



# The 4-H Messenger

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Providing Athens-Clarke County Juniors & Seniors with the Latest News!

## March 2011

### Athens-Clarke County Junior and Senior 4-H'ers Compete at District Project Achievement



During the weekend of March 4-6, 28 Junior and Senior members of ACC 4-H traveled to Rock Eagle to compete in DPA. There were over 500 4-H'ers from the Northeast District who competed at this event. Everyone did an exceptional job and we congratulate each of you. There were 3 Senior first place winners, Morgan Wurst in Safety, Veronika Rzucidlo in Performing Arts—Dance, and Ansley Jordan in General Recreation. They will go on to compete at State Congress in July of this year. Now is a great time to get started on portfolios for next year! If you have ideas or need help coming up with ideas to create portfolio material, please ask Ms. Conway and/or Ms. Felton TODAY!

### Middle School Club of the Month

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| 1. St. Joseph's 6th       | 2040 pts. |
| 2. St. Joseph's 7th & 8th | 1190      |
| 3. Hilsman 7th            | 1130      |
| 4. CMS 6th                | 740       |
| 5. CMS 8th                | 680       |
| 6. Hilsman 8th            | 630       |
| 6. Coile 6th              | 630       |



Congratulations to the Top Clubs for the month of February. Remember the ways to earn points? If not check last month's newsletter and your club could win the end of the year local reward trip!

### Upcoming Events & Due Dates

- Senior Conference .....April 30– May 1
- Junior Rally.....May 21-22
- Cloverleaf Camp..... June 6 -10
- Junior Camp @ Fortson ..... July 4 - 8
- Junior Marine Resource Camp.... July 4 - 8
- Senior Camp ..... July 4 - 8

### Junior 4-H Event

Junior Rally is a district event for current 7th and 8th grade 4-H'ers. The theme for this year is "Disco Rally". It will take place Fortson 4-H Center during May 21-22. The cost for this event is \$70 and you must sign up by Wednesday, May 4th.

### Senior Conference

This is a district event for current 9th-12th grade 4-H'ers. The theme for this year is "The Amazing Race 2". It will take place Fortson 4-H Center during April 30—May 1, 2011. The cost for this event is \$70 and you must sign up by Friday, April 8th.

### 40 Gallon Challenge

Water conservation is an ever-growing concern for everyone on our planet. How can you make a difference to save water on a daily basis? You and your family can participate in the 40 Gallon Challenge by taking the pledge to reduce your water usage and be entered into a drawing for a rain barrel. It's very easy to do.

Visit the web site [www.40gallonchallenge.org](http://www.40gallonchallenge.org) and sign up.

Follow the instructions on the web site and submit one pledge per household. Read the list of water saving practices and check off any new actions that you will incorporate to save water. For example – if you regularly turn off the water while brushing your teeth you should not check that practice. Do not duplicate pledges – only one per household so families should sit down together and decide what they can do to save water.

You will receive a confirmation email after you have submitted your water saving plan. To be entered into the drawing for the rain barrel, simply forward that email to the Master Gardener desk at the ACC Extension office. The address is: [athensmg@uga.edu](mailto:athensmg@uga.edu) Those taking the pledge and forwarding their email by May 15<sup>th</sup> will be entered in a random drawing for a rain barrel. This is a great opportunity to get involved with a community service project to help out the environment and also your portfolio at the same time! Please contact Ms. Felton to find out how you can become more involved.

