Dear 4-H Family:

Welcome to all of our new 4-H families! We had 135 families attend the 4-H Kick Off in September. There were a total of 99 youth enrolled that evening and more followed during the week. 4-H Enrollment is up to 180 youth for the 2008-2009 program year. If you have not enrolled for the new year it is not too late to become a member of Baker County 4-H and start participating in the fun programs this year.

Check out this issue of the newsletter for what is happening in 4-H projects and clubs.

Renee L. Moore
Baker County
4-H Agent

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills.

Celebrate 100 years of 4-H in Florida this coming 2009 year. 4-H Alumni please give us a call.

National 4-H Week
October 5th -11th

All 4-H Members, Parents, and Volunteers are invited to the Baker County Commission Chambers on Tuesday, October 7th at 5pm sharp in honor of National 4-H Week. A 4-H Proclamation will be presented and signed by the Chairman of the Board. Let’s share our 4-H Spirit with the County Commissioners!

The Baker County Commissioner Chambers are located at 55 N 3rd Street, Macclenny.

District Council Officers 2008-2009

President – Kacey Pippins (Columbia) State council delegate
Vice President, 1st – Austin Wilson (Bradford) State Council delegate
Vice President, 2nd – Fawn Smith (Columbia) State Council delegate
Secretary – Kaicie Chasteen (Columbia) State alternate
Historian – Rachel Tinsman (Columbia)
Reporter – Amanda McIntosh (Alachua)
Parliamentarian – Mary Boyle (Alachua)
Recreation Chair – Kay Hinson (Alachua)

County council (11 and older) plans fun events for youth in Baker County. Keep watching for the first county council meeting this fall after fair time.

Our County Council participates with a district council that organizes fun events like Junior Congress, District BBQ and Fun Day, and Senior Retreat.

The District Council Officers participate in a State 4-H Council with officers elected at 4-H Congress in Gainesville each summer.

4-H Depends on YOUth help guide the program while learning leadership, citizenship and life skills. Let Ms. Renee’ know if you are interested in County Council.
ART CLUB— All Ages  Ms. Kathy Wymer-Lilly
3rd Thursday monthly at 6pm
CLOVERBUDS — Ages 5 to 7 year olds.  Ms. Joy Crosby
2 groups 3rd Monday or 3rd Friday monthly at 6pm
CLOVERLEAF CLOGGERS—Ms. Madeline Carroll & Ms. Janet Lawson  Thursdays at the Fairgrounds 7pm
ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT - Ms. Debbie Clark & Mr. Andy Lamborn (Forestry competition coach) 3rd Monday Monthly at 6p.m. (Looking for another parent volunteer here)
COMMUNITY CLUB (DAILY) - Age  8 - 10 year olds.  Ms. Christi Fletcher  3rd Monday monthly at 3:30p.m.
HANDS AND HOOVES— Mr. Charlie Chanaki & Ms. Cathy Sparks  2nd Tuesday monthly at 7pm
HOOF N’ AROUND —Ms. Marjena Bass & Ms. Mary Pregler  1st Tuesday monthly at 7pm
LIVESTOCK—Ms. Lovurn Rivers See Schedule Below
SHARPSHOOTERS — Mr. Gary Stephens On Hold until Range is set up.
Livestock News -  Good Luck at the Fair!
No meetings in October because of the Fair Schedules.
Get your animals cleaned up and trimmed for the fair.  Refer to the fair book for animal check in times and show events.
November Livestock Schedule
1st Tues - 11/4 Beef I   1st Thurs - 11/6 Beef II
2nd Tues - 11/11 Swine I  2nd Thurs - 11/13 Swine II
3rd Tues - 11/18 Poultry  3rd Thurs - 11/20 Rabbits

CLUB REPORTS

- Club Officer Training -
- Once clubs have elected officers email Ms. Renee your list so she can organize and invite officers and leaders to officer training workshop to help them learn more about their jobs as club officers.
- Try to have your elections finished by November 1st.  Let Ms. Renee’ know if you need help with this election process.

Arts & Crafts Club - Ms. Kathy is better and our meeting is set for October 16th in the classroom.  Come on out and start getting creative with arts and crafts.

Canine 4-H Project (Dog) - If you are interested in the Dog Project come on out for the first meeting on October 23rd.  You don’t need to bring a dog for this first project meeting.  Bring a photo if you can and come prepared to have fun.  We will be organizing the project and making decisions about things that members are interested in doing in the project.

Cloverbuds had a great meeting.  There were an overwhelming response to activities for that age group.  Ms. Joy and Ms. Renee are getting together to organize some basic activities for the next few meetings.  Parent volunteers are being screened to help with the project.  This project will move to the auditorium to have more room.

Cloverleaf Cloggers will not meet Oct 2nd, 9th, or 16th due to the Baker County Fair.  Your club leader, Ms. Madeline will call you during the month to let you know when the next meeting will occur.

Daytime Community Club—Drama—The club is focusing on Drama project.  They will meet third Monday monthly at 3:30pm in the classroom.  Come on out to learn more and have fun with drama!

Environmental Adventures/ Forestry- If you are interested in the Environmental Project the first meeting is Oct. 13th at 6p.m. at the Classroom.  Mr. Andy Lamborn will begin working with members that want to participate in the Florida 4-H Forestry Contest later in the spring. Members will need a map compass.  A group order will be organized at this meeting.

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HORSE BUSINES— Come Join the Council
Horse Council Members meeting is scheduled for Tues October 28th 6p.m.  Open to parents, leaders, volunteers and teens.

Multi County Model Horse Project
Meeting, Monday, October 27th at 6p.m.  Come and learn about model horse collecting and showing.  Get ready for the model horse show workshop on Nov 1st and the show in February.

Horse Clubs - the Horse Arena at the fair grounds has been reserved for the 2nd Saturday monthly for the horse clubs to use.  Check with your leader for ride times.  Baker County Fair Horseshow 10/4 show bills and entry forms are on the web.

Shooting Sports
Any volunteers wanting to get certified in Archery, Air Rifle or 22 Rifles for Sporter Class, contact Ms. Renee.  Training is scheduled November 14 - 16th for state certification.  $75.00 We’ll car pool down together.  Watch for the air rifle project to start up once the county helps us resolve range issues.  Archery is expected to start in January.
## BAKER COUNTY 4-H
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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

November
See newsletter for Livestock dates
11/1 Model Horse Workshop Baker
11/3 Mondays Photography Project preregistration for the project required.
11/17 - 11/20 4-H Administrative Conference Ms. Renee out of town

December
12/6 Christmas Parade

JUNIOR CONGRESS
Junior Congress is a fun weekend for youth ages 8 - 13. It is organized by the District Council. The council is proposing to hold it either December 12 and 13th or in the spring. The teens and adults from the District Council teach classes and workshops on various 4-H projects and fun 4-H activities. Adult Chaperones attend and stay overnight with youth. A location is usually selected in our District V area (Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Columbia, Union). Costs are nominal and usually under $75.00 for the overnight events. If you are interested in learning more about Junior Congress let Ms. Renee’ know.

For more information regarding the Baker County Fair go to www.bakercountyfair.org

Club Reporters, send us your news each month by the 15th for publishing in the newsletter.