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4-HNewsletter May 2017 Transylvania County, NC

Please support the 4-H Paper Clover Days at Tractor Supply -

Go by anytime between April 26 and May 7 and buy some clovers at the register! Proceeds provide supplies and leadership experiences to local 4-H members. Thanks for <u>your</u> help!



Sign UP for County Presentation Day: Friday May 12!

We have quite a few 4-H'ers planning on doing presentations this year! Check out the categories at https://nc4h.ces.ncsu.edu/youth-3/4-hawards- incentives-programs-2/presentations/ and let Mary know your category, topic and preferred time no later than May 5th. Your age category is determined by your age as of January 1, 2017.

2017 presenters include Cjon Conley, Judy Justus, Alex Sweet, Hannah Lenze, Daniel Queen, Harper Wade, Caven Walker, Bailey Alexander, Tori Brown, Meghan Hannon, Abby Huter, Ella McNeely.....and you?

West District Presentation Day: Saturday June 17

at Macon Middle School, 1345 Wells Grove Road, Franklin. All who qualify at county day can go on to compete at District Day with 4-H'ers from across Western NC. Everyone is welcome to go see what it's all about!

New Cooking Class for ages 6 to 8 years old

Learn basic cooking skills by making chocolate chip cookies! This class will be led by **Katrina Cantler** on Tuesdays May 23 and May 30 from 3:30 - 5:00pm in the Extension Learning Lab. Cost is \$10/youth to cover supplies and provide measuring cups and spoons to take home. Please call 884-3109 to register by May 16. Number of participants is limited to six. We will keep a waiting list if more than six are interested.

New **4-H Archery program** for 5th - 7th graders at Lake Toxaway Community Center. Thanks to Officer **Michael Hall**, trained 4-H archery instructor, and the community center leaders for making this possible! The program is full and will start Tuesday May 9th from 4:30-6:00pm, meeting each Tuesday through June 13th. All paperwork must be completed by the May 9th meeting.

4-H Summer Events: email Mary Arnaudin@ncsu.edu to register

Asheville Tourists Game: 4-H Night at the ballgame on July 17th. Free pizza, cheap tickets & recognition of 4-H! Fun for the whole family.

New Sewing Class for Middle Schoolers July 25-26, 9:30 - 1:00.

4-H Fishing Day with Connestee Fishing Club - Thursday August 3 from 9:00 - 1:00pm. All gear and instruction provided free. All ages welcome.



Creekside Riders

Meet Thursday May 11 at Holly View Farm on Lyday Creek Loop Road (Tracie Gant's barn) at 6:30pm.

3-Day Horsemanship Clinic at WNC Ag Center

All youths who own a horse are invited to the annual 3-Day Clinic on June 26-28. Let Mary Arnaudin know if you want a registration packet. Instruction will be given for several disciplines. Stalls are available throughout the event. Participants may arrive the night before. Current Coggins required.

Locavore Cooking Club

<u>Next times</u>: We will have our soup cook off Wednesday May 3, pick strawberries on May 31, and teach the Farm Fun Club to cook with strawberries on Friday June 2nd.

Farm Fun/History Mystery Club

<u>Last time:</u> We planted our purple garden and it's doing great! <u>Next times</u>: Friday, April 28 from 4:00 - 5:00pm: Check our garden and do a handsewing project led by the 4-H sewing group.

On Friday May 19 we'll plant our summer garden from 4:00 -5:00 at the museum and on Friday June 2, we'll learn to cook with strawberries with the Locavores at the Extension office from 4:00 - 5:00pm.

Note: This club will meet over the summer - -new members welcome! Contact Mary Arnaudin for more information.

Sheep Showing

The Newells of Cherryfield Farm are offering the sheep showing program this summer. Let Mary Arnaudin know if your child is interested. Youths should have completed kindergarten to participate. The information meeting will be June 13 at the Extension Center at 6:00pm with Fallon Newell. At this time we have room for 3 more.

Last time: In April we met at PARI to see the exhibits and a planetarium show of the night skies and the upcoming complete solar eclipse! We made viewers that we can use to watch the eclipse safely. Next time: On Tuesday May 30 we will meet at the Pisgah Ranger Station from 6:00 - 8:00pm for a nature walk on the Andy Cove Trail. Wear closed toed shoes. Please register at pari.edu and email Mary_Arnaudin@ncsu.edu.



Trail Trekkers

Trail Trekkers will meet at 1:00 pm on May 5th at the High Falls visitor center parking lot in DuPont. We will go in the visitors center and then set off on a easy 1.2 mile round trip hike. Please email <u>Kathleenthill76@gmail.com</u> if your family is interested in joining us.



Robotics

<u>Next times:</u> We will continue to work on programming challenges in the RMS media center after school on Tuesdays.















RES Aggies

Last time: On April 27, **Fallon Newell** brought twin lambs to our meeting and gave a program all about sheep and wool. 4-H Agent Mary Arnaudin shared information about other 4-H opportunities and Livestock Agent Addison Bradley discussed possible summer field trips.

<u>Next time:</u> Meet Thursday May 25 for a program and get info about our summer field trips.

4-H Teen Council

Last times: We planted in the Community Garden by the Extension Center with Ag program assistant Sara Freeman. Produce from this garden is donated to Bread of Life and used by the Locavore Cooking Club. We also worked on our 4-H presentations and finalized our May/June plans. <u>Next times:</u> On May 10 we will practice our presentations at the Extension Center from 5:15-6:15 and on May 24 we will pack personal care kits that we will donate to Transylvania County Schools for homeless students. We'll have our Teen Council party on June 7th!

NEW 4-H Fishing Club for ages 11 to 15. Limited to 10 members. <u>First</u> <u>Meeting was April 8!</u> The club will meet at the Pisgah Center for Wildlife Education on the 2nd Saturday afternoon each month from 1:00-4:00pm. Next meeting is Saturday May 13. There is room for a couple more to join. Email Mary_Arnaudin to register.

Sewing Group

<u>Next time:</u> On Friday, April 28th we will lead our hand sewing project at the Farm Fun meeting from 4:00 - 5:00pm at the Heritage Museum. We will discuss possible times for another sewing class.







Rosman Elementary Aggies Learning about sheep and farm animal products.



SciGirls learning about viewing the upcoming solar eclipse.





Teen Council planting vegetable starts in the community garden.



State 4-H and FFA Horse Judging contest held at St. Andrews College

Both **Bella Sztyber** and **Hannah Lemel** qualified for the state 4-H horse judging team, for being in the top 10 highest scoring individuals giving placings and reasons for their judgments. Many thanks to **Sarah Rhymer** their coach!





Hannah earned 1st in the senior division for her placings of the performance classes and was 6th overall as an individual



The senior team placed 2nd overall: Courtney Meyer, Bella Sztyber, Abby Gant, and Hannah Lemel (left to right)