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WHAT A GREAT YEAR 2016 HAS BEEN!! WE HAVE HAD MANY GREAT ADVENTURES WITH FAMILIAR FACES AS WELL AS NEW.

A HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS, PARENTS AND OF COURSE OUR 4-H'ERS.

WE WISH YOU ALL A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY SEASON AND LOOK FORWARD TO AN EXCITING 2017.

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Who: Youth ages 11-18 (must be 11 as of January 1)
When: January 7, 2017
Where: Guilford County Extension Office
Cost: \$20
Deadline to Register: December 21, 2016

Join us for a day of exciting workshops and fun activities. We will be doing service activities and ending with a fun activity of either bowling or ice skating. For more information or to register, contact the Extension Office at 336-372-5597. Transportation and lunch are included in the registration fees.



HORSE UPDATES

Just as a heads up for a change to the **4-H HORSE** communications contests (public speaking, individual presentation, team presentation) for this year: we will be holding these events separately from the state competition during 4-H Congress for this year only. With 4-H Congress being so late in summer it is interfering with the horse 4-Her's ability to compete at the Southern Regional 4-H Horse Roundup in the communications contests should they win and be selected to represent NC at the regional level (Southern Regionals is Aug 2-6).

This year only the 4-H HORSE communications contest category will be held in conjunction with the State 4-H Horse Show in Raleigh on Wednesday morning, July 5th. Location TBD and will be announced as soon as we have one confirmed.

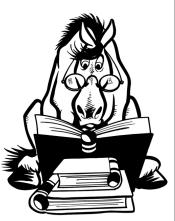


HORSE BOWL

Who: Open to youth ages 9 -19. (Must be 9 as of January 1, 2017)

Registration Due – January 13 Contest – February 11

North Central District 4-H Horse Bowl Contest will be held on **February 11, 2017** at Guilford County Extension Office. Bowl Entry Forms are now available located at: https:// rockingham.ces.ncsu.edu/wpcontent/uploads/2016/11/2017-District-4-H-Entry-Form.pdf? fwd=no



You will notice it is the state entry form with the district information added to it. This will save you from having to complete a state form again later and it is a fillable pdf. Please fill out completely and return to the Extension Office by **January 13**th.

All counties with horse bowl teams you must turn in 40 questions to the Extension Horse Husbandry page by **January 3rd.

Study materials can be found at the Extension Office. Horse Bowl is open to youth who want to learn more about all aspects of horses and horse husbandry. You do not have to own a horse to participate. Interested in being on a team? Contact the Extension Office @ 336-372-5597.

STATE 4-H COUNCIL CONFERENCE

At this year's 4-H Council Conference, held on November 19-20, 2016 in Raleigh, North Carolina, 4-H'ers were challenged to learn new things with the theme of Give, Lead, and Inspire. I represented Alleghany County and was one of nearly 300 people from 77 attending counties. I participated in workshops and leadership activities with other youth delegates.

During the two day conference I was able to attend workshops such as Parliamentary Procedure, where participants learned how to run an official business meeting, and Workshop Facilitation, which gave tips to 4-H'ers on planning a successful workshop of their own. Attendees also participated in the 4-H Spirit Stick competition, in which each district competed to show who has the most 4-H spirit.

Submitted by: Bryan Cassell



VOLUNTEER LEAPERS CONFERENCE

Who: All 4-H Volunteers When: February 3-5, 2017 Where: Durham, NC

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The 2017 NC 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Conference will be February 3-5, 2017, at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel and Convention Center in Durham, 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!

Friday night will showcase a curriculum make and take. Come experience the curriculum and take home an activity to use in your clubs! Saturday features a variety of workshops in either 75-minute or 60-minute settings. We wrap up the conference on Sunday morning with an optional morning devotion, brunch and a great capnote speaker. We hope you can join us for this great training event! Early full time registration will close on **January 10, 2017** at 5:00 pm. All other registrations must be entered by the county no later than **January 17, 2017** by 5:00pm. <u>You must contact the Extension Office to Register</u>.

Tentative Workshops will include:

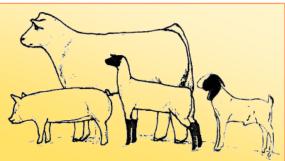
• 4-H Electric Program • Ages & Stages • Creating an Inclusive Learning Environment • Diversity and Inclusion • Etiquette for Today's 4-H Volunteer • Experiential Learning • Fundamentals of 4-H I've Been Nominated/Elected To Be An Officer - Now What?! • Intro to Ambassadors • Parli Pro • Project Records / Portfolios • The Life Skills Model • Understanding Ages & Stages of Youth Development



🍀 Make a World of Difference

 When: January 28, 2017
 Where: NCSU Beef Educational Unit 4505 Mid-Pines Rd Raleigh, NC 27603
 Hosted by the North Carolina Junior Hereford Association

Livestock Judging Contest for youth under the age of 19 as of January 1, 2017. Kids will have the opportunity to evaluate cattle, sheep,pigs, and goats. They will also be required to give two sets of oral reasons for both juniors and seniors. Entry



Form can be found on the Alleghany 4-H blog or the 4-H Facebook page. Entries are due no later than **January 20th**. Cost: Participants - \$12 for non-NCJHA members / free for NCJHA members coaches - \$6 including additional adults



Who: Youth ages 8+ (under 12 requires a parent/guardian)
When: Friday, January 27th- 3:30 pm - 1 am
Where: Applachain Ski Mountain / French-Swiss Ski College
Cost: \$30 Ski - \$35 Snowboard This includes equipment & lift ticket. (**Dinner on your own at the snack bar or \$8 for chic-fil-A**)
Deadline to register: Monday – January 23.

We are getting ready to take our 6th annual ski/snowboard trip at the French- Swiss Ski College at Appalachian Ski Mountain in Blowing Rock on Friday, January 27th. All youth ages 8+ (under age 12 requires a

parent/guardian present) are eligible to attend. The cost will be \$30 for skiing and \$35 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. You must let us know if you want dinner from Chic-Fil-A when you register.

We will leave the office at 3:30 p.m. and will return around 1 a.m. Spaces are limited so contact the office to register (336) 372-5597.

This is an excellent opportunity for first time skiers and snowboarders!!! The ski college is great with kids and provides first-timer lessons.

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

SUMMER CAMP 2017

4-H

It's never too early to start thinking about summer camp. We will be camping at Besty-Jeff Penn 4-H Center July 16th – 21st.

Camp is open to youth ages 8 and up (must be 8 at time of camp). There are opportunities for older youth (16-17) to serve as Leaders In Training (LIT's) which prepares you to be a summer camp counselor.

Contact the office with any questions or to pay a deposit. \$50 will hold your spot. Spaces are very limited.

IMPORTANT DATES:

December 21: Reg. Deadline ~ NC District Winterfest January 3: Horse Bowl questions due to State Office January 7: NC District Winterfest; Guilford County CES January 10 & 17: Reg. Deadlines ~ Volunteer Leaders Conference January 13: Reg. Deadline ~ District Horse Bowl January 20: Entry Deadline ~ Judging in January January 23: Reg. Deadline ~ Ski & Snowboard Trip January 27: 4-H Ski & Snowboard Trip January 28: Judging in January; Raleigh February 3-5: NC 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Conference February 11: NCD Horse Bowl Contest July 16-21: 4-H Camp; Betsy-Jeff Penn 4-H Center

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