



# Tar Heel HOMEMAKERS E-news

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## 2011 Leadership Team

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## ECA: Cruising into the Future

Approximately 230 ECA'ers from across North Carolina visited New Bern for the 2011 State Conference hosted by the Southeastern District. Members enjoyed tours of historical New Bern, heritage craft workshops and educational workshops. Favorite speakers included Dr. Marshall Stewart, Dr. Wayne Matthews, Dr. Joe Zublena and Dr. Myrle Swicegood. At the annual business meeting of the association, the NCECA Bylaws were amended and 2012 officers were elected.

It was agreed that NCECA would continue to support Girls Haven at Boys and Girls Homes at Lake Waccamaw. The State Leadership Team has named Sandra Nobles of Columbus County as Liaison. Each District is asked to appoint a liaison as well and to collect items to be donated to Girls' Haven. Counties are encouraged to visit Lake Waccamaw to see first hand the impact our contributions are making.

A new membership brochure was also unveiled. It is available at [go.ncsu.edu/nceca](http://go.ncsu.edu/nceca). All liaison agents should have an electronic copy as well that can be personalized for your county and copied.

**The Boys and Girls Home at Lake Waccamaw** has been a project of NCECA for a very long time. Over the years participation has decreased and now they really need our help. You are asked to bring items to support a statewide project for Girls Haven, the girls' cottages at Boys and Girls Homes. (The boys' cottages receive much support from Rotary and other civic groups.) We asked what items were needed and received this list:

Laundry Soap  
Deodorant  
Liquid Hand Soap  
Baby Oil  
Baby Powder  
Body Wash (regular and allergy-free)  
Shaving Cream/Gel  
Ethnic Shampoo/Conditioner  
Caucasian Shampoo/Conditioner  
Mouthwash

Razors  
Hair Gel  
Rubber bands

### Extras (residents have specified)

Nail Polish Remover  
Cologne/Perfumes  
AXE products (soap, shampoo, sprays)  
Nail Files  
Finger Nail Clippers

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## **Master FCS Volunteer**

is a certification program for ECA members where members will receive valuable up-to-date training to become an integral part of the FCS information network. To be certified, members will attend 14 required leadership classes and choose 3 elective classes. Once certified, a Master FCS Volunteer will serve as a valuable resource to FCS educators and/or may opt to pursue additional specialized training, such as Master Food Preservation, Master Financial Planning, etc.

Jane S McKimmon  
*Society*

JSMS is a special recognition program designed for friends of the NC Family and Consumer Sciences and/or NC Extension & Community Association Foundations who wish to support these entities in an innovative way.

The JSMS recognizes those who contribute \$1000 or more in unrestricted funding to either aforementioned foundation. The contribution may be pledged up to 5 years. Such a contribution illustrates a significant commitment to improving the lives of families across North Carolina.

## **Scholarships Available**

Now is the time to promote NCECA's Scholarship. November is the time to distribute information concerning our state scholarship to area guidance counselors, but it still is not too late. Please include a letter with specific dates for return and to whom it should be mailed along with the application. One youth and one adult scholarship per district are given. Please share our scholarship application (Appendix F in the yearbook) with high schools in your county. Also, check with your school system about internal mail delivery. You can drop the envelopes off at the administrative office and their courier will deliver to each school without using postage. These are due back to the county by February 1.

County Women's Council (CWC) also has the Ruth B Sayre Scholarship that we can promote. It is a \$500 scholarship and the application can be found on CWC's website, [cwcusa.org/Sayre/RuthSayreApplication](http://cwcusa.org/Sayre/RuthSayreApplication).

## **We're going to Celebrate!**

The ECA Centennial Planning Committee met at State Council. Subcommittees were established and started to brainstorm plans for the upcoming Centennial Celebration. If you are interested in working on a committee, please let Wanda know. The Committees are History, Outreach, Product, Event and State Conference.

It was decided that the 2013 ECA State Conference should be held in Raleigh and in conjunction with our Centennial Celebration event. Therefore, there will be a statewide committee charged with planning that State Conference instead of the usual committee from the host district.

You and your local ECA members are invited to submit an ECA Centennial Logo to be used during our celebration and on future publications. Think about our mission . . . what we do as an organization . . . the history behind Home Demonstration Clubs. Remember the fireplace on the very old pins . . . the house on Extension Homemakers pins? What kind of logo do you envision? Sketch it out and mail/email it to me, Wanda or Geri. The full committee will be meeting January 26<sup>th</sup> in Raleigh and we need your input!!

I look forward to hearing and seeing your great ideas.

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## **Across the State**

### **Northeast**

Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Edgecombe, Gates, Halifax, Hertford, Hyde, Martin, Nash, Northampton, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Pitt, Tyrrell,

**Tyrrell County** Young Extension Community Association will be hosting their First Annual Miss Rivertown Christmas Pageant on Friday, December 2, 2011. The pageant will start at 7p.m. This is a charity event and all funds raised will be put back into Tyrrell County to help those in need. The pageant will be open to contestants from birth to age 18. You are not required to live in Columbia to participate. There will be a nominal fee to enter (birth - 2: \$10, 3- 18: \$20) and crowns will be awarded to the winners of several age divisions.

## 2011 Calendar

### December 1

- Pennies for Friendship
- CVU Reports due
- Membership dues to NCECA Appointed Treasurer

Check ECA Yearbook for details!



The North Carolina Extension & Community Association Foundation is committed to acquiring and managing resources that enhance families through the development of volunteer leadership and support of educational programs on the local, district and state levels.

There are advantages for ECA Clubs/County/District Councils to place funds in the NC ECA foundation: 1) The funds are covered by the Ag Foundation's 501c3, therefore protected from IRS scrutiny. 2) The Foundation provides accounting and record-keeping, yearly audits and required IRS reporting. 3) You retain control over how your funds can be used. 4) Any profits made by the ECA Foundation from your account will be used to benefit and grow ECA programs.

The youngest group, birth -2 years old will lead with a parade on stage to show off their cutest holiday fashions. Infants and toddlers may be joined on stage by a parent. This age division will be non-competitive. From ages 3-18, contestants will be required to display a talent (additional costume optional), answer a question geared toward that age group, and parade their Holiday/Formal wear across the stage for judging. Winners will also be able to ride the horse drawn carriage during Saturdays Christmas parade wearing their crown.

There will be a \$5 door charge for audience members to see the show. Photo opportunities will also be available. The theme of this year's pageant will be a Winter Wonderland. For more information, please call 252-796-2633 or email [mistrtrc@yahoo.com](mailto:mistrtrc@yahoo.com). Rules, regulations and pageant applications will available through the email, and will also be made available on the Rivertown Christmas website. We hope everyone will join us for a very entertaining evening of talent and beauty-all for a great cause!

Tyrrell County TEEN ECA also known as T.E.C.A. had a Reverse Trick or Treat Halloween night. They will be collecting non-perishable food items to be donated to our local food pantry. In December, they will be taking pictures with Santa for donations. This will be held during Rivertown Christmas on Saturday. The group will be located upstairs in the old Columbia Theatre.

After suffering through a Hurricane, a tornado and a flood, which has temporarily displaced Tyrrell County Co-operative Extension, County Council has voted to post-poner their Fall Achievement till the first of the year. Hopefully, things will be back to normal by then!

Four members of Tyrrell County E.C.A. recently attended the E.C.A. state meeting in Newbern, NC. They were Abby Sparks (2011 State President), Dee Furlough (Agent), Nan Liverman (County Council Treasurer), and Christy Maready (County Council President). The ladies attended their fair share of meetings and an award ceremony and banquet. Tyrrell County was recognized with a Silver Award Certificate for their hours donated to charity. The group left a lasting impression as the Village People when they dressed the part to invite NC ECA to next year's meeting hosted by the Northeast District in Rocky Mount, NC. They also sang a song and moved to the music of My ECA, an original song sung to the tune of Y.M.C.A. All in all, they ladies had a good time in a beautiful city.

### Holiday Parade

The **Currituck ECA** in conjunction with the Currituck County Sheriff's Department and the Currituck County Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #89 will be sponsoring the 20th Annual Christmas Parade at the Currituck County Center of North Carolina Cooperative Extension located at 120 Community Way in Barco NC. The Parade will begin promptly at 9:00 am on December 3rd. The parade will travel south down Airport road towards Hwy. 158. At the conclusion of the parade, please join us inside, for a visit with Santa and the 59th annual Christmas tree lighting! The rain date for both of these events will be Saturday, December 10, 2011. We'd like to invite you to participate in this event. If you would like to participate in the parade, or for more information please contact Sheila Gregory at 252-232-2261 or email at [sheila\\_gregory@ncsu.edu](mailto:sheila_gregory@ncsu.edu) or Detective James Midgett at 252-207-2740 or email [james.midgett@currituckcountync.gov](mailto:james.midgett@currituckcountync.gov).

## Bylaws Change

At State Conference, a 2/3 vote to change our Bylaws passed. Beginning in 2013, your NCECA Leadership Team will serve two-year terms. This will allow our organization to no longer be in a "retraining mode" where just as officers get a grasp on their duties, it is time for another slate to take office. This should allow more time and energy to be spent on the work and productiveness of ECA!

### 2012 NCECA Leadership Team

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#### President-elect -

Wanda Denning (NC)

#### Past President-

Abby Sparks (NE)

#### VP- North Central -

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#### Advisor -

Geri Bushel

#### CVU Coordinator -

Judy Elkin

#### Cultural Arts Chair-

Nan Liverman

#### ECA Centennial Chair-

Wanda Denning

### Southeast

Brunswick, Carteret, Craven, Duplin, Greene, Johnston, Jones, Lenoir, New Hanover, Onslow, Pamlico, Pender, Sampson, Wayne, Wilson

### 4-H Holiday Wreath Sale

New Hanover County 4-H is pleased to offer 26-inch fragrant wreaths to you in time for the holiday season. These wreaths are made by hand from the boughs of Frazier Fir Christmas Trees grown on the Brookgreen Family Farm in Ashe County. Reserve your wreath today as we are accepting pre-orders only. The wreaths will be ready to pick up at the New Hanover County Extension Center from November 30-December 2 from 8:30am-4:30pm. Order forms are due with payment by November 15th. Forms can be downloaded here: <http://newhanover4h.shutterfly.com/eventsaroundthecountynon4-h> For additional information, please call: Danyce Dicks at 910-798-7660.



### Johnston County

The Jo Co Quilters presented more than 34 small quilts as gifts to mothers who have pregnancy losses at Johnston Medical Center in Smithfield. "The group pursued the project after one of our members discussed her own pregnancy loss," explained Jayne McBurney, FCS Agent (far right in the picture). Flora Grantham, Marlyn Harrison, and Larayne Cunnigham are pictured (left to right) making the presentation to

Kelly Smith, director of the Women's Pavilion at Johnston Medical Center. JoCo Quilters meet monthly at the Extension office. For more information about the group, contact Ms. McBurney at 919-989-5380.

### Duplin ECA

Duplin County ECA presented NC Representative Jimmy Dixon a copy of *Ordinary Women, Extraordinary Service to family, community and North Carolina*. They also presented the Duplin County Library system with books for all their sites.



Pictured, left to right, Duplin County Cooperative Extension Director Wanda Clay, Duplin ECA Treasurer Ruby Brinson, NC Representative Dixon, and Duplin ECA President Doreatha Roberts.

### North Central

Alamance, Caswell, Chatham, Davidson, Durham, Forsyth, Franklin, Granville, Guilford, Orange, Person, Randolph, Rockingham, Stokes, Vance, Wake, Warren

### 2012 Working Arts Workshop

Would you like to learn . . . pine needle baskets, chair bottoming, rug braiding, smocking, rug hooking, Chrismons, beaded jewelry, knitting, digital photography or maybe this antler basket? Then the 2012 Working Arts Workshop on February 15 and 16, 2012 is for you. The workshop will be held at the Person County Office Building in Roxboro. Registration fee is \$15 plus class fee. For more information, contact any of these FCS Agents:



Alamance County – Jessica Oswald Jessica\_oswald@ncsu.edu  
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### **Caswell County ECA Holiday Program**

The 2011 annual ECA Holiday Program will be held on December 8th from 12:00-2:00 pm in the kitchen of the Agriculture Building. There will be a workshop on making beautiful "deco mesh" wreaths. Please bring your favorite dish for everyone to share and a wrapped gift with a value of at least \$5.

#### **South Central**

Anson, Bladen, Cabarrus, Cumberland, Harnett, Hoke, Lee,  
Montgomery, Moore, Richmond, Robeson, Scotland, Stanly,  
Union

**Cabarrus County** Cabarrus County ECA members have enjoyed very interesting programs recently. Their August Area Meeting was held at Rowan Cabarrus Business and Technology Center and attracted many visitors with the topic "Technology 101". During October clubs "Enjoyed Those Beans and Greens," and 18 members attended the ECA State Conference in New Bern. The evening of November 3, ECA members enjoyed hosting a "Taste of the Holidays" with 20 plus foods to taste, special holiday music, and FCS Bicentennial Exhibits.

### **UNION COUNTY - THE BASICS OF HOME CANNING**

January 1st, 2012 @ 9:30 AM - December 31st, 2012 @ 3:00 PM, Monroe, NC. Contact Sally McNeill at (704) 283-3732.

#### **West Central**

Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba,  
Cleveland, Davie, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, Mecklenburg,  
Rowan, Rutherford, Surry, Wilkes, Yadkin

### **Rutherford County ECA Holiday Sampler XI**

Join us for our 11th annual Holiday Sampler sponsored by ECA. This year's event will be held Saturday, December 3 at 1:00 pm at Cooperative Extension. The event features decorating demonstrations, entertainment, holiday appetizers, and door prizes. Get in the spirit of the season with good food, exquisite decorations, and holiday fun. Event Location: 193 Callahan Koon Road, Suite 164, Spindale, NC 28160. Contact Tracy Davis at (828) 287-6010.

### **Caldwell County Holiday Craft Bazaar**

This Bazaar on December 17<sup>th</sup> is open to anyone having unique crafts to sell. The cost of a space is \$10.00 and a table is an additional \$5.00. All craft artisans as well as locals are welcome to come and have a space to sell their wares. This opportunity is open to the public to shop for gifts that are unique and locally made. Event Location: 120 Hospital Avenue, Downstairs in the Lenoir Library Meeting Rooms Lenoir, NC 28645.

### Money Talk for Women

Designed just for women, this 5 session series will cover budgeting, financial basics, investing, insurance, retirement and estate planning. The course costs \$33 and includes a workbook and refreshments. Prepayment and registration are required by December 16. Call 704-736-8461 to register or contact Leigh\_guth@ncsu.edu. Event Location: Lincoln County NC Cooperative Extension, 115 West Main Street, Lincolnton, NC 28092.

#### West

Avery, Buncombe, Cherokee, Cherokee Reservation, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Swain, Transylvania, Watauga,

### Eat Smart, Move More, Weigh Less

The ESMMWL program will provide you with tips for a healthier lifestyle in 2012. Join us on Mondays from 11:00 - 12:30. Sessions consist of a check-in period, short class, and an optional light exercise segment. You'll be done in 90 minutes. What a great start to your week! The cost is \$20 for the entire program. Seats limited. Event Location: 589 Raccoon Road, Waynesville, NC 28786. Contact Jean Burton at (828) 456-3575.

### Swain County Cooperative Extension OPEN HOUSE

You are invited to an Open House at your local Cooperative Extension on December 9<sup>th</sup> from 3-7! Drop by, meet our staff and learn more about what Cooperative Extension has to offer . . . programming opportunities, community activities, researched based information . . . and more! FREE tree seedlings for the first 50 people. Light refreshments will be served.

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