

"To Make The Best Better"

Newberry County 4-H Clover Clips Quarterly Newsletter

Blue Ribbon Kids

For the first time in years, Newberry County 4-H can say we have a State Project Winner! Dianna Moore, daughter of Jason and Tina Moore, participated in the Wildlife Food Plot Project. She brought home the blue ribbon (so to speak). This project, collectively sponsored by Quality Deer Management Association, The Rack Pack, Clemson Cooperative Extension, Wannamaker Wildlife, and SC 4-H, gives youth enough seed to plant a 1/8 acre food plot for wildlife. In return, they are expected to prepare, plant, and observe their plot while keeping records on precipitation, expenses, and visitors. Plots and record books are judged and submitted into age level competition on the local, regional, and state level.

Past awards from QDMA's Rack Pack have included trail cameras, deer aging guides, videos, hunting knives, magazines, stickers, hats, and must more. SC 4-H throws in a free trip to a summer camp. Dianna competed in the Junior division for ages 9-13. Next year she will be eligible to complete in the Senior division for ages 14-18. This project opens in August and ends in January.

There are other youth from Newberry competing in statewide projects as well. Everett Setzler has competed in the Wildlife Food Plot Project and the Small Garden Project since he was eligible at age 5. Lyle, Lee, and Noah Fulmer have competed in the Dairy Heifer Project, showing dairy cows, for the past few years. Gaillard and Julianna Smith, and Thomas Timms competed in the first Honey Bee Project last year. This year, Gaillard and Everett will give it a shot. Paisley and Samantha West are signed up to participate in this year's Small Garden Project.

All youth ages 5 through 18 are eligible to complete in these and other 4-H opportunities, such as the Meat Goat Project and our Poultry Projects that are currently open for registration. And, we are looking at adding a Rabbit Project to the list this year. For more information on what we offer check out our project page www.clemson.edu/extension/newberry/4h/projects.







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Strawberry Mousse

(from In the Kitchen Club)

Ingredients:

- •1 lb strawberries
- 2 tbsp sugar, honey, or maple syrup
- •1.5 c heave cream

Directions:

- 1.Wash, hull, and slice strawberries.
- 2.Puree strawberries and sweetener of choice in the blender for 2-3 minutes until smooth.
- 3. Pour cream into bowl and whip on high until peaks form.
- 4.Fold strawberries into cream until well combined.
- 5.Separate into small serving dishes and chill30-60 minutes until ready to serve.

Can be stored in a covered container for up to 3 days.

Upcoming and Ongoing Fundraisers

- * VIDALIA ONIONS: For the second year we are selling sweet Vidalia onions to support Newberry County 4-H programs. Five pound bags can be purchased or \$5 each. Payment due when ordering. Onions will be available for pick up in early May. You will be notified upon their arrival. Please contact us at awillin@clemson.edu or 803.276.1091 x142 to place your order.
- * **GET COOKING WITH 4-H:** We still have some Get Cooking with 4-H cookbooks left. They are available at the Extension Office for \$10. All proceeds benefit Newberry County 4-H.
- * TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY'S SPRING PAPER CLOVER CAMPAIGN: Each Spring and Fall, Tractor Supply helps raise money for 4-H programs with the Paper Clover Campaign, a national in-store fundraiser that benefits 4-H programming. This Spring's event will be held April 11-22. You can participate by purchasing a paper clover in store at the register or by donating online ate checkout.
- * SC 4-H SPORTING CLAYS TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER: Our annual statewide fundraiser will be held on Friday, June 1 at the National Wild Turkey Federation's Shooting Complex in Edgefield. There are opportunities for teams and individual shooters, as well as sponsors. 4-Hers: form a team of 4 and work to find a sponsor for your team! Door prizes for this event will be accepted as well, and can be brought to the Clemson Extension Office.

Spring Break Opportunity

Sign your child up to become a bona fide Jr. Naturalist! Participants will learn and experience nature through 8 different modules: Jr. Conservationist, Jr. Botanist, Jr. Aquatic Ecologist, Jr. Geologist, Jr. Wildlife Biologist, Jr. Herpetologist, Jr. Ornithologist, and Jr. Entomologist, culminating in their graduation and newfound status as a Jr. Naturalist. Your child will be taught by leading professionals in each field from the University of South Carolina, Clemson University, SC Wildlife Foundation, and more. Open to youth ages 9-13 for a registration fee of \$100. All youth receive a nature journal, 4-H t-shirt and membership card. Sign up: www.eventbrite.com/e/sc-4-h-jr-naturalist-spring-break-camp-tickets-43885297105?err=29



The SC 4-H Engineering Challenge provides an opportunity for students 9-19 to learn, have fun, demonstrate their science, technology, engineering, and math skills, and compete for individual and team honors by competing in STEAM challenges. The 2018 event will be held on Saturday, April 14 at Midlands Technical College-Airport Campus in Columbia. Registration will be open January through March and can be completed online: scionthemove.org/engineeringchallenge/. This event is open to 4-Hers members and non-members!

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Our Favorite Time of the Year: SUMMER!

Sign up for summer opportunities now, before it's too late! Print the flyer and share it with friends, too. www.clemson.edu/extension/newberry/4h/files/camp-files/summer%20flyer%2018.pdf

* Get Cooking with 4-H for Cloverbuds June 7 from 10am-2pm

\$10 for current 4-Hers, \$20 for non-members Ages 5-8

* SC 4-H Summer Camp at Camp Long in Aiken June 10 at 3pm - June 14 at 1pm

\$260 for current 4-Hers, \$270 for non-members Ages 7-14

Topics include: agriculture, natural resources, and horses plus swimming, canoeing, high adventures, nature hikes, team sports, shooting sports, games, skits, campfire, dance, and talent show.

* Pinckney 4-H Leadership Conference for Middle Schoolers

June 24-29 at Camp Bob Cooper in Summerton or July 15-20 at Camp Long in Aiken \$100 each. 4-H membership not required. Rising 7th and 8th graders. 50 spots available. Activities include leadership workshops, team building and high ropes course, community engagement, traditional camp activities, and more.

* Babysitting Workshop June 14-15 from 9am-5pm

\$15 for 4-Hers, \$25 for non-members Ages 10-12 Participants will earn a babysitting kit and a CPR certification.

* Camp WILD at Chester State Park June 26 at 10am - June 28 at 11am

\$75 for current 4-Hers, \$85 for non-members Ages 8-14

Topics include: tent camping, wildlife and natural resources, survival skills, swimming, and more.

* SC 4-H State Congress at Clemson University S275 each. 4-H membership required.

July 11-14
Ages 14-18.

SC 4-H's premier event, this youth leadership conference offers participants the opportunity to learn skills that will make even the best youth better.

* 4-H20 at Dreher Island State Park: Exploring Lake Murray July 17-19 from 9am-4pm

\$65 for current 4-Hers, \$75 for non-members Ages 8-11

Topics include: water safety, conservation, natural resources, science, and more.

* Pinckney 4-H Leadership Conference for High Schoolers

June 17-23 at Clemson University or July 22-28 at Clemson University

\$100 each. 4-H membership not required. Rising 10th and 11th graders. 36 spots available. Activities include leadership workshops, team building activities, campus life experiences, community engagement, whitewater rafting, and more.

* SC 4-H Summer Camp at Camp Bob Cooper July 22 at 3pm - July 26 at 1pm

\$270 for current 4-Hers, \$280 for non-members Ages 7-14

Topics include: Leadership, Science, and Healthy Lifestyles plus swimming, canoeing, high adventure elements, nature hikes, team sports, games, skits, campfire, dance, and talent show.

* Get Cooking with 4-H July 26 from 10am-3pm

\$10 for current 4-Hers, \$20 for non-members Ages 9-12

* 4-H20; Off the Water at Harbison State Forest July 31-August 2 from 9am-4pm

\$65 for current 4-Hers, \$75 for non-members Ages 12-14

Topics include: water science, conservation, natural resources, wildlife, and more.

This camp sponsored in part by Harbison State Forest.

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SC Commissioner's School for Agriculture

The South Carolina Commissioner's School for Agriculture (SCCSA) is a partnership between Clemson University and the South Carolina Department of Agriculture. This program strives to provide a challenging and enriching college-based experiences for a limited number of rising 11th and 12th grade students (home schooled students are eligible as well). Each college-based program provides an academically focused curriculum that integrates subject matter from a variety of related disciplines with the overall theme of agriculture and natural resources. The 2018 school will be held July 21-27. Full applications are now available: www.clemson.edu/cafls/sccsa/files/application.pdf.





Scholarship Opportunities

- * SC Soil and Water Conservation Society Scholarship
 One \$1000 scholarship available to SC residents pursuing an undergraduate degree in conservation or
 natural resources. Available to full or part time students. March 15 deadline.
- * Newberry County Soil and Water Conservation District Ag Scholarship
 Two \$1000 scholarships available to graduating seniors or current college students from Newberry County.
 Winner must pursue a degree in agriculture, wildlife biology, forestry, agricultural education, environment and natural resources, or any related field. March 16 deadline.
- * Let's Keep Newberry County Beautiful Scholarship Two \$500 scholarships available to graduating seniors or current college students from Newberry County. Students must be involved in the community and must pursue a degree relating to conservation efforts. March 16 deadline.
- * Forestry Association Scholarship
 One \$500 scholarship available to students majoring in Forest Resource Management or other natural resources based major. Only Newberry County residents and/or direct family members of the Newberry Forestry Association are eligible. April 6 deadline.
- * Newberry County Master Gardener's Association Scholarship
 One \$1000 scholarship available to graduating seniors or returning college students from Newberry
 County. Winner must pursue a degree in horticulture, agriculture, food science, forestry, or a related field.
 April 20 deadline.

Contact or visit the Newberry Clemson Extension Office for more details applications: 803.276.1091 x0.

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Dates to Remember

* March 12 <u>Midlands Poultry Project</u> Deadline

* March 13 SC 4-H Legislative Day at the SC State House

* April 11 <u>SC 4-H Small Garden Project</u> Deadline

* April 11-22 TSC Spring Paper Clover Campaign

* May 1 <u>SC 4-H/FFA Meat Goat Project</u> Deadline

We're on the web: www.clemson.edu/extension/ newberry/4h/index.html



Want a say so in the things Newberry County 4-H offers? Take our <u>Stakeholder Questionnaire</u> to leave your opinion. It only takes a few minutes. Thanks for your input!

4-H Birthday Corner

March: Lee Fulmer, Mason Mills, Skylar Whitfield,

April: Will Barnes, Carrie Haltiwanger, Micah Mayer, Benjamin Morris, Lille Waters, Kerribeth Zwart

May: Noah Fulmer, Elizabeth Lanford, William McDonald, Max Rushton, Kayleigh-Jane Zwart, Alana West



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