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Winderfest

It's getting pretty cold already, but we are looking forward to our 2015
North Central District 4-H Winterfest that will be held on Saturday,

January 31st in Greensboro! Winterfest is a one day event for all 4-Hers in the North Central District ages 11 and up. The cost to attend is \$20.

We will leave the office parking lot at 7:30 am and return at approximately 5:00 pm

In the morning there will be an interactive workshop called "The Reality Store" as well as a community service project led by your District Officers. In the afternoon we will have lunch followed by your choice of Ice Skating or Bowling with your fellow 4-H Members!

Deadline to Register: Friday, January 9

Volunteer Leaders Conference

The 2015 NC 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Conference will be February 7-8, 2015, at the Jane S. McKimmon Center in Raleigh, North Carolina. This is your opportunity to participate in workshops and seminars designed especially for 4-H volunteers and agents to create positive learning experiences for young people across the state. Annually, more than 200 conference participants gain skills and knowledge to help make the best better!

Saturday features more than 30 offerings of workshops in either 90-minute or 60-minute settings. New this year will be a curriculum track as well as a curriculum fair where volunteers and agents can see curriculum and learn how to use specific curriculums with their club. Together we will learn about the electric project, social media, teambuilding and lots of other great sessions. We wrap up the conference on Sunday morning with a community service share fair and a great speaker. We hope you can join us for this great training event!

Registration Fees:

Regular Registration \$150 (Saturday - Sunday) Saturday Only Registration \$145 (Including Banquet) Saturday Only Registration \$120

For a full list of workshop options and hotel information, please visit the 4-H blog @ alleghany4h.blogspot.com

To register contact the Extension Office prior to January 9th @ 372-5597



Project Record Books

Project Record Books Record books are a great way to keep track of what you have done this past year in 4-H. Record books will be judged at the county level and the top two books from each age category will be sent on to district competition. 4-Hers can earn scholarship money to attend 4-H events for each book turned in.

Project Record Books are due January 15th.

If you want to learn more about what project record books are and see samples we will be having a workshop on Tuesday, January 6 from 4-5 pm at the County Office Building. Contact the office for more information.

**Remember if you are interested in attending Electric Congress during the summer of 2015 you must do a project record book on an electric project.

Upcoming State Livestock Events

What: NC Junior Hereford Association Judging in January

When: January 24, 2015

Where: NCSU Beef Educational Unit

Who: This is a livestock judging contest that is open to youth up to the age of 18. It is designed for both experienced kids and beginners.

For more information on this event please contact Steve Sifford at 336-376-0541 or 919-618-2198. Entries are due **January 15th** and the registration form will be posted on the 4-H Youth Livestock webpage.

What: Nance Family Meat Goat Leadership Institute

When: February 7, 2015

Where: NCSU Beef Educational Unit

Who: This event is open to youth ages 10-19 that have a desire to enhance their leadership

skills and learn about! the meat goat industry. This event is free to youth, but they must fill out an application that can be found at http://

www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/animal/4hyouth/ah4h.html.

Applications are due January 9th.



We are getting ready to take our 4th annual ski/snowboarding trip at the French-Swiss Ski College at Appalachian Ski Mountain in Blowing Rock on Friday, February 6th. All youth ages 8+ (under age 12 requires a parent/guardian present) are eligible to attend. The cost will be \$25 for skiing and \$30 for snowboarding. Clothing rental will be additional. Dinner will be available for purchase (approx. \$8 from Chic-Fil-A) or you may eat on your own at the Snack Bar. We will leave the office

at 3:30 p.m. and will return around 1 a.m. <u>Spaces are limited so contact the</u>

office to register.

To see the slopes live visit: http://www.appskimtn.com/asm-right-now/slopecam/

Registration Deadline: January 31st

HORSE BOWL

Horse Bowl teams are now forming and beginning to practice. You do not have to own a horse or be a member of the horse club to participate!! Anyone interested in learning more about horses is welcome to sign-up. This is a great way to make new friends and learn more about horses at the same time. First time participants welcome. For more information contact the Extension Office at 336-372-5597 or Stacy Adams at 336-372-5164.

District Horse Bowl competition will be held in Rockingham County on February 14th. A make-up date/weather date will be February 21st.

Rockingham County will be hosting a mock horsebowl on January 24^{th} for anyone that may be interested. You can attend this event even if you are not a member of a team. You must register for this event by January 16^{th} .

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

December 2014

December 23 - 25 - Office Closed - Happy Holidays

January 2015

January 1 - Office Closed - Happy New Year

January 6 - Project Record Book Workshop

January 24 - Mock Horse Bowl Competition - Rockingham County

NC Junior Hereford Association Judging in January - Raleigh

January 31 - Winterfest - Guilford County

February 2015

February 6 – 4th Annual Ski & Snowboard Trip – Appalachian Ski Mountain

February 7 - Nance Family Meat Goat Leadership Institute - Raleigh

February 7-8 - Volunteer Leaders Conference - McKimmon Center - Raleigh

February 14 - North Central District Horse Bowl Competition - Rockingham County

Save the Dates

District Activity Day – June 13 – A&T State University - Greensboro 4-H Camp - July 5-10 - Betsy Jeff Penn 4-H Educational Center - Reidsville NC 4-H Congress & State Presentations – July 17-21 – NCSU Raleigh

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