



# Alleghany

## December, 2013

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# Volunteer Leaders Conference

Volunteer Leaders Conference is right around the corner and we wanted to share some details with you regarding the event including how to register for it. We will be at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel and Conference Center in Research Triangle Park on **January 31 - February 2, 2014.**

Pre-Conference sessions will be offered on Friday afternoon. Participants must register separately for this event. Note that there is an additional \$30 fee to participate in these sessions, and participants must pre-select the specific sessions in which they will participate on Friday afternoon. And yes, it is possible to register for the pre-conference and not register for the rest of the conference, but who would want to do that?!

**Registration rates are listed on the overview documents and include several registration options. Be sure to take a look at all of the registration options, but note that all registrations are due on the same day - January 17, 2014.**

We will be using a Google form for our registration process. Volunteers can register themselves or contact the office at (336) 372-5597 and we will register you. Be sure to visit the volunteer leaders website ([nc4hvolunteers.org](http://nc4hvolunteers.org)) for more information and information is also on the nc4h.org site as well.

# Horse Program Enrollment

The 2014 NC 4-H Horse Program Enrollment Form is now available on the NCSU Extension Horse Husbandry website. Please visit the Alleghany 4-H Blog or Facebook Page for a quick link to the forms. To participate in most horse events for the year, youth will pay \$25 per person or a maximum of \$40 for a family where multiple youth are enrolled. By paying this program fee, you will NOT have to pay any state contest entry fees for the following events:

♦ Horse Bowl Contest ♦ Hippology Contest ♦ Horse Judging Contest ♦ Horse Communications Contests ♦ Artistic Expression Contests ♦ Creative Writing Contests

Contact the Extension Office with any questions.

**Deadline to pay: January 17, 2014**



## 3rd Annual 4-H Ski & Snowboard Trip

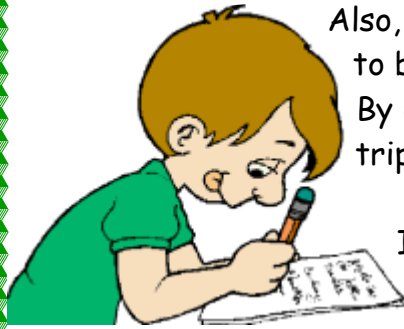


We will once again be taking a ski/snowboarding trip to French-Swiss Ski College at Appalachian Ski Mountain in Blowing Rock on **Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup>**. We will be leaving the office at 3:30 p.m. and will return around 1 a.m. The cost for skiing will be \$25 and \$30 for snowboarding. Clothing rental will be additional. Spaces are limited so contact the office to register. **Deadline to register January 31<sup>st</sup>**. We will have dinner available for purchase ~ \$8.00 from Chic-Fil-A or you may eat on your own at the Snack Bar. To see the slopes live visit: <http://www.appskimtn.com/asm-right-now/slopecam/>

# Project Record Books

The deadline for submitting Project Record Books is Friday, January 31st. 4-Hers should have their record books to Amy by 5 pm that day. If anyone needs help with record books, please contact the office and we'll be glad to help.

Record books are a great way to plan what you want to do throughout the year, record the things you've learned and what you've accomplished, and show that with a written story and pictures. Anyone can do a project record book, including cloverbuds (ages 5-8). By doing a book you learn planning, recording, and reporting that are all important skills that you will be able to use the rest of your life. By completing record books you can learn to develop these skills.



Also, if you would like the chance to attend the 2014 Electric Congress to be held in Asheville, you should complete an electric project book. By doing so, you may be able to attend this exciting, all expenses paid, trip!

If you have questions or would like more advice please come by the extension office or contact Amy or Michele at 372-5597.

## SUMMER CAMP 2014

*When: June 29 - July 4*

*Scholarships may be available*

For summer Camp 2014, we will be heading to Betsy-Jeff Penn 4-H Camp in Reidsville, NC. Camp is open to youth ages 8 and up (you must be 8 by the time you camp). Cost will be \$420 for traditional campers and \$440 for Trekker campers (ages 13-14). Spaces are very limited. To reserve your spot you must pay a \$50 camp deposit. If you cancel after February 3 you are responsible for the full cost of camp or you must find a replacement for your spot.



# HORSE BOWL TEAM & HIPPOLOGY

Junior Team(s) (9-13) and Senior Team(s) (9-14)

Do you like horses? Want to learn more about them? Call the office about becoming a member of the 4-H Horse Bowl team. You will learn about food and nutrition/tack/colors and markings/riding and training techniques and much more!! Horse Bowl participants will travel to Guilford County on **February 15<sup>th</sup>** to participate in the district competition. This is open to any youth ages 9-19. You must be 9 years old by January 1, 2014 to participate. You **do not** have to own a horse become a member. For more information at (336) 372-5597 and ask for Amy.



## DISTRICT OFFICERS 2014-2015

Are you a natural leader? Have you ever thought you would like to run for an office? Then District Officer may be the position for you. This position is very important and is responsible for planning various District Activities within the North Central District and also helping to plan state events.

You must be at least 14 years old, be an active member in 4-H and have been in 4-H for more than 2 years. This is an exciting opportunity. If you want to run, Intent forms must be postmarked by **February 17<sup>th</sup>**. For more information and forms, visit the 4-H Blog at [alleghany4h.blogspot.com](http://alleghany4h.blogspot.com) or contact the office at (336) 372-5597.



**\*\*These positions need to be considered carefully and are a commitment not only by youth, but also the parents. If you are unable to fulfill your duties you are not only affecting yourself, but also the other district officers and 4-Hers within your district. If you have questions about responsibilities, please contact Amy for more information.**

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- ♦ Jan. 17, 2014 - Deadline to register for Volunteer Leaders
- ♦ Jan. 17, 2014 - Horse Program Membership Forms and Fees Due to Raleigh
- ♦ Jan. 24, 2014 - Deadline to register Horse Bowl Team
- ♦ Jan. 25, 2014 - Mock Horse Bowl/ Hippology Contest – Rockingham Co.
- ♦ Jan. 31, 2014 - 5 pm – Project Record Books Due
- ♦ Feb. 7, 2014 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Ski/Snowboard Trip – Appalachian Ski Mountain
- ♦ Feb. 15, 2014 – District Horse Bowl – Guilford County
- ♦ Feb. 17, 2014 – Deadline to postmark District Officer Intent Forms
- ♦ Mar. 1, 2014 – Area Food Show – East Wilkes Middle School
- ♦ Mar. 12, 2014 – County Activity Day – Alleghany Office
- ♦ April 9-11, 2014 – NC State Farm Animal Days - NCSU
- ♦ April 12, 2014 – District Activity Day – Surry Co

## Office Closings

Christmas Holiday: December 24-26, 2013

New Year's Day Holiday: January 1, 2014

Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday: January 20, 2014

# Happy Holidays

We just want to thank each of you for another wonderful year with 4-H. We have had many changes that have taken place in the Alleghany Extension Office over the last year and want to tell you how much we appreciate your patience, understanding and support. Thank you for your hard work and dedication to the 4-H program, whether as a 4-H'er, a volunteer, or simply someone who cares about the 4-H program. We are looking forward to working with you in the upcoming year and wish you all a wonderful Holiday Season  
~ Amy & Michele





Sincerely,  
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