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| April 15 | Arizona 4-H Youth Foundation Scholarship Application
Deadline https://apply.mykaleidoscope.com/scholarships/
AZ4HYouthFoundation |
| April 27 - May 8 | Tractor Supply Paper Clover Campaign |
| April 30 | Community Service Opportunity: Heritage Park
Zoological Sanctuary 10am - 4pm |
| May 6 - 8 | MoYava Camp Counselor Selections |
| June 4 - 8 | AZ 4-H Summit
https://extension.arizona.edu/az-4-h-summit |
| June 26 - July 1 | Citizenship Washington Focus https://4-h.org/parents/
citizenship-washington-focus/ |
| July 3 - 7 | MoYava Summer Camp at James 4-H Camp |
| July 11 -15 | J.O.L.T. 2022 at James 4-H Camp
https://extension.arizona.edu/jolt |
| July 17 - 22 | AZ 4-H Military Teen Adventure Camp (MTAC)
https://extension.arizona.edu/mtac |



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Claire's Corner

Dear 4-H team,

March was the 6-month mark for my tenure as the Yavapai 4-H agent. It has been a steep learning curve for me and I want to thank you all for your patience as I grapple with learning the history of Yavapai 4-H, needs, hopes and dreams.



My plan for my first year has been to 1) get to know my diligent and dedicated club leaders, project leaders, and 4-H members in person and 2) start and complete a needs assessment to inform a strategic plan tailored to Yavapai County 4-H.

This has been hampered by the COVID agenda somewhat. I had to resort to secondary data: record books, reports, financial records, and zsuite. I also have had the pleasure of meeting some folks in the office when we were open and even got in a few interviews.

Now that our office is open I want to jumpstart my plan by visiting with each Club team and attending some club meetings. At this time I would like to have a chat about 1) what works for you, 2) what doesn't, and 3) what you'd like to see in future 4-H. This is the start of what I call a needs assessment. It will help us make plans to meet your needs as 4-H leaders. I want the 4-H leadership team to meet with the youth and play a little "vote with your feet" activity to get an idea of what their interests are. This meeting does not have to be on the same day. I'll return as much as I need to capture your thoughts and visions.

So, please know that I will be calling you soon to arrange for our visit. We can provide pizza and drinks for the leadership meeting. I won't disrupt your club meeting with the kids any more than for introductions and the small "vote with your feet" activity.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter. I'll be in touch. Together we will continue to build Yavapai County 4-H.

Sincerely,
Dr. Claire Oberst

Community Service Opportunity

Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary (fondly called the Zoo)

April 30, 2022 10 AM – 4 PM

Pam McLaren, Executive Director of the Zoo invites all 4-H

youth to demonstrate/share about your project animals any time

between 10 AM and 4 PM on April 30, 2022 at the Zoo. She can handle 10 groups that day. She

will provide pop-ups, chairs, you bring your animals. Additionally, leaders you are welcome to

schedule with Pam a personal presentation about how to safely transport, general care, vaccina-

tions for the wildlife at the zoo. The Zoo also has outdoor meeting spaces at their pavilion. Pam

brings a wealth of experience with 4-H from parent, leader, board member in Maricopa County.

Check out the Zoo: <http://www.heritageparkzoo.org/>

Call today to let Pam know you are interested: 928-778-4242



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Brahma's Available

Eight to ten Brahma's – take one – take them all! Available at no cost to interested 4-H youth and families. Please contact 4-H Alum wanting to "give back" – Robin Gosman and daughter, Stacey Porter @ 928-636-2954. These creatures have been gentled and are used to people. They are all under two years old. Leave a message if no answer.



TRACTOR SUPPLY SPRING PAPER CLOVER CAMPAIGN

This year's Spring Paper Clover Campaign in Tractor Supply stores nationwide will take place **April 27-May 8**. Customers can buy Paper Clovers, donating to their local 4-H program. These funds are used to financially assist 4-Hers to participate in camp and leadership opportunities.

This is a great time for 4-H Clubs to reach out to a local store and plan an event to promote club participation, share project information, or even have a fundraiser for a specific purpose. Fundraiser Approval Form: <https://extension.arizona.edu/sites/extension.arizona.edu/files/attachment/4h-club-committee-fundraising-approval.pdf>

This year Citi is doing a credit card match for both Spring and Fall Paper Clover campaigns! That means that Tractor Supply Credit card purchases double the donation!



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Paper Clover Scholarship Fund Application

Please submit this application to request scholarship funds to financially assist Arizona 4-H members to attend a camp or leadership activity. Please attach a registration form from the camp or leadership activity, if applicable, or provide the address funds should be mailed to. Application must be received with appropriate time for processing, before the scheduled event.

Applicant Information

County: _____ Date: _____

Applicant Name: _____
Last First M.I.

Parent email address: _____

Name of 4-H Club: _____

Camp or Leadership Activity: _____

Amount Requesting: \$ _____

Cost of Camp or Activity: _____

Date of Camp or Activity: _____ Did you participate in a TSC Event? (Date?): _____

Why do you want to attend this camp or leadership activity?: _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

County Extension Signature _____ Date _____

For State Office Use Only

Approved Amount: _____

State Extension Signature _____ Date _____

Date Funds sent: _____

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Here's an online link to the fillable form:

<https://extension.arizona.edu/sites/extension.arizona.edu/files/attachment/Application%20for%20Paper%20Clover%20Scholarship%20Funds.pdf>



Swine Project Starter Grants

The Arizona Pork Council is pleased to announce the Swine Project Starter Grant. This Grant was developed to allow FFA and 4-H Youth an opportunity to participate within the swine industry. \$500 will be awarded to 20 youth participating in their 1st Swine Project to be used towards the purchase of the pig.

Applicants MUST complete [the google form application](#) AND submit an essay OR video explaining the need for this grant and how your future will be impacted by participating in a Swine Project. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

8- to 10-year-old applicants will submit a 250-word essay OR 2-minute video

11- to 13-year-old applicants will submit a 500-word essay OR 3-minute video

14- to 19-year-old applicants will submit a 750-word essay OR a 4-minute video

Grants Applications will be reviewed as they are submitted. Grants will be awarded throughout the year to accommodate all Fair and Project schedules each year. Not purchasing your pig for a couple months? You can still submit your application TODAY! Remember, there are only 20 \$500 Grants available!

The Arizona Pork Council will mail Grant Checks once recipients have purchased their pig. Recipients will need to complete a short questionnaire and provide a picture of the youth with their purchased pig prior to checks being mailed.

For more information visit azpork.org or email arizonaporkcouncil@pork.org

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JAMES 4-H CAMP WORK WEEKEND

APRIL 22-24 2022

Spend Earth Day April 22 at the James 4-H Camp. Come for one day or make it a weekend getaway April 22-24. *The date change is due to low morning temperatures and the potential of freezing pipes*

Projects will be large and small, skilled, and unskilled:

- Cabin preparation – sweep bunk boxes, wipe down mattresses, sweep floors, clean windows/sills, wash windows
- Trim weeds around buildings
- Rake 10 feet back around each building.
- Clean Bathhouse
- Clean and set up Dining Hall, repaint dining room tables, organize kitchen
- Gather and stack firewood, sort, and place in fire storage area (tinder, kindling, fuel)
- Paint – Exterior Recreation Hall and cabins, re-paint signs
- Assemble new picnic tables, stain, and varnish new and old tables, log bench placement
- Trail work
- Gaga ball re-build
- Repair Frisbee Golf and Orienteering Course markers
- Change batteries in smoke detectors
- Sweep courts, replace volleyball court lines, set up the net
- Set up/prepare archery range
- Challenge course work – some projects will require carpentry skills
- Prepare boats, check for damage, set up fishing equipment
- Skilled projects may include framing, insulation, drywall, plumbing, electrical, flooring, gutter installation and building a deck for the new cabin.

MEALS AND LODGING WILL BE PROVIDED: Lunch Friday – Breakfast Sunday

Register by emailing your Name, number in your group, phone number, day, or days you will be attending, your phone number and email address to: mcarroll4@arizona.edu

Example:

Margaret Carroll

3 (2 adult, 1 youth)

List what day you will arrive. What meals will you eating at camp? (Provide total # of days/meals)

928-710-6881 mcarroll4@arizona.edu

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From the YQCA Executive Board of Directors... We're happy to share – yqcaprogram.org is LIVE!

Please bookmark this site as it will be your go-to site to learn about YQCA, access help documents, and earn your annual YQCA certification!

On the More Info/Parents & Youth page, you'll find help documents detailing the steps to getting your YQCA web-based training certification, and test-out certification. You'll notice a major change to the account structure – the opportunity to create a parent account and add children, essentially creating one family account for all your YQCA needs.

Parents/youth, if you have a current and valid YQCA certification that you downloaded and saved, please follow [these steps](#) to get yourself set up on the new site. YQCA will be manually verifying these current and valid certifications, so please have patience; we will get your certification verified as quickly as possible.

Customer support will be provided M-F 10 AM – 6 PM CST. There is a chat feature and help button available. When using the help button, select a support request category that best suits your support requests and then hit "Compose". A window in your email program or browser will open with the "To" address prepopulated as help@yqcaprogram.org and the subject as the selected support request category. You'll need to allow pop-ups in order for this window to open. If the pop-up doesn't work on your machine, use your email program to reach out directly to help@yqcaprogram.org and make the subject line a title from the support request category dropdown list.

Thank you again for your continued support and commitment to the YQCA program! This is an exciting new chapter for YQCA and its customers, YOU!

Jennifer Hawkins
YQCA Program Manager



4-H Learning Lab Kits Available for Check-out!

Do you know...?



The 4-H office has educational Learning Lab Kits that are your answer for species-specific, hands-on, durable learning materials. They can be used for teaching and evaluating knowledge of livestock and companion animals. These are perfect for 4-H project meetings and can be checked out for up to 30 days at a time!

Kits available:

- Beef
- Dairy Cow
- Dog
- Goat
- Horse
- Poultry
- Rabbit
- Sheep
- Swine



Contact us to find out more!

BILLIONS OF INSECTS

MEETING ACTIVITY #3 - Refer to Page 13

TALK ABOUTS

Read, *"Insects and Spiders"* by George Else or *"On Beyond Bugs: All About Insects"* by Dr. Seuss

- How are some insects different from other insects?
- What do insects always have?
- Some animals do not have bones inside their bodies. They have a hard shell covering instead. What is this shell called?
- What are the three body sections of an insect?
- What are the six most common groups of insects?

Insect Model

- Using an assortment of bottle caps, egg cartons, styrofoam balls, buttons, pipe cleaners, clay dough, yarn, cotton balls, etc. allow time for the children to make insect models.

Crickets and Bugs

- Divide the children into two teams- the Bugs and the Crickets.
- Choose a leader for each team.
- Make two goal lines about 25 yards apart.
- Have each team stand at their goal line, and have the Bugs stand with their backs to the Crickets.
- The Crickets should then silently creep up on the Bugs and stand behind them.
- Then the leader of the crickets calls out, "Run, Crickets, run!"
- The Crickets hurry back to their goal line and the Bugs turn around and chase them.
- Then they switch, have the teams take turns chasing each other until all of the children have had a turn being the leader.

Busy Bee Game

- You need an odd number of children for this game.
- Each child has a partner except for one player who is "It".
- "It" waits while partners scatter and the leader calls out various commands, such as "Back to back," "Face each other," "Shake hands," "Flap your wings".
- When the leader calls out "Busy Bee!" everyone has to get a new partner, including the child who is "It".
- The child who does not find a new partner becomes the new "It".
- Play until everyone has a turn being "It".