

## 4-H Senior High Newsletter February/March 2020

### 4-H Essay Contest

Keep Sevier Beautiful is teaming up with Sevier County 4-H to sponsor the 4-H Essay Contest again this year. It is in line with the school writing assessment and we are asking you to write an informative essay in which you compare and contrast the authors views of "Refusing and Recycling" from two articles by Bea Johnson. You can access the complete essay instructions with the articles at [www.sevier.tennessee.edu](http://www.sevier.tennessee.edu), click 4-H Youth then 4-H Essay – Grades 9-12.

Cash award will be presented with the best essay receiving \$25.00.

Essays should be in the 4-H Office by February 28, 2020. You can bring it or mail to: 752 Old Knoxville Highway, Sevierville, Tn 37862 or email to [gturner@utk.edu](mailto:gturner@utk.edu).

Be sure to include your name, address and school on your essay.

### Spring All Star Conference

April 3-5, at the 4-H Camp in Greeneville, Tn. All Star Conference gives teens the opportunity to develop leadership and citizenship skills while having fun. Cost for the weekend is about \$120.00. Call or email Mr. Turner for details, 453-3695 or [gturner2@utk.edu](mailto:gturner2@utk.edu).

### Other Events

\* Rivers & Roads Community Cleanup – Sponsored by Keep Sevier Beautiful is Saturday, April 4 - from 9 am to noon. Check in locations will be located throughout the county. Go to [www.keepsevierbeautiful.com](http://www.keepsevierbeautiful.com) and click programs for specific clean up sites.

\* 4-H Pet Show – March 21, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. at Mountain Brook Village.

### Congratulations to our County and Regional Speech Winners for 2019-2020

9 <sup>th</sup> grade	Shelby Koerten - SCHS 2 <sup>nd</sup> place at Region
10 <sup>th</sup> grade	Grady Branton - GPHS 1 <sup>st</sup> at Region – qualified for state
11 <sup>th</sup> grade	Katelyn Hedrick - Homeschool 5 <sup>th</sup> at Region
12 <sup>th</sup> grade	Dan Branton - SCHS 1 <sup>st</sup> at Region – qualified for state

### 4-H Honor Club

All high school members are invited to take part in the 4-H Honor Club meetings each month at the 4-H Office at 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Meetings are set for:

February 24

March 30

### 4-H Photography Contest

Get out that camera, take your best shot & enter the Photography Contest in March!

#### Rules:

- \* All pictures must be taken by the 4-H members.
  - \* Photos may not be over one year old.
  - \* Color or black & white photos may be entered.
  - \* Photos should be mounted on paper or poster board with a caption or title under the picture.
- Mounting with picture should be no larger than 8x10. Each picture should be mounted separately. No frames accepted.
- \* On back of mounting, write name, address, school, grade and category for your picture.
  - \* Each member may enter up to two categories, with one picture per category.
  - \* To enter photos simply bring your entries to the 4-H Office by March 20. 1st & 2nd place winners will be named in each category at the county contest on March 31, at Pigeon Forge High School.
  - \* "Best of Show" photo will be selected from all entries at the county contest.

#### Categories

- A. People (group or individual)
- B. Landscapes
- E. Miscellaneous
- C. Buildings
- D. Animals or Birds

### County Baking Contest

The County Baking Contest will be held March 31, at Pigeon Forge High School. High school students are invited to participate by entering "bar cookies". This refers to cookies that have a cake like texture and cut into bars when baked and cooled. Examples: Butterscotch Bars, Chocolate Chip Bars. No brownies please.

\*\*\*There is also a gluten free category this year if you prefer to enter it.

#### Rules for Participants:

1. Choose a suitable recipe for your grade level. You may use recipes from home, but make sure it meets the contest requirements. Sample recipes may also be found on the 4-H website: <http://sevier.tennessee.edu> under 4-H Youth Programs – click 4-H Cookie Recipe.
2. All entries must be from scratch. NO MIXES or commercially prepared dough
3. Prepare the cookie yourself. Parents may guide you, but you must do the work for the contest yourself.
4. Recipes MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH ENTRIES neatly written. Make sure you include accurate amounts, ingredients and complete directions for mixing and baking. Do not put your name on the recipe card.
5. Bring 3 samples from your finished product to the contest March 31 at Pigeon Forge High School. Bring these with your attached recipe card on a disposable plate. Entries will be accepted from 5:30 – 6:15 p.m. Winners will be announced about 7:00 p.m.

#### Your Cookies Will Be Judged On:

Appearance – attractive, evenly browned, no flour spots or burned edges.

Texture – tender, moist, not crumbly. If thin – crisp, tender. If thick – moist, tender.

Flavor – pleasing, well-blended, not excessive.

Recipe card – neatness, completeness, including all ingredients and preparation instructions.