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Amy Lucas, 4-H Agent

ALLEGHANY 4-H IS CURRENTLY TAKING ORDERS FOR THE 2015 ANNUAL SPRING PLANT SALE.

The following types of plants will be available to purchase:

**Blackberries **Rhubarb

**Flowers **Strawberries

**Herbs **Vegetables

**Raspberries



Orders for all plants are due by Tuesday, April 17, 2015. <u>Payment is due at the time the orders are placed</u>. The pick-up dates are Thurs. & Fri, April 23rd & 24th from 9am to 5pm at Alleghany County Office Building.

** We can now accept credit/debit cards for payment, with a small fee of 3.75% or less charged. Phone orders can/will be accepted with a credit/debit card purchase. **

For an order form, visit the 4-H blog or contact the Extension Office. For more information, contact the Extension Office at 336-372-5597. <u>ALL</u> proceeds will help send kids to summer camp and other summer fun opportunities.

Horticultural Science Summer Institute

The Horticultural Science Summer Institute will be **July 5-10**, **2015** and is sponsored by North Carolina State University and North Carolina Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Program with the Department of Horticultural Science. High school-aged youth (rising sophomores, juniors and seniors) are invited to apply to a weeklong, residential horticultural experience on the campus of NC State University.



Youth will have hands-on opportunities to explore a broad range of horticultural possibilities from breeding better fruits and vegetables, growing a diverse selection of woody ornamentals, lengthening the life of cut flowers, learning sustainable production practices and delving into practical tools that enhance our understanding of plant processes. Participants will visit a variety of horticultural businesses. Youth will also be introduced to career possibilities, college-making decisions and leadership development and enjoy evening entertainment and team-building activities.

The cost of the institute will be \$600 with a \$150 deposit due upon application acceptance. All lodging, workshop materials and field trips and meals are provided. Scholarships may be available. Applications are due Friday, April 1st and notification of acceptance will follow shortly thereafter. Registration forms can be found on the blog. **Deadline to register: April 1, 2015**



July 5-10 Ages: 8-17

Cost: \$420 per youth (includes transportation, all meals, camp store

money and t-shirt)

Join us for a week of traditional 4-H overnight camping. You will have an opportunity to participate in high ropes course, horseback riding, archery, arts and crafts canoeing, swimming and much, much more. This is an opportunity you do not want to miss out on. Opportunities for Leaders in Training for ages 15 and up.

The cost of camp is \$420 and a deposit of \$50 is required. Scholarships may be available. For more information contact the office.

** If you register & pay your deposit before April 30th, \$50 will be deducted from your total camp balance **



2015 NC WHEP State Contest

May 9, 2015

W. Kerr Scott Dam and Reservoir Education Center

Wilkesboro, NC (Wilkes)

Registration Deadline: April 17, 2015

The 4-H Wildlife Habitat Evaluation Program is a national 4-H program that: teaches 4-Hers about the fundamentals of wildlife management; brings 4-Hers together to develop team skills; promotes and develops leadership skills among 4-Hers; provides an opportunity for 4-Hers to work with natural resource professionals. If you would like to form a team or are looking for a team to join, contact the office for more information.



UPCOMING HORSE SHOWS

There are several horse shows coming up soon....

The Spring Holiday Classic Open Horse Show will be **April 18-19** in Raleigh. This is the fundraiser for our district 4-H horse program, so participation would be greatly appreciated! You can also volunteer to help at the show, sell sponsorships and encourage vendors to attend. **You can find all information at the new web site at: http://www.holidayclassicopenhorseshow.com/



The district 4-H horse show will be **May 16-17** in Raleigh in conjunction

with the Wake County All Youth Show. Our 4-Hers can show in both shows if they choose to. All district 4-H forms are available at: http://rockingham.ces.ncsu.edu/categories/4-h-youth-

development/

Also, if you sell at least \$100 in sponsorships for this show you will get a free stall for the show.

The Wake County All Youth Open Horse Show will be happening on **May 16-17** in Raleigh. The Wake County show is a great place for our district 4-Hers to get some practice in while in Raleigh. You can basically show in 2 shows while in Raleigh for district! One stall price. The link to the forms:

http://rockingham.ces.ncsu.edu/categories/4-h-youth-development/ and look under the heading "2015 North Central District 4-H Horse Show & Wake County All Youth Open Show Details."



4-H CITIZENSHIP NC FOCUS

4-H Citizenship North Carolina Focus will be held **June 15-17**, **2015** in Raleigh at the Sheraton Raleigh Hotel. Again this year, we are grateful to North Carolina's Electric Cooperatives- Touchstone Energy for being our conference Signature Sponsor. I encourage you to take the time to tell them thank you for their support and encourage your 4-H'ers to do the same.

Here are some details about the conference:



Who can attend?

200 North Carolina 4-H'ers, ages 14 through 18 and appropriate adults. We are recruiting 2 people total per county.

Conference Highlights

- * Citizenship themed workshops * NC SPIN * Panel discussions
- *Distinguished speakers * Legislative breakfast * Visits with elected officials

What does it cost?

Registration fees are \$200.00 per person (youth and adult), including 2 nights lodging and all meals during the conference. The actual cost per person is \$665.00 per person. (The remaining cost is covered by donors and other

funding sources.) For more information contact the office. **Deadline to register – May 11, 2015**

County Activity Day

County Activity Day will be Wednesday, May 13th at the Alleghany County Office Building beginning at 4 pm. Activity Days are the 4-H presentation competitions. These are open to any youth 5 - 18 and cloverbuds (5-8 yr olds) are non-competitive. You can win scholarships to attend other 4-H events and medals by participating.

You **MUST** contact the Extension Office in advance and sign up for a time to present. Presentations will begin at 4 pm. For more information and to sign up call the office at 372-5597. For a full list of presentation categories visit the Alleghany 4-H Blog or facebook page. By presenting at County Activity Day you may be eligible to

present at District Activity Day on June 13th at A&T State University in Greensboro. <u>If you are interested in attending 4-H Congress in July you must do a county presentation</u>.

NORTH CENTRAL 4-H CLOTHING COMPETITION

The North Central District 4-H Clothing Competition will be held during the NC 4-H District Activity Day on Saturday, **June 13** at NCA&T Campus. Each county may send their 3 top winners in each age division: 9-13 and 14-18.

1) Entry forms are due by <u>May 22, 2015</u> to: Melissa Staebner PO Box 97 Yadkinville, NC

2) Check in by 9 am on District Activity Day. Your agent will inform you of your Judging time prior to DAD. Please be dressed and ready 10 minutes prior to your scheduled fit

3) 4-H'er must be present at District Activity Day and participate in the Fashion Revue.

4) All entry forms must be accompanied with a full length photo of the 4-H'er in the garment made and a copy of the pattern used. Garments will be judged for fit and construction.

The following criteria will be considered:

1) Seams and Seam finishing 2) Gathers/darts/pleats 3) Closures (buttons, hook & eye, zippers) 4) Decorative features (pockets, trim, appliques)

5) Fit/poise/confidence

Youth will be awarded 1st – 3rd place in two age divisions: 9-13 and 14-18. All other participants will receive a participation ribbon.

- **The first place winner in the 14-18 age division will receive a gift card.
- **The first place winners in the junior divisions will receive a gift card.
- **Second and third place will be recognized with a medal and certificate.

Registration forms can be found on the Alleghany 4-H Blog, Facebook page or by contacting the office.



SERTOMA DEAF CAMP

Millstone 4-H Camp June 28-July 3

The camp serves children ages 8-16 with any type of hearing loss, communication mode or assistive listening technology. They also accept CODA children (Children of a Deaf Adult) as long as the hearing child can fluently communicate using American Sign Language. This provides youth an opportunity to meet and associate with other as well as interact with positive adult role models in a safe, fun 4-H camp environment.



For more information and registration form, please visit the Alleghany 4-H Blog or Facebook page.

2015 Southeast Dairy Youth Retreat

Host State: South Carolina Dates: July 12-16, 2015

Cost: \$175

Headquarters Hotel: Hampton Inn (1201 Nance St.; Newberry, SC 29108)

The Southeast Dairy Youth Retreat is a 4 night adventure for youth ages 9 to 19 years of age, along with parents and dairy youth program volunteers. Held each year in one of the seven participating states (Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee and Kentucky), the retreat is a fun, educational and social event that is a unique experience every year!

Focusing on a variety of dairy topics, the trip provides the youth with the opportunity to visit various dairy farms throughout the state, attend workshops taught by industry professionals, visit local attractions unique to the state, and form lasting friendships with youth from different

states.

For more information, please visit the Alleghany 4-H Blog or Facebook page.

CONGRATULATION

A big congratulations goes out to our Junior and Senior Horsebowl teams that competed in this years horsebowl competitions. Both Junior and Senior Teams finished in second place at the district competition in Reidsville on February 14th. Several of our members placed individually with high scores including 3rd -Courtney Hash, 4th - Jessica Wyatt and 5th - Ashlin Williams on the Junior Team and 3rd - Gretchen Huysman and 5th Leah McGrady on the Senior Teams. Both teams moved on to the State competition held in Raleigh on March 7th. The teams were up against tough competition but our Junior Team placed 3rd in the state and Jessica Wyatt placed 4th in the state high scoring individuals.



Congratulations to our food show participants! This year Alleghany 4-H had six participants in the area food show held at East Wilkes Middle School on March 7th. Everyone created some spectacular dishes from pumpkin bread to breakfast casserole that judges sampled and critiqued. Youth also participated in a variety of community service projects that benefited the ASPCA and the Sole Hope project where youth and adults completed twelve pairs of shoes to send to youth in Uganda, Africa.

Participants from Alleghany included: Tess Nagle ~ four bean casserole; Chloe Nagle ~ Down east Maine Pumpkin Bread; Joshua Owen ~ Chocolate Truffle Brownie Cheesecake; Isaac Owen ~ Chocolatey Double Crunchers; Corrie Owen ~ Spice Cookies with Pumpkin Dip; Gabriel Hamm ~ Crockpot Breakfast Casserole.

Also a big thank you to our two volunteer judges, Susan Worrell and Maureen Cote who spent their morning sampling great dishes and helping with workshops.





IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

April 2015

April 17 ~ NC WHEP Registration Deadline

April 18-19 ~ Spring Holiday Classic Open Horse Show

April 30 ~ Camp BJP Early Registration Discount Deadlin

May 2015

May 9 ~ NC WHEP State Contest (Wilkesboro)

May 11 ~ 4-H Citizenship NC Focus Registration Deadline

May 13 ~ County Activity Day

May 16-17 ~ District 4-H Horse Show (Raleigh)

May 16-17 ~ Wake County All Youth Open Horse Show (Raleigh)

May 22 ~ District 4-H Clothing Competition Entry Forms Due

June 2015

June 12 ~ Registration Deadline SE Dairy Youth Retreat

June 13 ~ District Activity Day (A&T State University Greensboro)

June 13 ~ District 4-H Clothing Competition

June 15-17 ~ 4-H Citizenship NC Focus (Raleigh)

June 28-July 3 ~ Sertoma Deaf Camp

July 2015

July 5-10 ~ 4-H Camp ~ Betsy Jeff Penn 4-H Educational Center (Reidsville)

July 5-10 ~ Horticultural Science Summer Institute (NCSU Raleigh)

July 12-16 ~ SE Dairy Youth Retreat (South Carolina)

July 17-21 ~ NC 4-H Congress & State Presentations (NCSU Raleigh)

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