To: State 4-H Leaders and Specialist Committee

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Re: 2013 National 4-H Poultry and Egg Conference

The National 4-H Poultry and Egg Conference will be held at the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center in Louisville, KY, November 20-21. Enclosed you will find the Conference manual and registration forms. Please note that a block of rooms have been reserved at the Crowne Plaza Louisville Airport. Information on the Conference and general rules are found in the manual. All non-contestants including State Specialists and contestants need to be registered prior to the Conference. There is a general conference non-contestant form enclosed with the packet.

Six years ago, the Specialist Committee decided that a total of three individuals who have attended the conference and competed in any event, in any of the past five years would serve as Ambassadors to the Specialist Committee. Therefore, there is a registration form included and each state is allowed to nominate up to three individuals of which a total of three individuals will be selected to serve as Ambassadors to the Specialist Committee.

If a contestant from your state has a disability and desire any assistance, devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this conference, please contact Dr. Ken Koelkebeck by October 20 at (217) 244-0195 during business hours of 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. C.S.T. to discuss accommodations.

A Web page for this conference has been developed which includes the general rules of each contest as well as other general conference information such as the: Competition History, Schedule of Events, Maps to the Contest, Career Workshop, and Entry Forms. The address is: www.national4Hpoultry.com.

As in previous years, there will be a Poultry Career Opportunities Workshop that will be held at the Crowne Plaza Louisville Airport on Wednesday, November 20, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Please take note of the workshop program on page 5 in the manual and plan on attending this program on Wednesday morning. As of this date speakers have yet to be determined. There are three tours of the Louisville area on Wednesday. Please plan on going on one of the tours. Tour 1 is for people who don’t attend the workshop and Tour 2 and 3 are for those who do attend the workshop.

Other activities will include a Pizza Dinner on Wednesday evening and of course, the Awards Banquet on Thursday. Please see the Schedule of Events on pages 6-7 for all scheduled activities.

Please remember that the registration deadline for the contests is October 20 and for the Crowne Plaza Louisville Airport is October 20. We have a block of rooms reserved so it is important to secure the rooms early and prior to the deadline. When you call in your room reservations, mention that you are with the National 4-H Poultry and Egg Conference. [If you plan to arrive after 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 19, you will need to provide your credit card number to hold for late arrival.]
IMPORTANT - there is an activities fee for each person registered for the conference which includes all contestants and non-contestants. Please remit a check for the total amount ($40 per person) for your state at the time of registration. If a contestant is registered for more than one contest event (i.e., poultry judging and avian bowl) it is still just a one time registration fee of $40. Checks should be made out to the National 4-H Poultry and Egg Conference and sent in with the registration forms. Please send to Ken Koelkebeck, University of Illinois. WE WILL NOT ACCEPT EMAIL RESERVATIONS.

Important - in order to plan for the number of people attending the poultry careers workshop, tours 1, 2, and 3, pizza dinner and awards banquet, please circle those activities on each registration form for each person from your state.


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The 2013 Study Packet for the Avian Bowl contest will be the following:

All questions and answers will come from the following material:

**THE 2013 STUDY PACKET**

All questions and answers will come from the following material:
Avian Systems (Female Reproductive System and Male Reproductive System)  
Growing Blue Ribbon Pullets  
Breeds, Varieties and Strains (All Other Standard Breeds class)  
Eggcyclopedia (Eggs from A to Z through and INCLUDING Custard)  
Fact Sheets: Ratites (entire section)  
Fact Sheets: Avian Influenza  
Embryology (Science of Incubation through Hatching)

**Note:** The above study material came from the National 4-H Avian Bowl Manual revised in 2009. The manual is available from:

Clemson University, Bulletin Room - Room 82
96 Poole Agricultural Center
Clemson, SC 29634-0129
Cost per packet is $15.00 (includes first class shipping)  
(864) 656-3261 (phone); (864) 656-0742 (fax); Attn: Mick Smith

Make checks payable to Clemson University

The following link can be used to purchase National Avian Bowl manuals, using a credit card:

http://shopping.clemson.edu/

When the Clemson Shopping pages comes up, enter Man161 (NO spaces between the alpha and numeric) in the Search Products Box.

I am looking forward to another excellent Conference. Please let me know if there are any specific questions or if the committee can help in anyway.