AN UPDATE ON THE NEW AGENT

During National 4-H Week we had two candidates for Bob Peterson’s position interview and give seminars. Many thanks to the people who came to the seminars. Not only did it show the candidates that the people in the Pima County 4-H program care about who fills that position, but it also provided the search committee with valuable input about the candidates. As of this writing, the recommendation has been sent to Dr. Jim Christenson, The Director of Arizona Cooperative Extension, who will extend the job offer to the candidate of his choice. The projected start date for the new agent is January 3, 2011. Watch the Pima County 4-H website, http://extension.arizona.edu/4h/pima, for the announcement of who the new agent is.

TRYING NURTURING SPEAKING SKILLS

4-H is often known for developing strong public speaking skills in its long-time members. Through demonstrations, illustrated talks, judging and other activities, young people learn valuable skills in presenting themselves and their ideas before audiences. To support the development of public speaking skills, some clubs have decided to require that each member present a demonstration or illustrated talk at least once each year. Really effective —vibrant—clubs have found ways to ease younger members into the ritual of public speaking by developing a gradual process that won’t scare off these new members. For example, the first year a member joins a club, s/he is permitted to find an outside speaker (parent, grandparent, or family friend) and the new member’s only requirement is to introduce the speaker in some way. The second year, the 4-H member is required to present alongside another person—again, parent, grandparent or family friend or community resource person. Then, by the third year, the 4-H member is expected to stand on their own and present a topic or demonstration all by themselves. Clubs that practice this gradual nurturing process have found better retention of new members and a growing sense of confidence. If you want to get your kids talking on their own, try using a similar process that eases them into standing before an audience before thrusting them into the limelight all on their own.
HORSE FOR LEASE
I have a 15.1H Hunter Jumper Morgan Mare available for lease. She has been shown extensively in all areas of 4H and schooling shows for the past 5 years. Lena is 16 YO and needs a partner. Lena would do best with someone who has their flat work solid, that's walk, trot, canter in both directions with quite hands and a solid seat. If you think you would like to be Lena's partner then give me a call.
Debbi 668-9640

SUNDOWNERS AFRICAN GOAT PROJECT
The Sundowners 4-H Club is trying to raise money to send with Tina to Kenya again this year. Tina will be going on Dec.2. It is $40 to buy one Goat, we also send letters, school supplies, 4-H stuff, T shirts, we have to keep stuff small because the cost of flying it there with her, so of course money for the goats is the best. She buys them there and delivers them herself from us and they have a big day of celebration when they arrive. Tina, Terry Murray, and Amanda Romero are willing to go to clubs to talk and show pictures or do a slide show before and after the trip. Just contact one of us. Tina Springer 975-5112 or email hikebikeca@aol.com
Terry Murray 591-7147 or email peteandterrymurray@yahoo.com
Our goal is for every child in this small village in Kenya to have a goat, so the herd will grow and they will be more self sufficient. Providing meat, milk, and a good breeding program. We have a great start, this is our third year doing this, lets keep it going. REMEMBER THE 4-H PLEDGE ... To our club our community our country and our WORLD. THIS IS OUR WAY OF REACHING AROUND THE WORLD. PLEASE HELP !
Sundowners 4-H club
Terry Murray

WHY AM I GETTING THIS NEWSLETTER IN THE MAIL AGAIN?
Many of you have taken advantage of the option to have a notice sent to you when the newsletter is online and can be viewed there. The e-mail option saves considerable time, effort and expense. The Executive Council requested that this newsletter be sent to every household (like before the e-mail option) specifically so that every household gets a printed copy of the “Interested in 4-H?” flyer and hopes that everyone will give their flyer to someone else to encourage new enrollments. So please take the opportunity to use that flyer to get someone else involved with 4-H.

QUALITY ASSURANCE WORKSHOP
The next Youth Livestock Quality Assurance workshop will be held on December 11, 2010 in conjunction with the Sheep and Market Goat Jackpot show. The exact time and location is yet to be determined, watch for the details in the next newsletter.

RAFFLE TO BENEFIT SCHOLARSHIPS & YOUTH TRIPS
$2.00 Each / 3 for $5.00
This beautiful quilt was donated by Northwest Needlers and can be used as a throw quilt or wall hanging.
The raffle will continue until the fair and will be drawn at the fair.
For ticket information please contact Mary Ellen Roberts at mrobert1240@msn.com / 887-9335.
October Clover Connection:

Beef Project kids..... Tagging is November 7, 2010 (Noon to 3:00 p.m.) or November 13, 2010 (8:00 a.m. to Noon). Please make a note of the following items you will need to have with you at Tag In:

- Your Hauling Papers (usually a blue form that is issued by the Livestock Inspector)
- Your quality assurance certificate or your certificate number
- Your $10 fee per exhibitor / Carcass fee is $50 + $10
- Your completed Pima County Fair Market Steer entry form signed by your leader

Immediately after the tagging on November 13, 2010, Brad Ferris, Beef Project Coordinator, will conduct a Showmanship Clinic. Everybody is invited, Free of Charge.

ATTENTION BEEF PROJECT MEMBERS

Tag In at the Campbell Farms was a collaboration of effort by some great leaders, kids, and parents. I thank all of your for your cooperation.

If you received a grain scale, courtesy of Cargill Feeds, please use it wisely. This is a learning tool. The purpose of the scale is to teach you how to properly feed your steer, monitor the increases in your grains, calculate your steer's gain, and understand why you do what you do. This is a pilot program so take care of the scale and turn it back in to Brad Ferris, Beef Coordinator, during the Fair. In the future, we hope to develop the scale program into an annual event for years to come.

The next Beef Project Meeting is November 17th at 7:00 p.m., at CEO.
PURPOSE: This will be an instructional showmanship clinic on show ring techniques

DATE: November 13, 2010

TIME: 1:00 P.M. (Our plans are to conclude the day’s agenda at 4:00 p.m.)

WHERE: University of Arizona Campbell Avenue Farm Arena

BRING: A show stick and a comb for your back pocket.

*We would recommend that you do not prep your animal for this clinic because the beauty of your animal is not the focus. Make it easy on yourself.... no chute, no blowers, no products..... just you and your animal.*

This Clinic will focus on YOU.

Awards and prizes will be awarded for Junior Novice, Senior Novice, Junior Showmanship and Senior Showmanship. No Reservations Needed/ Just show up and be prepared to learn.
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Interested in 4-H?

4-H gives youth that extra edge for life success by offering numerous opportunities to develop leadership, responsibility, citizenship and other life skills. 4-H helps develop competent, caring and actively engaged citizens who strengthen Arizona communities. Through our research-based curriculum and university ties, 4-H opens a world of possibilities to youth and their parents who want to explore their interests—from aerospace to gardening to dog care to robotics to horse to any project you can imagine. If you can dream it, you can do it in 4-H.

How to Get Started...

One way is to visit the Pima County 4-H website at: http://extension.arizona.edu/4h/pima

From there you can check out the upcoming events and activities, learn about projects offered, and where the clubs are located.

In fact, click on the Club button and you’ll see a map of all the clubs in the county, where each “bubble” represents a club.

Click on the bubble of a club near you and you’ll see the projects offered and the contact person.

You can also search for clubs by zip code so you can find one close to your home or by project to see which clubs offer which projects.

Many of the projects have their own website where you’ll find additional information about the project. Click on the Project Resources button and see if the project you’re interested in has a website.

At the bottom of the website is a link for Questions/Comments. Click on that, fill out the information and someone from the 4-H Office will get back to you.

Or, you can go old school and contact the 4-H Office by phone at 520-626-5161, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm.

However you go about getting involved, do it! We’d love to have you as part of the program that works to

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For Clover Connection Information contact:
Curt Peters, Extension Agent
4-H Youth Development
626-5161 or Fax 626-5849

Looking ahead to November....

1 Horse Project Meeting @ CEO, 7:00 pm
7 Beef Ear Tagging @ CAC, 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm
9 Volunteer Workshop @ CEO, 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
10 Shooting Sports Leaders Meeting @ CEO, 7:00 pm
11 Dog Project @ CEO, 7:00 pm
13 Beef Ear Tagging @ CAC, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm
16 Sheep / Goat Project Meeting @ CEO, 7:00 pm
17 Beef Project Meeting @ CEO, 7:00 pm
18 Swine Project Meeting @ CEO, 7:00 pm

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