Dear 4-H Family:

There are many exciting things going on this month. Some of our youth from Baker County are participating in the Florida State Fair livestock events in Tampa this month. We wish them the best!

Youth have participated in many projects this year. Consider preparing a demonstration for County Events in April. Leaders make it a priority to prepare your members to prepare for County Events. Ms. Renee has great materials to help prepare your members for demonstrations.

Rabbits, Rabbits, Rabbits goes on line this month. If you are interested in the rabbit project check it out at http://florida4h.org.

EVENTS TO PLAN FOR:

April 15th - County Events - Spend the evening sharing your demonstration or speech; Fashion Revue with a garment that you have sewn; Share the Fun skits and acts; Bring in a photo for the photography contest or a poster for the state poster contest. For details check with Ms. Renee.

May 1st - District Events Bradford
June 6th—11th or June 12—19 Horsemanship School Baker County will have to pick a week to support
June 28—July 2nd County Camp at Cherry Lake
July 26th—30th 4-H Congress on the campus of University of Florida in Gainesville. 14 - 18 year old Senior 4-H Members.

Operation Military Kids—Dates to Be Determined

Open Enrollment State Specialty Camps
Cost expected to be $210 members/ $220 Non Members Register by Late June
July 26—30 Shooting Sports / Sport Fishing at Camp Cloverleaf
July 26—30 Marine Ecology Camp—Camp Timpochee
August 2—6th Gator Adventures—Senior Residential Camp for Counselors

District V Junior/ Intermediate Camp
Save June 6, 7 and 8 for an exciting new opportunity for members of District V, Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Columbia and Union Counties to have a special camp for junior and intermediate age youth. Details after the next District Council Meeting.

Operation Military Kids Camp Open House
Florida 4-H offers residential camp for youth dependents of military service personnel. Camps are held at Camp Ocala, Camp Cherry Lake, Camp Timpochee, and Camp Cloverleaf. April 10th these camps will host open houses for military families to see the facilities and learn more about OMK.

4-H CAMP CHERRY LAKE
Camp Cherry Lake for 8 to 12 year olds will be held June 28th through July 2nd. It promises to be a ton of fun. Kayak and Canoeing, Swimming, Environmental Education topics, Archery, and Healthy Lifestyles are a few of the classes to choose from. Night time camp fires, singing, and dancing galore. Baker camps with Madison and Nassau counties.

This year the theme is Super Heroes. Whose your favorite SUPER HERO?
It is anticipated that camp will cost $200.00 to cover all the expenses, plus canteen, T-Shirt and bus travel. We have devised a budget system to help you with the costs of Camp. Families can split the cost of camp up over the four months between Feb and May and make equal payments of $50.00 each in the name of your sponsored child. The tuition will be held on account for payment of your child’s camp experience. Contact the office for details. See the web at http://florida4h.org/camps

Baker County 4-H Agent

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship and life
2008-09 Baker County 4-H Clubs

**CLOVERBUDS**— Ages 5 to 7 year olds. Ms. Joy Crosby in Auditorium twice monthly on Monday’s.

**CLOVERLEAF CLOGGERS**—Ms. Madeline Carroll & Ms. Janet Lawson Thursdays at the Fairgrounds 7pm

**FORESTRY/ENVIRONMENTAL**— Ms. Debbie Clark & Mr. Andy Lamborn (Forestry competition coach) 3rd Tuesday at 6pm. (Looking for another parent volunteer to help)

**JUNIOR MASTER GARDENER**— Ms. Alicia Lamborn, Ms. Pat Collier & Ms. Debbie Clark. 3rd Thursday at 6pm.

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**Drama Club**— Age 8 - 10 year olds. Ms. Christi Fletcher 3rd Monday monthly at 3:30p.m Auditorium

**Hoof N’ Around**— Ms. Marjena Bass & Ms. Mary Pregler 1st Tuesday monthly at 6:30pm in Classroom

**4-H Horse Power**— Ms. Kim Long 3rd Tues Monthly at 7pm in Classroom or Auditorium.

**Livestock**— H.J. Wilkerson and LeAnn Rigdon - 4th Thursday at 6:30pm in Auditorium.

**Super Cute Puppy Club**— Ms. Lindsey Martinez and Ms. Lydia Masterson. 2nd Thursday at 6pm in 4-H Classroom.

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**Drama—Daytime Community Club**

Drama club is working on rehearsing The Gingerbread Girl. The members videotape the scenes they perform and then watch it to see how their acting is progressing. The eleven members are having a great time learning more about drama with the project this year.

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**Summer Day Camps in Baker County**

**Sign Up this Spring**

**Hours 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. except where noted.**

- **Foods and Fun - June 9-11** $50 (3 Days Tu—Th) It’s time to play with food. Ages 8—13
- **Project Wings - June 14-18** $50. (Five Days M—F) — Butterfly Citizen’s Initiative in Science. To be held at Shoals Park early summer. Ages 8—13
- **Environmental Day Camp - June 21-25** $50. (Five Days M—F) at Shoals Park. Guest Speakers, Environmental Activities. Aquatic environments on the river in the afternoons. Ages 8—13
- **Crafty Campers - July 12-16** $50. (Five Days M—F) Explore Arts and Crafts, Sewing fun for everyone. Ages 8—13
- **Archery Day Camp - August 3-5** $50. (3 Days Tu—Th) Learn Archery with stick bows and recurve bows. Ages 8—18
- **Junior Master Gardener Camp - August 9-13** (Tentative). Learn all about plants, soil, and insects.

**Specialty County Day Camps**

- **Cloverbud Camp - July 20-22** $30. (3 days Tu—Th from 9a.m.—12 noon) Ages 5—7 (as of 9/1/2009)
  - Activity based Day camp offered by Adults and Teen leaders to help Cloverbud aged kids explore 4-H projects
  - Inquiring Minds - August 16-20 $100.00. (5 days M—F 8a.m.—5p.m.) Ages 11—18. Limit 12 participants. This is a special day camp for youth who have attended Baker County camps in previous years and have the recommendation of their leader for advanced inquiry in Science and Environmental issues. Group will travel to different locations around North Eastern Florida for field trips each day.

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**Horsemanshi P School**

The Animal Science Department of the University of Florida will be offering two weeks of horsemanship school this year: June 6-11 and June 13-19. The schedule is organized similarly to what it has been in years past with the addition of a Friday morning final riding session and Friday lunch. All weeks will include combined English and Western disciplines. The Registration fee for the 2009 Horsemanship Schools was $310.00 for youth and $220.00 for adults. Fifteen (15) meals and five nights lodging, as well as over 30 hours of instruction, stall and bedding, a t-shirt, and canteen are included in the registration fee.

Fees are not expected to go up this year. Registration is usually on a first come first served basis and wraps up in Feb to March. Please contact Ms Renee’ as soon as possible if you are interested in attending.