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How to Join the Revolution of Responsibility

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<http://www.4-h.org/about/revolution/>*

4-H'ers are leading a Revolution of Responsibility - a movement for positive change in every community in America. 4-H youth are a living breathing, culture-changing revolution for doing the right thing, breaking through obstacles and pushing our country forward by making a measurable difference right where they live. That takes uncommon commitment.

Turning ideas into action, 4-H youth are becoming everyday heroes who persevere through challenges to leave lasting, positive impacts on their communities. They're joining the Revolution of Responsibility by making a real impact in their communities and giving voice to the uncommon dedication and barrier-breaking commitment of the young people who are 4-H.

Have a story to tell?

Whether you're a 4-H educator, volunteer or member, share your stories of revolution and of responsibility. Visit 4-H.org to find out how others are leading a Revolution of Responsibility. Here you will find stories, pictures and videos from across the nation and you can share your own story there as well!

Here's how to get started!

Visit <http://www.4-h.org/about/revolution/stories-of-responsibility/> to upload your story to National 4-H.org and please upload any related photo(s) with your form to help illustrate your story. Factor in a 10MB size limit when selecting photos to share. Also, if you have a video that tells your story, post it on YouTube and provide us with the link when you complete the online form.

Not sure how to start? Learn the ABCD's of story-telling listed below; or use the 4-H Story Rubric on page 2.

ABCD's of story-telling-How to Tell Your Story

The following outline boils the story down to the following key points:

1. Address the situation (as an opportunity).
2. Discuss the actions 4-H took to address the situation.
3. What was the impact of those actions in the community (and beyond)? This is a shift in the way we tell stories, with more emphasis on the impact in communities.
4. Make sure to sign off with verbal and graphic expressions of *Join the Revolution of Responsibility*.

A. State the opportunity for positive change in your community.

In your title, hint at how you've begun to solve it. (This will keep people interested!)

B. How is 4-H part of the story?

What we're doing now to make our future better.

C. How is this impacting your community?

This is your chance to talk about how this is a Revolution of Responsibility.

D. "Join our Revolution."

"Join my Revolution."

"Join the Revolution of _____." (fill in with 4-Her's name)

Sign off with one of these statements - if it's for a video, say it to camera.

E. If making a video, end with logo.

Logo should stay on screen 2-3 seconds.

Always include the following extension line: "4-H is the youth development program of the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension System."

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See the 4-H Rubric on page 2

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

Get Your Irish Up!

Bouncing Bunnies and Silver Sage Community club are once again hosting the annual 4-H Irish Shenanigans event March 9, at Fuji Exhibit Hall, 6 – 8 p.m. The clubs request everyone dress in some green duds and bring a dish to share: such as salad, casserole or dessert for the pot luck.

Each club or group that comes is encouraged to develop a lip synch skit to perform as entertainment. Get as elaborate as you want but no suggestive lyrics please. The top performance receives a \$25 certificate for pizza. In addition, there will also be a combined group lip-synch skit to Madagascar III Afro Circus Song. Everyone is invited to make up moves and dress up like the animals or circus people for the 3-ring performance.

Following the entertainment portion of the evening everyone plays BINGO! It's lots of fun and there will be funny giveaways to winners. Mark your calendars now and come be a part of a fun family night.

Call the Carson City/Storey County UNCE office at 775-887-2245 for more information.



Livestock Judging in Lovelock

The Pershing County 4-H and FFA members invite you to join them for the Pershing County 4-H Livestock Invitational Judging on Saturday, March 16, at the Pershing County 4-H Building, 810 6th Street, in Lovelock.

There will be eight placement and four reasons classes (weight guess breaks ties) for beef, sheep, swine & goat; as well as four fun questions.

Awards will be presented for all age groups- Junior, Intermediate, Senior, PeeWee (Cloverbud) and Adult.

The schedule for the contest is:

9:00 – 9:45	Registration
9:45 – 10:00	Instructions
10 minutes classes	
11:00 – 12:00	Reasons
12:00 – 12:30	Free Lunch— donations appreciated
12:30 - 1:00	Judges provide official placings
1:00 - 1:30	Round Robin Demonstration
1:30 -	Awards Presentation

Please let them know if you are planning to attend, and if you would be willing to help.

Contact Marianne Papa at 775 273-2923 or email papam@unce.unr.edu.

4-H Pet Treat Fundraiser Winners!

Each year Douglas County 4-H members take part in selling Pet Treats as a fundraiser to raise money for 4-H programs including: County Award's Night, 4-H Camp Scholarships, Pumpkin Patch, and more!

The top three Pet Treat sellers each win movie tickets for four! This year's winners in alphabetical order are: Tyra Best, Anthony Hernandez and Ethan Usher

Congratulations on being the top sellers!

Regional Science Fair!

Douglas County 4-H Science members who qualified locally will advance to the regional event! Members will attend the Western Nevada Regional Science & Engineering Fair at Lawlor Events Center in Reno on March 28-30.

4-H Story Rubric- *Join the Revolution of Responsibility*

Name _____ County _____ State _____

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Youth Voice	Story comes from or is strongly centered on a youth or group of youth who have exceeded expectations and/or stepped up to challenges in their community.	Story is not tied to specific youth and their actions.	Story is focused on a program, but not the youth and the impact they've had.	
Community Impact	Story shows how community was improved due to 4-H'ers actions.	Story shows personal growth of 4-H youth, but no positive impact on community.	Story does not show community impact.	
Solving a problem/ meeting a current issue	Story shows that 4-H'ers are meeting a need or addressing a problem within their community that aligns with current issues in a larger context (i.e. national or societal).	Story does not highlight an action or impact that has a meaningful, sustainable, positive change.	Story does not show that a need has been met or a problem with significance to the community has been addressed.	

March Hares, Rabbits and Cavies

Douglas County Small Animal Project is hosting a 4-H Youth Open Rabbit and Cavy Show on March 16, at the Douglas County Fairgrounds in Gardnerville (920 Dump Road). The leaders and members of the project have been working hard to put together some amazing awards and we anticipate a nice show for all participants.

The show will include a limited snack bar with pizza, sodas, waters, a huge raffle, rabbit tattooing and a poster contest. Please bring an item to donate to the raffle (limit 3 live animal raffles per exhibitor).

Pre-registration is required. The entry deadline is March 10, for mailed entries and March 12, for emailed entries. Fun classes include rabbit hurdles, poster contest and a costume contest for all breeds. Please call 775-782-9960 for more information.



Horseless Clinic in March

Leave your horse at home on March 23, and join the Back Country Horsemen of Nevada at 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for an informative clinic presented by the Washoe County 4-H Horse Leaders at the Bridle Path Arena, 410 Tranquil Dr. in Sparks.

There will be four Rotations: 40 minutes each, 10 minutes "passing", 30 minutes for lunch, and 30 minutes at the end for clean-up.

Rotation Topics include: What to Pack for a Day Ride (horse and rider)... Trail Ride Manners and Safety, "Trail Terrors" to Prepare For, etc.; What to Take for First Aid (horse and rider)... Leg Protection, Common Trail Injuries, Prevention and Basic Treatment; "Leave No Trace" Outdoor Ethics and Back Country Horse Packing Basics.

4-H dress and approved equestrian helmets are required.



State 4-H Judging/Skillathon

The entry deadline for the State 4-H Horse & Livestock Judging & Skillathon contests is fast approaching. Though the event is April 5-6 in Tonopah, entries are due to the state office by March 15, which means they need to be to the county offices by March 13.

Entry forms are available online at <http://www.unce.unr.edu/4H/calendar/files/pdf/2013Livestock-HorseRegPacket.pdf>. They are also available at your county 4-H office.

For more information, please contact Jessica Poole at 775-784-4378 or poolej@unce.unr.edu



Camp LEAFS Activities Training

The camp setting is ideal for outdoor adventures and environmental education. Experiential education in camp settings is an approach that nurtures curiosity, and capitalizes on the unique camp environment with less stress and anxiety from home and school pressures.

The Camp LEAFS Program (Leading Experiential Activities – Facilitator Skills) prepares teen and adult volunteers to facilitate outdoor adventures and environmental education using experiential education. Leaders who utilize the Nevada State 4-H Camp at Lake Tahoe, can participate in the Camp LEAFS program this May 10-12, 2013, and use Nevada State 4-H Camp's unique outdoor environment, while gaining skills and knowledge based on decades of research on outdoor adventures that will enhance your camp programs. Content is in line with the National 4-H Science Mission Mandate, including an emphasis on inquiry-based learning, scientific practices, and youth-adult partnerships.

During the two days of Camp LEAFS, volunteers will begin by comparing educational approaches and through group discussion identify each approach's strengths and limitations. Volunteers will participate in several environmental education activities and in each, debrief, reflect, and apply these facilitation techniques.

Camp LEAFS is presented by a team from private industry and government agencies with years of environmental, outdoor, and experiential education expertise. There is room for 40 participants, with a minimum of 25.

If interested, contact 4-H Camp Facility Manager Kent Worker at 775-588-6943 or email workerk@unce.unr.edu.



4-H Million Trees Project Continues

The 4-H Million Trees project (4HMT) made great progress this year. Since the project started, 73,258 youth have planted 447,707 trees to beautify their communities and help slow global climate change. All 4-H youth are encouraged to plant more trees in 2013, and then log them on the 4HMT database at www.4hmilliontrees.org.

4HMT continues to expand internationally, with Tanzania, Uganda, and Latvia 4-H joining Kenya, India, UK, Canada, & Trinidad and Tobago. Puerto Rico 4-H also has a great program to encourage kids to plant trees. Thanks for your support.

4HMT has a goal to give youth opportunities to learn life skills - grant writing, web design, public speaking for example - through leadership opportunities. For example:

Contact Project Leader Tom Webber and Teen Leader Fiona Benjamin on their website, [ww.4hmilliontrees.org](http://www.4hmilliontrees.org), to discuss how youth can connection with a variety of national nonprofit organizations partnered with 4HMT.

"Like" them on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/4-H-Million-Trees-Project/311665871868>

Every day is a good day to plant a tree!"

Western Area March Dates to Remember

Mar. 5 - Training session for State 4-H
Capitol Days (interactive video)

Mar.10-11 - State 4-H Capitol Days in
Carson City

Mar. 13 - Entries due to counties for
State 4-H Judging & Skillathon

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**4-H Science, Technology, Engineering and Math*

Crows are now considered to be among the world's most intelligent animals. Some crow species have been found to have a nidopallium approximately the same relative size as the functionally equivalent neocortex in chimpanzees and humans, and significantly larger than is found in the gibbon.

They engage in feats such as sports, tool use, the ability to hide and store food across seasons, episodic-like memory, and the ability to use individual experience in predicting the behavior of environmental conspecifics. Crows can even to distinguish individual humans by recognizing facial features.

Recent research has found some crow species capable of not only tool use but also tool construction. Researchers from Oxford University have discovered that crows use a larger variety of tools than previously known, plucking, smoothing, and bending twigs and grass stems to procure a variety of foodstuffs. A single crow may construct and use different tools for different tasks including "knives" cut from stiff leaves and stiff stalks of grass.

-Information from National Geographic and Oxford University

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