

## **Advisor Training Break-Out Discussion Summaries**

Wicked Witches and Flying Monkeys - What are some of the problems associated with managing your club? And what are solutions to those problems?

- P: Finding a space
  - S: Extension Office, members barns, fairgrounds, churches, libraries, parks)
- P: Getting Advisors to help with a large group
  - S: Look for parents that ask if you need any help, use sign-up genius for parents to participate to hold them accountable
- P: Finding new members as a new club
  - S: Generate interest at libraries and other locations, send club info to schools to distribute)
- P: Scheduling conflicts with members
  - S: Keep a consistent schedule (every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday as an example))
- P: Kids signing up for projects and then not completing them, especially younger ones
  - S: Do a project showcase)
- P: Giant club
  - S: 6 advisors, each takes a specialty to divide and conquer
- P: families that don't communicate
  - S: Facebook or Remind.
- P: Not enough time for demonstrations
  - S: spread over whole season, older kids go first, let first year members work with a partner

## **Toto Effect: Club Traditions and other Fun Stuff:**

- Do a theme at meetings that kids can dress up for and have fun with it!
- Group project-teaching the kids the process of doing laundry
- Act out the demonstration
- Schedule fun at the beginning of the year
- Scavenger hunts
- Tie-dye t-shirts
- Elect activities officer/committee to plan activities
- Make frozen dog treats
- Der dutchmen fundraiser
- Paper airplane flying competition
- Bowling party
- Fundraisers (flowers, ice cream sundae bar, sub sandwiches sold and made by member, der dutchman, face painting, Air in Hillard, Raffle tickets)
- Visit an orchard
- Pizza party/activity on fair move in night





- Recognition/achievement night
- Rent a pool, Have a cookout
- Popsicle sticks for officer elections
- Serving alumni banquet
- Superbowl Sunday subs
- Farmers Market
- Club projects run by officers
- Group banner for everyone to sign
- T-shirt design Contest varies each year
- Put up pens with Jr. Fair Board
- Dance for Junior Fair
- 4-H Olympics

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## If I Only Had A Heart: Community Service:

- Mulched the funeral home, fairgrounds
- Community Service greeting cards, pizza party
- Personal Needs Pantry (donate and volunteer)
- Washington Township Cemetery (put out flags every Memorial Day)
- Collect dog toys and deliver
- Plain City (bags for seniors, deliver at Christmas)
- Humane Society (make frozen dog treats, support drive, or walk pets)
- Richwood serve food for organizations
- Volunteers at the Plain City Hope Center
- Bingo with Seniors
- Entertainment at nursing home
- Chemo Kits
- Trinity Produce
- Sensory Garden at Fairbanks
- Nursing Home cards
- Clean cemetery
- Park Clean up
- Care kits for homeless
- Personal needs bags- socks
- Baked goods for fire department
- Letters/positive thinking cards to cancer center
- Food drives
- Goodie bags for nursing home
- Baked goods auction to donate funds
- Clean out opera house
- Landscaping at church where meetings are held

- Pillowcases for children's hospital
- Horse Rescue
- Grab and go snack bags Ronald McDonald
- Make food for food kitchen in Columbus

## If I Only Had a Brain: Educational Programs:

- Lavender Farm
- Large Animal Vet Clinic
- Keegs (Mt Victory)- Outdoor archery
- AB Graham Museum
- Guest Speakers (Industrial side of large poultry farms
- Air Force Museum in Dayton
- Dry Cleaners- Laundry Project
- EMT- First Aid
- Rope Rescues- Knot Project
- Glacier Ridge- Ohio Birds
- Delaware Park
- Steve Stolte- Covered bridges
- Tour of funeral home
- Mitchells Berry Farm (Tour for older 4-H Members)
- Anthony Thomas
- Donatos
- Whistle Factory
- Fire station in Plain City
- Heflius Catering
- Baseball Factory
- Football factory
- Wyandot snack factory
- ASE Tour
- Host a clinic for horse kids
- Water plant
- Attaboys Visit
- Rock Collecting Field trip
- Sign language
- Recycle place tour
- Humane society
- CPR
- Tour Green houses
- Farm Safety
- Neil Armstrong
- Trail rides