

HOME HAPPENINGS



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CLOVERLEAF PROJECT ACHIEVEMENT

The time for completing projects for DPA is getting shorter. If you are signed up and have not started working on your project, please schedule a time to come in to the 4-H office and let us help you. If you have not signed up for a project yet, please do so immediately.

Cloverleaf DPA will be on Saturday, November 12th in Blackshear at the Pierce County Middle School. Parents who plan to attend the event with us need to pay the \$5 lunch fee at the 4-H office no later than 5 PM, on Friday, October 28th. The \$5 fee for parents covers your lunch and insurance for the day. The lunch fee for 4-H members will be covered by Coffee County 4-H. Members who would like to purchase armbands for the games should also pay the \$5 fee by Friday, October 28th.

In addition to getting 100 points for participating in DPA, you will also have a reward party. Participants will be notified of the date, time, and location of the party.

For more information or to sign up for a project, please call the 4-H office at 384-1402.

PET THERAPY AT SHADY ACRES

We had a wonderful visit with the residents at Shady Acres on **Monday, September 19th**, for our first 4-H Pet Therapy Visitation. There were 61 4-H members, adults, and pre-club members who turned out for the visitation day. Participants were: **Ambrose:** Katie Marie Burch, Savannah Cothorn, and Jacey Spell; **CCA:** Carmen Greenway and Emily Purvis; **Coffee Middle School:** Dilan Boggs, Dayla Diliiegros, Alexis Evans, Thomas McIver, Kelly Walls, Taija Walls, and Micheal Woods; **Eastside:** Elizabeth Crews, Asia Davis, Clara Farmer, Graceanna Griffis and Tinya Sirmans; **Home School:** Karaline Jordan, Will Jordan, Kate Vickers, Kendra Vickers, and Phaedra Vickers; **Indian Creek:** Huntington Smith; **Juniors:** Emory Burch, Alicia Day, Ruth Day, and Kayla Tatum; **Seniors:** Allie Adams, Sara Browning, Lucy Frier, Jeree Harper, Nicki Melton, Elizabeth Peters, Miranda Porter, Alyssa Swords, and Carrie Tatum; **West Green:** Perin Tomberlin; **Westside:** Kaylei Byrd, Zoe Grimes, Kaitlin Klein, Kara Spires, and Kaitlyn Stephens; **Adults:** Stacy Boggs, Joe Burch, Katrina Burch, Malissa Crews, Jennifer

Diliiegros, Evelyn Evans, Sue Farmer, Jody Fussell, Greg Griffis, Lisa Porter, Buffy Reaves, Farah Smith, Beth Spires, Karen Stapleton, Cathy Tatum, Rose Veal, Gina Vickers, Linda Walls and Chalanda Woods.

Remember that our **next Pet Therapy Visitation** will be on **Monday, December 12th**. Your pet must be friendly, and dogs and cats must be current with their booster shots. We start at **4 PM** and end at 4:30. Don't leave until we get our group photo.



DECEMBER CLOVERLEAF 4-H DANCE

The next Cloverleaf 4-H Dance is scheduled for Friday, December 9th, from 5 to 7 PM at "The Fun Place" in the skating rink. Wristbands are twenty-five cents and are available from your 4-H teacher and admission is \$5 at the door. Pick up time is 7 PM, so remind your parents of this.

Parents who wish to help chaperon are asked to contact the 4-H office by Friday, December 2nd, and they must be a Screened Volunteer or Certified Chaperon.



TARGET SPORTS COACHES TRAINING

If you know of an adult who would like to help with one of the programs, please have them contact the 4-H office at 384-1402. A Certified Coaches Training will be held at Rock Eagle on December 2nd-4th and we need to get them enrolled for the workshop no later than Wednesday, November 16th.



CANNED FOODS

The local food bank needs your support. Remember to bring canned foods each month for the local food bank.



GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIR EXHIBITORS

The Junior and Senior 4-H members took a trip to the Georgia National Fair on Monday, October 10th, to check out all the exhibits entered by 4-H members in the various contests this year. We would like to congratulate the following students who entered exhibits in the Georgia National Fair this year. **Katie Burch:** Decorated Agricultural Products Contest (5th Place), 4-H Computer Graphic Design Contest (9th Place), Ice Cream Contest (1st Place), Inventions (3rd Place), Pizza Contest (9th Place), Promote 4-H Contest-Cloverleaf (6th Place) and Recycling Contest. **Savannah Cothorn:** Recycling Contest; **Allison Guthrie:** Mini-booth Exhibit (10th Place), Variety Show (6th Place) and Invitational Variety Show (10th Place); **Lacey Long:** Ice Cream Contest (7th Place); **Willie Spence:** Variety Show (1st Place); **Jacob Thompson:** 4-H Computer Graphic Design and Recycling Contest; **Kaylee Thompson:** Decorated Agricultural Products (1st Place), 4-H Computer Graphic Design, Mini-booth Exhibit and Recycling Contest (3rd Place); **Emily Tomas:** Decorated Agricultural Products Contest (8th Place); **Phadrea Vickers:** Mini-booth Exhibit, (7th Place); **Tyler White:** Mini-booth (3rd Place); **Micheal Woods:** Terrarium Garden (8th Place).

We would also like to recognize our 4-H members who participated in the **county mini-booth contest:** **Seniors:** Allison Guthrie (1st Place), Phaedra Vickers (2nd Place) Kaylee Thompson, (3rd Place), Jordana McClendon, (Honorable Mention) and Jacob Thompson, (Honorable Mention); **Junior:** Tyler White 1st Place and Overall Winner; **Cloverleafs:** Micheal Woods (1st Place), Katie Marie Burch (2nd Place), and Kate Vickers (3rd Place).

4-H CHRISTMAS PARADE FLOAT

4-H members who would like to help with the 4-H Christmas Parade Float need to sign up at the 4-H office by Friday, November 11th. To sign up, you will need to turn in a 4-H Medical/Medication Authorization Form and a 4-H Code of Conduct to the 4-H office. Students who plan to be in the parade **MUST** help with making the props for the parade.

We will also need some parents to help with our preparations. Parents who can help should also sign up at the 4-H office. Remember, parents must be Screened Volunteers or Certified Chaperons to help with 4-H activities.

The Christmas Parade will be held on Saturday, December 3rd, starting around 6:30 PM. This year's theme is "The 12 Days of Christmas."

4-H ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY WORKDAY

We had our first 4-H Adopt-A-Highway Workday on September 29th. We had a great group of 4-H members attend. Participants were: **Ambrose:** Katie Marie Burch, Savannah Cothorn, and Karson Smith; **Coffee Middle:** Alexis Evans, Angel Medina, Kyia Johnson, Ian Scott, Kelly Walls, Taija Walls, and Micheal Woods; **Eastside:** Asia Davis, Savonte Davis, Clara Farmer, Ashiana Furta-do, Takwajala Henderson, Tyionne Holland, John Nguyen, Will Spivey, and Tinya Sirmans; **Indian Creek:** Davin Harper, Kyle Kovaleski, and Matthew Moneypen-ny; **Juniors:** Harrison Barlow, Emory Burch, Adrian Medina, Kelsie Scott, and Tyler White; **Seniors:** Allie Adams, Jordana McClendon, Jeree Harper, and Kasey Taylor; **Westside:** Kaitlin Klein and Cristal Valle; **Adults:** TeTonia Jones, Colleen Kovaleski, Felicia Moneypen-ny, and Chalanda Woods.

Don't forget that our **next workday** for the 4-H Adopt-A-Highway program will be held on **Thursday, December 1st, from 4 to 5 PM**, at the 4-H office. Please come and help with this service project if you are available that day. Remember, you get 25 points for helping in this community service project.



COMMIT 2B FIT PROGRAM

4-H members are encouraged to get out and get moving by taking part in the City of Douglas' **COMMIT 2B FIT** walk. 4-H members will be given 20 points for participating in these walks. The dates for the next few walks are: Thursday, October 27th, at 5:30 PM starting in front of the Alternative School, Saturday, November 19th, at 10 AM, and Saturday, December 3rd. The November walk will include a scavenger hunt in downtown Douglas. The December walk will take place during the Christmas parade.

DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS

\$1 PER MONTH = 5 POINTS
GIVE YOUR DOLLAR TODAY
TO HELP WITH 4-H CAMP
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM!



COUNTY GOAT SHOW

Early fall is the time for Georgia 4-H Goat Shows. Coffee County had several 4-H members who participated in the County Goat Show on Saturday, September 17th. The results are posted on the 4-H website. Members who participated in the show included Emory Burch, Katie Burch, Ava Caves, Allison Dorsey, Jake Harrell, Maggie Luke, Leo McIver, Jonathan Sayer, Cody Thurman, Kendra Vickers, and Phaedra Vickers.

Showmanship winners included: Phaedra Vickers-2nd in senior showmanship; Kendra Vickers- 4th and Emory Burch-8th in intermediate showmanship; in cloverleaf, Allison Dorsey-first, Maggie Luke-second, and Katie Burch-third; and in the pre-club, Jake Harrell-first, Cody Thurman-second, Ava Caves-third, Jonathan Sayer-fourth, and Leo McIver-fifth.



HOLIDAY CARD ARTWORK CONTEST ENTRIES

We want to thank Katie Burch (Ambrose Elementary) and Abby Hamilton (Home Schooled) for entering artwork into this year's 4-H Holiday Card Artwork Contest. They were the only two who took time to submit artwork. Good luck on winning that \$50 prize at the state 4-H level.

CAN TABS (POP TABS)



Collect Your Pop Tabs for the Ronald McDonald House Charities. Remember, you get 20 points for collecting a pint or more.

FALL FORUM SENIOR 4-H CONFERENCE

Senior 4-H members are invited to take part in the Fall Forum 4-H Conference at Rock Eagle 4-H Center on Saturday, December 10-Sunday, December 11. Cost for the weekend is \$70 and is due in the 4-H office by Friday, November 18th. Cost increases by \$5 after this date.

The theme for the weekend is "Party at the Rock" and the weekend will include a performance by Clovers and Company, workshops on 4-H program areas as well as tips for preparing for 4-H competitions, and the annual winter dance, plus the other bonuses like making new friends, learning about their 4-H programs, and more.

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK/GEORGIA 4-H WEEK

We had a great turn out for the Coffee County 4-H Day at the Central Square Complex in downtown Douglas. We want to thank all of the volunteer leaders and teen leaders who turned out to help. The cow, horse, chickens, goats, dogs, and snake were a big hit with everyone and the large slide was great fun for all. Everyone loved the games with Mrs. Gina Gibbs.

We would also like to thank all the donors who helped provided supplies for the event. They were Coca-Cola, Harvey's Supermarkets, Flowers Bakery, Williams Institutional Foods, and Burger King.

We also had a good group of Junior and Senior 4-H members go to WOKA Radio Station to record Public Service Announcements (PSA's). We would like to thank the local radio stations for playing our announcements on the air during 4-H week. These PSA's were played on WOKA, WPNG, and WULS radio stations. The 4-H members who participated were: Alisa Arnold, Allison Guthrie, and Micheal Woods.

During 4-H week, candy baskets were prepared and delivered to the local schools for teachers, administrators, and staff as well as to the courthouse. The candy was a big hit with the teachers.

We would like to thank everyone who had a part in helping celebrate 4-H Week in Coffee County. We really appreciate your support.

4-H Day participants included: **Ambrose:** Katie Marie Burch and Savannah Cothorn. **Broxton:** Leo McIver. **CCA:** Leann Brown and Loryn Brown. **CMS:** Kaci Adams, Jordan Will Davis, Alexis Evans, Anna Grace Grantham, Aleigha Harrell, Becky Heiken, Brindi Kirsch, Corbin Lewis, Zane Lewis, Thomas McIver, Cheyenne Morgan, Randall Pace, Jr., Hernandez Robinson, Ian Scott, Erin Terrell, Courtney Toth, Kara Vaughn, Kelly Walls, Taija Walls, and Micheal Woods. **Eastside:** Keegan Adams, Gabby Batten, Elizabeth Crews, Asia Davis, Jamill Green, Graceanna Griffis, Kellylynn Hall, Takwajala (Bay) Henderson, Tyionne Holland, Tinya Sirmans,

Will Spivey, Tenia Styles, Alan Toombs, and Antonio Williams. **Home School:** Abby Hamilton, Kendra Vickers, and Phaedra Vickers. **Indian Creek:** Scott Edens and Kimberly Wright. **Juniors:** Kristen Adams, Coby Barrett, Emory Burch, Alicia Day, Duke Day, Ruth Day, Charles Reed, Jayda Robinson, Kayla Tatum, Kasey Taylor, Eli Waldron, and Tyler White. **Satilla:** Bonilla Tania. **Seniors:** Allie Adams, Alisa Arnold, Caleb Barrett, Sara Browning, Travis Dopson, Lucy Frier, Daniel Gould, Jeree Harper, Bryan Hidalgo, Jordana McClendon, Kaylie Murray, Elizabeth Peters, Miranda Porter, Brooke Rivers, Alyssa Swords, Carrie Tatum, and Hannah Wright. **West Green:** Taylor Justice. **Westside:** Kaylei Byrd, Antravious Johnson, Trinitee Smith, Kara Spires, and Kaitlyn Stephens.

FOR PARENTS

HOW TO BECOME A 4-H VOLUNTEER

4-H programs are only possible with the help of qualified volunteer leaders. However, in order for a person to serve as a volunteer for 4-H, they must become either a screened volunteer leader or a certified chaperon. A screened volunteer leader can help 4-H staff and certified chaperons with chaperoning a local event, but cannot attend out of town or overnight events without becoming a certified chaperon.

The steps to become either a screened volunteer leader or certified chaperon start out the same. First you must complete and sign a 4-H Volunteer Leader Application and a 4-H Volunteer Leader Agreement. Once we have these two forms, we must question the references listed on the application. If they give you a favorable reference, then the application is sent to The University of Georgia where a criminal background check is completed. If it passes this step, you are then cleared as a screened volunteer leader.

For a screened volunteer leader to become a certified chaperon, they must also go through a training and take an exam over the materials covered in the training. If you pass this, you must complete and sign the Certified Chaperon Agreement and then you are cleared to attend out of town or overnight events.

In the past, 4-H members have failed to share this with their parents and we sometimes don't get enough adults to chaperon local 4-H dances. These dances are fundraisers and help pay for events like Project Achievement and the end of the



4-H CLUB CALENDAR

October 2011

- 25 Home School 4-H Meeting, 3 PM, 4-H office
- 27 Hometown Harvest Festival, Downtown Douglas
- 27 Commit 2B Fit Walk, 5:30 PM, Alternative School
- 28 4-H Camp Counselor Applications Due
- 31 Hunter Safety Course, 7-9 PM, Gen. Coffee St. Park*
- 31 Halloween-Trick or Treat Day

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- 1 Certified Teen Leader T-shirt Orders/Money Due
- 5-6 Junior 4-H Conference, Rock Eagle 4-H Center
- 11 Veteran's Day (Mrs. Liz's Birthday)
- 12 Cloverleaf Project Achievement, Blackshear
- 12 Co. & St. Hog Show Tagging Day, CHS, 8-10 AM
- 14-18 Christmas Parade Float Preparation
- 18 Fall Forum Registration/Money Due
- 19 Commit 2B Fit Walk, 10 AM, Downtown Douglas
- 21 Hunter Safety Course, 7-9 PM, Gen. Coffee St. Park*
- 21-25 Thanksgiving Holidays, Schools closed
- 24-25 Thanksgiving Holidays, 4-H office closed
- 24 Thanksgiving Day
- 26 Coffee/Pierce 4-H Horse Show (Pleasure), Blackshear
- 28 Co. & St. Hog Show Tagging Day, CHS, 6-8 PM
- 28 Horse Club Fundraiser, 4-9, Hungry Howie's Pizza
- 29 Home School 4-H Meeting, 3 PM, 4-H office

DECEMBER 2011

- 1 Adopt-A-Highway Workday, 4 PM, 4-H office
- 2 Hunter Safety Course, 7-9 PM, Gen. Coffee St. Park*
- 2-4 Target Sports Coaches Training, Rock Eagle
- 3 Coffee/Brantley 4-H Horse Show (Running), Alma
- 3 Commit 2B Fit, 6:30 PM, Parade Route
- 3 Douglas Christmas Parade, 6:30 PM
- 5 Hog Show (PQA) Meeting, 6:30 PM, CMS LUNCHROOM
- 8 Jr/Sr/Home School 4-H Meeting, 4 PM, 4-H office
- 9 Cloverleaf 4-H Dance, 5 - 7 PM, The Fun Place
- 10-11 Senior 4-H Fall Forum, Rock Eagle 4-H Center
- 12 Pet Therapy Visitation, 4 PM, Shady Acres
- 15 Jr/Sr DPA Portfolios Due
- 15 Camp Scholarship Applications Due
- 19 Salvation Army Bell Ringing
- 26-30 Christmas Holidays, 4-H office closed



* Pre-registration required one week prior to class

year 4-H Reward Trip.

Please take the time to complete the application and agreement and turn them in to the 4-H office. The screening process usually takes at least two to three weeks. This is why it is crucial to plan ahead if you are willing to help at a 4-H event.

Please don't hesitate to call the 4-H office if you have any questions about the screening process. We will be glad to talk to you about this. Our number is (912) 384-1402.

This newsletter is designed for Coffee County Cloverleaf 4-H members and their parents to inform them of upcoming events and information on 4-H and its activities. It was created by Kevin Tatum, CEA, and edited by Lisa Craigue, CES, and Liz Batten, CEPA. Call (912) 384-1402 for more information or visit our website at <coffee4h.org>.