

# HOME HAPPENINGS



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## PROJECT ACHIEVEMENT

Cloverleaf 4-H members traveled to Blackshear on Saturday, November 12th, for this year's **Project Achievement** competition. 4-H members selected a project, researched it, and put together a presentation on that topic. They were given six minutes to present their project at the contest.

'Project Achievement' is an excellent way for 4-H'ers to learn useful skills such as research, organization, visual creation, and public speaking.

This year's participants, their projects, and their placing in their project include: **Ambrose:** Katie Burch, Crafts, 3rd place, Gracey King, Ocean Ecology, 2nd place, and J.J. Mobley, Food Safety & Preservation, 2nd place. **CMS:** Dixie Blanton, Performing Arts-Instrumental, 2nd place, Anthony Cleveland, Air Science, 1st place, Chase Dees, General Recreation, 1st place, Allison N. Dorsey, Between Meal Snacks, 4th place, Jeremiah Dozier, Performing Arts-Instrumental, 1st place, Reece Hampton, Bicycle, 1st place, Easton Hatcher, Wildlife, 2nd place, Kaylynn Jewell, Safety, 2nd place, Kyya Johnson, Dog Care & Training, 1st place, Brindi Kirsch, Sports, 3rd place, Thomas McIver, Beef, 1st place, Kyndal McNeese, Conservation & Recycling, 1st place, Angel Medina, Electricity, 1st place, Randall Pace, Jr., Time & Money Management, 1st place, Ria Patel, International, 1st place, Jasmine Rivas, Cat Care, 3rd place, Gioia Rosier, Safety, 1st place, Chantelle Sleurs, History, 3rd place, Willie Spence, Performing Arts-Vocal, 1st place, Maggie Stevens, Photography, 2nd place, Blake Tanner, Outdoor Recreation, 2nd place, Courtney Toth, Public Speaking, 1st place, Kara Vaughn, Food Fare, 2nd place, Kelly Walls, Arts, 2nd place, Taija Walls, Arts, 1st place, Diamond Wilcox, Food Fare, 1st place, and Micheal Woods, Wildlife, 3rd place. **Eastside:** Elizabeth Crews, Outdoor Survival Skills, 1st place, Asia Davis, Bicycle, 1st place, Jackson O'Steen, Outdoor Survival Skills, 4th place, Tinya Sirmans, Sports, 1st place, and Tiffany Spruce, Gen-

eral Science, 2nd place. **Home School:** Abby Hamilton, Between Meal Snacks, 1st place. **Indian Creek:** Kimberly Wright, International, 2nd place. **Satilla:** Dawson Adams, Using Water Wisely, 1st place, Ricky Phillips, Arts, 4th place, and Nydia Swanson, Dog Care & Training, 2nd place. **West Green:** Taylor Justice, Forestry Resources & Wood Science, 1st place and Perin Tomberlin, Horse, 1st place. **Westside:** Meaghan Hill, Using Water Wisely, 2nd place, Kaitlin Klein, Veterinary Science, 1st place, and Griff Roundtree, History, 4th place.

We would also like to thank our teen and volunteer leaders who helped by serving as judges, hall monitors, and helpers. **Teen Leaders** were: Linda Aycock, Alicia Day, Ruth Day, Travis Dopson, Allison Guthrie, TeTonia Jones, Jordana McClendon, Adrian Medina, Niki Melton, Elizabeth Peters, Miranda Porter, Brooke Rivers, Colleen Scott, Lawrence Sleurs, Stephanie Sleurs, Alyssa Swords, Phaedra Vickers, Tyler White, and Hannah Wright. **Volunteer Leaders** helping were: Erin Aycock, Hannah Batten, Katrina Burch, Malissa Crews, Rhonda Hamilton, Suzan Justice, Daniel McElhaney, Rachel Pace, Sylvia Tomblin, Elmo Tumblin, Chalanda Woods, and Patti Wright.

Coffee County had a total of 45 participants and our 4-H'ers came home with 23 first place awards, 13 second place awards, and 5 third place awards. Coffee County was presented three county awards: third place for most participants at the contest; second place for most first place winners, and second place for most improvement in participation.

Congratulations to all of these participants on an outstanding job. We are really proud of your accomplishments.



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## 4-H ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY WORKDAY

Don't forget that our next workday for the 4-H Adopt-A-Highway program will be held on **Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup>**, 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.



## CAN TABS PROJECT

Please continue to collect aluminum pop tabs off of soda cans and food cans to be recycled for the Ronald McDonald House Charity. Remember that if you turn in a pint bag or more that you earn 20 points towards the 4-H Reward Trip.

The total for the 2011 year for Georgia 4-H was **15,182 pounds**, which came out to net **\$9,500** for the Ronald McDonald House. Coffee County 4-H members and citizens contributed **688 pounds** to the effort and earned the first place award for the most tabs turned in from Southeast Georgia. Congratulations on this award as it benefits a great charity. The 4-H staff encourages you to keep up the good work. We want to thank Allison and Mary Guthrie and Elizabeth Peters for delivering them to Rock Eagle for us.



## PET THERAPY AT SHADY ACRES

Remember that our next Pet Therapy Visitation will be on **Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup>**. 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.



## COMMIT 2B FIT WALK

Please come out and EXERCISE for the next Commit 2B Fit Walk on December 3rd, at 5:30 PM. We will meet up at Hungry Howies. Wear your 4-H Hoodie or Commit 2B Fit t-shirt. The December walk will be part of the Christmas parade on December 3rd.



## CLOVERLEAF 4-H DANCE

The next 4-H Dance will be on Friday, December 9th, from 5 -7 PM at The Fun Place. Remember that armbands are 25 cents and you can only buy one. Admission at the door is \$5. Only screened volunteer leaders can chaperon the dance and should contact the 4-H office if they plan to help out.



Junior and Senior Certified Teen Leaders and Screen Volunteers Leaders who plan to serve as a chaperon at the dance need to sign up with Mrs. Liz by December 2nd. Don't forget that we need help in the parking lot during pick up time from 7 to 7:30 PM.

Dance Chaperons must be Screened Volunteer Leaders. Contact the 4-H office to find out how to become a Screened Volunteer.

## HORSE SHOW NEWS

4-H members interested in participating in the 4-H Horse Club shows this year need to save the following dates. The running events and judged events will be held on different days this year. These horse shows are open shows (open to anyone). The dates are:

November 26-Coffee/Pierce Judged Show, Blackshear

December 3-Coffee/Brantley Running Show, Alma

January 7-Glynn/Wayne Running Show, Brunswick

January 28-Glynn/Wayne Judged Show, Brunswick

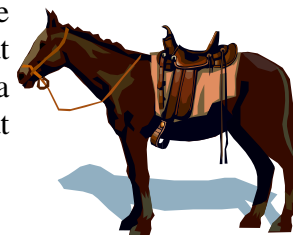
February 4-Brantley Judged Show, Nahunta

March 10-Ware County Judged & Running Show, Waycross

April 7-Coffee/Pierce Running Show, Blackshear

Prizes will be given for circuit high point awards.

For more information, please contact Mrs. Sandra Sears at (912) 383-0543, or Mrs. Lisa Craigue at the 4-H office at (912) 384-1402.



## GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIR EXHIBITORS

We would like to congratulate the following students for entering the Georgia National Fair Livestock Shows: **Cattle Shows:** Allison Dorsey and Eli Waldron. Allison Dorsey placed 9th.

In the **Hog Shows:** Seth Ables, Felton Harper, and Lindsey Kirkland. In showmanship, Seth Ables placed 6th and in the weight classes, Seth placed 6th & 11th, Felton placed 4th and 9th, and Lindsey placed 3rd.

In the State Meat Goat Show (which was also held during the Georgia National Fair), participants included Emory Burch, Katie Burch, Allison Dorsey, Jake Harrell, Jonathan Sayer, Cody Thurman, Kendra Vickers, and Phaedra Vickers. In the weight classes, Emory received 9th place, Allison placed 3rd and 4th, Jake placed 2nd, and Kendra placed 10th.

Congratulation to all of these livestock show participants.

## CLOVERLEAF SUMMER CAMP

Coffee County will be camping for a week this summer at the Fortson 4-H Center at Hampton, GA. This camp is located really close to the Atlanta Motor Speedway and will include a night at the races as well as a trip to White Water and Stone Mountain. Our camp week will be June 18-22 (that is a Monday through Friday). This year's cost for the week of camp is \$350 and includes four nights lodging, thirteen meals, transportation, insurance, camp t-shirt, admission to White Water, Stone Mountain, and the Atlanta Motor Speedway, and great adult and teen leaders to chaperon the week.



We are trying to put together a couple of fundraisers so that you can sell the products and the profit (not the total fee collected) would go towards reducing the cost of you week of camp.

Sign up will begin on Monday, December 12th, during office hours (8-12, 1-5). Space is limited and available on a first come, first serve basis. A non-refundable deposit of \$125, or the total camp fee of \$350 is due at sign up. If you pay the \$125 deposit, \$75 payments are due by the first of each month be-

ginning on February 1st with all of your fees paid by Monday, April 2nd.

We have space available for four Certified Chaperons to attend and chaperon the week of camp. Any parents interested should contact Mrs. Liz or Mr. Kevin at the 4-H office.

You can also apply for a 4-H Camp Scholarship if you can't afford the whole camp fee. Scholarships are given each year to students who have been active in 4-H and need the financial assistance for camp. Scholarship applications **MUST BE TURNED IN BY THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15th**. Late applications will only be considered if there is more scholarship money available than there are applications turned in.



## JUNIOR 4-H CAMP

We know that it's early to start thinking about signing up for 4-H Camp, but now is the time to start signing up. This way we can make your monthly camp payments smaller. The camp fee for Junior Camp at Burton 4-H Center on Tybee Island is \$295 plus any transportation fee that we may incur. Junior Camp will be held during the week of July 16-20.

Sign up begins today during office hours (8 AM to noon, and 1 PM to 5 PM). A deposit of \$50 or the appropriate camp fee will be due at sign up. If you pay the \$50 deposit, the next payment of \$50 will be due by the first of the month for January, February, March, April, and May. The first two payments of \$50 make up a non-refundable deposit and must be paid by everyone (even if you receive a camp scholarship).

To help 4-H members offset the cost of camp, we are looking to offer a 4-H fundraiser.

The Camp Scholarship Application is available on the 4-H web site at <http://coffee4h.org> under the "Forms" page and is due by December 15th.



## SENIOR 4-H CAMP

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## 4-H CLUB CALENDAR

### DECEMBER 2011

- 1-31 Junior/Senior/Wilderness Challenge Camp Sign Up
- 1 Adopt-A-Highway Workday, 4 PM, 4-H office
- 1 Teen Leader Shirt Orders Due (with \$)
- 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 Douglas Christmas Parade, 6:30 PM
- 3 Commit 2B Fit Walk, 6:30 PM, Parade Route
- 5 Hog Show 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 Cloverleaf Camp Sign Up Begins, 4-H office
- 12 Pet Therapy Visitation, 4 PM, Shady Acres
- 15 JR/SR DPA PORTFOLIO DEADLINE**
- 15 Camp Scholarship Applications Due
- 19 Salvation Army Bell Ringing, 10 AM-8 PM
- 25 Christmas
- 26-30 Christmas Holidays, 4-H office closed



### JANUARY 2012

- 1 New Years Day
- 2 New Years Holiday, 4-H office closed
- 3 Camp Payment Due
- 7 Glynn/Wayne County 4-H Running Horse Show
- 7-8 Camp Counselor Selection Weekend, Rock Eagle
- 9 Archery Club Fundraiser, Hungry Howies
- 10 Hunter Safety Course, 7-9 PM, Gen. Coffee St. Park\*
- 16 MLK Holiday, no school, 4-H office closed
- 24 Home School 4-H Meeting, 4 PM, 4-H office
- 26 Commit 2B Fit Walk, 5 PM, Alternative School
- 28 Glynn/Wayne County 4-H Pleasure Horse Show
- 31 Jr/Sr DPA Project Work Deadline, must be complete



Camp at Rock Eagle is \$295 and for Wilderness Challenge Camp is \$325 plus any transportation fee that we may incur. Senior Camp will be held at the Rock Eagle 4-H Center (near Eatonton, GA) during the week of July 2 - 6. Wilderness Challenge Camp will be at Wahsega 4-H Center near Dahlonega (and Mr. Kevin will be attending this one).

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### JUNIOR/SENIOR DPA

The deadline for Junior/Senior DPA Portfolios is 5 PM on **Wednesday, December 15th**. Get started ASAP so that you can take part in the fun weekend at Rock Eagle. Portfolios consist of a cover page, two pages consisting of project work, main project sharing and helping, community service, leadership, other activities, and one page of supporting material.

DPA will be held the first weekend in February (February 3-5). Demonstrations should be prepared as soon as possible so that you have enough time to practice before going to Rock Eagle.

### 4-H LISTSERVE SIGN UP

4-H parents, volunteers, Junior 4-H members, and Senior 4-H members are invited to sign up to be on the Coffee County 4-H Listserve. This email list will be used to distribute information to 4-H members, parents, and volunteer leaders in a timely manner.

If you would like to have your name added to the Listserve, please send an email to [ktatum@uga.edu](mailto:ktatum@uga.edu) or contact the 4-H office at 384-1402 and let us know. Please be sure you give us the exact spelling of your email address so that we input it correctly.

### SENIOR 4-H FALL FORUM CONFERENCE

Senior 4-H members interested in attending the Statewide Senior 4-H Conference at Rock Eagle called Fall Forum on Saturday, December 10th, and Sunday, December 11th, should sign up and pay the registration fee of \$75 as soon as possible. Space is limited and filled on a first come, first serve basis.

This year's theme is "Georgia 4-H: Party at the Rock" and will include a performance by Clovers & Company, a Talent Revue, recreational events, and workshops. It promises to be a weekend of great fun and making new friends, so sign up today!

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](http://coffee4h.org).