



Focus on 4-H



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JOIN THE LAMAR COUNTY 4-H CLUB!

Would you like to be a member of the Lamar County 4-H Club? Registration for the 2011-2012 4-H year has begun! Come by the Lamar County 4-H office and complete an enrollment card! If you were a Lamar County 4-H'er last year, you must re-enroll this year. Remember, only 4-H'ers that complete a 2011-2012 enrollment card can compete in fairs and judging teams, attend camp and participate on the shotgun team during the 2011-2012 school year so enroll today!



WHO WANTS TO GO TO CAMP?!

4-H'ers, mark your calendars now! The 2012 dates for 4-H summer camp have been set and we know where we are going!

Cloverleaf Camp will be held at Fortson 4-H Center from June 25-29 for 5th and 6th graders.

Junior Camp will be held at Burton 4-H Center on Tybee Island June 11-15 for 7th and 8th graders.



Senior Camp will be held at Rock Eagle 4-H Center in Eatonton July 2-6 for 9th – 12th graders.

Cost information about each camp will be available in January 2012 (if not before)!

BUGGY DAYS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

The 2011 Buggy Days Festival will be held September 17-18 in beautiful downtown Barnesville. The Lamar County 4-H Club needs 4-H'ers and adults to help us prepare for and work at its two booths during the festival. At one booth, we'll sell sno-cones. The other booth will have those awesome smoothies that everyone is so used to tasting!



On Friday, September 16, 4-H'ers and adults are needed at the 4-H office help load the 4-H bus at 3:30 p.m. At 7:00 p.m., 4-H'ers and adults are needed downtown to unload the 4-H bus and set-up the 4-H booth.

September 17 and 18, Cloverleaf (5th and 6th graders) 4-H'ers will be needed to help in the Sno-cone booth helping to sell sno cones. **Remember, if you have been elected as a 4-H officer, you are required to work 1 hour at the booth.** Adults will be asked to man the front table taking orders and collecting money.

Junior (7th and 8th graders) and Senior (9th-12th graders) 4-H'ers will be needed to work in the smoothie booth re-stocking supplies. A few will be needed to handle the ice shaving machine in the sno-cone booth.

Cloverleaf 4-H'ers that work in the sno-cone booth will be asked to work 1 hour. Junior and Senior 4-H'ers will be asked to work 2 hours. This is the 4-H club's major fundraiser and we need all the help we can get! Please call the 4-H office **today** at 358-5163 to sign-up and volunteer.



WAY TO GO FAIR PARTICIPANTS!

Good luck to 4-H'ers Daniel Aiken, Anna Johnston, Jonah Johnston, Gabe Parker and Garrett Parker on your competing in the Georgia National Fair! Daniel, Gabe and Garrett are showing their sheep and goats. Anna has entered the Family Scarecrow and Ice Cream making contest. Jonah will be playing the drums in the 4-H Variety Show!

GOOD LUCK TO FORESTRY JUDGERS!

Good luck to Lamar County 4-H'ers participating in the Northwest District Forestry Competition in Rockdale County on September 6!



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LAMAR COUNTY 4-H IS ON FACEBOOK!

Lamar County 4-H has a Facebook page! Go to our page with your parents for current happenings and pictures from activities of Lamar County 4-H! You can find the link on the Lamar County 4-H web page!

LAMAR COUNTY MINIBOOTH CONTEST!



Would you like to possibly win up to \$50 at the Georgia National Fair for a cardboard bulletin board? Come by the 4-H office on Thursday, September 8 from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. and Ms. Jackson will give you all the details!

GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIR CHALLENGE BOWL!



Do you like shows like “Jeopardy” that challenge your knowledge? Well, consider trying out for the Georgia National Fair Challenge Bowl! Ms. Jackson will give details about the contest and have the 1st practice at the 4-H office on Monday, September 12 from 3:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

JOIN THE JUNIOR MASTER GARDENERS!



Junior Master Gardener (JMG) is a youth gardening program modeled after the highly successful Master Gardener Program. JMG teaches horticulture, environmental education and leadership through fun and creative activities.

Who is it for?

Fifth grade students. Youth can become certified Junior Master Gardeners by attending all classes and completing assigned monthly activities found in the student handbooks

What will we learn?

Composting with worms; Volunteering in the Farmers’ Market; Cooking with veggies; Becoming pen pals with JMG students in Guatemala and South Korea; eating safe and healthy and much more!!

How can I sign-up?

Have your parents call the 4-H office at 770-358-5163 and ask to speak to Ms. Jackson. If there is no answer, please ask your parents to leave their name and phone number and I will call them back!

COTTON BOLL AND CONSUMER JAMBOREE JUDGING TEAM

This team is perfect for those who enjoy bargain hunting! Backpacks, pizza, mutual funds and cotton pants are the items we will learn all about! Team members will practice on designated Mondays after school at the 4-H Office. There will be a team for 5th – 8th graders and 9th – 12th graders. Both teams will compete in the area contest on November 8th in Perry, Georgia. If you are interested, please call the 4-H Office to sign up. The Cotton Boll Team orientation and 1st practice will be held at the 4-H office on Monday, September 26 at 3:45 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.



COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

BINGO AT THE HERITAGE INN NURSING HOME WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Parents will need to bring their children inside to the lobby area of the Heritage Inn Nursing Home to meet Ms. Jackson no later than 3:10 p.m. Parents will be able to pick up their children at 4:00 p.m. at the Heritage Inn Nursing Home after the activity is over.

RIVERS ALIVE CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN CLEAN THE OCMULGEE RIVER, BIBB COUNTY SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

7:00 a.m. – noon

This activity is open to 5th-12th grade 4-H’ers! Parents will need to bring their children to the Lamar County 4-H office at 7:00 a.m. Parents will be able to pick up their children at noon at the Lamar County 4-H office. Participating 4-H’ers will need to eat a good breakfast BEFORE coming to the 4-H office because we will not be stopping.

The first thirteen 4-H’ers to sign up by Wednesday, October 5 will go!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

7:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

This activity is open to 4-H’ers 13 and above. Parents will need to bring their children to the Lamar County 4-H office at 7:30 a.m. Parents will be able to pick up their children at 2:30 p.m. at the Lamar County 4-H office. Participating 4-H’ers will need to eat a good breakfast BEFORE coming to the 4-H office because we will not be stopping.

The first thirteen 4-H’ers to sign up by Friday, November 11 will go!

GEORGIA 4-H FOUNDATION HOLIDAY CARD CONTEST

Although the temperature may not have us thinking about the winter holidays, it's time for the annual "Georgia 4-H Foundation Holiday Card Contest". The first place winner will receive \$50 and will have his/her artwork put on the cover of the 2011 Holiday Card!



Here are the rules:

1. Complete and draw your picture on the entry form given to you at your 4-H Club meetings. The entry form can also be found on the Lamar County 4-H webpage.
2. All entries must be colorful so they can be reproduced on the holiday card if selected as the grand prize winner.
3. All 4-H members (5th – 12th graders) are eligible to participate.
4. Entries must be received by *Friday, October 7*.
5. If any of the above rules are not followed, the entry will be automatically disqualified.

STATE JUNIOR CONFERENCE

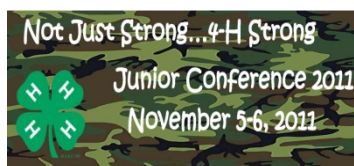
If you are a 7th or 8th grader, you'll want to attend Junior Conference! Junior Conference will be held at Rock Eagle 4-H Center, November 5-6, 2011.

The theme for this year's conference is "Not Just Strong, Army Strong!"

The highlights for the weekend include a dance, classes, service activities, exhibits and much, much more!

More information about Junior Conference will be posted on the Lamar County 4-H website at:

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BUY SIX FLAGS TICKETS AND SUPPORT LAMAR COUNTY 4-H!

There is still time to have fun at six flags and support Lamar County 4-H! Your parents can buy Six Flags tickets on line for \$24 and a portion of the proceeds will go to support the Lamar County 4-H program! Just have your parents go to:

www.sixflags.com/overgeorgia

Your parents will need to enter the promo code "lamar4h" and from there they can purchase the number of tickets they need. Have fun and thanks for supporting Lamar County 4-H!

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4-H Days
Valid any operating day
September 3 - September 25
Only \$24.00 per person

Proceeds from every ticket sold go directly to your local county extension office. Have fun at Six Flags and support 4-H!

To access the discounted tickets:

- Go to www.sixflags.com/overgeorgia.
- On the upper right side of the page, in the box that says "Enter Promo Code," enter your county promo code. Click "GO" (do NOT use the enter button on your keyboard, it will not work).
 - The promo code for your county is the name of your county followed by 4h. For example: barrow4h.
- Give it a minute and a box will pop up. You will then be able to complete the order process!

Available only at sixflags.com/overgeorgia

Offer only valid online at sixflags.com/overgeorgia. Tickets are not sold at the Six Flags Main Gate. Children two years old and younger are free. A \$5.30 convenience fee will apply to each online order.

PROJECT LINUS

As a service learning activity, Lamar County 4-H is participating in Project Linus this year. We are need of donations of fleece fabric (at least 2 yards, between 40" and 60" wide) to make 100 blankets for children. We will need fabric donations beginning in September and continuing into February. We will begin making the blankets in October and end in February.

