



# Oconee 4-H Focus



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## Cloverleaf County Project Achievement

Cloverleaf County Project Achievement (5th and 6th graders) will be held on January 24th at Rocky Branch Elementary School from 4:00-6:00. To compete, every 4-H'er must present a demonstration or a project.



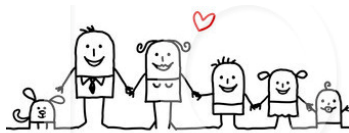
There are many different project categories available. First, second and third place winners will receive a free trip to District Project Achievement at Rock Eagle on February 18th. Sign up at your 4-H meeting or contact the 4-H office for more information at 769-3946.

**Did you know?**  
All participants in Cloverleaf County Project Achievement will be able to sign up early for Summer Camp!



## Family Movie Donations Needed

In support of the Georgia 4-H Operation Military Kids Program, Oconee 4-H will be collecting new and gently used movies. Movies will be given to military families for family movie nights. Donations can be dropped off at the 4-H office or brought to February Club meetings. A great way to show support for our troops and their families!



## Cloverleaf District Project Achievement

Cloverleaf District Project Achievement is open to all who qualify at County Project Achievement. It will be held on Saturday, February 18 at Rock Eagle 4-H Center. 4-H members from all over Northeast Georgia will meet to present their projects. Everyone who advances to District Project Achievement should attend a practice on February 3rd or 9th. Be sure to be prepared to do your best at District Project Achievement!



Practice days are after school at the 4-H office.

Call the 4-H office for any questions. For an instructional power point go to: <http://www.ugaextension.com/oconee/4H/downloads.html>

## Cooking with Care

Cloverleaf and Junior 4-H'ers are invited to learn the basics of safe food preparation & provide a meal to a local family. 5th Graders will meet on January 30.

Call the office starting January 25 at 769-3946 to reserve a spot. In February 5th grade will meet on the 24th and Middle School will be held on the 27th.



## Georgia 4-H Cans Hunger

Supplies at local food pantries are still low. To help us reach our goal of 10,000 cans by June, please bring a can every time you come to the 4-H office for an activity. Remember, all donations will stay right here to help the hungry in our own county.



To make the best better!



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### Spring Judging Teams

If you are interested in a fun opportunity to learn how to think reasonably, gain organizational skills, get an appreciation for different livestock species and have lots of fun then 4-H judging teams are for you! Three teams that will be competing this spring. Practices will be held after school at the 4-H office to prepare for the competition coming up in March and April.

**Poultry Judging** – Seniors will start on January 17, Juniors and Cloverleaf on February 7 to prepare State Contest on April 6



**Dairy Judging** – First practice is on January 26 to get ready for the state contest on April 6.



**Livestock Judging** – Practice begins on



January 25; State Contest will be held on March 24.

Join an Oconee 4-H Judging team!

### Photography Contest

If you enjoy taking pictures, then do not miss out on the Oconee County Photography Contest. The categories include **Animals, Landscape, People, Agriculture** and **Anything 4-H**. Please attach the entry form to the back of your photo. The overall county winner gets a **\$50 savings bond**. The deadline to turn in your entry is February 29.



Winning photos will be forwarded to the **State 4-H Photography Contest**. If you have any questions please call the 4-H Office at 706/769-3946.

### Magnolia Friends

The next meeting at with our friends will be on January 18th. 6th through 12th grade 4-H'ers are invited to join us at Magnolia Estates to participate in activities with the residents.



### Junior/Senior District Project Achievement Practice Days



Juniors and Seniors have done a great job with their portfolios so now it's time to get ready for Project Achievement at Rock Eagle. Practice days will be held on February 22 and March 1 after school at the 4-H office. Be sure to attend so you can do you best!

### Summer Fun 2012



**Cloverleaf Camp** for 5th & 6th Graders:  
June 11-15 at Rock Eagle

**Junior Camp** for 7th & 8th Graders:  
July 2-6 at Camp Burton

**Wilderness Challenge Camp** for 7th & 8th Graders:  
July 9-13 at Camp Wahsega

**Senior Camp** for High School members:  
July 2-6 at Rock Eagle

**Details for all camps will be distributed at February Club meetings!**

### Oconee 4-H Photo Contest

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Photo: \_\_\_\_\_

Category (circle one): Agriculture Animals

Anything 4-H Landscape People

*Attach to the back of photo!*

I have read my child's 4-H Focus:

Child's Name

(Parent/Guardian Signature)

Please cut out and return to your teacher



# Brag Board Continued

**Clover's Chorus** entertained residents of Portico Place and Family Life Enrichment Center. The talented 4-H'ers who participated include: Ceara Clegg, Josh Gomez, Regan Murphy, Sara New, Emily Queen, Carlos Tejada and Kiana Washington.



Congratulations to the **Senior Consumer Judging Team** who won second place at the State Consumer Judging Contest. Team members included Allison Barnes, Ethan Barnes, Savannah Lockman, and Brooks Saye. Fantastic job!



Kayla Bannister, Allison Barnes, Bennett Guthrie, Savannah Lockman and Heidi Schroeder attended **National 4-H Congress** in Atlanta. At National Congress they met with 4-H members and leaders from across the nation.



Congratulations to Bailey Guthrie for doing a great job leading the **Middle School Art Club**. Members included Marjan Ahmadipour, Emma Baynes, Sydney Boucugnani, Shayla Brose, Josh Gomez, Hayden Guthrie and Mary Grace Palmer.



Thanks to all who helped prepare a meal at the December **Cooking With Care**. Leslie Aldrich, Katelynn Ausburn, Anna Barnett, Laura Scott Henning, Jordan Hicks, Justin Hicks, Madison Holland, Riley Holland, Tate Hunsinger, Odeliss Latcha, Marin Lonnee, Garrett Middlebrooks, Ashley Moore, Jordan Mundy, Connor Norris, Russell Parker, Turner Pascoe, Kristen Thomas. Savannah Lockman and Brackin Smith served as teen leaders.



At **Cookies With Care** 4-H'ers made yummy Christmas Cookies for needy families. Thank you to Sydney Boucugnani, Jack Derochers, Caroline Henning, Lora Nedza, Katelynn Oldham and Kasana Page. Thanks to our teen leaders: Alison Barnes, Ethan Barnes, Carrie Ann Derochers, Bailey Guthrie, Savannah Lockman, and Nanki Udhwani.

*Bailey Guthrie and Megan Beckett led the December meeting of **Cloverbuds**.*



**CONGRATULATIONS** to all who participated in the **Peanutrition Contest**. Shayla Brose, Hayden Guthrie, Madison Holland, Riley Holland and Katelynn Oldham. Thank you to our contest helpers: Andrew Guthrie and Mattie Scaffa. Fantastic Judges included: Kayla Bannister, Jasmine Krasle, Savannah Lockman, Brooks Saye and Brackin Smith.



Thank you to all the 4-Hers who rode with us for the **Christmas Parade**. We had a great crowd with: Leslie Aldrich, Matthew Archer, Katelyn Ausburn, Zach Ayers, Andres Bacallao, Allison Barnes, Ethan Barnes, Jesse Bennett, Savannah Booth, Jamie Burke, Emalee Coker, Ashley Clark, Sylvia Clark, Dylan Crowe, Alicia Defoe, Josh Denham, Carrie Ann Derochers, Jack Derochers, Noah Doster, Hannah Elder, Jonathan Fox, Josh Gomez, Tanner Graves, Jake Hadden, Abigail Haley, Mia Hallyburton, Baylee Hamby, Madison Hanley, Azlynn Harder, Raini Harper-Olson, Garrett Hibbs, Cole Huff, Tate Hunsinger, Rosie Kitchens, Georgia Laster, Whitt Lill, Jordyn Lonsiner, Garrett Middlebrooks, Katelynn Oldham, Jacob Peal, Catarina Pellegrini, Samantha Peterson, Spencer Peterson, Miles Pettway, Emily Queen, Kenzie Rigby, Elizabeth Robinson, Annie Schalnath, Isaiah Schmidt, Adam Schwarzenbach, Alex Schwarzenbach, Cameron Self, Hunter Shuman, Brackin Smith, Reed Smith, Griffin Sutton, Carlos Tejada, Caley Thomason, Ashlyn Thompson, Kaitlin Totten, Peyton Varner, Jazmyn Vieitez, Chapin White, Hayden Williams and Lizzy Wilson.



Seniors had a fantastic weekend at Rock Eagle for **Fall Forum!** Megan Beckett, Caflan Berry, and Garrett Hibbs performed as members of Clover's & Company. Seniors attending included: Allison Barnes, Ethan Barnes, Nicole Brown, Cole Daniel, Jonathan Fox, Bailey Guthrie, Dazzle Krasle, Maria Krizsel, Savannah Lockman, Meghan Mitchell, Brooks Saye, Heidi Schroeder and Brackin Smith.



Brooks Saye led 4-H'ers in **discovering Oconee's** historic treasures. Participants included Shayla Brose, Spencer Brose, Mary Grace Palmer and Mary Hannah Thomas.

