



Scholarship Presentation

Pickens County 4H was proud to present a scholarship check for \$1250 to Jeffrey Tomblin. Jeffrey is a freshman at Kennesaw State University, and has been a 4H'er since the 5th grade. He just can't give up his 4H ties...he will once again be serving as a counselor at 4H camp this summer!

Other Accomplishments

We have had a very busy fall. We wish we could highlight everything we've done, but that's just not possible! In addition to what you've read in this brochure, 4H'ers have participated in the 150th Anniversary of Jasper, marched in the Christmas parade down Main Street, put up a tree in the library's Festival of Trees event, held project clubs after school at Jasper Elementary School, attended Fall Forum at Rock Eagle, participated in cooking events at the Georgia National Fair, and so much more! We look forward to sharing more with you next quarter!

Some Selected Upcoming Events

- *Monthly visits to each county Elementary and Middle School for academic lessons
- *Senior (grades 9-12) mtgs the 3rd Mon of each month
- *S.A.F.E. Team (shotgun) practice every Sunday at 2 pm
- *Feb 29—March 1 Junior/Senior DPA at Rock Eagle
- *March 15 4H/Master Gardener Plant Sale
- *March 18 Ag day at the Capital
- *April 21 4H Awards Banquet
- *April 22 Area Poultry Judging (Calhoun)
- *May 5-6 State Poultry Judging (Athens)
- *May 9-10 State S.A.F.E. match (Rock Eagle)



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Pickens County 4H **Fall 2007 Update**



Hard Work Pays Off!

2007 Herdsmen of the Year **Pickens County**

Emily Hostetler, Clay Wilkie, William Roper, Katherine Kirby, Josh Fitts, Alice Kirby and Thomas Roper proudly displaying their GA National Fair Herdsmen of the year award.

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2007 Herdsmen of the Year! The Pickens County Goat Showing Team won the Herdsmen of the Year award at the Georgia National Fair in Perry. In addition to showing and caring for their animals, the team put up an educational display and kept their pen area neat and clean (more difficult than it sounds!) for the duration of the State Market Goat Show October 5—7. There were over 400 goats at this event, and counties from the entire state of Georgia were competing for this award. The hard work of our kids paid off, and they were awarded the Herdsmen plaque and \$200. The plaque is proudly on display in the Extension office.



Happy Halloween Hollow

Yes! This is a 4H event! Each year, we deliver a pumpkin to each pre k—5th grade classroom in Pickens County. The classes decorate the pumpkins, and return them to the courthouse lawn

to be judged for numerous prizes. As the trick or treaters fill Main Street, they can take a break and marvel at all of the pumpkins, play games, and get their faces painted (all free of charge) courtesy of Pickens County 4H. This is one of our favorite community service activities, and we would like to thank Yahoo Farms, Sacketts, and the County for making this event possible.



Health Rocks!

Two of our Senior 4H'ers, Jennifer Ingram and C.J. Fellows, were chosen as State Health Rocks Ambassadors this year. They attended many educational classes at UGA, and hope to reach 200 adult and youth each with their message. So far, they have taught at JES, JMS, PHS and several churches.



Poptab Collection

Each year, Georgia 4H collects poptabs for the Ronald McDonald House. This year, the state donated 12,000 lbs for a total of \$8420! When Pickens County 4H learned that one of our own teachers at PHS, Ms. Suzette Hermann, was staying at a Ronald McDonald House in Macon due to the premature birth of her baby, we decided to join in this effort. In just 4 short months, our elementary classes have collected over 100 lbs of poptabs, and our high school has collected over 20 lbs! We will continue to collect these year round, and turn them in November 2008.

Habitat for Humanity House

During Fall Break from school, seven 4H'ers spent their time helping landscape a Habitat for Humanity House in Jasper. This is community service at its best!



Cloverleaf APA

This is the biggest event of the year for younger 4H'ers. On November 30, we took 29 5th and 6th graders and 7 teen leaders on an overnight trip Rock Eagle 4H Center to compete in Area Project Achievement, a public speaking contest. The night before the contest, the kids went to a dance and made smores over an open campfire. The kids loved this! The competition began early the next morning, and our kids were ready. Competing against 600 other kids from around the state in various projects, Pickens County ended up with 5 first place winners, 6 second place winners, and 3 third place winners!

