



Focus on 4-H



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CAMP SIGN-UP FRIDAY, JANUARY 14!

The Lamar County 4-H Club wants you to go to camp! Camp registration will be held on **Friday, January 14** at the **Lamar County Extension office**. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m.

Cloverleaf Camp will be held at Rock Eagle 4-H Center from July 4-8 for 5th and 6th graders. The cost for camp will be **\$285**. Camp costs can be paid in installments beginning in January! There will only be 26 spaces for camp this year.

Junior Camp will be held at Fortson 4-H Center from July 4-8 for 7th and 8th graders. The cost for camp will be **\$310**.

Camp costs can be paid in installments beginning in January 14! Camp spaces are filled on a first come, first served basis.

Senior Camp will be held at Rock Eagle 4-H Center from July 4-8 for 9th and 12th graders. The cost for camp will be **\$285 plus the cost of transportation (which will be determined at a later date)**. Camp costs can be paid in installments beginning in January 14!



THANKS TO THE CAROLING CLOVERS!

Sincere thanks to all the 5th grade officers and Junior and Senior 4-H'ers that sang Christmas carols at the Heritage Inn Nursing Home on December 21. You all did a fantastic job! Congratulations to Lauren Adams, Britney Dix, Jaimee Fletcher, Juliette Henry, Courtney Jackson, Jonah Johnston, Natalie Morris, Austin Ogletree, Krupa Patel, Canon Templeton, Marleigh Turner, Kenley Tyler and Donald Weitzel, III. A special thanks to Austin Ogletree for directing the choir and Mr. Donald Weitzel, Jr., 4-H Program Development Team member, for attending the event.

LAMAR COUNTY 4-H IS ON FACEBOOK!

Lamar County 4-H has a Facebook page! Become a member of the Lamar County Georgia 4-H group. Go to our page for current happenings of the Lamar County 4-H program, photos from activities and upcoming events. Make sure to type in Lamar County Georgia 4-H in the search box! And, tell your parents to become members, too!



**JR/SR PORTFOLIOS ARE DUE ON
JANUARY 7, 2011 BY 5:00 P.M.!**



**Welcome to our new group
of 4-H'ers at Rock Springs
Christian Academy!**



COMMUNITY SERVICE ALERT!!

HELP WITH THE FORTSON 4-H CENTER NATURE TRAIL!



On Monday, January 17, the Lamar County 4-H Club will contribute to the MLK National Day of Service by helping to restore the nature trail at Fortson 4-H Center. We'll meet at the Lamar County 4-H office at 9:00 a.m. We will return to the Lamar County 4-H office around 1:00 p.m. Transportation will be provided and lunch will be served. This activity is limited to thirteen (13) 4-H'ers. Please call the 4-H office by January 13, 2011 if you want to participate!

JOIN THE 2011 POULTRY & EGG SCIENCE TEAM

If you are you looking to be part of an exciting 4-H activity, join our 2011 Poultry & Egg Science Team! At the team practices, you will learn how to judge and handle live chickens and grade eggs (like the ones you see in the grocery store)! You will also compete in a contest with other 4-H'ers at the Henry County Extension facility in McDonough! The contest will be held on Tuesday, April 12. **THIS IS A CRCT DAY! Before you sign up, make sure that your parents know that the contest**

date is a CRCT test date! Have your parents call the 4-H office by **Monday, February 6, 2011**, if you would like to be a part of the team. Because of transportation limitations, we can have up to **13** students participate on the team. ***Our first official team practice will be on February 8!***

Elementary School Students: 3:00 – 4:00
Middle and High School Students: 4:15– 5:00

4-H STATE HORSE SHOW INTENT FORMS

The intent to show forms for the 2011 State Horse Show are available in the Lamar County 4-H office and on the Lamar County 4-H webpage. If you are a registered 4-H'er living and/or attending school in Lamar County, you must submit intent to show forms to the Lamar County Extension office. If not, you must contact the county extension office where you live and/or attend school for forms. Intent to show forms will be due to the Lamar County 4-H office by **Monday, March 7, 2011**.



GEORGIA FARM BUREAU MIDDLE SCHOOL ESSAY CONTEST

Are you 6th, 7th, or 8th grade student in Georgia? Do you want a chance to be rewarded for your writing skills? If so, enter the Georgia Farm Bureau Middle School Essay Contest. This contest is for you to use both your writing skills and your knowledge or research of agriculture.



The topic is:

“Agriculture Counts: The Importance of Agriculture in Georgia to Me, My Community, My State, My country and the World”.

Contact the Farm Bureau Office here in Lamar County for more information. The phone number is 770-358-2298.

GEORGIA FARM BUREAU ART CONTEST

Georgia Farm Bureau, your county Farm Bureau and SunTrust Bank, Middle Georgia have an opportunity for you to apply your artistic skills to their annual art contest have an opportunity for 9th -12th graders to use their artistic skills in their annual art contest. Drawings should be representative of modern agriculture found in your county **OR** Georgia's agriculture industry.



Contact the Farm Bureau Office here in Lamar County for more information. The phone number is 770-358-2298.

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LET'S GO TO PUERTO RICO!

4-H GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP & ENVIRONMENTAL
EXPEDITION
May 29 - June 5, 2011

Here is an awesome opportunity for Senior 4-H'ers
in the 9th – 12th grades to:

- have the benefit of an international experience and learn about Latin American culture, without technically leaving the U.S.
- engage our peers in a meaningful dialogue on 4-H youth development and Citizenship Programs
- learn about the lifestyles of youth in other cultures
- learn about environmental sciences through exploration of a variety of tropical ecosystems

*The cost of the trip will be approximately **\$1145 - \$1245**. No more than 16 Senior 4-H'ers will be selected for this trip. Download the information and an application on the Lamar County 4-H webpage at:*

http://www.georgia4h.org/public/edops/international/change/puerto_rico.htm

Applications are due to the Lamar County 4-H office on Tuesday, February 8, 2011



APPLY FOR SOUTHERN RIVERS ENERGY TRUST SCHOLARSHIP

Information and applications for the Southern Rivers Energy Trust Scholarship can be found at:

<http://www.southernriversenergy.com/news/newsdetail.aspx?itemID=21>

Make sure that you mail the application off by the deadline!



GEORGIA 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Headed off to college after graduation? Have you considered the costs? With tuition, books, class supplies, room and board . . . it all adds up quickly. Georgia 4-H'ers are eligible for college scholarships to help with the expense of continuing education after high school.

To be considered for the Georgia 4-H Scholarships, please download the information and application located on the *Georgia 4-H Foundation* webpage at:



http://www.georgia4hfoundation.org/achievement_scholarships.htm

Bring the completed application and supporting materials to the Lamar County 4-H office by **Tuesday, February 22, 2011** for signatures and mailing.

DISTRICT BOARD ANYONE?

If you are participating in Junior~Senior Project Achievement this year, why not consider running for an officer position on the 2011-2012 Northwest Junior or Senior District Board? This will be an incredible opportunity for you to represent your county and district at district and state 4-H functions. You will learn leadership skills, make new friends and travel.

4-H'ers interested in running for office should complete a nomination packet. The packet of information can be found on the Lamar County 4-H webpage.



YOUNG SCHOLARS INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

The University of Georgia College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences (CAES) Summer Internship Programs target talented high school students who show a high aptitude in math and science related subjects.

Selected summer interns work side-by-side with CAES researchers for six weeks, and are paid a salary for up to 40 hours of work per week. The students earn money, learn job responsibility and, most importantly, are introduced to the work of agricultural scientists.

The goal of the internship program is to encourage outstanding high school students to pursue careers in science.

Students are paired with a mentor-scientist. With the mentor's help, each student develops a science project to work on over the summer. At the end of the program, students present reports on their projects detailing their summer internship experience.

Applications can be found at the web address below. The

deadline for applications is **January 31, 2011.**

www.caes.uga.edu/academics/internships/youngscholars/apply/index.html



UPCOMING JANUARY 4-H CLUB MEETINGS

Eighth Grade 4-H Club Meeting
January 11, 2011
3:20 p.m.- 4:20 p.m.
Lamar County 4-H Office

Senior 4-H Club Meeting
January 12, 2011
3:20 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.
Lamar County 4-H Office

Sixth and Seventh Grade 4-H Club Meeting
January 13, 2011
3:20 p.m.- 4:45 p.m.
Lamar County 4-H Office

UPCOMING CONTESTS



2011 4-H BEEKEEPING ESSAY CONTEST ANNOUNCEMENT AND RULES

Sponsored by
The Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees, Inc.

Each year, Georgia 4-H and the University of Georgia's Entomology Department organize the 4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest. This contest is a national competition offered by the Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees, Inc. The University of Georgia's Entomology Department will determine the top three essays in Georgia and send the first ranked winner on to compete on the national level, competing against states across the nation. The national winner will be announced by May 1, 2011.

For more information about the contest, please check out their webpage at:

<http://honeybeepreservation.org>

Ag Day 2011 Essay Contest Deadline is **February 4, 2011**

This year's theme is "**American Agriculture: Your Food. Your Farmer.**" The national winner will receive \$1,000 and a trip to Washington, D.C. For complete contest details rules and entry form visit:

<http://www.hpj.com/agdayessay/>