



FOCUS ON 4-H NEWSLETTER



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SAVE THE DATE!

4-H Awards Program
Barnesville Civic Center
Thursday, May 21
7:00 p.m.

4-H COUNTY AWARDS PROGRAM WILL HONOR 4-H'ERS, VOLUNTEERS AND DONORS

The Lamar County 4-H Club will hold its awards program on Thursday, May 21 at the Barnesville Civic Center. The program will begin at 7:00 p.m.

4-H'ers that participated in the following activities will be recognized: Cloverleaf Project Achievement, Junior Senior Project Achievement, Poultry Judging, State Congress, Valley Agricultural Fair, Georgia National Fair, Lamb Project, S.A.F.E. Team, Community Service and Horse School.

A number of Lamar County 4-H volunteers, community donors and supporters will be recognized as well.

BE A PART OF THE 4-H AWARDS PROGRAM!

If you are a Senior 4-H'er **THAT HAS NOT** had a speaking part during the 4-H Awards program, **AND** would like to be a part of the 2009 awards program, please call Ms. Jackson at the 4-H office on **Friday May 15..** Practice for the program will be **Monday, May 18** at the **4-H office** from **2:00 p.m. - 6 p.m.** The 4-H'ers on program will: (1) deliver the welcome; (2) lead the Pledge of Allegiance and introduce the presentation of awards; (3) deliver the invocation and lead the 4-H Pledge; and (4) introduce the slide show and guests. 4-H'ers will also be needed to make decorations.



GEORGIA 4-H PHOTO CONTESTS

Georgia 4-H announces three upcoming photo contests: (1) 4-H Photography Contest; (2) Focus on 4-H Contest and (3) 4-H Focus on Agriculture Contest.

The **4-H Photography Contest** is open to all Georgia 4-H'ers. Although it is not necessary, it is hoped that photo entries in this contest express creativity in communicating 4-H.

The **Focus on 4-H Contest** is open to youth and adults. The youth include all Georgia 4-H'ers. The adult category includes agents, county staff, parents and volunteers. Participants in this contest must submit photos that have an emphasis on 4-H.

The **4-H Focus on Agriculture Contest** is open to all Georgia 4-H'ers. The photos that are submitted in this contest should highlight agriculture in Georgia.



Entry forms for the contest are available on the Lamar County 4-H webpage and at the Lamar County 4-H office. Entries are due in the 4-H office by **Friday, May 15.**

WANNA GO TO CAMP?

Call the 4-H office and see if there are still spaces available for camp!

T-SHIRT CONTEST!

Thanks to all the 4-H'ers that submitted a t-shirt design. Mrs. Scandrett will announce who won on May 22 on the morning announcements! Remember, the first place winner will receive \$10 and a t-shirt. The other prizes are: 2nd place, \$7 and 3rd place, \$3.



S.A.F.E TEAM ON THEIR WAY TO STATE MATCH!

Seven Junior and Senior Lamar County 4-H S.A.F.E. (Shooting Awareness, Fun and Education) Team



members are on their way to the State Qualification match at Rock Eagle. The 4-H'ers include: Tripp Bankston, Michael Brown, Aaron Holloway, Jonathan Lassiter, Madison McCarty, Rance Poss, and Paige Wigglesworth. Mike Aiken and Bob Bankston are the coaches. Steady now and good luck y'all!!

POULTRY JUDGING TEAM COMPETES!

The Poultry Judging team traveled to Athens on April 20 to compete in the Athens Area Poultry Judging Competition. There were 246 Junior Individuals (5th – 8th graders) that made up 33 Junior Teams and 100 Seniors (9th -12th graders) that made up 27 Senior Teams. The junior team was: Craig Basso, Shelby Bray, Ashley Cannon and Tristan Smith. The senior team was: Christen Jackson, Courtney Jackson and Mathias Koeppel. The junior team placed 22 which was a noteworthy accomplishment for their first time! Our senior team members finished 6th. Everyone worked really hard to get ready for this contest and we are very proud of them!



2009 STATE COUNCIL

State 4-H Council is the annual meeting of Georgia 4-H'ers is June 19 - 21. Don't miss out on the fun! State Council is for rising 9th-12th graders! Participants will spend three exciting days at the world's largest 4-H Center filled to the brim with your high school 4-H friends!

This year's State 4-H Council features tons of activities to keep 4-H green. Participants will explore the world of science and technology. Participants will also vote on State Officers that will represent Georgia 4-H'ers. Also at State Council, 4-H'ers from the four districts will compete to see which district will win the Iron Clover Award. All this plus community service activities, Clovers & Company and Master 4-H Day! The cost for this event is \$44.00. The cost includes insurance, transportation, lodging, and



meals. The registration deadline is June 8! Call the 4-H office if you have any questions at 770-358-5163.

CLOVERS & CO. AUDITIONS

Clovers & Co. is made up of singers, dancers, instrumentalists and stagehands. During the past 25 years, Clovers and Co. has established itself as the top 4-H performing group in the nation. The excellence of the program is a direct result of the outstanding young people who audition for the show each year! If you are interested in being a part of

Clovers & Co., here are a few details:

Who? Registered 4-H'ers in the 5th – 12th grades (4-H'ers that have graduated from high school or will graduate in 2009 are ineligible to audition.

Audition Details: Participation in Clovers & Co. is limited. Auditions to screen and select members will be held. 4-H'ers are responsible for their own expenses and travel arrangements to and from the audition site.

Audition Dates: 4-H'ers must choose **one** audition date: **June 4 at Mt. Zion Elementary School in Clayton County** from 8:30 a.m. until noon (applicants must check-in by 11 a.m.) **OR June 16** at the Rock Eagle 4-H Center in the Talmadge Auditorium from 8:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Applications are available on the 4-H webpage and 4-H office and are due to the 4-H office on **Friday, May 29** by **5:00 p.m.**

2009 STATE 4-H HORSE SHOW EDUCATIONAL CONTESTS

The Georgia 4-H Horse Show Educational Contests give students an opportunity to participate without showing a horse. 4-H'ers can participate in the following competitions: Individual Demonstration Contest, Team

Demonstration Contest, Public Speaking Contest, Horse Drawing Contest, Horse Painting Contest, Horse Essay Contest and Horse Photo Contest. If you are interested in participating in these contests, please contact the Lamar County 4-H office at 770-358-5163. Entries must be submitted to the **Lamar County 4-H office by Friday, May 22.**



If you have any special needs because of a disability, please contact the Lamar County Extension Office at 770-358-5163.