

THE HOME PLATE

NEWS FOR MEMBERS OF
BERRIEN COUNTY 4-H HOME SCHOOL CLUB

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“The worst thing you can do for those you love is the things they could and should do for themselves”

“Never be disagreeable just because you disagree”

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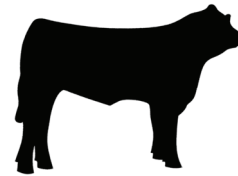
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BERRIEN COUNTY STEER & HEIFER SHOW / SALE

Come out to the Berrien County Steer and Heifer show to be held March 12th, 2012 at the Berrien County Agricultural Center beginning at 6 p.m.. Nearly 30 students will compete for local grand champion in both a heifer and steer show. The following night, March 13th, 2012 at 7 p.m. local steers will be auctioned off at the Berrien County Steer Sale. Come out watch the process and bring your family. Get up close and personal with locally grown beef and heifer projects. Also, cheer on your fellow 4-H members as they make the best better through their beef project work. Home School 4-H'ers competing include the Beville family- Kayla, John, Matthew and LeAnne.



INTERNATIONAL NIGHT MARCH 20, 2012

Did you know that 4-H is a club for youth in many international countries? We learn a lot of information during 4-H International Night. Research a foreign country, showcase it through a poster/trifold board, then present information to an audience through a speech or presentation, work with other 4-H'ers, and prepare a food from your chosen country. Sounds fun right-well it is. International Night with home school and Flat Creek Christian Academy students is one of Berrien County 4-H's favorite event. Why? Well it incorporated two of 4-H's favorite activities - presentations and food.



Pick a country (let the 4-H office know which country you are selecting before February 22nd) put together a presentation, and create an international dish to be shared with others. This event usually brings a crowd as over 100 people have attended in the past.

International Night is scheduled for March 20th, 2012 at the Berrien County Agricultural Services Building beginning at 6:30 p.m. Let the 4-H office know if you are a homeschooler and are participating. Home school families can team up to present a country or can have more than one country per family.

COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITY- JANUARY

Valentines for Senior Citizens— Create Valentines cards to be distributed by middle and high school 4-H'ers to area residents of personal care homes, nursing homes, and assisted living centers. Many of the residents of these homes may not see anyone on Valentine's Day. Your card will brighten their day and bring a smile to their face and warm their hearts. Make sure that your cards are made with love and that you have spent much time creating your cards. Also include your name and that you are a member of the Berrien County 4-H Club. **Cards must be completed on or before February 9th.** Your involvement in this program is important because if we do not have cards to deliver, this activity would not happen. Make one or more than one. Brighten the day of someone-it's easy.





Cloverleaf District Project Achievement Club



We want you to represent Berrien County 4-H at Cloverleaf District Project Achievement(DPA) this year in Americus, Georgia on March 17, 2012.

Please call the 4-H office at (229)686-5431 or email pwillis@uga.edu or bcknight@uga.edu so we can get the ball rolling on another successful year of project achievement. Last year nearly all of our participants placed at competition.

Build your self confidence, enhance your speaking ability, hang out with friends, and learn more about 4-H outside of the classroom.

By participating in DPA you become eligible for summer camp scholarships.

Don't forget to call us to confirm your involvement with this elite group.

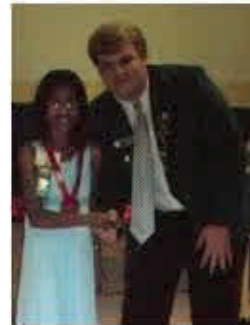
Workshops will be held at the 4-H office to get you prepared for this great competition.

Workshop dates are:

February 16th, 23th, 28th, 2012
and March 1st, 6th, and 8th, 2012

from 3:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m.

Other workshops are in the planning process that will include speech organization, posters/visuals, as well as practice sessions. If you can't make it to the workshops and another date works better for you, let us know so we can schedule one on one sessions for you.



For more info regarding Cloverleaf District Project Achievement visit <http://www.georgia4h.org/public/more/guidebook/cloverleafprojectachievement.html>

4-H SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITIES FOR JUNIOR 4-H'ERS

Junior Camp at Burton 4-H Center on Tybee Island
June 18-22, 2012 Cost \$315

Come camp near historic Savannah. Visit friends from nearly all of Southwest District's counties. Enjoy a fun filled week of camp on an island. Visit Savannah, take a dinner cruise along the Savannah River, and go on a marsh trawl. Like to hear about ghosts and eerie happenings—we will also take a ghost tour and visit the lighthouse on Tybee Island. We are near the beach and we will swim and ride the waves as well as visit the Marine Science Center and learn about Georgia's coast. We need you to attend because both Mr. Patrick and Ms Brenda will be going. Come take that ride with us to Tybee Island. Just make sure a ghost doesn't get in the van on the way back.

Boo!!!!!!!!!!!! Sign up is NOW!!!!!!!!!!!!

Wilderness Challenge Camp at Camp Wahsega near Dahlonega

July 9- 13, 2012 Cost: \$345

Campers must have a positive attitude and must be ready to participate and jump in with both feet. No backing out and no homesickness allowed! Activities include: White water rafting on Tennessee's Ocoee River, Cave Crawling at Raccoon Mountain near Chattanooga, Overnight camp out, Classes at Wahsega especially developed for Wilderness Challenge Camp, and night recreation with dancing and outdoor sports.

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4-H CAMP AT ROCK EAGLE 4-H CENTER
6TH GRADE ONLY

June 4-8, 2012 at Rock Eagle 4-H Center

Cost --\$285.00

\$90 deposit due at registration

Sign up will be held Saturday, March 3rd from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. We could fill up quickly, so be prepared when that time comes. If you missed out on last year's summer camp, you have plenty of time to save some money—so pick up those pine cones, rake those yards, and keep that room clean. Make good grades too. Camp is a one of a kind trip that will have you wanting to stay all summer long. Mark your calendars for sure!! The people on the right want to see you again.



4-H SUMMER CAMP LEADERSHIP COUNSELORS

National 4-H
Poultry Judging



It's
coming
so get
ready!!!

*"Goals achieved
with little effort are
seldom worthwhile
or lasting."*



We're "Berrien" the competition