

Family Digest—Lafayette County 4-H Newsletter



CELEBRATE 4-H WITH NATIONAL 4-H WEEK 2007

September-October

With the fair over and school beginning it must mean it's time to gear up for another 4-H year!

Yes, that's right. Just when you think you're finished, it's time to get started again. The 2007-2008 4-H year will officially begin November 1st, but some clubs will be distributing 4-H enrollment materials at their September meeting. Now is the time to be thinking of friends and family who may not be part of 4-H and invite them to join. Think of all the wonderful opportunities you have and wouldn't it be great to share those with others?

- Conduct a 4-H Find-a-Leader or Find-a-Member Campaign. Have each leader and member invite just one person to your next meeting to learn about 4-H and your club would double. For some clubs, it may mean the start of a new club!
- Wear your 4-H t-shirt to school.
- Create 4-H displays at your local libraries.
- Sponsor a poster contest with the theme, "Power of YOUth," in your local school system for all youth, not just 4-H members.
- Ask if 4-H literature and book-marks can be displayed at school or the main desk of your local libraries.
- Set up a reading event at your local library sponsored by 4-H. Distribute 4-H pencils at the end.

The possibilities are endless on how to celebrate National 4-H Week. It may be as simple as asking a friend to think about 4-H and if they want to join! Be proud of being a 4-H member or leader!

Just remember, as a 4-H member, you are part of the almost 7 million youth who participate in 4-H Youth Development experiences in America. A two-year study in New York State found that youth participating in 4-H clubs: perform better in school, are motivated to help others, make lasting friendships, develop skills in leadership, public speaking, self-esteem, and communication planning.



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Pass on the great word of what 4-H can do!

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