: Lloyd at 386-985-3777 or Tony at 386-527-3887.
- \*John Hughes, leader of Discovery and NSB Middle School teacher, has a champion ram named "Dodge" for sale for \$100. Call: 386-424-5225, ext. 36801 or cell: 386-409-4000
- \*For sale: A trio of Rhode Island Red Bantams - 2 pullets and 1 cockerel (Beautiful and very sweet birds - Raised and bred for show - asking \$40 - contact Lorri Pool - 386-747-1115
- \*We have put up a whiteboard in the office for you to post for sale items or to let people know you are looking for things. Kayleigh Baggs needs a saddle.

**Don't forget to go back and check previous updates!!!**

## FLORIDA OPERATION MILITARY KIDS:

State Program Coordinator: Cliff Lewis - 813-519-8677

OMK Project Director: Georgene Bender - [gmbender@ufl.edu](mailto:gmbender@ufl.edu)

If your club is interested in helping organize a HERO packing event (backpacks) or another activity. Next year, Camp Ocala will host two OMK Summer Camps! One will be for 8-12 year olds and one for 13-18 year olds. If you know military families, please let them know!

**Dear Club Leaders,**

**I need your enrollment forms, charter requests, participation forms, and by-laws IMMEDIATELY (they were due October 31<sup>st</sup>)! You may mail off your insurance premiums yourself (I need a copy) or write a check and I will send the application in for you.**

Consumer Choices Teams – We will begin on Monday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, from 5:15-6:30 p.m. All Juniors, Intermediates and Seniors are welcome. The study guide can be used as a project book. The classes (two a month) are to prepare youth to participate in the Central Florida Fair District 8 competition, but that is not required to attend the classes.

Marine Ecology – We had three youth participate in the State Marine Ecology Event held in Kissimmee this month. It was very educational and a lot of fun! Over 130 youth (Juniors, Intermediates and Seniors) from all over the state came! Classes will resume Monday, February 2, from 5:15-6:30 p.m. All are welcome.

Outdoor Adventures – We had three volunteers attend state training. The archery equipment is HERE! Our next practice (air rifle and archery) is November 30<sup>th</sup>, from 1-5 p.m., here at the Ag. Ctr. (the field by the 4-H Office). All members are welcome (8 years old and up). The cost is \$5 for supplies.

Dog show – The State Fair 4-H Dog Show entries are due by December 5, 2008. Please see their calendar for the entry form. The contact is Michelle Giles at 813-621-7821 or e-mail at: [gilesm@doacs.state.fl.us](mailto:gilesm@doacs.state.fl.us).

**So what about Share-the-Fun? December just didn't work out so we're moving to January! The event will take place on Saturday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. There is a MANDATORY dress rehearsal on Friday, January 16<sup>th</sup> (a teacher duty day) to practice and decorate. Cloverbuds through Seniors can participate in our FUN (emphasis on the word FUN) talent show. Let the 4-H Office know by January 9<sup>th</sup> if you'd like to participate and what you are planning to do. I am opening up concessions to a couple of clubs that would like to earn a little money - drinks, snacks - contact me soon.**

*Start planning NOW for our Bowl-a-thon to be held at the Orange City Bowling Alley on February 1. We have received boxes of promotional cards - for FFFF games - to be given out in the community. We need help giving them out - the bowling alley will donate \$1 to us for each card redeemed! Look for club/individual sponsorship forms in January to seek out community support.*

*Happy Thanksgiving from the 4-H Office!*