



Happenings



**Marion County 4-H
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A Message from the Agents

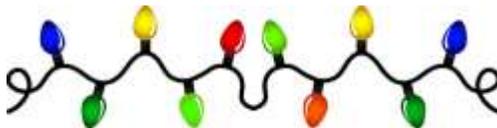
Dear 4-H Families,

Once again, the holiday season is upon us. As we reflect on the impacts each and every one of you have made in 2016, we are so thankful for the work you do and the differences you continue to make in the lives of others. In 2017, set goals that align with #4HGrown. Pledge to learn a new skill, try a new 4-H project, participate in County Events or Share the Fun for the first time, or join one of our judging teams. You'll be amazed at what you can learn from trying new things! Suggest that your club participate in a new activity or service project. Participate in a community service project such as a food or clothing collection drive or offer to help out a friend or neighbor in need. Want less of a commitment? Consider making a donation to the program or pledge to tell a friend or two about the benefits of 4-H and how it has changed your life. We wish you and your family a very happy, healthy holiday season! Big things are in store for 2017!

Ashley H.K. Stewart & Margaret Carden

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Marion County 4-H is on Facebook! Please click the link above or visit <http://www.facebook.com/MarionCountyFL4H> to like our page! We'll be releasing exciting information on this page, so be sure to like our page now to stay in the loop! Marion County 4-H Foundation also recently created a Facebook page, so be sure to like them as well to stay on top of their latest fundraising efforts to help support our 4-H program!

<http://www.facebook.com/MarionCounty4HFoundation>



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Community Service Projects



Boots and Buckles 4-H Club made Thanksgiving crafts and table displays for the Senior members of their church as part of their club meeting craft activity and community service project!



Marion County Council is collecting new/gently used jackets, coats, and blankets for Kimberly's Cottage. We have a box in the 4-H office if you'd like to drop off these items to help people in our community stay warm this season.



Look at all these cans and boxes! The Lucky Learners of Greenway Elementary held a school-wide food collection drive to gather nonperishable food items to restock their school pantry, the GreenMart. The GreenMart is open to Greenway Elementary students' families to pick up food items they need, no questions asked. The smiles on club members' faces shows how important it is for them to give back and help those less fortunate in their community and in their school!



“ Life’s most urgent question is:

What are you doing for others? ”

-Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day, observed on Monday, January 16, shouldn't just be viewed as a holiday off of school or work. It should be viewed as a Day of Service. Martin Luther King Jr. left behind a legacy promoting equality and the importance of giving back to the community while serving others, principles that are central to the 4-H organization. This year and every year, make it "a day on, not a day off". *What are some things you can do as a club or individual to contribute?*

- Volunteer at Interfaith or a local food pantry and cook meals for patrons
- Assemble care packages for homeless or needy community members or service men and women overseas
- Plant a community garden or a tree
- Organize a cleaning day and offer to clean up for elderly neighbors in your community. Rake leaves, clean windows, or do other simple household tasks.

Be sure to take photos and let us know how you celebrated Day of Service and honored Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy!





Community Service Projects continued



Each year, the Happy Homeschoolers participate in holiday decorating for our Veterans. The Veterans Memorial Park near the Headquarters Library in Ocala now looks festive with the 100 holiday wreaths the club placed around the park. The club also decorated the Veterans Services office by setting up a tree with twinkling lights, colorful ornaments, and sparkly garland. In addition, club members visited the Army Reserve 351st Building in Ocala to meet with the soldiers on duty, thank them for their service, and spread holiday cheer while decorating for the holidays.



Each year, Horse Specialty Club members meet on Thanksgiving and deliver meals to families in need. This year was no exception. Horse Specialty Club had six members and supportive parents generously give a few hours of their Thanksgiving day to brighten the day of a few less fortunate families. The club visited with two families and delivered turkeys and trimmings. HSC is a proud part of our community and wishes to give back to those truly in need through a wide range of community service projects, including this annual act of service.

Pictured left: Horse Specialty Club Members with Chaplain Bob (with the Ocala Farm Ministries) and a Farm Ministry family.





Holiday Parade Recaps



Dunnellon 4-H Club had a great time at the Dunnellon Holiday Parade this year! The parade's theme was *Christmas at the Movies*, so the club decided on the movie *Elf* as their float theme. All club members and leaders dressed up as elves and the float looked fantastic with all the presents, snowflakes, and lights! Congratulations to Dunnellon 4-H for winning 1st place in the Most Original Float Contest! **Left:** Dunnellon 4-H Club poses for a photo in their elf costumes and trophy. **Inset:** Putting the finishing touches on the float and getting ready for the parade to begin!



Below: South Oaks 4-H members representing Liberty Middle School, Trinity Catholic High School, and West Port High School at the Ocala Christmas Parade!



Two Rivers 4-H Club (pictured **above** with their trophy) also participated in the Dunnellon Holiday Parade! They chose the movie *The Polar Express* as the theme of their float. They constructed a train, added lights, and attached golden tickets to the front of their float to add a creative touch (pictures to the left). Congratulations to Two Rivers 4-H for winning 3rd place in the parade's Most Christmas Spirit Contest!



Making a parade float is hard work, but it's also very rewarding! It's a great way to increase awareness of the 4-H program and a great way for the community to see all the great things 4-H participates in throughout the year!

Holiday Parade Recaps continued



The Ocklawaha Lil Bits 4-H Club had a great time riding in a John Deere tractor-pulled wagon at the Belleview Christmas Parade! The club's theme was Stars and Stripes, so club members dressed from head to toe in red, white, and blue. They also decorated and attached American flags to the wagon (along with some 4-H clovers, of course!).



Left: The Lucky Learners of Greenway Elementary participated in the Ocala Christmas Parade! The theme of the Ocala Christmas Parade was a "Star Spangled Christmas" so the club decorated a float with giant presents and an American flag-inspired tree.



Right: Lindy Batten and her Shady Hill 4-H Club members piled into metal troughs pulled by a John Deere tractor at the Ocala Christmas Parade! Staying true to the "Star Spangled Christmas" theme and club's agricultural roots, club members wore official 4-H dress along with red, white, and blue cowboy hats and waved American flags patriotically as they navigated the parade route.



Left: Caprine 4-H also participated in the Ocala Christmas Parade, as you can see with the red, white, and blue attire of the club members, who sat on hay bales. The club decorated their float in red, white, and blue streamers and flags and wore holiday Santa and elf-inspired hats to match the "Star Spangled Christmas" theme.



Meats Judging Recap



2016 Meats Judging Team



Pictured: Coach Hugh Dailey, Derek Sharp, Patrick Sharp, Tim Caswell, Trenell Griffin

Congratulations to our Meats Judging team on their impressive performance at the National Meats Judging Contest! The team finished 9th overall (congratulations to Texas for coming in 1st!). Patrick Sharp was 5th high individual in placing, while Derek Sharp tied for 5th high individual in pork. Thanks Hugh Dailey for your countless hours of coaching and support!



The Gift of Education: A Holiday Hotlist



The Gift of Education: A Holiday Hotlist

By: Ashley H.K. Stewart

The Holiday season is upon us and many people are frantically trying to fulfill their gift lists. This year consider a gift that will spark creativity and learning. There are many educational toys that promote STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math). For younger kids there are books, educational video games and tablets. There are games available to promote language and literacy, fine motor skills, as well as STEAM abilities. For older youth, you can choose from an abundance of technological toys such as drones or robotics kits. To make it easier to find educational toys, many stores now have a section titled STEM or Learning for online shopping. If you feel like your loved ones don't need another toy, consider purchasing tickets or annual passes to a museum, zoo, or aquarium. Below is a Holiday Hotlist with some of the latest gifts that are both fun and educational.

1. **Robotics-** There are a variety of robotics kits available that teach youth how to design, build and program robots. There are even premade robots that are interactive and do not need to be programmed.
2. **Science Experiment Kits-** There are numerous kits out that provide materials needed to conduct certain science experiments. You can even purchase learning labs for youth to be able to create and conduct their own experiments.
3. **3D Printer & 3D Pens-** The cost of 3D printers and pens has come down significantly. There are a few 3D printers and 3D pens designed for children. Children can build and create numerous objects with these toys. There are even 3D chocolate pens.
4. **Educational Games-** Whether it is a handheld game, gaming console, or tablet, there are games available to help youth learn. Now you can purchase and download games to most devices. Be sure to pay close attention to the game ratings to know if a game is age appropriate or not.
5. **Remote Control Vehicles-** RC cars, trucks and drones are fun toys that teach mechanical and engineering skill sets. They come in all shapes and sizes and at different price points. Drones are available with several options such as cameras and protective safety equipment.
6. **Learning Cubes & Building Blocks-** Learning cubes, blocks, and logs are a great way for younger children to practice engineering skills as well as design and creativity.
7. **Dig Discovery Kits-** From fossils to gemstones, there are many dig discovery kits that allow youth the act as a paleontologist and uncover artifacts hidden within.
8. **Engineering & Electrical Kits-** There are various kits that allow youth to try their hand as an engineer or electrical engineer. Some kits involve building bridges and towers, while other include circuit boards and electrical panels.
9. **Coding Activities-** There are kits, games and activity books that teach youth how to code. These activities create interest in software development, computer coding and gaming industries.
10. **STEAM Dolls & Accessories-** There are dolls and accessories that focus on promoting girls and learning. These dolls are typically dressed as scientist or engineers and come with accessories to support their area of interest. Additional accessories can be purchased that allow youth to conduct science experiments as well as to introduce youth to interests such as forensics.



You are reading an award-winning newsletter! The 4-H Happenings newsletter recently won an award at the 2016 Florida Association of Extension 4-H Agents Periodical Publication Team Communicator Award and was accepted by Ashley Stewart, Margaret Carden, and Kim Conurso at the 2016 EPAF Conference in Daytona Beach, FL, in September.

Holiday Bake Off Recap



Great job to all of our 4-Hers and parents that submitted baked goods for this year's Holiday Bake Off! We had entries in each category: Cookies, Brownies/Bars, Breads, Candy, and Healthy/Healthier Recipes. Our awards ceremony was a lot of fun and guests were able to taste-test baked goods and sip on hot cocoa while making holiday-themed arts and crafts (pony bead candy cane ornaments, popsicle stick reindeers, paper roll snowmen, and 4-H Mason jar lid ornaments) and singing holiday carols.

Favorite entries included the gingerbread golden ticket cookies, cowboy bars, magic coconut bars, hot cocoa marshmallow mugs, stained glass cookies, kitchen sink cookies, holiday-themed brownies, chocolate crunch bars, apple bread, and soft chocolate bon bons.



Congratulations to the following for winning first place overall in each age division and the coveted golden spoon award:

Cloverbud: Hayden Vanlue
Junior: Emily Velazquez
Intermediate: Rachel Buttermore
Adult: Ruth Ann Velazquez

Foundation's 4-H and Football Night Recap



The Marion County 4-H Foundation held its annual fundraiser, 4-H and Football Night, on Saturday, November 5, to benefit the Marion County 4-H program. The event, which took place at Adena Springs, drew 4-H alumni and supporters together for a fun night of football-watching, game-playing, and more! The hermit crab races stole the show, with guests betting on hermit crabs painted with football team logos and player numbers. Guests could purchase tickets to play a variety of tailgating-type games, including cornhole, horseshoes, football toss, Skee-ball, life-size Jenga, and Clover darts. A silent auction also drew a crowd and winners took home various home décor, outdoor, and ag-related products. Televisions around the barn broadcasted college football games and the Breeders' Cup World Championship Thoroughbred race. Marion County 4-H is so thankful for the dedicated board members, sponsors, donors, and supporters of the Marion County 4-H Foundation who continue to make this annual event a success and believe in the value the Marion County 4-H program. This year's event raised over \$13,000, which will help to provide scholarships for graduating seniors and assist with national championship and other program expenses.



A New Addition!



We have a new addition in the 4-H family!

Congratulations to 4-H agent, Margaret Carden, and her husband, Nick, on the birth of a healthy, happy baby girl named Anna Grace! We're so thrilled for the Carden family and excited for Anna Grace to be a future 4-Her!

Margaret is out of the office until mid-February at the earliest, so please contact the 4-H office at (352) 671-8400 if you need immediate assistance in her absence.



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See you in Tallahassee

4-H Day at the Capitol

MARCH 23, 2017

Contact your congressman now to set up meetings!

Registration opens February 1 in 4HOnline!



Camp Counselor Applications



Visit your 4HOnline profile and click on the 2017 Camp Counselor Application Packet that can be found under the Announcements and Newsletters section (before you click on Continue to Family). The application is seven pages total plus two letters of reference. The application packet and reference letters are due by Thursday, January 5, 2017.

This year's theme is "Circus"

There are some changes in regards to Camp Cherry Lake this year. The first change is our camp counselor training program. The program will now consist of multiple trainings allowing counselors more opportunities to gain leadership, communication, and life skills. The second change is our camping cluster. This year we will be camping with Marion County, Hernando County and Columbia County. We are excited about these new changes and hope that you will join us this year as a camp counselor!

1. Counselors MUST attend all four pre-camp trainings, two of which are overnight trainings.
2. Both overnight trainings are required for ALL applicants. Anyone missing a training will not be eligible to serve as a counselor. Applicants can miss no more than 4 hours total of training (based on coming late or leaving early).
3. Those youth age 13 as of Sept. 1, 2016 and those never before serving as a 4-H counselor will be eligible to serve as counselors-in-training only. They are not legally permitted to supervise cabins of youth. *CITs do not attend these training sessions.*
4. Due to the number of expected applicants and lack of proper vehicles, transportation may not be provided this year. However, we will try to coordinate assistance but may need parental help.

All dates are 2017 – you MUST attend ALL sessions, no exceptions:

February 4	Saturday 9am – 5pm	Marion County 4-H Farm
March 24-25	Friday 6:00pm until Saturday 2pm	Camp Cherry Lake
May 20	Saturday 9am – 5pm	Marion County 4-H Farm
June 14-15	Wednesday 6pm until Thursday 2pm	Sumter County Fairgrounds
July 3-7	Camp Week (counselors up July 2)	Camp Cherry Lake

All dates and locations subject to change due to unforeseen conflicts.

**APPLICATIONS AND REFERENCES ARE DUE NO LATER THAN
January 5, 2017 5:00pm**





Get Ready: County Events in 2017

Sign up today with your leader or call the 4-H office

Registration deadline (Friday, January 13, 2017)

When: Saturday, January 28, 2016

Where: Marion County Extension Auditorium

(2232 NE Jacksonville Rd. Ocala, FL) **Time:** Registration Begins at 8:30am; Judges/Room Monitor Orientation Begins at 8:00am

This is a good opportunity for all Marion County 4-Hers showing animals at the Southeastern Youth Fair who must complete a record book by doing a demonstration... come and join us!

What is County Events?

County Events provides youth an opportunity to share their projects through communication venues (public speaking or demonstrations). In clubs, youth should be giving demonstrations and talks to practice a valuable skill for life. County Events occurs annually during the last weekend of January.

*Cloverbuds may participate but are NOT judged. They will get feedback and receive a participation ribbon.

Juniors, Intermediates and Seniors are judged in their divisions and receive a review sheet and score.

Division	Junior	Intermediate	Senior
Duration	3-12 minutes	3-12 minutes	3-12 minutes
Format	Individual or Team	Individual or Team	Individual or Team

Categories

- Animal Sciences
- Civic & Leadership Development
- Communication and Expressive Arts
- Environmental Education
- Family & Consumer Sciences
- Healthy Lifestyles
- Plant Sciences
- Science & Technology
- Workforce Prep & Career Development

A **Demonstration** is a "show & tell" presentation in a specific curriculum area, using posters, props, or PowerPoint to communicate your presentation content.

An **Illustrated talk** is a presentation without props, but does use visual aids such as posters or PowerPoint.

County Regulations for Demonstrations /Illustrated Talks Performances:

Regardless of category entered, the following regulations apply:

- ✓ All Marion County 4-H members must wear official 4-H dress code.
- ✓ No living vertebrates (i.e. fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds, or mammals) may be brought.
- ✓ Demonstrations or illustrated talks must be between 3-12 minutes for juniors and intermediates, and 5-12 minutes for seniors.
- ✓ A team demonstration is one in which two team members (same age division) participate both in speaking and presentation. No more than two members per team.

The final results and awards will be announced and presented the day of the contest. All contest tabulations will be declared official at the awards ceremony.

County Events provides valuable teaching and learning experience. Participating youth learn presentation techniques and receive feedback for improvement as well as registration for other efforts.

For more information you can watch, *It's Showtime How to Demonstrate the 4-H Way* video in YouTube
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WTvtHTCkv8c>

> **How to sign up?** Send an email to Kimberly.Condurso@marioncountyfl.org or call (352)671-8400 before **January 13** including your: **Name, club, age, category and title of your demonstration.**

2017 SEYF Schedule of Events



2017 SOUTHEASTERN YOUTH FAIR SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>SEPTEMBER 2016</u></p> <p>1st – Ad Sales Begin</p> <p>6th – MANDATORY MEETING – Steer, Swine, MARKET Lamb, MARKET Wether Goat, Rabbit, Chicken, Beef Heifer, WMG Chicken & Rabbit 6:00PM SELP</p> <p>10th – STEER Weigh-in & Tagging Saturday, 8:00am – 11:00am - SELP</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>OCTOBER 2016</u></p> <p>11th – PORK QUALITY ASSURANCE Certification - Extension Auditorium 6:30pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>NOVEMBER 2016</u></p> <p>2nd – Wednesday 4:00pm Market LAMB Pick-Up/ TAGGING-SELP</p> <p>2nd – Market Goat Tagging-Weigh in 2:00-4:00pm</p> <p>12th – SWINE TAGGING – Saturday, 7:00am – 11:00am SELP West Parking Lot - revised</p> <p>15th – Tuesday 6:00pm DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES</p> <p>22nd – Tuesday, 4:00pm LATE ENTRY DEADLINE</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>DECEMBER 2015</u></p> <p>2nd – SEYF AD SALE DEADLINE</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>JANUARY 2016</u></p> <p>7th – Saturday - 9:00am Mock Lamb Show – 4H Farm 7th - Saturday – 9:00am Mock Goat Show-4H Farm</p> <p>13th – SEYF Scholarship Application Due</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>February 2016</u></p> <p>6th-10th – ALL ANIMAL (NON-MARKET) RECORD BOOKS DUE IN THE SEYF OFFICE</p> <p>6th-10th – ALL MARKET RECORD BOOKS DUE IN SEYF OFFICE (Exception-SUMMARY/FINANCIAL PAGE-to be completed after final weigh-in)</p>	<p>10th – Friday- DEADLINE – Bertie Hill, Bess Miller, Carey Robbins Award</p> <p>15th – Wednesday – 2:30-6:30pm – Drop off Exhibits for Animal Fever, Home & Needlework Shows, ALL Watch Me Grow, Photography, Ext. Auditorium CONSERVATION TRAYS-2:30-6:30pm Recreation Hall</p> <p>16th – Thursday-2:30-6:30pm Drop off Exhibits for Kitchen Show, Horticulture/ Garden Show; Extension Auditorium</p> <p>16th – Thursday- 4:00-7:00pm Chickens & Rabbit Show CHECK-IN</p> <p>16th & 17th – Club Exhibit Set-Up</p> <p>18th – 8:00am Chicken Show Judging 2:00pm Rabbit Show Judging</p> <p>20th - Watch Me Grow Chicken/Rabbit Check-in – 4:00pm – 6:00pm</p> <p>25th – Extension Auditorium Exhibit PICK UP – 10:30am – 12:30pm</p>
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FAIR SCHEDULE

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>SATURDAY, February 18</u></p> <p>Check-In: 8:00am- ALL GOATS 8:00am- Dog Obedience 2:00pm- Dog Agility/Rally 5:00pm-Speech Contest</p> <p>Shows, Contest & Events 9:00am-Dog Obedience Dog Skill-a-thon time TBA 8:00 Kiddie Goat Show Check-in; Show 9:00am 10:00am – Dairy, Meat Does, Market Wethers Goat Skill-a-thon – Time TBA 2:30- Dog Agility/Rally 3:00pm – Goat Auction 5:30pm – Speech Contest</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>SUNDAY, February 19</u></p> <p>Check-Ins: 8:00-11:00am – Horses 8:00-10:00am – Beef Heifer Check in</p> <p>Shows, Contests & Events: 9:00am – Horse Show 12:00 – 3:00-PLANT ID (under bleachers) 11:00-12:00pm Beef Heifer Skill-a-thon 3:00pm – Beef Heifer Show</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>MONDAY, February 20</u></p> <p>Check-Ins: 8:00-10:00am – Steers 8:30 - Tractor Driving 8:00-10:00am – Steers 8:30 - Tractor Driving 12:30 - Bar-B-Q Contest WATCH ME GROW Chicken/Rabbit Check-in 4:00 – 6:00pm</p> <p>Shows, Contest & Events: 9:00am – Tractor Driving 1:00 – 3:30pm – BBQ Contest 6:00pm - Awards Ceremony 7:00pm - Steer Show</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>TUESDAY, February 21</u></p> <p>Shows, Contests & Events 9:00am- Steer Showmanship 1:00 – Steer Skill-a-Thon 3:00-5:30pm ALL Lambs Weigh-in/Check-in 4:30-7:30pm – Beef Dinner-Covered Arena 6:00pm – Awards Ceremony 7:00pm – Steer Auction</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>WEDNESDAY, February 22</u></p> <p>9:00-10:00am-Lamb Skill-a-thon 11:00am- Breed Lamb Show 1:00pm- Market Lamb Show 6:00pm AWARDS 7:00pm Lamb Auction</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>THURSDAY, February 23</u></p> <p>Check-In: 8:00am-NOON – Hogs Swine Skill-a-thon – Time TBA 4:00-6:00pm WATCH ME GROW Chicken/Rabbit Pick-up</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>FRIDAY, February 24</u></p> <p>Shows, Contests, & Events 9:00am - Swine Showmanship 4:30pm – Chicken/Rabbit Awards 6:00pm – Swine Show</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>SATURDAY, February 25</u></p> <p>Shows, Contests & Events 9:00am - Awards Ceremony 10:00am – Swine Auction 10:30am – ALL EXHIBIT PICK-UP 11:00-2:00pm- Pork BBQ Lunch Covered Arena</p>
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Upcoming Events



Here are just a few upcoming events. Visit marioncountyfl.org/4-h and facebook.com/marioncountyfl4h for updates.



December

Tuesday, December 13: District Council Meeting, 6pm, Sumter County Extension Office
Tuesday, December 20: Horse Judging Practice, 4:30pm-6:00pm, Equine Sciences Center, 2655 NW 100th St. Ocala, FL
Friday, December 23: 4-H Office Closed in Observance of Christmas Holiday
Monday, December 26: 4-H Office Closed in Observance of Christmas Holiday

2017

January

Monday, January 2: 4-H Office Closed in Observance of New Year's Day
Thursday, January 5: Camp Counselor Applications Due to 4-H Office
Friday, January 13: County Events Registration Due to 4-H Office
Saturday, January 14: Camp Counselor Training, 9am-5pm, 4-H Farm, 5145 SE 58th Ave. Ocala, FL
Monday, January 16: 4-H Office Closed in Observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Monday, January 16: Hog and Ham Workshop Orientation, Gainesville
Thursday, January 19: Bred Heifer Show Orientation, 6:30pm, Extension Auditorium North Hall
Friday, January 27-Sunday, January 29: Second Executive Board, Camp Cloverleaf
Saturday, January 28: County Events, Extension Grounds
Monday, January 30: Seminole Garden Project Orientation, 6:00pm, Extension Auditorium South Hall

February (see page ___ of this newsletter for the SEYF Schedule of Events)

Wednesday, February 1: 4-H Day at the Capitol Registration Opens in 4HOnline
Monday, February 6-Friday, February 10: SEYF Record Books Due
Thursday, February 9-Monday, February 20: Florida State Fair, Florida State Fairgrounds, Tampa, FL
Friday, February 17-Sunday, February 19: SEYF Country Carnival
Saturday, February 18-Saturday, February 25: SEYF

Do You Have Important Information to Share with 4-H Members and Leaders?

We want your feedback! What information would you like to see more of the newsletters? Marion County 4-H will publish a newsletter (with county and local sections) four times a year. The newsletter, website, and Facebook page are the primary ways we share information in our program. As a courtesy to our families and leaders, we will limit the number of email messages that we send. If you have important information you want to share, we are happy to include it in the newsletter. Deadlines for submission of content are below:

Winter issue: December 1

Spring issue: April 1

Summer issue: June 1

Fall issue: September 1