

4-H News

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Ice Cream Social Rescheduled

**** The ice cream social which was originally scheduled for September 8th has been rescheduled for October 18th at 6:30 pm. ****

Join Chatham County 4-H for a Back to School Kick Off and Ice Cream Social on Tuesday, October 18, 2005, at 6:30 pm in the auditorium of the Chatham County Agriculture Building.

Come ready to make your favorite sundae and learn about our new point system...a way for you to earn money, prizes and more, all while having fun! Please rsvp to Paulette Thomas at 542.8202 or paulette_thomas@ncsu.edu by October 14th if you will be attending, so we will be sure to have enough ice cream.



I hope you find this newsletter helpful and informative. If you have ideas or suggestions for future issues, please call or stop by my office. My door is always open and I always welcome your feedback!

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Chatham County Fair

Thanks to the members of the Rocky River Riders 4-H Club who participated in this year's Chatham County Fair. Six members entered artwork and each of these 4-H'ers brought home a ribbon. Those who entered and placed with their horse drawings were : Robbie Moreland - 1st place, Siobhan Cahill-Billings - 2nd place, Leah Purvis - 2nd place, and Maron MacAllister - 2nd place. Those who entered and placed with their horse posters were : Taylor May - 3rd place and Maggie Strickland - 3rd place.

In addition, 114 first graders from Pittsboro Elementary participated in Student Day at the County Fair. These students were able to interact and learn about horses, livestock, bugs, rabbits, chickens, goats, dogs and much more! Students also learned about nutrition and all the fun things 4-H has to offer. Thanks to the teachers and students for participating in this activity!



Chatham County 4-H is supported by the United Way of Chatham County.



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Important Dates

October 1-9: Dixie Classic Fair

October 2-8: National 4-H Week

October 8: Helpful Hands and Healing Hearts packet delivery

October 14-23: North Carolina State Fair

October 18: 6:30 pm, Ice Cream Social and Points Kick Off, auditorium of the Chatham County Center of the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service

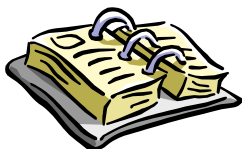
November 5: Volunteer Leaders Fall Day—Chatham County

November 12-13: State Council Conference

November 15: 4-H Achievement Night, 6:30pm, auditorium of the Chatham County Center of the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service

November 25: CLOSED

December 23 & 26: CLOSED



Dates for 4-H Jordan Lake Day Camp

We have finalized the dates for the 2006 4-H Adventure Day Camp at Jordan Lake. This year, we will have two weeks of camp at Vista Point at Jordan Lake. The dates have been set for June 19-23 and June 26-30, 2006. Mark your calendar to attend these two weeks of fun! More information will be sent out in future newsletters as well as delivered to your school. I hope to see you at Jordan Lake!



National 4-H Week & Helpful Hands and Healing Hearts



This year's National 4-H Week will be celebrated October 2-8, 2005. North Carolina 4-H will be celebrating National 4-H week as well as helping those who suffered from Hurricane Katrina on October 8th. On this day every county in NC will make a donation of Clover Packets and Essentials Kits to be delivered directly to kids and adults that desperately need them.

What are Clover Packets and Essentials Kits? Clover Packets are shoeboxes or small plastic containers which are filled with educational and recreational supplies that kids and adults can use while living in temporary housing. Ideas of items to include are crayons, coloring books, activity sheets, pens, pre sharpened pencils, paper, small books, flashlights with batteries and small games.

Essentials Kits are small plastic containers or book bags filled with essential items for people to use while they are displaced. You can create a kit around the following themes : nonperishable items, hygiene items, crafts, games, first aid supplies or anything else.

All kits need to be created and labeled for either a male or female and a youth or adult. If the kit is for a youth, please label what ages the kit would be appropriate for.

So, do YOU want to help out those who were affected by Hurricane Katrina, while celebrating National 4-H Week? If so, create a kit (or more) with your family, friends or club and drop it by the Chatham County Cooperative Extension Building no later than 5pm on October 7th.

Now is your time to show others what 4-H is all about and how great Chatham County 4-H'ers really are. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at sarah_hardison@ncsu.edu or at 542.8202.

Chatham County 4-H Achievement Night

It's time to celebrate all of the wonderful things that Chatham County 4-H'ers have been doing for the past year! Chatham County 4-H Achievement Night will be held on Tuesday, November 15 at 6:30 pm in the auditorium of the Chatham County Center of the Cooperative Extension Service. We will have a dessert social and an awards program to recognize all of the great things the 4-H'ers and 4-H Leaders of Chatham County have been doing.

Please make plans to attend this celebration with your family. In order to have enough supplies for everyone, please rsvp to Paulette Thomas, Extension Secretary, no later than Tuesday, November 8th.

For more information, please contact Sarah Hardison at sarah_hardison@ncsu.edu or 542.8202.

Club leaders, please be looking for more information regarding this event coming your way very soon!



NEW - 4-H TRIVIA

The first three people to email Paulette Thomas at paulette_thomas@ncsu.edu with the correct answer will receive a prize and will be recognized in the first newsletter of the new year.

This month's trivia question is: **What do the 4 H's in the 4-H Clover stand for?**

Be sure to email your answer in as soon as possible. If you do not have access to email, feel free to call Paulette at 542.8202.

Good Luck!



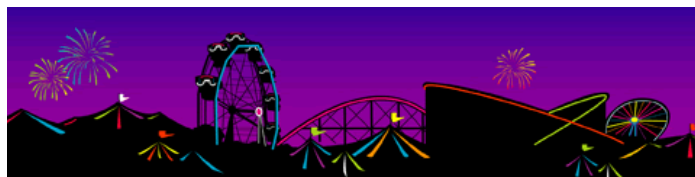
North Carolina State Fair Information and Chatham County 4-H Fair Booth

That's right, it's almost time for the State Fair and you have the opportunity to enter to win money and ribbons through 4-H. Categories in which you may enter include : basketry, block printing, braided articles, candle making, fabric painting, jewelry, needlework, pottery, stained glass, recycled, woodworking and many more!!

All entries are due no later than Monday, October 10 at 5:00 pm in Raleigh. For more information please visit www.ncstatefair.org or review your State Fair 2005 Premium Book. Chatham County Cooperative Extension Service has plenty of copies, so if you would like one, please contact Jane Tripp at 542.8202.

Also this year, Chatham County 4-H will have a booth in the educational building at the State Fair. We will be setting up the booth on Wednesday morning, October 12 and will be dismantling it on Monday morning, October 24th. If you are interested and available to help with this task on these days, we need your help! A limited number of free admission tickets are available to those who help out with this task. Please contact Sarah if you are interested and available.

If you are planning on visiting the fair this year, plan on purchasing discounted tickets. Buy your 2005 North Carolina State Fair admission and ridebook tickets online before the fair starts and save up to 50%! For more information, visit www.ncstatefair.org.



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