

Lee County ECA

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Hudson 4-H Courtyard and Garden Dedication

Members of Lemon Springs ECA attended the ribbon cutting and dedication of the Juanita Ogburn Hudson & Mack Hudson 4-H Courtyard & Gardens which took place on Saturday, October 15, 2011 at 2:30pm at Millstone 4-H Camp in El-lerbe, NC.

While there, they were also able to have a sneak preview of the "House That 4-H Peanuts Built" which was donated to the NC 4-H program by the Rudolph Ellis Family and was moved to Camp Millstone to be used as a museum of 4-H. The house has been restored and has many artifacts connecting it with 4-H. Also included are furniture and various clothing, including a kitchen similar to that used to roast the peanuts that Mr. Rudolph Ellis sold in Fayetteville, NC.

The Courtyard and Gardens were dedicated in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Hudson who were very involved in the 4-H program and remain true friends of 4-H today. A parade of 4-H'ers from the South Central District placed rocks representing their county by the fountain. It was a very impressive program and the weather was perfect.

The Lemon Springs ECA members visited with the Hudsons at their home and toured her recycled garden in early 2010. As a thank you to the Hudson's, the members purchased a brick in their honor for the 4-H courtyard. Members attending the Brickyard Dedication, visiting with Dr. Joe Zubena at the entrance to the courtyard were (l-r) Carol Cox, Angela Jenkins and Sylvia Churchwell. Susan Condlin, County Extension Director also attended the festivities.

2011 NCECA State Conference

"Cruising into the Future" was the theme for the 2011 NCECA State Conference hosted by the Southeast District and held in New Bern, NC October 24 through October 26. 225 ECA members were registered for the conference. Ann Clarke and Brenda Willett attended from Lee County ECA as well as Susan Condlin, Extension Director for NCCE, Lee County Center and Lee County ECA Liaison.

Tours of Historic New Bern by trolley, Tryon Palace and the History Center were offered on Monday. Educational workshops offered were "The Buzz on Bees, presented by Billy Little; "Memory Ornament", presented by Flora Grantham; "Estate Planning", presented by Pat Leigh Pittman; "The Leader in YOU", presented by Wanda Denning and "ECA and NCCE: Making a Difference in Your Community", presented by Peggie Garner.

ECA membership statistics were reported. There are currently 270 ECA clubs and 3,112 ECA members across the state of North Carolina as of October 2011.

The 2012 ECA State Leadership Team Members were installed by Joyce Klutz, Past President. NCECA Leadership Team Members are: Dianne Brown-President; Abby Sparks-Advisor; Faye Lanier-Appointed Treasurer; Dr. Marshall Stewart-Administrative Liaison and the 2012 District ECA Presidents.

Blue ribbon winners from the South Central District Cultural Arts Competition were entered into the Cultural Arts competition at the NCECA State Conference. Lee County entries were Phyllis Andrews with her mini quilt/tea shoppe diorama; Ann Clarke with her quilted wall hanging with raised flowers and Georgia Garner with her short story entitled "Speaking of Samuel". Ann won third Place with her quilted wall hanging and Georgia won a blue ribbon with her short story.



Ann Clarke



Georgia Garner

The theme of the **2012 NCECA State Conference** will be "Cultivating the Future" and will be hosted by the Northeast District at the Doubletree Hotel in Rocky Mount, NC **October 29-31, 2012. Start making plans to attend NOW!**

CVU'S Lee County ECA members completed 25,000 hours of volunteer service during 2010 and have accumulated 1,597 hours of volunteer time toward their 2011 report. You Go Girls!

CVU Certified Volunteer Units are a way to track hours of volunteer work that you do in Extension, the community, church, etc. Certificates of recognition are given during the NCECA State meeting. Completing 500 hours earns you a certificate and for each 500 hours after that you receive a gold seal.

Submitting their Certified Volunteer Units report from Lemon Springs ECA were Brenda Willett with 11,500 hours for 2010 and 186 hours carried over to 2011; Carol Cox with 12,500 hours for 2010 and 130 hours carried over to 2011; and Georgia Garner with 500 hours for 2010 and 45 hours carried over to 2011. Submissions from Hearts and Hands ECA were Carol Smith with 500 hours for 2010 and 252 hours carried over to 2011; Phyllis Andrews with 51 hours carried over for 2011; Sharon Raschke with 119 hours carried over to 2011; Gladys Noel with 296 hours carried over to 2011; Barbara Massengill with 314 hours carried over to 2011; Ann Hayes with 30 hours carried over to 2011 and Pat Landrum with 174 hours carried over. Hours are recorded on the Yearly Activity and Service Report found in the current yearbook on the web at <http://go.ncsu.edu/nceca>. The deadline for your next CVU report is **April 20, 2012**. Thanks so much for participating in this program!

LEMON SPRINGS ECA NEWS:

- Susan Condlin presented "Don't Let the Bedbugs Bite"
- Sold Rada Cutlery as a fund raiser
- Made 25 lap blankets for the patients at Sanford Health and Rehabilitation Center.
- Made desserts for the Lemon Springs Fire Departments members in appreciation of their help after the April tornadoes and continued help when needed.
- Prepared sweet potatoes for Horn of Plenty
- Received 2nd place for the Lee Regional Fair Booth
- Brenda Larson presented a program on house plants
- Members assisted with judging at the fair
- Baked pound cakes for the Horn of Plenty

HEARTS & HANDS ECA NEWS:

- Celebrated 12th birthday
- Susan Condlin presented "Don't Let the Bedbugs Bite"
- Made paper pieced baskets for the quilt show ribbons
- Worked on quilt boutique items

- Made quilts for HAVEN and SAFE of Harnett County
- Members helped with the 4-H Summer Fun Program
- Prepared sweet potatoes for the Horn of Plenty
- Members assisted with judging at the fair
- Received 1st place for the Lee Regional Fair Booth
- Members entered items for judging at the fair
- Members participated in the "Let's Chat" booth at the fair
- Held a successful Quilt Show.

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ECA Leadership Team Business Meeting

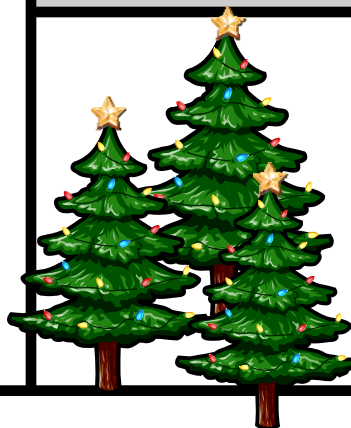
The Lee County ECA Leadership Team will have their quarterly Business Meeting on Saturday, January 21, 2012 from 9:00 am - 11:00 am at the McSwain Extension Education and Agriculture Center. *All ECA members are welcome to attend.*

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NCECA has a new website. You will find the NCECA State Wide Programs (2011-2012), the 2011 NCECA Yearbook, the first issue of NCECA Tarheel Homemaker e-newsletter and much more. Check it out!



ECA Mission To strengthen families through leadership, volunteering, educational programs, and research based information from North Carolina State University and North Carolina A&T State University.



Happy Holidays!

Susan, Kay, Bill, Seth, Rhonda and Brenda