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VIRGINIA BEACH 4-H CLOVER CLIPS

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Message from 4-H Agent

Dear 4-H Families,

I hope you are well and staying safe as we continue to adjust to the new normal. Since our last newsletter, staff and volunteers have been working hard to modify Virginia Beach 4-H programs to keep kids engaged in 4-H at home.

While the Virginia Beach Virginia Cooperative Extension office is currently closed to the public, I am available by phone and email to answer questions and support your virtual programming efforts, while planning future Virginia Beach 4-H programs. I want to remind members and leaders, per state 4-H guidelines, all **in-person** 4-H programming is cancelled until further notice. Therefore, we have made efforts to adapt our 4-H activities virtually, beginning with virtual camp counselor trainings and virtual embryology projects.

While, some of our anticipated in-person programs have been cancelled, including Virginia Beach 4-H Camp, virtual camps are currently being planned. Many of these opportunities will be free and open to any youth seeking to learn new life skills and stay connected in the 4-H Spirit!

Thank you for all you are doing to stay connected and safe. Know, as a 4-H community and larger Virginia Beach community, we are in this together and always just a phone call away.

Be well,

Sarah Farley



Remembering 5/31/2019

Source: <https://loveforvb.com/multimedia>

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UPCOMING EVENTS IN 2019-2020

The following events are scheduled:

Youth Opportunities

- Online Horse Judging Contest, June 22, virtual
- Camping Across the Commonwealth, June 22-27, virtual
- Congress Across the Commonwealth, weekly July 2020, virtual
- Airfield Virtual 4-H Camp, TBA
- State Fair of Virginia, September 25-October 4, 2020
- State Horse Show, NEW DATE – October 22-25, 2020

View calendar of additional 4-H opportunities [HERE](#).

COVID-19 Cancellations

- ~~Pungo Strawberry Festival – May 23-24~~
- ~~Virginia Beach 4-H Livestock Show & Sale – May 28-29~~
- ~~NRA/4-H Shooting Education Camp, June 15-19, Airfield 4-H Center~~
- ~~Camp Millionaire – June 15-18, Virginia Beach Extension Office~~
- ~~Virginia Beach 4-H Camp – August 3-7, Airfield 4-H Center~~

Fundraisers – Seeking Community Support

- Virginia Beach 4-H Livestock Club seeks donors for livestock kids' projects (see letter on page 3)
 - Support Online June 11 – 13 via <http://stockshowplanet.com/>
 - Support via check (VB 4-H Livestock Inc.) now – June 13

Contact the 4-H Office for more information/registration forms for these events.

STATE LISTSERVS

State horse and livestock updates come out frequently with timely 4-H information, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. To stay up-to-date with the latest information, I encourage you to join the state listservs:

- Livestock: <https://ext.vt.edu/4h-youth/youth-livestock/listserv.html>
- Horse: <https://ext.vt.edu/4h-youth/horse/horse-listserv.html>

SUMMER 4-H PROGRAMMING NEEDS SURVEY

We are currently exploring alternative delivery formats to assure youth in Virginia Beach can experience educational, interactive, and fun summer programming.

Please stay tuned for more information to come soon.

In the meantime, please fill out our Virginia Beach 4-H summer programming needs survey:

<https://forms.gle/ZYmSP8s7HzB3QTXh7v>





Virginia Beach 4-H Livestock, Inc.
P. O. Box 7126
Virginia Beach, VA 23457



May 18, 2020

Dear Friend of 4-H:

The Virginia Beach 4-H Livestock Show and Sale Committee has been closely monitoring the COVID-19 situation and unfortunately the decision has been made to cancel this years' Show and Sale. We hope that the current pandemic will subside to a level that will allow our youth to continue this 66-year tradition in the coming years. Once again our youth have worked hard to showcase an impressive group of animals (steers, hogs, lambs and goats). As with everyone our youth have suffered many setbacks through these unusual circumstances. Without a yearly 4-H auction it may be difficult for our youth to recoup the monies that are required to feed and care for their animals. For this reason we are attempting to assist them with financial support to offset the funds they have committed to their animal projects.

The members of our community have been very supportive in the past by donating funds to this very worthwhile program and once again we would like to count on your personal investment in our youth and their future. Your support will ensure that our 4-H members are recognized for their hard work and devotion to this program. Without generous supporters like you, many children would not have the opportunity to gain the hands on experience of "learning by doing".

We plan to complete our fundraising endeavors by 8:00 p.m. June 13th. Donations may be made payable to "Virginia Beach 4-H Livestock, Inc." and mailed to the address above. Please include the 4-H'ers name that you are making a donation to so it may be applied to the correct child.

Since we will not be able to attend this years sale if you have any questions or concerns you may contact, Kevin Newton at 615-6729 or Don Horsley at 439-5049.

Thank you in advance for your support of the Virginia Beach 4-H Livestock Club.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "K. L. Newton".

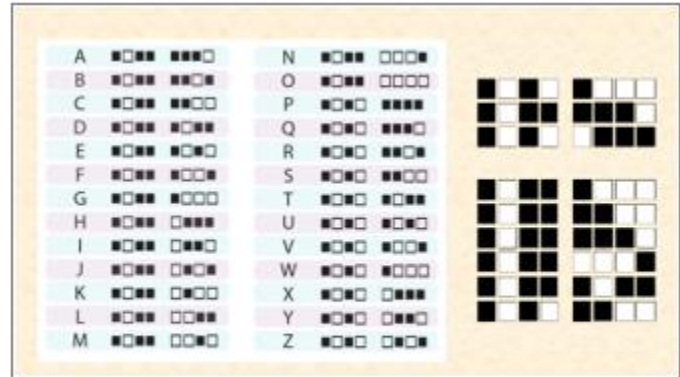
Kevin L. Newton
Chairman
Virginia Beach 4-H Livestock Show and Sale Committee

CLUB NEWS:

FORAGERS BEEKEEPING 4-H CLUB

First, we congratulate Foragers member, Paul, for placing third in the state 4-H honey bee essay contest. This year's topic was on overwintering. Paul also won \$25 for his winning essay. We are so proud of him!

Before we were sheltering in place, the Foragers did several projects. The big project we did was complete our Entrepreneur program. We did part two of our program which was making the products that we had decided on in our January meeting. We made lip balm, hand balm, and beeswax wraps. We were able to use local ingredients, propolis from club leader, Mr. Hodgie's hives and beeswax from club member Nina's hives. Thanks to club members Gabby and Nina for leading two of the projects. Once we are able to attend fundraisers again, we will be selling these products for the club.



Coding game: word is wax glands

Also in February, the Foragers had a hive building workshop at Mr. Hodgie's house. Ms. Katie from the Save the Trees, The Bees & Humanity project reached out to the Foragers to partner with the club to build the hives. Their organization donated the hives to our club. Once the hives are painted, we are hoping that Mr. Hodgie and a few club members can find a swarm and get bees to put in the hives.

Since we can't meet in person, the Foragers had a club meeting virtually using the Zoom app. We caught up on club business. We also played a coding game based on an activity that club leader, Jen, learned at the 4-H computer science class that was held in the beginning of the year. We had to decode honey bee words and then answer questions about the honey bee topic. It was fun and club members Paul and Sarah won the game and a \$15 gift card.



GUARDIANS OF THE PLANET 4-H CLUB

Before we had to shelter in place, the Guardians were able to have a booth at the McDonald Garden Outdoor Center. The Guardians talked to the public about our club's activities and community service projects. We had our photos from the Virginia State Fair displayed and some of our houseplant projects too. At one point, some of the club members got a visit from Virginia Beach Bobby Dyer. We are all excited to get back to having our meetings soon.



NAS OCEANA TEEN 4-H CLUB

The NAS Oceana Teen Program has been conducting Virtual meetings using the ZOOM app. Below is the calendar they have been using for the month. This has been a great way for the teens to keep in touch and do fun activities together!

April 2020 NAS Oceana Teen Program Calendar w/ZOOM

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>For More Information: NAS Oceana Youth Center (757) 433-3976 or NAS Oceana Sports Complex (757) 433-2199 nasocenteens@gmail.com</p> <p>Team A Elijah Sean Jaquan Izzy Jailyn Makayla</p> <p>Team B Sage Boo Emmanuel Austin Tyler and Preston Nick Zaniyah Savannah</p> <p>Team C Kyle Joshua & Ellie Kovadon Hailey & Caleb Ariana Shanoush</p> <p>Legend: Character & Leadership Education & Career Health & Life Skills The Arts Sports, Fitness & Rec STEM Outdoor & Adventure Community Service Fieldtrips Fundraising</p>		xxx		1 Team A 1600 to 1700	2 No Teens	3 Team B 1600 to 1700	4
	5 Foil Boat Challenge Week	6 Team A 1600 to 1700	7 C/L Keystone/4H Club Meeting 1500-1600	8 Team B 1600 to 1700	9 Team C 1600 to 1700	10 Jailyn's Youth of the Year Conference Wish her Luck! No Teens	11
	12 Paper Airplane Challenge Week	13 Team A 1600 to 1700	14 STEM ZOOM! Team B 1600 to 1700	15 No Teens	16 E/C - Build your future -Pathways to Success Team C 1600 to 1700	17 No Teens	18
	19 Healthy Snack Challenge (Make or Find)	No Teens	21 Team A 1600 to 1700	22 HL- Party Planning Team B 1600 to 1700	23 No Teens	24 Team C 1600 to 1700 Virtual Operation Mega Phone @ 1830	25
26 My Crib Challenge (5 items that represent you or your family)	27 The Arts Basic Shapes - Mandala's Team A 1600 to 1700	28 No Teens	29 Team B 1600 to 1700	30 Team C 1600 to 1700	Coming Soon Scavenger Hunt Challenge Family Photos Challenge Who's Baby Picture Challenge Pet Challenge		
<p>Teen Program Reminders:</p> <p>*Permission slips will be made available at least one week in advance via email (or printed copy upon request). Participation spots are filled on a first come, first serve basis. Some events require additional waivers for participation. Any Teen who is unable to attend a Field Trip must notify coordinator at least two hours prior. Current registration is required for all Teen Program participation.</p> <p>*Events and activities are flexible and subject to change with advanced notice.</p>							

EMBRYOLOGY PROJECT PHOTOS



Above: Chicks return to 4-H Office on last day of project



Above: Camping chicks with Barefoot kids.



Above: Growing at the VB Farmers Market

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