

April is full exciting events for 4-H!!! County Contests are on Friday, April 11, 2008 3-6 p.m. at the Forrest County Extension Office. If you are planning to attend District Project Achievement Day or Club Congress, please contact me at the office. All forms are due April 4, 2008. If you have any questions about a program or are interested in starting a new program/club feel free to call me at the office at 601-545-6083 or on my cell at 601-408-5646.

County Contests



County Contests are going to be held Friday, April 11, 2008 3-6 p.m. at the Forrest County Extension Office. We will be judging visual presentations only. If you are interested in participating in a contest please contact Sarah at the Extension Office.

Club Congress

Club Congress will be held May 28-30, 2008 at MSU. Club Congress is for Senior level 4-H members (14-18). If you are interested in participating in a visual or a contest at Club Congress, please contact Sarah at the Extension Office

Hugs and Kisses Sewing Club



If any 4-H'ers are interested in becoming a part of the Hugs and Kisses 4-H Sewing Club please give Sarah a call at the office 601-545-6083 or call Alyne Carson at 601-268-6356.

Environmental Arts Day Camp



This year's camp will be held on Tuesday, June 17, 2008. Registration will be limited to 40 youth ages 5-13. There will be a \$12 registration fee. Forms will be mailed out at the end of April with May's newsletter. This year activities will consist of learning about recycling, water quality, forestry, soils and plenty of arts and crafts! Please observe the registration deadline and remember registration is on a first come first serve basics. Don't miss out on this great fun!

Paws and Claws

Paws and Claws will be hosting a Pet Show Sunday May, 4th at the 2008 May Fest at the Forrest Multipurpose Pavilion at 2:00 p.m. If any youth are interested in becoming a part of this club and/or showing their pet's skills at the Pet Show, please call Sarah at the Extension Office for more info!

Junior Master Gardeners



We are looking to start a Junior Master Gardeners 4-H Club for all those youth interested in becoming familiar with planting flowers, trees, etc. For more info please call Sarah at the Extension office!



4-H Horse Camp

We will be hosting a Horse Day Camp on June 3-5, 2008. We will learn about natural horsemanship taught by Dr. David Carter, equine dentistry with Pat James, Vet Care with Dr. Mark Holland, hoof care with David Bush, speed events will be taught by Randy DuBose and judged events with Linda Case. We look forward to a great camp!! See flyer for more information!!!

4-H Horse Shows



It's getting to be that time again! Horse shows will be starting again before we know it. All youth planning to show at the District Show must be **enrolled in 4-H by May 1** and must have the horse they are showing must be registered in their name by May 1. We plan to meet the 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Horse ethics training will be held April 22nd at 6:30 p.m.

ALL EXHIBITORS AND AT LEAST ONE PARENT MUST ATTEND ETHICS TRAINING IN ORDER TO SHOW!

Entry forms are due to the Forrest County Office by May 23, 2008 by 5:00 p.m.

District 4-H Horse Show: June 26-28, 2008 in Meridian, MS

State 4-H Horse Show: July 10-12, 2008 in Jackson, MS



Livestock News

Congratulations again to all livestock exhibitors showing at the County, District and Dixie National Livestock Shows. Remember to get your picture from the County Show along with a handwritten thank you note to your buyer from the County Sale. This is to show our buyers how much we appreciate their support, so please ensure that they know we are grateful for their contributions.

Meats Judging



If any youth are interested in becoming part of the 4-H Meats Judging Team and willing to participate at Club Congress at MSU, please feel free to contact Sarah at the Extension Office. We will be setting up practices for April!

God's Kids

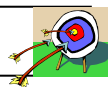
This is a club that focuses on various project areas! It is a great way for the youth to learn more about 4-H and learning to become leaders in our society. Contact Mrs. Aylne Carson at 601-268-6356 or the Extension Office for more information and meeting times.

Wildlife Judging



Wildlife judging is a great way to learn more about the habitats in which they live. If you are interested in becoming part of our Wildlife Judging Team please contact me at the office for scheduled meetings & practices.

Big Shots Shooting Sports



Practices have started and will continue until to the District Shoot. If you are interested in joining this club, please contact me so I can get you on the mailing list. This will be how you will receive the shooting schedule. Our next practices will be a April 5, 12, & 19, 2008 at 8:30 a.m. at the Hattiesburg Police Range.

District Competition: April 26, 2008 in Biloxi, MS

Club Announcements

- ✓ **God's Kids**
Next meeting will be held on April 4, 2008 @ 9:30 a.m.
- ✓ **Big Shots Shooting Sports**
April 5, 12, & 19, 2008 at 8:30 a.m.
District Competition: April 26, 2008 in Biloxi, MS
- ✓ **BRITS and GRITS Cooking Club**
Next meeting will be April 18, 2008 at 1:30-5:00 p.m.
- ✓ **Jr. Livestock Association**
Next meeting is Monday, April 28, 2008 @ 6:30 p.m.
- ✓ **Forrest County Firecrackers Horse Club**
Next meeting is April 22nd at 6:30 p.m. at the Extension Office
- ✓ **Paws and Claws 4-H Club**
April 7th 5:30 p.m. at the Extension Office

Thank you to all of you, youth, parents and volunteers, that put in countless hours to make this 4-H program continue to grow! Many thanks and much gratitude to each of you!

Sarah Johnson, 4-H Youth Agent