



MESA COUNTY 4-H MAY 2009 NEWSLETTER

Message from the Prez;

We are officially in folks! We have paid our entrance fee for the Relay for Life and were ready to get our rears in gear and go achieve something that will be a big hit for us! Each year, the Relay for Life chooses an idea or theme that the teams will be named. This year, the theme is movies....so knowing us 4-H'ers I chose us a name that nobody can resist and forget! We shall be known as "Barn Yard". Since us kids and parents and leaders...etc. are a proud supporter of 4-H and we all have that great quality uniqueness in us, what better way to start off the year with this name! There are so many things we must get started on doing to raise money for these patients and programs. Fundraising is our biggest threat so we got to step our game and go show we care. The idea is to bring in as much money as we can to donate to this program. All the money goes to the American Cancer Society to help patients and programs stay strong. We will be honoring the strong survivors on the track when it comes closer bringing millions of people together to fight a cure for cancer. There are 22 types of cancer out in the world today, us walking on that track brings in money for all 22 of them. If you are interested in helping raise money and finding a cure for cancer let me know. Each team has 15 people on it, so depending on how many people are interested in this walk will let me know if we need to pay for another team to register on. I am currently the team captain, so I am in charge of registering each member and keeping track of the funds. Give me a call if you are interested! 970-261-2494

Thanks, BECCS, Council President

Secretary and Treasurer Books will be due on May 29th for your first check of the year. Make sure you get your books turned in, so you receive those points towards the top county books for those offices.

Email Newsletters

We started sending out email newsletters last month. If you didn't get email or hard copy please let the office know. We will send out email this month also.

Fair Books are in.

This year, the Fair books will be distributed by the Club Organizational leaders. There will be one book per family and the Organizational leaders will check the exact amount of books out for their club families. Sorry for any inconvenience, but we are limited on the number of books and want to make sure all the families get a fair book and everyone has seen the rules or have them in hand.

Record Book Problems?

For those of you individuals that had some troubles with the Record books, there are going to be some trainings and hopefully you'll be able to get through the books with a little more ease this year. If you were one of the individuals who **didn't** score **70% or above**, then you will **need** to attend one of the following trainings. If you are one of these individuals and you choose not to attend one of the trainings offered, the consequence is you will be removed from your project. Dates for the Record book trainings: May 28th at 6:30 C Building and June 3rd at 6 pm Jockey building. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

Leaders have you turned in your Enrollment?

Hello you leaders, just like the members, you have to re-enroll in order to be on our books. If you do not fill out the paperwork, your are not signed up as a leader for the current year and will stop receiving correspondence from the office. You can pull the Leaders Enrollment form off the website www.tra4h.org and then fax it to 244-1700 or mail it to the office.

Leaders, I need your help.

We have several 4-Her taking projects and do not have leaders for these projects in their clubs. So, some of these 4-Hers without a project leader have contacted the office looking for a project leader. We have pulled the list of leaders signed up for whatever project they are looking for and have given them some names (project leaders from other clubs) to contact and get help. We are asking that you help us assist them. Please do not just ignore the phone call, because you do not recognize the



name from your club or you are at your max as far as your clubs numbers. Please contact these 4-H members back or call the office, so we can help them locate someone else. We cannot have members lost and then not enjoy their 4-H experience.

Dog members, this year's Fun Matches are Scheduled for Saturday, June 13th and 14th in the Veterans park at the fairgrounds. Registration will take place from 7:30 am - 8:30 am. Saturday (4-H) Entry fee is \$5 and Sunday (GVKC), Entry fee is \$7. If you would like more information, please feel free to contact Kelly Davidson 970-623-0343.

Cloverbud Camp,

Hey Cloverbud's, make sure you sign up for camp which has been scheduled for June 27th. This year we are only taking the first 50 Cloverbud members to sign up, so make sure you do not wait. The Council member are having a great time planning this day and cannot wait to see you all show up that morning. There will be more details to come.



Summer Fun and Fundraising...

Yes, it is concession stand time again. This year we will not be working the concession stand during the county fair, we decided that was our time as participants of the 4-H program to just enjoy our week and have fun. So, that leaves us with the rest of the dates which are already booked. This year, we have 13 events where we need people to work shifts and with 28 clubs, it should not be too hard to fill the shifts. It will take all 28 clubs to take their turn and work their shifts. We do not just want to see the same crew that does it time and time again. We would like to see everyone. I have a list of events in the office and the list was put in the club boxes, so your club is aware of the dates. We have a couple people who have agreed to contact the club leaders and get you all assigned to shifts.

4-Hers remember, for every hour you work, a \$1 will be put in the Trip Fund under your name. This money in the trip fund which is credited to you, can be utilized any time for any trip or event which you want to take part in. If you have questions about this or how much credit you have, please call the office.