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4-H Administrative Updates:

Join us for the 4-H **Leaders Meeting** for all Hampton and Newport News Volunteer Leaders at the VCE Newport News Extension Office, 739 Thimble Shoals Blvd., Suite 1009, Newport News, VA 23602 **December 14, 2011**

Look for More Information to Come!

Enjoy an opportunity to update your club's paperwork, network with other leaders, learn about new curriculum, and share your ideas, and successes.

4-H Junior Camp Volunteers Needed

The Hampton-Newport News 4-H Youth Development Program is seeking teen counselors (ages 14-18) and adult volunteers for the 2012 Junior 4-H Camp from June 18-22, 2012.

Virginia Association of Adult 4-H Volunteer Leaders, Inc.

The **Virginia Association of Adult 4-H Volunteer Leaders, Inc. (VAA4-HVL)**, is organized as a non-profit organization made up of adult volunteers who are serving in Virginia as 4-H Volunteer Leaders. The purpose of the Association are as follows: To promote the 4-H program and encourage community support so that all youth of eligible 4-H age shall have the opportunity to benefit from this youth development. To organize and develop 4-h volunteer leaders. To participate in planning statewide 4-h programs. To provide for an Adult 4-H Volunteer to be on every statewide 4-H committee.

Fall Camping at the Jamestown 4-H Educational Center

Cloverbud Camp:

This 1 day, overnight camp introduces youth **ages 5-8** to the overnight camping experience. No previous experience in 4-H is necessary. These programs provide educational and recreational opportunities that are age appropriate and supervised by Teen Leaders, Adult Volunteers, 4-H Center Camp Staff, as well as Extension Agents and 4-H Center Program Director.

November 12-13, 2011

Science Camp:

4-H Science Camp is focused on encouraging 9-13 year olds to experiment with fun scientific processes in a positive camp atmosphere. Come join us for an exciting "Out of This World" experience!

October 7-9, 2011 ages: 9-13

Blog:

The Jamestown 4-H Educational Center is offering a blog on their website where you can blog, about your camp experiences at Jamestown, when you get a chance check it out!

For more information visit www.jamestown4hcenter.org/



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JOIN THE REVOLUTION OF RESPONSIBILITY



Come and Join the 4-H Hampton and Newport News Teen Club. This club enables youth ages (13-18) to become productive citizens in their community through leadership, citizenship and community service.

As a 4-H Volunteer, You Can:

- Lead youth within school-based, after-school and camp setting and in community clubs.
- Serve as a chaperone, board member, judge or camp counselor.
- Develop and support community service opportunities for youth to make a difference in their communities.
- Teach youth using research-based university curricula.
- Work with other adults to create fun, new programs for youth.



Kids' Tech University KTU a collaboration between Virginia Bioinformatics Institute and Virginia 4-H, (<http://kidstechuniversity.vbi.vt.edu>) is a program serving 9-12 year-old children from all over the state and beyond! On Jan. 28, Feb. 25, March 24 and April 7, 2012, 450 children and their parents will come to Virginia Tech to watch lectures by renowned research scientists and participate in hands-on activities. Daily events will center on common themes related to every day life. For example, the theme of Jan. 28 will be Mathematics. For the hands-on activity portion of KTU, we are renting large halls and/or rooms and will have the children and their parents walk through the area in a career fair-style event to interact with hands-on activities presented by VT clubs, departments, professors and extension agents.

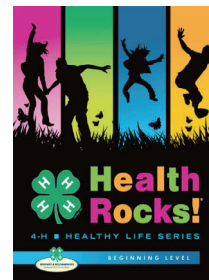
Statewide Character Counts! Train- the-Trainer Training November 15-16, 2011 at The Double Tree by Hilton Hotel in downtown Richmond, VA. The cost for the training fee is \$100.00 for non-VCE employees and includes: lodging, meals/ snacks and Character Counts! Training curriculum for ages 4-teens. Registration deadline is November 2, 2011.

Send registration to: **Melissa Breen**

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CURRICULUM HIGHLIGHTS

Health Rocks!® is a three-part series of leader's curricula for a healthy living program, with the goal of bringing youth, families and communities across the United States together to reduce tobacco, alcohol and drug use by youth. *Health Rocks!* helps youth develop life skills in the area of critical thinking, decision-making, communication, managing feelings, stress management and goal setting to help them resist risky behaviors. It also provides accurate health information regarding statistics and consequences of youth tobacco, alcohol, and drug usage. The program is designed to be facilitated by teen/adult teams. Teaching tips and key health messages are embedded within the activity.



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Grant Opportunities



National 4-H Council offers grants to 4-H programs in local communities, in counties, and on the state level. For more information visit : <http://4-h.org/grants.html>

Do Something Seed Grants:

\$500 are targeted towards project ideas and programs that are just getting started. These grants can be used to jump-start your program or to realize your ideas for the first time. (Deadline: Ongoing)
For information: dosomething.org/grants/seedgrants

United Health HEROES Grants:

The UnitedHealth HEROES program is a service-learning, health literacy initiative that awards grants to help youth, ages 5-25, create and implement local, hands-on programs to fight childhood obesity. The grants encourage semester-long projects that launch on MLK Day of Service and culminate on Global Youth Service Day. Schools, service-learning coordinators, non-profits, and students in the health professions located in all 50 states and the District of Columbia are eligible to apply for the \$500 - \$1,000 grants.

Learn more at www.YSA.org/HEROES
(Deadline: October 17)

Submit your club's highlights and photographs for the next issue to Karen Baker at klucas@vt.edu

JP Morgan Chase Foundation Grants:

The JP Morgan Chase Foundation welcomes grant inquire from non-government organizations working internationally in the Foundation's three focus areas: community development; youth education; and arts and culture. Of particular interest are requests in the areas of microfinance and support for small business development; low-income housing; youth education in low-income communities. To be considered for a grant, an organization must be working in one of the countries outside the U.S. where JP Morgan Chase has a grant program. For more information about the grant application process and determining your organization's eligibility, please visit www.jpmorganchase.com/corporate/Corporate-Responsibility/grant_programs.htm
(Deadline: Ongoing)

Everyday Young Hero Awards:

Awarded weekly to a young person from around the world, who exemplifies an extraordinary commitment to service, the Everyday Young Hero Award Program is open to youth ages 5-25. Nominations must come from a parent, teacher or other adult mentor. Winners are announced in the NSB, featured on YSA's website and showcased within its social media outlets. Everyday Young Heroes also receive a certificate, award and press release. Nominate a young person you know to be recognized as an Everyday Young Hero at www.YSA.org/awards/hero



4-H Donations and Scholarships

4-H is a youth organization administered by the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service of the United States Department of Agriculture, with the mission of "engaging youth to reach their fullest potential while advancing the field of youth". If you are interested in donating items to the 4-H programs or provide scholarships for youth to attend 4-H Junior Camp, or 4-H State Congress please contact Karen Baker or Tashiba Martin at 757-727-1401.

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