



The Clover Chronicle

Baker County Extension 4-H Newsletter



Spring is right around the corner and there are a lot of exciting 4-H events and activities happening. Start planning for the summer events highlighted in last month's newsletter.

County Events is coming up early in April with District Events in May. Look for an article explaining more about County Events in this issue. Plan on attending the County Events Workshop this month to learn more about it.

Record books and portfolios will be due May 1st so start thinking about how to complete your portfolio's. If you weren't able to attend the Portfolio Workshop offered in January have your leader schedule me to come to your club to do a workshop on record books/portfolios and recognition.

Kids Taking Charge: On My Own and OK! Day Camp will be during spring break March 24 – 28, 2008. Registration materials on the web now.

Baker County
4-H Agent



4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills.

County Events
April 3rd 7pm
Ag Center

March, 2008

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What are County Events?

County Events consists of Demonstrations/Illustrated Talks, Public Speaking, Fashion Revue, Share the Fun and 4-H Poster/Photography Contest. Please refer to the Florida 4-H Events & Activities Handbook" available on line at <http://florida4h.org> for guidelines on each event or contact the 4-H office for information and entry forms.

- ◆ Demonstrations/Illustrated Talks- individual and team members demonstrate in a project area
- ◆ Public Speaking- preparation and delivery of a speech in either general public speaking or horse public speaking
- ◆ Fashion Revue- a fashion show for members who have sewn or selected a garment during the 4-H year.
- ◆ Share the Fun- a 4-H talent show for individuals or teams
- ◆ Photo/Poster Exhibits-poster art based on the theme "4-H In Your Community".

A County Events Workshop is being held on Tuesday, February 17th at 6pm in the 4-H Classroom. This workshop will help you start preparing for County Events. Please call the 4-H office and tell us if you plan to attend.





"Kids Taking Charge" Day Camp — March 24th through 28th — Monday through Friday - 8:30 a.m. through 4:30 p.m. daily. Bring a Brown Bag Lunch. \$25.00 per youth ages 10 through 14 year old. **Pre-registration required by March 14th.** Registration materials on the web at <http://baker.ifas.ufl.edu>. This day camp is to help prepare kids for times when they have to stay at home after school. It helps them learn basic safety principles, prepare healthy snacks, make good use of their leisure time, and in general cope with staying home alone for the brief time that a parent might be away. Lots of hands on activities have been arranged to make learning fun.



Summer Camp— Plan now to attend a fun week of overnight camp at Camp Cherry Lake, June 16-19. A great week is now being planned for members 8 to 12 years old. The Theme is "Pirates of Camp Cherry Lake". See your February Newsletter for a list of all Baker County 4-H Summer Day Camps! More information on these day camps will also be provided in future newsletters.



Dairy Poster Contest: Theme: "Breakfast Building Blocks, Milk, Yogurt and Cheese"
Dairy Posters are open to all 4-H members and due in the office by May 14th. Guidelines were emailed to everyone with email addresses on file. Details can be found on our website at <http://baker.ifas.ufl.edu>



Farm Bureau Speech Contest— The Florida Farm Bureau sponsors a speech contest which begins at the county level. The winner competes in a district contest. The District Winner then goes on to a State contest in the Fall. Participants must be 14 through 18 years old. The Baker County Farm Bureau contest will be later this spring so it is time to register for the contest and prepare your speech. The topic this year is "Why is it important for farmers and ranchers to take an active role in the political process?" The speech is limited to 5 minutes and is judged 50% on speech content and 50% on delivery. For more information or details on how to participate in this contest, contact Ms. Renee'.



New Community Club Organizing— Ms. Kristy Fletcher is organizing a daytime community club. The club will meet on the third Monday of each month beginning May 19th at 3:30pm in the 4H Classroom. Anyone interested in being part of this club is welcome to attend. The first meeting will discuss possible project opportunities in the 4-H Performing Arts project. As a community club, members can decide on several projects a year to do as a club as well as, any projects they would like to do on their own or with their families.



Livestock Club— Congrats to Hunter Whitty (Nassau); Clayton Lyons, Brad Rigdon and Derek Rigdon who Won 5th place at the Florida State Fair Livestock Judging Competition.



Horse Project— Congrats to Cheyenne Hutson, Lisa Stallings, Summer Sparks, and Brittany Namwises who are working really hard in Horse Judging. They won 3rd place at the Horse Judging competition at the South Florida Fair. FFA against 4-H and FFA junior/intermediate aged teams (13 and under).

Open Horse Show - March 22, 2008 at the Baker Fair Grounds Horse Arena. Pick up a show bill and entry forms today at local feed stores or available on our website. (<http://baker.ifas.ufl.edu>) Lots of fun classes.

Horse Council— The horse clubs have formed a leaders council for any horse club volunteers, interested parents and the executive officers of the clubs (President/Vice President and Delegate). They met twice in January to plan the March Horse Show. If you are a horse project volunteer or interested in becoming one, the meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm at the agricultural center. March 25th is the next meeting.



2007-08 Baker County 4-H Clubs

Check the monthly calendar in this newsletter or with your leader for dates and times of your club meetings.

ART CLUB— For Junior/Intermediates- Ms. Carolina Nelson

HANDS AND HOOVES— Mr. Charlie Chanaki & Ms. Cathy Sparks

ART & CULTURE CLUB— For Teens- Ms. Kelley Lannigan

HOOF N' AROUND —Ms. Marjena Bass & Ms. Mary Pregler

CLOVERBUDS— Ages 5 to 7 year olds. (Reorganizing)

LIVESTOCK—Ms. Lovurn Rivers

COMMUNITY CLUB (DAYTIME)— Ms. Christi Fletcher -Organizing

SHARPSHOOTERS— Mr. Gary Stephens




CLOVERLEAF CLOGGERS—Ms. Madeline Carroll & Ms. Janet



BAKER COUNTY 4-H



March 2008

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			Registration for Horsemanship school should be out this month			1 Hoof N Around Horse Clinic with Ms. Renee'
2 Horse Judging Field Trip to Nassau 2pm	3 Horse Judging 7pm Classroom ----- State 4-H Posters Due	4 Hoof N Around Club 7pm Classroom	5	6 Sharp Shooters 6pm Fairgrounds ----- Cloverleaf Cloggers 7pm Fairgrounds	7	8 Art & Culture Teen Club 10-12 Classroom
9	10	11 Livestock Club 6pm Classroom ----- Hands & Hooves Club 7pm Auditorium	12	13 Cloverleaf Cloggers 7pm Fairgrounds ----- Art Club Jr./Int. 7-8:30pm Classroom	14 Newsletter deadline	15 Family Fun Fitness 9:30am Classroom
16	17  St Patrick's Day District Council Meeting 4pm Classroom ----- County Events Workshop 6pm Classroom	18	19	20 Sharp Shooters 6pm Fairgrounds ----- Cloverleaf Cloggers 7pm Fairgrounds Spring Begins	21  Good Friday	22 Baker County Horse Show ----- Art & Culture Teen Club 10-12 Classroom
23 	24 Kids Taking Charge: On My Own and OK - Spring Break Day Camp 24th - 28th 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Daily Cloverleaf Cloggers 7pm Fairgrounds	25 Horse Leaders Council 6:30pm Classroom	26	27	28	29
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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Save these dates. Check monthly for changes

April

- 1 Cloverleaf Cloggers Thursdays Weekly 7pm Fairgrounds
- 1 Hoof N Around 7pm
- 3 Baker County Events (Public Speaking, Demonstrations, Fashion Revue, Share the Fun, Photography Contest)
- 5 Family Fitness 9:30-10:30 am TBD
- 7 Family Fitness Committee meeting 11a.m.
- 7 Horse Judging 7pm
- 8 Hands & Hooves 4-H Club Meeting
- 12 & 26 Art & Culture 4-H Club 10 - 12
- 13 Horse Judging TBD 2pm
- 15 Newsletter Items Due
- 19 State Junior/Intermediate Horse Bowl at Central FI Fair (Tentative)
- 25—26 Area B Horseshow

May

- 1 Cloverleaf Cloggers Thursdays weekly 7pm Fairgrounds
- 1 Camp Registrations Due
- 1 Portfolio & Awards Packets Record Books
- 3 District V—District Events (Baker, Columbia, Union, Bradford, Alachua)
- 14 Dairy Posters Due
- 15 Newsletter Items Due
- 19 Daytime Community Club 3:30pm 4-H Classroom
- 28-30 Extension Symposium (Ms Renee Gainesville)

