

MISSISSIPPI 4-H VOLUNTEER LEADERS

Annual Conference
Mississippi State University
Bost Extension Conference Center
February 23 –February 24, 2018

Theme: Growing Mississippi 4-H Volunteers

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22nd - P.M.

6:00-8:00 Dinner/Pre-Conference Comfort Suites Conference Room
Pre-Conference set up for MVLA Board Members (*Optional*)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23rd - A.M.

9:00-12:00 MVLA Board Meeting/Conference Set Up Bost Extension Center

12:00 **LUNCH**

P.M.

1:00 Registration/Reception Set-Up Bost Extension Conference Center
MVLA Officers and Region Coordinators

TBA 4-H Volunteer Choir Rehearsal..... Bost Theatre

4:00-5:00 Registration & Reception Sponsored by CB&S Bank - Bost Extension Conference Center

Silent Auction Opens

4:00-5:00 Reception Refreshments will be served

BANQUET - Bost Auditorium

6:00 Call to Order..... Linda Ellis
MVLA President – Lowndes County 4-H Volunteer

Pledge of Allegiance TBA

4-H Pledge..... TBA

Greetings Dr. Paula Threadgill, Associate Director MSU Extension

Invocation..... TBA

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Dinner

Entertainment by Mississippi 4-H Volunteer Choir

- Introduction of Speaker.....Laureen Lockhart, NW Coordinator Elect
- Guest Speaker Pastor Troy L. Durr, Sr
- Awards Linda Ellis, MVLA President
Lisha Hopper, MVLA Reporter
- 7:00-7:45 Live Auction
- Announcements..... Linda Ellis, MVLA President
- 8:00-9:30 Fun Shops & Volunteer Social (coffee & bingo) – Bost Building B

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24th - A.M. Breakfast at your hotel (or location of your choice)

- 7:30-8:30 Registration Bost Extension Conference Center Auditorium
- 8:00 Early Bird Door Prizes SE Coordinator
- 8:00-8:45 General Assembly Bost Theatre
- Welcome/Call-to-Order Linda Ellis, MVLA President
- Pledge of Allegiance TBA
- 4-H Pledge..... TBA
- Thought-for-the-Day TBA
- Entertainment Mississippi 4-H Volunteer Choir

MVLA Annual Business Meeting

- Call to Order..... Linda Ellis, MVLA President
- Introduction of MVLA Board Members..... Linda Ellis, MVLA President
- MVLA Minutes..... Connie Williams, MVLA Secretary
- Financial/Budget/Membership Report..... Debby Carnathan, MVLA Treasurer
- Introduction of Candidates..... TBA
- Candidates Speeches – 3 minutes Candidates must be present

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	Announcements.....	Linda Ellis, MVLA President
	Other Business of Importance.....	Linda Ellis, MVLA President
8:45	First Primary Election	Ballot box will be set up in the lobby
9:00-10:15	WORKSHOPS – Session I	
10:15-10:30	BREAK & EXHIBITS	Bost Extension Conference Center Sponsored by LaQuinta Inn & Suites
10:15-10:30	Run-Off Elections	Ballot box will be set up in the lobby
10:30-11:45	WORKSHOPS – Session II	
11:45-1:00	LUNCH	Bost Extension Conference Center
	<i>County Group Photographs during Lunch</i>	
	Invocation.....	TBA
	<i>Entertainment by Mississippi 4-H Volunteer Choir</i>	
	MVLA Election Results.....	Linda Ellis, MVLA President
	Greeting from Alcorn State.....	Manola Erby, 4-H Specialist
	Greeting from MSU-ES 4-H.....	, State 4-H President
	Greetings from MAE4HA.....	, President
	First Time Attendance Recognition	Debby Carnathan, MVLA Treasurer
	Live Auction	
	Installation of MVLA Officers	TBA
	Door Prizes.....	TBA
1:15-2:30	WORKSHOPS – Session III	
2:45-4:00	WORKSHOPS – Session IV	
4:00	Closing Assembly	Bost Auditorium
	CONFERENCE ADJOURNS	

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2018 MVLA Conference Workshops

Literacy & Learning: The ABC's of Youth Engagement

Presenters: Karen Benson and Jennifer Russell, Extension Agents

Learn the ABC's of opening 1-2-3 doors for getting youth engaged with literacy: (1) 4-H Child Development Contest Projects, (2) creative Reading Presentation, and (3) the Family Storyteller: a literacy program for your community.

Step Up & Lead: Taking your Leadership to the Next Level

Presenter: Dr. Carley C. Morrison & Dr. Laura L. Greenhaw

Do you want to learn new skills and strategies for leading? Join us for an interactive e workshop where we explore the importance of leadership to Extension programs and strategies to take your leadership to the next level.

Minimum of 10 Participants, Maximum of 30

Take a Kid Fishing

Presenters: Dr. Leslie Burger & Dr. Scott Cagle

This workshop will teach fishing basics and ways to engage your local youth, even if you don't have a fishing pond nearby. Participants will become more familiar with the MS Sportsfishing Program Initiative.

Mississippi 4-H WANTS YOU

Presenter: Sharon Patrick, Extension Agent

Are you interested in serving youth in your county? Well, join the Mississippi 4-H Volunteer Leaders Association and you will be equipped to recruit youth and volunteers for 4-H. This workshop will give an overview of the MSU Extension Service mission, 4-H history, club organization process, contest, resources and much more. Participants will be trained to serve youth to be all they can be while aiming high to become productive citizens.

Interior Design Contest

Presenter: LaTrell Stokes, Extension Agent

Participants will receive hands on training in 4-H Interior Design. Each participant will make a design board to take home with them with material provided. Each volunteer will have handouts, etc., needed to conduct and prepare youth for this contest. **\$5.00 Fee**

Limited to 20 participants

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Fine Tuning Your 4-H Club with Simple Evaluation Tools

Presenter: Regina Boykins, Extension Agent

With 4-H clubs, evaluations can become a powerful tool to use to promote club growth and show clubs success. In this workshop, 4-H volunteers will learn the benefits of conducting annual evaluations of their 4-H club in fun and creative ways!

Limited to 20 participants

The Pillowcase Project

Presenter: Kayla Dowden, Extension Agent

The Red Cross Pillowcase project is sponsored by Disney. The program aims to increase awareness and understanding of natural hazards and teaches safety, emotional coping skills, and personal preparedness.

Limited to 20 participants

Non-Riding ATV Safety

Presenter: Brad Staton, Extension Associate

The Non-riding ATV safety workshop is a classroom style presentation designed to give participants the tools and knowledge to educate others about safe riding practices. The workshop consists of a video, a computer assisted test (e-course), and ATV games that do not require a four wheeler.

4-H Bicycle Contest

Presenter: Lemon Phelps, Extension Agent

The 4-H Bicycle Contest is one of the most popular contest during Project Achievement Days and Club Congress. However, 4-H'ers are sometimes "dumped" into this contest and don't always know the rules and regulations. This workshop will give volunteers an opportunity to learn these rules and how to prepare their 4-H'ers for competition.

Promoting Health Among the 4-H's: Strategies You Can Use

Presenters: Dr. David Buys, Brittney Oliver, Ann Sansing, Jasmine Harris-Speight, & Laura Brumbaugh-Robertson

This workshop will provide (1) insight into the importance of health programming for youth in 4-H; (2) an opportunity to participate in an experiential learning approach for youth called the Web of Connections; and (3) facilitated reflection on how the activity can be improved and integrated into existing and new 4-H activities.

Limited to 30 participants

Come Judge for Yourself – 4-H Consumer Judging Contest

Presenters: Mary Linda Moore & Susan Cosgrove, Extension Agents

What is consumer judging all about? Participants in this workshop will get an overview of the contest, then compete individually or in teams of 3 or 4 members. They will judge a class of goods/service, ranking them in order of the best buy. Skills for written and oral reasons will be included in the workshop.

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Putting the “Fun” Back In Your 4-H Club Meeting

Presenter: Crayton Coleman, Extension Agent

We sometimes get caught up spending so much time handling the business portion of a 4-H Club meeting, we forget or have very little time left for the Recreation (Fun) part of the meeting. Having recreation included in our club meeting is a way that we as adults can reinforce the importance of our young people being physically active and living a healthy lifestyle. In this workshop, we will learn some line dances that will have you and your 4-H members being physically active and moving in the right direction together. We will also do some fun teambuilding and communication exercises for your brain and your body.

The Sky is No Longer the Limit

Presenter: David Richardson

Discover new ideas and methods to introduce STEAM concepts into your 4-H programs using rocketry. This workshop will cover basic rocketry, how rockets can be used in various projects ranging from simple to complex, and the possibility of adding a rocketry club to your 4-H program. Participants will also construct a small model rocket.

Limited to 18 participants

Introduction to 4-H Dairy Products Judging Contest

Presenter: Michael Pruitt, Extension Agent

This workshop will be a tasty treat for all participants. An overview of the dairy products contest will be presented. Participants will learn how to train 4-Her's and the materials needed. This is a wonderful contest for junior and senior 4-H members.

Limited to 15 participants

Who is the Bully?

Presenter: Mrs. Rose Coffee Graham, 4-H Volunteer

Participants will discuss different types of bullying and ways situations can be addressed. Many children engage in bullying every day. This workshop will provide educational information about bullying – what it is, the signs, what to do about it, and much more.

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WORKSHOP SELECTION FORM - Online Registration Closes February 9, 2018
✓ CHOOSE ONE WORKSHOP IN EACH TIME SLOT OR ONE OF THE TRACKS

Session I – 9:00 –10:15 a.m.

- Literacy & Learning: The ABC's of Youth Engagement
- Step Up & Lead: Taking your Leadership to the Next Level
- Take a Kid Fishing
- Mississippi 4-H WANTS YOU
- Interior Design Contest
- 4-H Volunteer Leader Certification: Background Check and/or Risk Management Training

Session II – 10:30 -11:45 a.m.

- Literacy & Learning: The ABC's of Youth Engagement
- Fine Tuning Your 4-H Club with Simple Evaluation Tools
- The Pillowcase Project
- Take a Kid Fishing
- Non-Riding ATV Safety
- 4-H Volunteer Leader Certification: Background Check and/or Risk Management Training

Session III – 1:15 – 2:30 p.m.

- The Pillowcase Project
- 4-H Bicycle Contest
- Come Judge for Yourself! Learning More About the 4-H Consumer Judging Project/Contest
- Promoting Health Among the 4-H's: Strategies You Can Use
- 4-H Volunteer Leader Certification: Background Check and/or Risk Management Training

Session IV – 2:45 – 4:00 p.m.

- 4-H Dairy Products Judging
- Putting the "Fun" Back In Your 4-H Club Meeting
- The Sky is No Longer the Limit
- Who is the Bully?
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Name: _____ **County:** _____

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REGISTRATION FORM –To be used for online registration

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February 23 –24, 2018

Mississippi State University, Starkville

*This form is to be used by the Extension Agent to register participants on-line. The deadline for on-line registration is **FEBRUARY 9, 2018**.*

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ County: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Full registration

(Conference activities, meals, banquet, breaks & annual membership) \$90.00 _____

Workshops requiring a fee will be collected by the workshop presenter. Workshop fees are NOT included with the registration. Please DO NOT send workshop fees with registration.

Friday Banquet – ONLY \$25.00 _____

Saturday registration – ONLY \$55.00 _____
(Conference activities, meal, break & MVLA annual membership)

MVLA Lifetime Membership ONLY \$100.00 _____

Conference T-shirts (S M L XL XXL XXXL XXXXL) Choose Size(s) \$10.00 _____

Late fee for registration after February 9 \$ 10.00 _____

Is this your first time to attend the MVLA conference? _____ Yes _____ No

Are you currently a registered Mississippi 4-H Volunteer? _____ Yes _____ No

Please list any dietary restrictions: _____

All participants must be registered and have paid all registration fees to attend. This conference is for adults only. Sorry, there are no facilities for children.

REFUND POLICY: A full refund will be available if requested in writing on or before February 16, 2018. No refunds will be possible after the above date.

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