SUCCESSFUL NATIONAL 4-H WEEK PROMOTION

The day was beautiful, sunny, mid 80’s with a slight breeze. Volunteers began arriving at three to setup booths. By 5:30 p.m. the booths were busy and the crowd at the Texas Roadhouse was full, and so was the parking lot, as Pima County 4-H held its best National 4-H Week promotional event in years.

Chris Clover our 4-H mascot and Pea Daddy made their debuts at the event. Chris has not been around in recent years so it was good to see him. Pea Daddy is a new mascot from the AZ Nutrition Network. Many kids had their picture taken with the mascots.

Thirteen projects and/or clubs welcomed Texas Roadhouse and other guests and invited them to participate in learning more about 4-H. Littletown Ranchers had petting zoo. The pygmy goat, poultry and cavy projects also provided animals for petting. Paws for the Cause Guide Dogs helped teach about being blind. TVL brought a stuffed steer so participants could “feel” the animal. Booths also provided kids with helium balloons, washable tattoos and face painting (sponsored by Littletown Ranchers). Shooting Education gave participants the opportunity to practice their shooting eye via computer games. Southeast Ranchers sold 4-H Calendars, and the Golf committee provided a putting green for practice. A local Corvette club held a car show with us and Texas Roadhouse provided a jumping castle for little kids. The Executive Council held a small silent auction. There was something to do for everyone.

At a rough estimate, more than 250 people visited one or more booths that were manned by our 30 plus volunteers and members. Events like this provide opportunities for others to learn more about 4-H and how it can help today’s youth. A big “THANK YOU” to everyone who helped make this event so successful. The 4-H Executive Council extends it’s thanks to those clubs who sold tickets and raised funds for the council. This year the council netted $1700 from all proceeds.
QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING
The dates for Youth Livestock and Food Safety Quality Assurance classes for the coming 4-H year are:

Thursday, November 12, 5:30 p.m. registration, 6 – 9 p.m.
Tuesday, January 5, 2010, 5:30 p.m. registration, 6 – 9 p.m.

Please plan to attend the earliest session you can. When you tag an animal or submit your ownership papers you will need to submit a copy of your most recent YLQA certificate. The date must be valid through the 2010 Pima County Fair, April 25, 2010. This requirement applies to any 4-H/FFA member who plans to exhibit beef, boer does, dairy cattle, dairy goats, sheep, swine, rabbit meat pen, poultry meat pen or pigeon meat pen.

Volunteers who wish to be able to provide training to our members need to co-teach two workshops after attending the first one. Please contact Bob at 626-5161 to make arrangements to become a Quality Assurance trainer.

Volunteers who are currently recognized as trainers are asked to let the CEO know when they are scheduling training sessions so that we can advertise them in the newsletter to our entire membership.

WATCh OUT fOr NITRAtE POISOnING IN FORAGES, FORBES
This year's fall weather – rain and cloudy following a drought – and its effect on forages can be a recipe for nitrate poisoning of livestock, says a Texas AgriLife Extension Service expert. And under these conditions, cattle don't have to consume improved forages to be at risk, as many weeds also can build up high levels of nitrate, says Vanessa Corriher, AgriLife Extension forage specialist.

"In a recent incident, a producer turned some cattle into a dry lot," she says. "Though he supplied hay, the cattle apparently died of nitrate poisoning from eating pigweed in the lot." Forages and small grains that are susceptible to building up high levels of nitrate include sudangrass, sorghum-sudan hybrids, pearl millet, corn, wheat and oats, she says. Weeds prone to build up high nitrate levels include Canada thistle, pigweed, smartweed, ragweed, lambsquarter, goldenrod, nightshades, bindweed, Russian thistle and stinging nettle.

Another risk factor is hay cut during or just after a drought period. "This is especially risky if nitrogen was applied just prior to the hay harvest," she says. Though the high nitrate levels are associated with weather conditions, once the levels are built up in hay, the risk is not lessened over time, Corriher notes.

Corriher recommends producers regularly take forage samples from pastures and have them analyzed for nitrates, including samples of forages and weeds at various growth stages.

"Be sure to specify that you want nitrate analysis," she says. "Standard nutritional analysis usually does not test for nitrates."

Hay samples should be collected with a probe. Samples from several bales can be combined. Unlike prussic acid poisoning, the risk of nitrate poisoning is not decreased over time, Corriher says. Hay harvested months ago could still contain the same high levels of nitrates it did when baled. "Though the risk of nitrate poisoning is higher after a drought or an extended period of cool, wet weather, it's something producers should be aware of year round," Corriher says.

-- Texas AgriLife Extension release
S Peder Cuneo D.V.M., MS
Extension Veterinarian, Veterinary Science

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FUR & FEATHER
Here are the winners for cavy:
Jr Novice: Grandchampion - Nicole Traicoff, Reserve - Madison Arntz
Jr : Grandchampion - Cera Elis, Reserve - Olivia Bohn
Sr Novice: Grandchampion - Lydia Gray, Reserve - Chris Copeland
Sr: Grandchampion - Rebekah Barrett, Reserve - Kayla McGrew

Pygmy Goat winners. Junior Novice- Joey Lent
Senior Novice- Austin McLaughlin
Junior- Preston Gallagher
Senior- Scarlett Gallagher

COMPANION ANIMALS
Companion Animals is a project area that has been in Pima County for a number of years, but has not had many participants. This may be due to people not knowing what this project is about. This project was set up to support kids who have pets that don’t fall into the traditional 4-H project areas. It started out with cats, pot bellied pigs, parakeets and cockatiels. This was later expanded to include rats, mice, hamsters, gerbils, chinchillas, sugar gliders, chinchillas, ferrets, reptiles, amphibians, fish, and other pets that can be legally owed in Arizona. The other provisions are that the animals cannot be venomous, nor can their adult length exceed six feet.

There are only a few events for this project area throughout the year, one of which is the Fur and Feathers on Oct. 24. There will be two workshops held at the CEO this year, and there is one day of competition at the fair. The competitions for Companion Animals include posters, illustrated talks, demonstrations, reports, educational displays, and even showmanship for cats, potbellied pigs, parakeets/cockatiels, ferrets, and rats.

To encourage enrollment in this project area, we recommend shared leadership within the county and have the two workshops count as project meetings so that 4-H members can learn what is expected for this project. The workshops will be held at the CEO on these dates:
February 6, 2010  9:00 – 12.00

STATE FAIR
Pima County had another great Arizona State Fair, here are the highlights from the pig and steer barn.

Champion Crossbred Hog and Grand Champion Hog - Brianna Peraza
Champion Yorkshire Hog - Carter Ham
Champion Hampshire Hog - Chris Snodgrass
Champion Duroc Hog - Autumn Gilbert
Reserve Champion Duroc - Payson Ham

Reserve Intermediate Swine Showman - Brianna Peraza
Champion Senior Swine Showman - Jesse Oster

Champion Feeder Steer - Brianna Peraza

Champion Lightweight Market Steer - Canyon Ferris
Champion Middleweight Market Steer - Garrett Lochner

Champion Intermediate Beef Showman - Kelsee Ferris

Champion Heavyweight Market Goat - Jasmine Lorefice

Champion Jr Goat Showman - Jasmine Lorefice
Pima County has a lot to be proud of.

***Alpaca For Sale:
3 year old intact male Huacaya. Has been used for 4-H alpaca project in past. Registered. $500.00.

***KW Stacking Dwarf rabbit cages for sale. We are no longer breeding and showing bunnies. We will have more cages later. 55" high X 36" wide X 24" deep, 6 holes total. Perfect for dwarf breeds. Retail new with Plastic Poly trays for about $350. Need some clean up but well worth the money. I'm letting them go for $150. OBO. We no longer have a truck so you will have to pick up.
Email: marmanor @ cox.net or call 795-3294.
Happy to answer your questions or send photos.
Janice Marley
NOVEMBER MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

14  Allan & Jan Levin and Family Golf Tournament, El Conquistador Country Club; 7:00 a.m.
14  Beef Tag, 8:30 – Noon, Beef Kick-off to follow
15  Volunteer Recognition Banquet, Beaudry RV 12:00 noon
17  Sheep Project, 7:00 p.m., CEO
18  Dairy/Boer Goat, @ CEO, 7:00 pm
18  4H Record Book Workshop
19  Swine Project, 7:00 p.m., CEO
21  Pigeon Project, 11:00 a.m., John Livas’
25  Dog Project, 7:00 p.m., CEO
26  Thanksgiving – CEO closed
27  CEO – closed
29-30  National Congress

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CALENDAR CORRECTIONS
Please note that the date for Beef Tagging has been changed. The new date is Saturday, November 14, 2009, 8:30 – 12:30 p.m.

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NEW VOLUNTEER CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS
The State 4-H Office has adopted new volunteer certification requirements. These became effective July 1, 2009 for everyone who wants to become a certified volunteer.

- Complete Volunteer Application Form
- Background Check
- Interview
- Reference check – 5 requested
- View “Idaho Child Protection” video
- Complete on-line modules at Washington State site
- Attend “Learning to Lead Fun, Effective Meetings” – face-to-face training

Tuesday, January 5, 2010, 5:30 p.m. registration, 6 – 9 p.m.

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WELCOME NEW VOLUNTEERS
The CEO faculty, staff and the 4-H community take this opportunity to welcome our new 4-H volunteers:
Brad Gray , Brandy Hensley
Debbie Oster , Jan Pavis
Cynthia Rice , Carolyne Rupkey
Kelsey Shupe , Jenna Wilson

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ALAN AND JAN LEVIN AND FAMILY 4-H GOLF SCHOLARSHIP TOURNAMENT
The Alan and Jan Levin and family 4-H Golf Scholarship Tournament will be held on Saturday, November 14, 2009. It will be held at the El Conquistador Golf and Resort on N. La Canada with registration from 6:30 – 7:15 a.m., and the foursome scramble beginning at 7:30 a.m. The funds raised through this event replace the money that the 4-H Council used to make through the Food Booth. They are spent on our Pima County 4-H members, supporting them when they attend state and national 4-H events like JOLT, college, leadership and other camps, trips to the national capital where they visit with our elected officials, etc. Your support is needed. Please contact Charlie Burton, CharlieBurton5@aol.com, if you have any questions about being a sponsor a golfer or need more information.

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WESTERN REGION 4-H LEADERS FORUM
This event is for volunteers and older youth who are interested in meeting other volunteers, finding out what they are doing and learning about the future of 4-H. The 2010 WLRF will be held in Albuquerque, NM, March 11 -14. Arizona is excited about the event being so close to home and we hope that many of our volunteers will attend. To encourage you to attend the state 4-H Office is offering 10 scholarships to volunteers who will attend. The application for is on-line at the state 4-H web site, http://extension.arizona.edu/4h/. The application is due to the state 4-H Office by 5:00 p.m. on December 10th. This will meet the early bird application deadline. AZ hopes to put together a group that can travel together by van leaving from Tucson. Please consider applying and attending. Call Bob if you have any questions.

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4H EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
The next Executive Council meeting will be Thursday, December 3, 2009, 6:30 p.m. at the CEO. Council meetings are open to the general 4-H family. If you have items you wish to place on the agenda, please contact Bob Peterson or Robert Rimsza. Items of business this month include reviewing Mini Grant applications. The Council meets the first Thursday of even numbered months.
4-H ACTORS WANTED:
Up to 20 4-H members and one or two adults are needed to help act and film a video on How to Run a Successful Meeting. There will be acting parts for all and speaking parts for some. There may opportunity for filming, lighting set up, and using professional equipment. The filming will be done on one day, which will be determined at the orientation meeting. Contact Kostyia Nakazny, Cooperative Extension Vista Volunteer, or Bob Peterson, at 626-5161 as soon as possible. Filming will be done this fall.

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OPPORTUNITY FOR 4-H’ERS
Do you or anyone you know practices sustainable living? Do you know any environmental issue(s) that affects you or your community? Has the subject of environment ever been discussed during 4H club meetings? There is an opportunity for your story to be heard. The Desert Museum is hosting Green Teen Video Contest and film making workshops. The prizes include of up to $1500 in scholarships as well as cash prizes. Check out contest rules here - http://www.desertmuseum.org/yes/ and the schedule for film making workshops lead by professionals from Access Tucson here - http://www.desertmuseum.org/yes/workshops.php. Note that if you don't have the equipment it will be provided to you at the workshops and you'll be able to check it out.

If you are interested in attending workshops but do not have a crew email Kostya Nakazny at nakazny@email.arizona.edu.

If you already have a crew call Amy Orchard at (520) 883-3083 to register for workshops.

STATE WIDE 4-H SMALL STOCK SHOW

The 2010 Show will be held Saturday & Sunday, January 16 & 17, 2010 at the LaPaz Co. Fairgrounds in Parker AZ. the show is sponsored by 4-H Members & Leaders in LaPaz, Mohave and Yavapai counties.

This is the 21st year for this show complete with judging and conformation classes in rabbits, poultry, waterfowl, pigeon and cavy. Open to all 4-Hers Age: 9-18, by January 1st, Enrolled in Rabbit, Poultry, Pigeon and Cavy

Last year 75 4-H’ers from 19 clubs, 14 counties and 3 states exhibited 303 animals. Featured is a Small Stock Quiz Bowl Contest complete with separate categories for rabbit, poultry, waterfowl, pigeon and cavy and a Round Robin Quiz Bowl contest following.

Contact the 4-H Office for more information and entry forms or visit the website at: www.ag.arizona.edu/mohave/4h/smallshow.htm

HAPPY THANKSGIVING
**STATE 4-H HORSE SHOW RESULTS**

Congratulations to the riders from Pima County that made a great showing at the 2009 Arizona 4-H State Show. Top 10 finishes are below.

Complete list can be found at: [http://extension.arizona.edu/4h/programs/state-fair-4-h-horse-show](http://extension.arizona.edu/4h/programs/state-fair-4-h-horse-show)

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Looking ahead to December....
1   PCJLSI @ CEO, 7:00 pm
3   Executive Council Meeting @ CEO, 6:30 pm
7   Horse Project Meeting @ CEO, 7:00 pm
9   Shooting Sports Leaders Meeting @ CEO, 7:00 pm
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20  Sheep / Market Goat Jackpot@ CAC, 7:00 am
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