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Learn By Doing!

Upcoming 4-H Events

4-H Livestock Fun Day
February 23, 2019 10 am-3 pm Lunch will be provided
Orangeburg Fair Grounds
The program is designed to introduce young people and their families to the 4-H Livestock Programs. Participants will learn about animal care, handling and showing in the ring by 4-H members in the projects. Livestock Judging Workshop will also be a part of the program. Several animals will be on hand, including beef & dairy cattle, pigs, chickens, goats, and rabbits.
This event is free but please RSVP by February 22nd to:
Contact Samuel Quinney, 803-943-3427 ext.114

South Carolina 4-H Legislative Day
March 12, 2019
Here is our tentative schedule:
8:00 am – Leave the Orangeburg Extension office
9:00-11:00 a.m. Scheduled visits with legislators
1:30 a.m. SC 4-H Legislative Day Ceremony on State House steps
12:00 p.m. Lunch
1:00 p.m. Scheduled visits with legislators
2:30 p.m. State House Tours
Please let me know if you are interested in attending.
The Pinckney 4-H Leadership Conference
Learn leadership skills to make a difference in your school and community.
Two Sessions are available for rising high school sophomores and Juniors and are held on the campus of Clemson University.
   June 16-22
   July 21-27
Registration is $100 and the application and essay are due by March 15th.

The Pinckney 4-H Leadership Camp
This camp is for rising 7th and 8th graders. Two sessions are offered:
   June 23-28 at Camp Long, near Aiken, SC
   July 14-19 at Camp Bob Cooper, near Summerton, SC
Registration is $50 and the application and essay are due April 24th.

4-H Pullet Chain Project/4-H Laying Flock Project
4-H Poultry Projects engage youth in learning life skills while having fun raising chickens. In the 4-H Pullet Chain youth raise day old chicks for 5 to 7 months. Youth care for, train, and prepare for a show and/or final sale. The 4-H Laying Flock Project is designed for youth that already have laying hens at home and are not interested in raising new chicks this year. Participants in this project have the same access to shows as the Pullet Chain participants.
   Open to all youth Ages 5-18
   Must be a 4-H member ($10)
   Cost: $10 - $70 (depending on qty.)

Small Garden Project—Individual or group
Who: youth ages 5-18 as of January 1, 2019
What: prepare, plant, maintain, and harvest a small garden and complete contest record book
When: April 11 – July 31, 2019
Why: learn what it takes to grow the food we eat

All participants in this project must be current SC 4-H members for the 2018-19 club year. For a registration fee of $10 youth will receive a record book, at least 2 seed packets (one pollinator and one edible), and project newsletters.
Youth will be required to prepare, plant, maintain, harvest and utilize a garden plot of no less than 50 sq. ft. If the youth does not have space for a 50 sq. ft. garden, every effort will be made by the 4-H Agent to provide space.
Youth must plant the 2 seed varieties they are given (one pollinator and one edible). In addition, they must plant at least 2 other edible crops of their choice. If spacing allows, you may plant more than 4 types of crops. Seeds/seedlings must be in the ground no later than May 31.
CONGRATULATIONS CORNER

**Matthew, Mithais and Moses McCall attended the Healthy Lifestyles Summit**

**Tyler West and Hunter Kizer completed their Wildlife Food Plot record books!**

**Kambell Summers completed in the Miss 4-H Pageant and won 2nd runner up in the business attire category**

**The Orangeburg Christian Home Educators 4-H club has entered 2 teams in the Engineering Challenge March 30th.**

**The Holly Hill Academy after school 4-H club has added 7 garden beds to their school!**

**Mid Carolina Shooting Sports 4-H Club brought home trophies from the SCDNR Skeet Shoot!**

Community Happenings

April 6—Purple Martin Festival
   Parade 10 am
   Activities 11am — 6pm
   Calhoun County Courthouse

May 3-5 Festival of Roses
   Edisto Gardens

For more info on these events feel free to call or email me.
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Check out the SC State 4-H Calendar:
https://www.clemson.edu/extension/4h/calendar.pdf

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https://www.clemson.edu/extension/calhoun/index.html
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