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Hey Levy 4-Hers –

Today marks less than 25 days until Christmas and exactly 30 days until we ring in the 2018 year. We have lots of things going on before then, so please make sure to read the announcements for this week in order to have the most up-to-date information on the 4-H program in Levy county. Feel free to pass along the information to your neighbors and friends.

SUWANNEE RIVER FAIR FORMS DUE NOW - Yesterday, the Suwannee River Fair weighed in just over 90 feeder steers and today's tag-in brought in 330 head of hogs. The deadline for all other livestock project entry forms is December 5th. For further details about the fair, please visit their website - mysrf.org. We wish all of our exhibitors the best of luck with this year's animal projects!

TROPICANA PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST - This year's county competition for the Tropicana Public Speaking Contest will be on Tuesday, December 5th! Several youth from area schools will be competing to be the county winner for the 4th/5th Grade Division, 6th Grade Division, and the 7th/8th Grade Division. Division winners earn a chance to compete in April at District Events and, probably more excitingly, a full scholarship to attend Camp Cherry Lake in 2018.

HOLIDAY BAKE-OFF & PARTY - The Holiday Bake-off and Party is on Monday, December 18th. The bake-off sign-in runs from 7:30 to 10:00 AM and the awards will be announced at 6 o'clock that evening! This year's event is more relaxed than in the past in order to encourage more 4-Hers to participate. Top prizes include a golden spoon and a scholarship to attend camp or any leadership event hosted by Florida 4-H. For more details, please read the [4-H blog](#).

JANUARY ADULT VOLUNTEER MEETING - The next adult volunteer meeting will be held on Monday, January 8, from 7:00 - 8:00 PM. All volunteer leaders are encouraged to attend since we will be discussing plans for County Events, the Awards Banquet and next year's 4-H program dates and activities.

JANUARY YOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING - The next youth county council meeting will be held on Monday, January 22, from 6:30 to 7:30 PM. All active 4-H youth members are strongly encouraged to attend since the youth will begin planning the Awards Banquet. We hope to see you there!

My best,

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