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Project Record Work Session



It's that time of the year again! The deadline for submitting your project record is just a little over a month away! Come to the Extension Office on December 31 from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. to work on your project record. If you want to type your record that day, computers will be available. If you need to work on your personal touch, scrapbook paper and materials will be provided – just bring your pictures! Call Sara by December 29, if you are planning on attending and let her know if you will need a computer. Snacks will be provided.

Parliamentary Procedure Training



April Bowman, 4-H Agent, will be holding a parliamentary procedure training on Tuesday, January 13, at 6:30 p.m. at the Forsyth County Cooperative Extension Center. Participants will learn about the order of business, how to properly make and amend motions, the role of officers and more. Please RSVP to sara_drake@ncsu.edu or 704-216-8970 by December 29. Transportation will be provided.

4-H Teen Lock-In

A teen 4-H lock-in is scheduled for Friday, January 23, 2009. The lock-in will be held at First Ward Recreation Center in Charlotte, NC. Cost for the lock-in is \$15 per person. We will walk to the Time Warner Arena for the Charlotte Bobcats vs. Phoenix Suns basketball game. The game begins at 7 p.m. After the game, snacks will be served at the recreation center followed by a workshop, games, fitness activities and midnight movies. A light breakfast will be served at 6:15 a.m. If you are interested in attending, please contact Sara by noon on December 30!



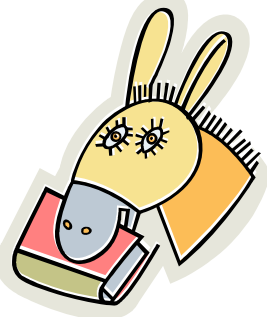
4-H Birthday Bash

Come help us celebrate! Rowan County 4-H will host a 4-H Birthday Bash in honor of North Carolina 4-H turning 100 on Friday, January 2, 2009 from 7 p.m.—11 p.m. at the Extension Office (2727 Old Concord Road, Salisbury, NC 28146). This event is open to the public, so invite your friends! Admission is two (2) items of nonperishable food. This will then be donated to Rowan Helping Ministries. Children 8 and under must have a parent/guardian stay with them at this event. Come out for an evening of games, prizes, food and fun! Be sure to dress up as part of the “Greenest” Contest. Prizes will be awarded! Email sara_drake@ncsu.edu or call 704-216-8970 by Wednesday, December 31, if you plan to attend!



Mock Horse Bowl

Rockingham County 4-H will host a Mock Horse Bowl Practice and will have Hippology supplies and equipment to practice with on January 10, 2009 at the Rockingham County Cooperative Extension Center. Registration will start at 9 a.m. Practice will start at 10 a.m. This event is open to all 4-Hers! Come even if you do not have a Horse Bowl or Hippology team together yet. We are going to mix everyone up to form new teams to practice at this event. Registration deadline is January 9, 2009.



WCD 4-H Horse Bowl

The West Central District 4-H Horse Bowl will be held Saturday, January 24, at the Caldwell County Extension Office. During this competition, youth use their knowledge of horses and related subject matter to compete on a four-member team against other teams. Teams must be registered by January 2 and each county participating must submit questions by Monday, January 12.



NC Junior Hereford Association Judging in January

This event is open to youth of all ages that would like to show off their livestock evaluation skills. This event is hosted by the North Carolina Junior Hereford Association (NCJHA) and will be held January 24 and 25, 2009 at the NCSU Beef Educational Unit. There will be a judging clinic on Saturday followed by a small awards ceremony. Sunday will be a day to learn more about preparing and showing cattle. For more information, visit http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/animal/4hyouth/ah4h.html or call Sara at 704-216-8970. Registration deadline is January 9, 2009.



3rd Annual Perry & Doris Teeter Beef Leadership Institute



This opportunity is offered to twenty youth from across the state who would like to learn new and innovative ways to become better leaders. This event will be held on February 20-22 in Hickory in conjunction with the NC Cattlemen's Association meeting. Youth that want to participate in this event must be 14-18 years of age and have some type of participation with the beef industry. Applications for this event are due to the state office by January 16.

4-H Performing Arts Troupe

In recognition of the North Carolina 4-H Centennial, we are pleased to announce that in 2009 4-H'ers and leaders from across the state will have the opportunity to be involved in a new version of the 4-H Performing Arts Troupe. Unlike most 4-H performing groups around the country, our Troupe will not be a variation on a show choir. Instead, we will rehearse and stage an original musical theatre production written to celebrate the 100 year history of 4-H in North Carolina as part of the Centennial Celebration at 4-H Congress.



Current 4-H members ages 12-18 will have the opportunity to audition for the 30-40 performing roles in the Troupe. 4-H'ers who are more interested in the technical components of the show can apply to work with our technical staff in the areas of costumes, props, set, lighting and sound. Applications for performing and technical students will be available beginning in January with three regional auditions being planned for March. Youth applications are due by February 23, 2009.

We are also offering opportunities for 10-12 adult volunteer leaders to help bring this dream to fruition. The adult volunteers will work with our directors and technical staff to support and provide leadership for our teens. Adults who are interested in music, dance, costumes, props and the technical aspects of theatre are encouraged to apply. All adult applications are due by January 15, 2009.

There will be a \$300 participant fee for all 4-H aged performers and technical students to cover the cost of the rehearsal weekend in May and the weekend rehearsals before Congress. There will be no participant fee for adult leaders. All performers, technical students and adult volunteers must register for Congress which requires an additional registration fee to cover room and meals for the Congress week.

We are very excited about bringing this expressive arts opportunity back to North Carolina for the Centennial.

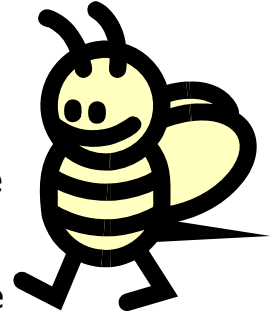
Volunteer Leaders Conference

The North Carolina Volunteer Leaders Conference will be held February 6-8, 2009 at the Sheraton Imperial, Research Triangle Park. Let me know if you are interested and as more information becomes available, I will share it with you.



2009 Beekeeping Essay

The theme for the 2009 Beekeeping Essay is "The Dance Language of Bees." Some scientists believe that honey bees possess the ability to communicate the distance and direction of resources to their nest-mates. The use of symbolic language by an insect has made them one of the most studied animals. This year's essay contest invites participants to learn about the honey bee's dance language, how it was discovered, how it works and how it provides colonies the ability to find and use floral resources. For more information, go online at <http://ipm.ncsu.edu/4-H/essay.html> or contact Sara at 704-216-8970. State and national winners will be recognized. Essays are due to the Extension Office by February 9, 2009.



Hipp Recognized at State Council Conference

North Carolina 4-H's Ambassador Program strives to empower teens with knowledge, skills and aspirations necessary to be effective leaders. The program strengthens a youth's current abilities so they may serve as positive role models for younger youth, build meaningful partnerships and promote the 4-H mission. Alex Hipp was recognized at the 2008 State Council Conference for earning her bronze level in the Ambassador Program. Alex completed five required workshops including Introduction to the Ambassador Program, Fundamentals of 4-H Youth Development, Public Speaking Basics, Parliamentary Procedure, Personal, Professional and Flag Etiquette. In addition to the required workshops, Alex completed 15 hours of elective workshops and submitted a portfolio. Congratulations Alex!



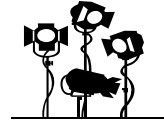
Food Show



The second annual 4-H Food Show was held in November. The 4-H Food Show provides youth with the opportunity to learn about nutrition and exhibiting food. Participants arrive at the competition with their entry fully prepared. They then exhibit the item, serve the judge a sample and answer related nutrition questions about their entry. Participating were: Kimberly Bramblett, Michael Bramblett, Krystal Diehl, Jordan Fesperman, Micah Furr, Alejandra & Luanda Garcia (team), Alex Hipp, Savanah Hipp, Miranda Miller, Ian Nettles, Kathrine O'Neal, Holly Wallace and Faith Wiltsie. Each entry earned a blue ribbon and each participant earned a \$5 4-H Mall Gift Certificate.



Club Spotlight



What is “Club Spotlight?” This section of the newsletter is devoted to 4-H club news. Club reporters should submit club news to the 4-H office after each meeting. This information will be “spotlighted” in the 4-H newsletter each month.

Call the 4-H Office if you need more 4-H Club Reporter forms.

REMEMBER TO SEND IN YOUR CLUB REPORT

East Equine Explorers 4-H Club

Eleven members attended the November 6 meeting at Phoenix Farm. Micah Furr called the meeting to order. Alex Hipp led the pledges. For roll call, we named a part of tack. We handed out information on the wreath and pet treat fundraisers. We talked about the December 6 trip to Raleigh for a horse judging clinic. Mrs. Lisa gave a great lesson on English tack and thanks for the informational dressage lesson! There will be a clinic on December 13 at Dr. Furr’s farm with Mrs. Lisa as the clinician. Auditor fees will go to the EEE 4-H Club

Micah Furr called the December 4 meeting to order. The meeting was held at Dr. Ann’s Rockwater Farm. For roll call we named a reindeer! Regan led the pledges. Bayley reported we have \$37 in our new checking account at Citizen’s South. She reported on the trip to the bank to open the account. Rachel read the minutes and they were approved. Sara Drake explained the 100 year birthday of 4- H party on Jan. 2. For meeting 6 months and having active members, our club earned its Charter! Sara Drake presented our Charter certificate to our club. Congratulations to all members of our club! Micah Furr and Alex Hipp earned their John Deere 4-H hats. Amber Brown from John Deere was there and we thanked her for our hats. Michaela Patterson gave a two minute talk with a poster on horse breeds and Alex Hipp talked about wound care. For our program, we held a quiz bowl with three different teams. We played three times. Dr. Steve brought pizza and we enjoyed our party. We had a fun visit from Santa and we made him an honorary member of our club! We made Christmas ornaments for the barn tree and got a Santa hat with a 2008 EE collector pin.



Respectfully submitted, Rachel Bell

Isenberg Clever Clovers 4-H Club

The 4-H Clever Clovers would like to acknowledge Alejandra and Luanda Garcia for placing 2nd in the Food Show. We are very proud of their accomplishment. We will be caroling at the Brian Center to the residents on Wednesday, December 17 between 3 p.m.-4 p.m. Come out and listen to the students sing. We completed the pet food sale and appreciate the community’s support of this endeavor.

By: Sharon Still

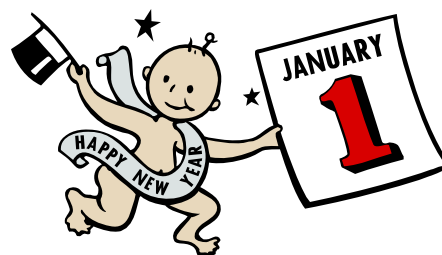
December

- 24 Holiday ~ Office Closed
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- 26 Holiday ~ Office Closed
- 29 Registration Deadline for Project Record Work Session
Registration Deadline for Parliamentary Procedure Training
- 30 Registration Deadline for 4-H Teen Lock-in
- 31 Project Record Work Session



January

- 1 Holiday ~ Office Closed
- 2 4-H Birthday Bash ~ 7 p.m.
WCD Horse Bowl Registration Forms Due
- 9 Registration Deadline for Judging in January
Alternate Date – 4-H Birthday Bash
Registration Deadline for Mock Horse Bowl
- 10 Mock Horse Bowl
- 12 Horse Bowl Questions Due
- 13 Parliamentary Procedure Training – Forsyth County
- 15 Scholarship & Honor Club Applications Due
Adult Applications for Performing Arts Troupe Due
- 16 Applications for Teeter Beef Leadership Institute Due
- 19 Holiday ~ Office Closed
- 23-24 4-H Teen Lock-in
- 24 WCD Horse Bowl – Caldwell County
- 24-25 Judging in January
- 30 Project Records due



February

- 6-7 NC Volunteer's Leaders Conference
- 9 Beekeeping Essay Due
- 12 PALS/County Council Meeting (dinner @ 6:30 p.m.; meeting @ 7 p.m.)
- 23 Youth Applications for Performing Arts Troupe Due



Sincerely,

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Extension Agent
4-H Youth Development



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