

## Lowndes 4-H Volunteer Gazette August/September 2011

### A Note from the Agent

Just in case you have not heard, the Lowndes County Extension Service has relocated. Our new address is 318 B, Seventh Street North, Columbus, MS next to the Lee Home.

We had another busy summer! Thank you for chaperoning during Club Congress & Project Achievement Day, participating in 4-H camps, transporting youth on events, preparing youth for competitions or signing checks. Without your support the program would not be successful.

Please meet with your club leaders and members to plan for the 2011-2012 4-H program year. If you need assistance or have questions, please contact me at 662-328-2111.

Yours in 4-H,

*Sharon A. Patrick*

### Live Stock

If you have youth interested in a livestock project (Beef Cattle, Dairy Cattle, Swine, Sheep, or Goats) please call the 4-H Office at 328-2111 for more information. This is a great way for them to gain life skills while having fun.

Ownership Deadline - **September 1**

### Lowndes County 4-H Exhibit Day

The 2011 4-H Exhibit Day will be held September 13, 2011 at the office for youth enrolled in the Lowndes County 4-H program. Exhibits can be checked in on Monday, September 12 from 3-6pm. Non-qualifying state exhibits can be checked-out between 1-5pm on the 13<sup>th</sup>. The State Fair will be held October 5-16, 2011. If your clubs need passes, please contact the office by Friday, September 30, 2011. Encourage your club to gather their project work for entering. The fair list is available on line at: [http://msucares.com/4h\\_Youth4hfair/fairschedule.html](http://msucares.com/4h_Youth4hfair/fairschedule.html). The premiums are \$2 for Blue ribbons and \$1.00 for red.

### 2011 Southern Region 4-H Volunteer Forum

There are bus seats available that will transport our delegates to the 2011 Southern Region 4-H Volunteer Forum that will be held October 5 - 9. The final date to reserve a seat is **Thursday, September 1** by 12:00 noon. Seats will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. If you are interested, please contact the 4-H office. The cost of the trip is \$350.

## Enrollment Forms

Enclosed is the volunteer enrollment form for your completion. The youth enrollment forms are available on the Lowndes County 4-H website: [http://msucares.com/counties/lowndes\\_44/4h.html](http://msucares.com/counties/lowndes_44/4h.html). Both forms are due in the 4-H office by October 1, 2011. The 4-H Offices' mailing address is P.O. Box 1386, Columbus, MS 39703, if you would like to mail.

## Northeast District Shooting Sport Meeting

The Northeast District Shooting Sports meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, September 8, at 5:30 p.m.** via Scopia. If you are interested in attending the meeting, please contact the 4-H office by September 6. If you have any recommendations for the program, please submit to the 4-H office by **Friday, September 2, 2011.**

## 4-H 5K Walk

The Wicks Community 4-H Club is pledging their health for better living during a **5K Walk on Saturday, August 27, 2011** from 6:30a.m - 9:00a.m. This walk will increase awareness to health & wellness. It will also serve as a recruiting tool for new 4-H members and volunteers. Registration will begin at 6.a.m. For more information & directions, contact Mildred Gatewood-Smith at 329-4955.

## State 4-H Leadership Team

If you have members on the State 4-H Leadership team please share the enclosed calendar. Chaperones are needed for the 4-H Leadership Team training which will be held on Oct. 14 & 15 in Jackson, MS. Registration forms are due by September 1. If you are interested, please contact the 4-H office.

## State Fair 4-H Fashion Revue

The State 4-H Fashion Revue will be held on October 15, 2011 at the Trade Mart Building in Jackson, MS. If you have youth who would like to participate, please inform me. More information can be found at the link below: [http://msucares.com/4h\\_Youth/4hclothing/fashion\\_revue.html](http://msucares.com/4h_Youth/4hclothing/fashion_revue.html)

## 4-H Banner Club

It is time to submit your 4-H Club Secretary's Record Book. The Mississippi 4-H Banner Club Award Program will recognize outstanding 4-H community and project clubs in the following categories:

### Legislative Awards

Governor's Club Award - \$500.00  
Lt. Governor's Award - \$400.00  
Congressional District Awards - \$200.00

### Special Awards

First Lady Fitness Award - \$500.00  
Commissioner of AG Award - \$300.00  
AT&T Technology Award - \$300.00

### 4-H Club Award of Excellence

All Blue Ribbon Quality Records

Record books are due in the 4-H office by **Thursday, October 13, 2011.**