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## 2017 4-H Camp June 6 - 9

Ask for part of your camp fee as  
a Christmas gift.



*4-H is a community of young  
people across America  
learning leadership,  
citizenship and life skills.*



Happy Thanksgiving,

*Wanda Paris*  
County Extension Agent  
for 4-H Youth Development

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4-H Youth Development  
Community and Economic Development

# Newsletter

4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT



**November 2016**

*Have a safe & happy holiday season*

## Great Job Officers

Our club officers who attended Officer Training are doing a great job. We are very proud of the way you are taking your leadership role seriously in classroom and specialty clubs.

## 4-Hers Making A Difference

This year, Lyon County 4-H members are making a sizeable donation to the food bank. Although beef stew was the primary donation, there were also donations of some canned veggies and soups. Thanks for thinking of others in our community. **"I pledge my hands to larger service."**

## Poinsettia Sales

Thanks to all who are participating in this year's poinsettia sales. Be sure to turn in orders and money to the Extension Office by 4:00 p.m. on Nov. 17. Then, be sure you deliver the ones you sold in a timely manner.



## Trash Sculpture Contest

The Trash Sculpture Contest will be Thursday, December 15. You can make this a family project. Teachers in 4th and 5th grades have agreed to give extra credit in Science.

Remember, the main purpose of the contest is to emphasize the importance of recycling. Please encourage your family to help keep our environment clean and save our resources by recycling!



## Health Tip for the Month

*Don't forget to exercise and eat nutritious meals during the holiday season. Be sure to limit foods that are high in fats & sugars.*

## First Lego League

Our FLL team has been working very hard to get ready for the contest on December 10. We wish you luck!



## Country Ham Project

The 4-H country ham project organizational meeting will be November 17 at 5:30 p.m. at the Extension Office. If you are interested but can not attend, please contact Mrs. Wanda. There is a \$50 fee for The project. If contract requirements are met, you will have two hams to keep.



## Shooting Sports

The Shooting Sports Safety Classes will not be held until January this year. Session dates will be announced soon. You must attend one of the first two and one of the second two sessions to be a member of the club. Special thanks to Mr. Tim, Mrs. Erin and the other volunteers who help make this project possible!



## 4-H Snow Policy

Any time school is canceled because of snow, all 4-H activities for that day are canceled as well. For weekend activities or when snow begins after school is dismissed, check Lyon County 4-H Facebook page or call the Extension Office at 270-388-2341.



**North American International Livestock Exposition** Some members of the Horse and Livestock Clubs attended the NAILE. They went to the Great Lakes Circuit Finals Rodeo on Friday night and checked out the livestock on Saturday while they were in Louisville. Members attending included: Autumn, Mercedes, Macy, and Thatcher along with some adults and Cloverbuds.



## FAN Club

Beginning in January, we will again partner with FRYSC, Community Education, and 4-H teens to offer FAN Club activities. Don't forget to return your permission form each time you want to stay. You should be picked up at 4:00 p.m.

## Electricity Club Changes Name

Our new electricity club met and had wonderful ideas that were much broader in scope than originally planned. As a result, they have decided to change their name to the Engineering Club. Let Mrs. Wanda know if you want to be part of this group.

## Make Your Holidays Green

Between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day, household waste increases by about 25 percent in the United States. The holidays are a great time to reduce your waste and get interested in the environment. Here are some ways you can reduce your impact on the environment:

- \* When giving gifts, offer your time. Many adults enjoy time with younger children more than receiving gifts.
- \* Consider doing chores or errands, such as babysitting, instead of giving a tangible gift.
- \* Get creative and make gifts like scrapbooks or cookbooks with favorite family recipes to give to others as gifts.
- \* Bake items with your adult to give away as gifts.
- \* Bring your reusable shopping bags when going to the store.
- \* Package items in reusable materials such as dish towels, beach towels, backpacks or reusable bags.
- \* Collect natural items such as pine cones and branches to make holiday decorations that are attractive and fun to make, and they can be composted once the holidays are over.

Five members of the LCMS 4-H Club attended *Stuck in the Middle*, a leadership camp at Dawson Springs



We are able to offer our specialty club meetings only because we have awesome volunteers willing to give their time to prepare for and lead the meetings. It is important that we all remember a couple of very critical rules.

- **Club members must be respectful to club leaders.**
- **Club members MUST be picked up at the designated time.**

If members do not abide by the rules listed above, they will no longer be able to attend club meetings.

If a member is disrespectful to the leader, they will be warned by the leader. If the problem continues, Mrs. Wanda will be notified, and the member will be removed from the club roll.

If a member is picked up more than 10 minutes late two times, they will no longer be able to stay for meetings unless their adult is able to stay through the meeting with them.

I am confident we will all abide by the rules!

## Leadership Camps

In the past month, four high school teens and five middle school students have taken advantage of opportunities to grow their leadership skills. Liam, Travis, Austin and Mia attended *Leadership Bootcamp*. Mary, Tae, Megan, Matt, and Gavin attended *Stuck in the Middle*. Both camps were held at West KY 4-H Camp, and all participants came home with new friends and new skills. Step outside your comfort zone, and take advantage of a new opportunity!

*Leadership Bootcamp:  
Liam, Austin, Travis, Mia*



## Dates to Remember

- Nov 15 - Outdoors Club
- Nov 17 - **Poinsettia Orders & money due to Extension Office**
- Nov 17 - Lego, Craft, Livestock Clubs & Ham Project Mtg
- Nov 18 - DAT Conference
- Nov 28 - Poinsettias Ready for pick-up @ 3:00 p.m.
- Nov 29 - Photography Club & 4-H Adult Council
- Dec 1 - Teen Leadership Academy
- Dec 8 - Engineering Club
- Dec 10 - FLL Competition
- Dec 12 - 4th Grade Clubs, ATC, 5th grade Newsletters
- Dec 13 - Outdoors Club
- Dec 15 - Lyon County Trash Sculpture Contest, Lego & Craft**
- Dec 16 - Regional Trash Sculpture, TLC, Teen Club
- Dec 15 - 5th Grade Clubs,
- Dec 16 - 4th Grade Clubs, TLC
- Dec 21 - Christmas Break begins
- Dec 25 - Merry Christmas**
- Dec 26-Jan 2 - Extension Office Closed**
- Jan 1 - Happy NEW YEAR**