

Cabarrus County 4-H Newsletter September - 2004

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4-H SOS Goldminers Begin A Great New Year!

We're very proud to be a partner with the only afterschool program designed exclusively for middle school youth (6, 7, & 8 graders). For the 8th year, 4-H SOS Goldminers will be operating at three sites- **JN Fries, Concord Middle, and Mt. Pleasant Middle School**. These programs will operate daily from school dismissal to 6:00pm.

Daily activities include: **recreation, snacks, homework help, specialized computer assistance, resource and research time, academic enrichments, time for socializing, peer tutoring, reading and community service.**

Fun Fridays reward good attendance, cooperative, and active participation in the various components of the program.

Mrs. Linda McGlamery serves at Program Director, and **Mrs. Dianne Boyd** provides valuable office support.

We feel very fortunate to have a Governor's SOS (Support Our Students) Grant and a Phillip Morris Grant to make these programs possible. Please share this exciting program with families in your area. **For more information, please call the 4-H office at 704-920-3310.**

4-H Happenings

4-H Mission...Nutrition!



We will have our first training for our new County 4-H Group Project, **4-H Mission...Nutrition**, on **September 28**, at **6:30pm**. **Food will be provided**. Join us!

See the activities that we will be using for all 4-H members in Cabarrus County this year and learn about the incentives and recognition program for this activity.

If you have any questions, please contact **Sara West**. To **RSVP**, please call **704-920-3310**.



Come To The Fair!

The annual Cabarrus County Fair is coming **September 11-18 at the Cabarrus Arena and Events Center** and we need all Cabarrus 4-H families involved!

We hope all our 4-H'ers are busy preparing entries for the Youth Division! Plan to show off your art work, photography, baked goods, sewing, and more! Remember, the fair is a great chance to earn ribbons and prize money.

Entries will be taken at the Fair on Wednesday and Thursday, September 8 & 9, from 12:30pm-6:30pm. Pick up your entries on Sunday, September 19 from 2:00pm- 5:00pm.

Thank you to all the clubs, members, and leaders who will be supporting our upcoming Live 4-H Fair Booth!

Here's the Live 4-H Fair Booth schedule of events:

Saturday, September 11

Healthy Snacks - Sara West (Contact).

Monday, September 13

ETC Club- Pet Night. If you have a friendly pet you would like to share at the Fair, please contact the 4-H Office to sign up. Coordinated by Dusty Counts.

Tuesday, September 14

Family Fun Activities! Hoofbeats 4-H Club, Lori Harroff (Contact).

Wednesday, September 15

Family Fun Activities!

Thursday, September 16

Fashion Revue. If you would like to model garments that you have sewn for the Make It Yourself With Wool Contest, or for the 4-H Fashion Revue, please contact the 4-H Office to sign up.

Friday, September 17

Crafts to Go - Kristen Mason (Contact).

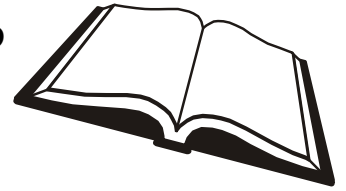
Saturday, September 18

4-H Promotion - Adele Harper (Contact).

Thank you for volunteering!



Join Us - 4-H Club Scrapbooking Party!



Are all you historians and reporters remembering the County Scrapbook Contest for 2004?

We will have another Scrapbooking Session, with **Cindy Wells** and **Dusty Counts**, on **September 27, 6:30-8:00pm**. Bring your pictures, any supplies, and a friend!



Time To Celebrate National 4-H Month!

National 4-H Month is just around the corner, and we are looking forward to October when the community will be celebrating 4-H. We hope you will share and promote 4-H by preparing a tabletop exhibit during National 4-H Month.

Tabletop exhibits may be set up **September 30, from 12 Noon to 5:30pm in the Rotunda of the Cabarrus County Governmental Center**. Exhibits will be **judged October 1** by age-appropriate categories.

First place winners receive a \$20 scholarship. Contact your club leader for specifics on age categories and scholarships. Leader packs include information on the Tabletop presentations.

The following 4-H'ers have already signed up:
Elizabeth Shue, Ella Beth Wickliff, McKenzie Fincher, Taylor Furr, Kristen Mason, Melissa Mason, Kayla Mason, and Courtney Boyd.

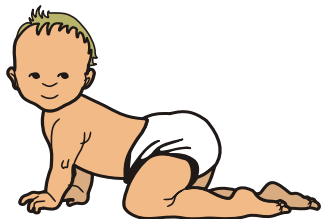
Please sign up by **September 20th** to reserve your place.

Calling All Teens - State Council Retreat Planned!



The annual **4-H State Council Conference** will be held **November 13-14**. This Council Conference is open to teen 4-H'ers 13-18 years old. The conference will include exciting workshops, speakers, and the State Council Banquet. Teens, more details will follow, but mark your calendars NOW!

4-H Legacy Baby



To celebrate and promote 4-H, we are starting a **4-H Legacy Baby program**. We are currently collecting items for two baskets to give to the first boy and girl born in Cabarrus County during National 4-H Month. We have plenty of baby girl items, but need a few more items for a baby boy.

Possible items include bottles, bibs, pacifiers, onesies, grooming necessities, or home child proofing items.

The child will receive a birthday card from Cabarrus 4-H throughout the following years.

4-H County Council Updates

4-H members and leaders enjoyed an **End of Summer Picnic** and County Council meeting on **Tuesday, August 17, 2004**.

Officers nominations for 2004-2005 include:

President: **Kristen Mason**
Vice President: **Kayla Mason**

We still have two more offices to fill before October. If you are interested in running, please contact the 4-H Office for more information. **Those running for a County Council office must be 14 by October 19, 2004.**

Our Fall Kickoff Dinner will be held on October 19, from 6:30-8:00pm. Don't forget to come early with your unused project books for the County Project Book Swap, from 5:30-6:30pm!

Make It Yourself With Wool Contest Planned!



The annual NC **Make It Yourself With Wool Contest** will be held in **Concord** at the **Cabarrus County Extension Office** on **Saturday, November 13, 2004**. Entries must be **postmarked by October 23**.

Mrs. Jo Ann Lowder and **Mrs. Jean Thomas** are Co-Directors of the contest. Please contact Jo Ann at **704-455-9340**, or Jean at **704-547-0499**.

The Great Book Swap

4-H Families, mark your calendars! Because we will be charging \$1 per project book in 2005, we are holding a project book swap on October 19, 5:30-6:30pm.

Bring in all of those project books that have little or no writing, and swap them out with other 4-H'ers.

See you there!



CLUB CORNER

Compiled by: **Hope Newton**
2004 4-H County Council Secretary

Chompin' At The Bit 4-H Club

The 4-H group, "Chompin' at the Bit," has been hard at work. The club raised over two hundred dollars for abused and neglected horses in the North Carolina area. The group made horse treats and sold them at local shows to raise money. All proceeds were donated to the NCERL to buy tack, feed, and other supplies for the horses in their care. "Chompin' at the Bit" says they plan to keep on fundraising, however some of the future money will go to the club to further their education of horses and to pay for some group activities. **If you want to know more about the club, contact Erinn Dempsey at Sweet Acres, 980-521-6691.** "Chompin' at the Bit" would like to thank everyone for their kind and generous donations, they are greatly appreciated.

Please mail your 2004 Club Corner News to:
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