

4-H CLUBS

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The 4-H 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.



The Clover Times

May 2014



FROM THE AGENTS DESK— Keith Wilson

All Faith's Food Bank is initiating a **Campaign Against Summer Hunger (CASH)** program which will go **until May 10, 2014**. During the summer, when school is not in session, thousands of local children and their families go without regular meals. The program encourages Sarasota residents to "empty their shelves" or make a cash gift to All Faith's Food Bank so that no child in our community goes hungry during the summer months. A food **donation box** is available for donations in the **4-H Office lobby**. Please participate in this important program.

4-H summer camp provides 4-H members an excellent opportunity to enjoy a week away from home, make new friends, become more independent, enjoy nature, fish, boat and learn leadership skills. Space is available for interested campers who are **8-12 years** of age as of September 1, 2013. Contact your 4-H office for further details.

Our sincere **appreciation** goes out to all of the outstanding volunteer service that **4-H leaders** have provided this year to the Sarasota County 4-H Program. Because of your dedication to local youth our community is much better place to live in.

Think...do not drive and use your cell phone.

Keith Wilson, 4-H Agent

Let's Get Ready
for **CAMP!**



Make Your Plans NOW...



May 2014		June 2014	
3	District Events	1	Hurricane Season begins
7	4-H University—early bird registration ends	2	Last Day of School!
11	Happy Mothers Day!	12	Marine Biology Field Trip
14	Tropicana Public Speaking Contest	15	Happy Fathers Day
15	4-H Salvation Army Project	16	Counselor & CIT Orientation
17	Armed Forces Day	18	Fishing Tournament
20	Club news due	20	Club news due
23	Camp forms due	23—27	4-H Camp Cloverleaf
26	Memorial Day—4-H Office Closed	23—27	4-H Legislature

4-H Doesn't Slow Down!



4-H Juniors and Intermediates; this event is for you!

Manatee County 4-H will host **District 9 4-H Junior Congress**. The event is scheduled for **Saturday, May 24** (registration begins at 9:00 am).

What is District Junior Congress? It is a fun-educational event for junior and intermediate 4-H'ers to participate in workshops and activities designed to develop leadership skills and learn about opportunities available in 4-H. This year Senior 4-H members will be teaching sessions on Healthy Life Styles, Mock Legislator, Crafts, and more... A pizza lunch will be provided!

Are you a 4-H Senior member (14-18), and would you like to help? Contact: Shelby Martin, District 9, President. smartin.district9@gmail.com. This is a great event to learn about what's available through 4-H.

Summer FUN...

A **free marine biology field trip** is being made available to all youth on **June 12** from 10:00 AM-12 noon at **South Lido Park**. 4-H youth may bring a friend to participate in this outdoor adventure. Live sea creatures will be collected, identified and released back into the wild. The importance of sea grasses to a healthy marine ecosystem will be discussed.

4-H will host two saltwater fishing tournaments...

On **Wednesday, June 18** and **Wednesday, July 16**, from 9:00 AM—12 noon at Hart's Landing.

These tournaments will be open to all youth ages 5-18 years of age. Prizes will be awarded for the most fish caught and the largest fish caught. Contact Mr. Wilson at kwilson@scgov.net to learn more about these events.

Beach Clean-UP

The **Clogging Clovers** and Mr. Keith Wilson are teaming up to clean the beach as a community service project. Join us on **Thursday, July 17**, from 2:00 - 4:00 PM at S. Lido Beach (Sperling Park). This event is open to ALL 4-H families. Sun lotion, drinking water and beach shoes are recommended.

It's time to start making plans for the 2014 -2015

Sarasota County Fair! Would your club be interested in having a member of the Florida Cattlemen Association speak about their organization and the beef industry, please contact Bryan Bartell at 941-809-4860.

If you are looking for a steer or beef breeding animal, please consider the Sarasota County Cattlemen's Association. We are introducing a new carcass program for steers. And, we will be giving a check to the top 3 places - if they are purchased from a Sarasota County Cattlemen.

WANTED—4-H Camp Cloverleaf Counselors

Would you like to be a 4-H Camp Cloverleaf Counselor?

The dates for camp are June 23—27, 2014. Ages for Camp Counselors are 14-18 as of September 1, 2013, and you must have completed one summer as a Counselor-In-Training. Camp Counselor applications are available at the 4-H Office or on our Sarasota County 4-H web page.

NEW: This year Counselors are required to have a **Level 2 Background screening and fingerprinting**. Forms will be available in the Camp Counselor packets or by calling the 4H Office. Please have your parents signature on the form.

Youth serving as camp counselors, who need 435 Level 2 screening, will need to provide a valid driver's license, U.S. Passport, State of Florida ID, or a school photo ID.

We are looking forward to a **FANTASTIC** week at 4-H Camp! This is a great way to receive high school community service hours. Call the 4-H Office at 861-9810, for details.

Attention 4-H Club Leaders and Officers

Now is the time to get together and make sure your officer record books are complete and up-to-date. They are due on **MONDAY, JUNE 30**.

Club Treasurer and Secretary books are mandatory and must be turned into the 4-H Office no later than **Monday, June 30**, for your club to be "a club in good standings" and move forward to the 2014-2015 4-H Year. This is required by the Florida 4-H State office. Sarasota County 4H and the Sarasota County 4-H Association must complete a report and turn this information into the FL State Office.

BOOKS MUST BE ON TIME! Please, let's ALL get it done on time this year, thanks.

Record Book Deadline—Monday, June 30

Just a reminder— All officer, project and record books are due in the 4-H Office by 5:00 PM on Monday, June 30.

If you have turned in a record book during the Sarasota County Fair, and would like to improve your score, you can make corrections, add photo's, add to your story and resubmit it by June 30. It is not necessary to resubmit your book if you did not make any improvements. You must turn in a project book or record book to receive a 4-H year pin.

Junior, Intermediate & Senior

Recognition Forms—Due by: June 30

Junior, Intermediate & Senior Recognition Forms are due June 30, 5:00 PM. Forms are available on-line or at the 4-H Office. Any 4-H youth wishing to be considered for a county project medal must complete this form.

Summer Means Camp: 4-H Camp Cloverleaf!

Camp Cloverleaf is located in Lake Placid and offers a week of fun and exciting summer activities. The dates for camp are June 23—27, 2014. The cost for camp this year is **\$225.00**—this price includes lodging, meals, canteen, crafts, and bus transportation. Please, make checks payable to the Sarasota County 4-H Foundation. Camp T-shirts will be sold at camp for \$10.00. **Do not** include t-shirt fee with camp payment.

Make plans now for a fun filled week of swimming, fishing, canoeing, crafts, sports, campfire, songs, and new friends! Space is limited, **you must** return this **registration form** and **\$100.00 deposit** to reserve your spot and receive a "2014 Camp Cloverleaf Packet". Camp is based upon "first come - first serve"! Completed Camp packets are due by Friday, May 23, 2014. Camp Counselor application are due Friday, May 2.

Partial camp scholarships are available to 4-H members upon request by using the "**Scholarship Request Form**" which is included in your camp packet. You must complete a "scholarship request form" to be considered for a camp scholarship.

4-H CAMP CLOVERLEAF JUNE 23—27, 2014

REGISTRATION FORM



Please circle packet request:

Camper Age 8-12
(as of 9/1/2013)

Counselor-In-Training Age 13
(as of 9/1/2013)

Counselor Age 14-18
(as of 9/1/2013)

Name: _____ Age: _____ (as of 9/1/2013)

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____ email: _____

Phone: _____ 4-H Club: _____

Request 1 (one) cabin friend _____

Sorry, we can not accommodate group requests, space is limited.

This form must be filled out completely with your deposit attached to receive a camp packet.



OFFICE :

Date received _____

Check# _____

Amount _____

Packet Received _____ Packet Sent _____

*Completed camp packets are due by Friday, May 23, 2014.

Look What We Did at the FAIR!



STEER

Grand Champion - Lane Taylor
 Reserve Champion - Mallory Albritton
 Showmanship Jr. - Mallory Albritton
 Showmanship Sr. - Lane Taylor
Jr. Superior Exhibitor - Mallory Albritton
Sr. Superior Exhibitor - Lane Taylor

BEEF BREEDING

Grand Champion Female - Mallory Albritton
 Reserve Champion Female - Kelsee Desmarais
 Grand Champion Cow Class- Delanie Bartell
 Reserve Champion Cow Class - Mallory Albritton
 Grand Champion Cow / Calf Pair - Devon Kirkley
 Reserve Champion Cow / Calf Pair - Matthew Koss
 Showmanship Jr. - Mallory Albritton
 Showmanship Sr. - Lane Taylor
Jr. Superior Exhibitor - Mallory Albritton
Sr. Superior Exhibitor - Delanie Bartell

DAIRY CATTLE

Heifer Grand Champion - Emma Ocasio
 Heifer Reserve Champion - Felicia Fonte
 Cow Grand Champion - Brianna Goldberg
 Cow Reserve Champion - Felicia Fonte
 Showmanship Jr. - Nathan Sundberg
 Showmanship Sr. - Lara Bowman
Jr. Superior Exhibitor - Nathan Sundberg
Sr. Superior Exhibitor - Brianna Goldberg

SWINE

Grand Champion - Deana Lewis
 Reserve Champion - Reba Smith
 Showmanship Jr. - Hayes Bush
 Showmanship Sr. - Justin Burnett
Jr. Superior Exhibitor - Hayes Bush
Sr. Superior Exhibitor - Deana Lewis

LLAMA

Showmanship Sr. - Rheanon Mexicotte
 Obstacle Sr. - Shauna Esp
Sr. Superior Exhibitor - Ashley Wilburn

2014 Carcass Contest Results

Steer

- 1st Rebecca George
- 2nd Alexandra Kirkley
- 3rd Alex Timmons
- 4th Lane Taylor
- 5th Mackenzie Allen
- 6th Kyle Powers
- 7th Gage Albritton
- 8th Colton Rogalski
- 9th Mariel McCool
- 10th Tiffany Powers

Swine

- 1st Hunter Cramer
- 2nd Cory Swearingen
- 3rd Justin Ruben
- 4th Clay Linthicum
- 5th Lara Bowman
- 6th Cameron Walton
- 7th Carly Scarbrough
- 8th Max Steel
- 9th Ariel Gustafson
- 10th Sean Whitton



Livestock Judging

Novice

- 1 Ariel Gustafson
- 2 Scott Martin
- 3 Cami Langdon
- 4 Dakota Salem
- 5 Nate Smuin
- 6 Tristen Allen
- 7 Andrew Bothast
- 8 Tanner Stiegler
- 9 Jacob Bothast
- 10 Mackenzie Allen

JR. 4-H

- 1 Chloe Bunyak
- 2 Payton Yancy
- 3 Jesse Koch

- 4 Mikayla Cole
- 5 Ruthie Masengale
- 6 Abigail Smuin
- 7 Austin Andrle
- 8 Owen Klemenz

SR. 4-H

- 1 Kirstin Duryea
- 2 Shannon Kehoe
- 3 Haley Yancey
- 4 Clay Linthicum
- 5 Lane Taylor
- 6 Dannie Glassburn
- 7 Shelby Stasik
- 8 Justin Burnett
- 9 Kyle Powers
- 10 Shelby Martin



2014 Dairy Skills Contest

Juniors

- 1) Nathan Sundberg
- 2) Mikayla Cole
- 3) Colton Rogalski
- 4) Aleah Burrill
- 5) Abigail Smuin
- 6) Robbi Armstrong
- 7) Nate Smuin

Seniors

- 1) Faith Houseworth
- 2) Shelby Stasik
- 3) Lara Bowman
- 4) Jaimie Tabar
- 5) Abby Slaubaugh
- 6) Kyle Powers
- 7) Justin Rubin
- 8) Lane Taylor
- 9) Vincent Riccardo
- 10) Riley Price

Miniature Horse Show

Jr. Showmanship - Tatum Basista
Sr. Showmanship - Savannah Jacobson
Trail - Riley Price
Jr. Superior Exhibitor: Tatum Basista
Sr. Superior Exhibitor: Riley Price

DAIRY GOATS

Grand Champion - Delaney Cleveland
Reserve Champion - Delaney Cleveland
Showmanship Jr. - Obeth Palacios
Showmanship Sr. - Jaimie Tabar
Jr. Superior Exhibitor - Delaney Cleveland
Sr. Superior Exhibitor - Jaimie Tabar

PYGMY GOATS

Grand Champion Doe - Devon Kirkley
Reserve Champion Doe - Rachel Crisp
Grand Champion Wethers - Shelby Stasik
Reserve Champion Wethers - Riley Price
Showmanship Jr. - Chloe Morrison
Showmanship Sr. - Shelby Stasik
Jr. Superior Exhibitor - Chloe Morrison
Sr. Superior Exhibitor - Shelby Stasik

PLANT SHOW

Overall Best of Show - Shelby Stasik
Overall Best of Show Reserve - Joline Smith
Display & Showmanship Jr. - Elizabeth Hosford
Display & Showmanship Sr. - Alexis Smith
Superior Exhibitor Jr. - Avery Underdahl
Superior Exhibitor Sr. - Shelby Stasik

Horticulture ID

Junior	Senior
1st—Grace Watts	1st—Timothy Smuin
2nd—Abigail Smuin	2nd—Shelby Stasik
3rd—Samuel Stahlmann	3rd—Rachel Zinkhan
4th—Tanner Stiegler	4th—Devon Kirkley
5th—Benjamin Adams	5th—Riley Price
6th—Nathan Smuin	6th—Alexandra Kirkley
	7th—Jillian Bland
	8th—Cami Langdon

DOG SHOW

Junior Highpoint:
1st Joline Smith
2nd Josie Reyna
Jr. Superior Exhibitor:
Joline Smith

Senior High Point:

1st Alexis Smith
2nd Kristine Smith
3rd Katie Bonner
Sr. Superior Exhibitor:
Alexis Smith

Consumer Choices

Juniors

1st—Benjamin Adams
2nd—Abigail Smuin
3rd—Aleah Burrill
4th—Scott Martin
5th—Grace Watts
6th—Owen Klemenz
7th—Tanner Stiegler
8th—Nathan Smuin
9th—Shana Martin
10th—Seth Stahlmann

Seniors

1st—Skyler Stahlmann
2nd—Devon Kirkley
3rd—Shelby Stasik
4th—Ariel Gustafson
5th—Shelby Martin
6th—Alexandra Kirkley
7th—Jillian Bland
8th—Cami Langdon
9th—Riley Price
10th—Rachel Zinkhan

Share The Fun

JR Best in Show: Eden Finfgeld

JR Best in Show Team:

Hailey Jones, Jasmyn Nunes, Keara Omahoney, Kendra Petrouch, Kaylin Sherrard

Intermediate Best in Show Team:

Rachel Grohman, Hannah Nichol, Rachel Watson, Grace Watts

SR Best in Show: Jaimie Taber

SR Best In Show Team:

Erin Formanski & Lydia Watson

Public Speaking

Junior

1 Benjamin Adams

Intermediate

1 David Dean

Senior

1 Easton Underdahl

2 Nina Vannucci

3 Shelby Martin

4 Alexander Kirkley

Clothing Selection

Rosette: My Choice - Hailey Jones

Rosette: Special Occasion - Kaylin Sherrard

Rosette: School Wear - Abigail Smuin

Rosette: Active Sports Wear - Tim Smuin

Rosette: Dress For Work—Nathan Smuin

Best Model—Abigail Smuin

Clothing Construction

Rosette: My Choice - Grace Watts

Rosette: Special Occasion - Grace Watts

Rosette: School Wear - Rachel Grohman

Best Model—Grace Watts



**GOOD LUCK TO ALL
AT DISTRICT EVENTS!**

MINI BUILDING RESULTS...

Class 11 Horticulture- Ornamental

Best in Show:

Jr. - Grace Watts

Sr. - Riley Price

Sr. Superior Exhibitor -

Nina Vannucci

Class 12 Fruits & Vegetables

Best in Show:

Jr. - Grace Watts

Class 13 Sewing - Boys & Girls

Best in Show:

Jr. - Grace Watts

Sr. - Rachel Grohman

Jr. Superior Exhibitor - Grace Watts

Class 14 - Foods

Best in Show:

Jr. - Ariel Harris

Sr. - Riley Price

Jr. Superior Exhibitor -

Benjamin Adams

Sr. Superior Exhibitor - Riley Price



Class 15 Food Preservation

Best in Show:

Jr. - Grace Watts

Sr.—Summer Wilholt

Jr. Superior Exhibitor - Grace Watts

Class 16 - Basic Crafts

Best in Show:

Jr. - Christopher Atyeo

Sr. - Jacob Sandefur

Jr. Superior Exhibitor -

Benjamin Adams

Sr. Superior Exhibitor -

Summer Wilhoit

Class 17 - Fine Arts

Best in Show:

Jr. - Eden Finfgeld

Sr. - Maxim Lowe

Jr. Superior Exhibitor - Eden Finfgeld

Sr. Superior Exhibitor - Maxim Lowe

Class 18 - Photography

Best in Show:

Jr. - Seth Stahlman

Sr. - Isabella Nealon

Jr. Superior Exhibitor - Scot Martin

Sr. Superior Exhibitor -

Erin Formanski

Class 19 - Needlework

Best in Show:

Jr. - Grace Watts

Sr. - Erin Formanski

Jr. Superior Exhibitor - Grace Watts

Class 20 - Creative Writing

Best in Show:

Jr. - Abigail Smuin

Sr. - Skyler Stahlmann

Class 21 - Miscellaneous

Best in Show:

Jr. - Grace Watts

Sr. - Maxim Lowe

Jr. Superior Exhibitor -

Benjamin Adams

Sr. Superior Exhibitor -

Nina Vannucci

Great Job 4-Hers!



SMALL ANIMAL TENT NEWS...

Poultry Showmanship Contest

Seniors

1st Place - Cameron Walton

2nd Place - Morgan Mierswa

3rd Place - Alex Torres

Juniors

1st Place—Lily Steed

2nd Place—David Collica

Best in Show—Cameron Walton

Poultry Superior Exhibitor

Senior - Morgan Mierswa

Overall Buckle - Poultry -

Morgan Mierswa

Cavy

Cavy Superior Exhibitor -

Junior—Ariel Harris

Senior—Jillian Bland

Best in Show—Ariel Harris

1st Reserve—Jillian Bland

Rabbit Superior Exhibitor

Junior - Ariel Harris

Senior - David Dean

Overall Buckle - Rabbit -

Ariel Harris

Best in Show—Ariel Harris

1st Reserve—Jake Morris

2nd Reserve—Aimee White

Small Animal Skill-a-thon

Juniors

1st - Ariel Harris

2nd - Abigail Smuin

3rd - Owen Klemenz

4th - Nathan Whitton

5th - Tanner Stiegler

Seniors

1st - Shelby Stasik

2nd - Devon Kirkley

3rd - Jillian Bland

4th - Riley Price

5th—Alexandra Kirkley



Foundation News YOU Can Use...



Swine Raffle News: The Sarasota County 4-H Foundation would like to say **THANK YOU** to all that participated in the 2014 Swine Raffle. This was a great endeavor with 2,663 tickets being sold and 17 clubs participating in this success. The winning ticket of the pig was sold by the Livestock Club and the club winning a pizza party for the most tickets sold is the Ridin' Rednecks. With 430 tickets sold, they will be enjoying pizza for all of their members in the near future. We also have two individual winners who will be receiving a \$ 25.00 certificate each for the most tickets sold by a Jr. Member and a Sr. member. Hunter Cramer is our Jr. Member who sold a total of 360 tickets and Morgan Mierswa is our Sr. member who sold 119 tickets. Each club that sold 25 or more tickets will be receiving a deposit into the Association Account for .25 per ticket sold shortly. We would like to thank everyone again for your continued support to the 4-H Foundation as your support helps us provide financial support or scholarships for you by sending you to 4-H Camp, Horse Shows, District and State Events, College Scholarships, etc.

Learn by Doing

Would you be interested in raising the Sarasota County 4-H Foundation Steer or Swine for the 2015 Sarasota County Fair? This is a great way to learn about these livestock projects. The Foundation will supply the animal and feed; the 4-H member may raise the animal at home or a facility will be provided. You will also receive a portion of the profits.

Please contact the 4-H office at 861-9810, if you are interested in raising one of these projects, and to receive an application form. The dead-line for application to raise the 4-H Foundation Steer is Monday, June 16, 2014. Applications to raise the 4-H Foundation Swine are due by Monday, September 15, 2014.



News From Out There...

Indian Creek; by Shana Martin

Hi 4-Hers! The month of April was loads of fun! Everyone did spectacular at the 4-H awards night! We are so proud of our club.

At our April meeting, we had a great time painting shirts! All of them were so unique. That craft was something worth doing again!

For snack, we had cookies and lemonade. We all loved the snack! Thank you, Mrs. Martin for bringing them!

Happy Birthday to Ivy, Scott, and Shana! I hope you all had a terrific time on your birthday!

Thank you Ms. Chris for all your time, support and a wonderful and fun year!

I hope to see ya next year!

Horse N' Around by: Samantha Chianese

Hello, fellow 4-Hers! This year's fair was an absolute success - congratulations to everyone who participated this year. All of your animals and plants were beautiful and in tip-top shape, and it is always a pleasure to see the crafts, stories, and photos submitted to the Mini Building by all of our creative and innovative 4-Hers. And to our Share the Fun participants - thank you for sharing your talents with us! Every 4-H member did a wonderful job this year! Don't forget to bring your SPARRC donations to the 4-H office as well as canned food items for the food drive. All support from 4-Hers is greatly appreciated!

Ridin' Rednecks; by Hayes Bush

Ridin' Rednecks have been busy wrapping up the year. In March Clay Linthicum did his presentation on the importance of pork in your diet. We are preparing for awards night on April 22nd. We are also planning for our banquet on May 17th at 6:00 at the Potter Building. We will have an end of the outing at Sun n' Fun on June 8th at 12:00 - noon. Ridin' Rednecks won the pizza party for selling swine tickets which we will enjoy at Sun n' Fun. The money earned from selling the swine raffle tickets will be donated back to the foundation. Good luck to Nina Vannucci, Easton Underdahl and Avery Underdahl at the district events.

Jr. Cattlemen's Club; by Tommy Jackson

In our April meeting we celebrated our hard work by having pizza and cupcakes while we went over the normal club to do's and we gave everyone time to speak about their fair experiences. We had a lot to discuss as usual. Topics included the fundraiser that we will be doing on April 19th, we voted on our banquet date, time & details, we discussed the Awards Ceremony, the exhibitor letter to expect & thank you letters we are responsible for, county council election coming up and Summer Camp!

Our Club will have it's last meeting in May and will restart in August.

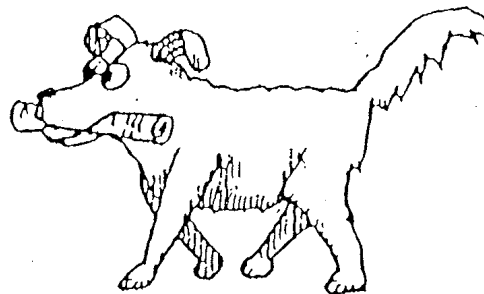
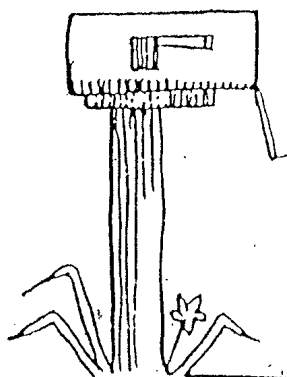
Florida Crackers: Our club is proud to say we did extremely well at the fair this year having a member place well in every category we attempted from swine to mini building. We hope to see you all there next year for another great fair.

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