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MESSAGE FROM THE 4-H AGENT

Dear 4-H Families,

I hope you had a great summer! We certainly did. This summer, we held our annual 4-H Camp consisting of 175 campers, 50 camp counselors, and 7 adult volunteers. We also offered Computer Science and Coding Training at summer programs, started a new 4-H Teen Club, held a YQCA training event, and various club activities took place. As you wind down and look ahead to the upcoming season, consider some of the many 4-H opportunities we have to offer. These include new workshops, supporting fellow 4-H'ers at state events, competing in state contests, applying for awards, and participating in community events.

Our 2018-2019 4-H Year will end on September 30th. Thank you for your continued membership and desire to “make the best better” whether that be as a 4-H'er or volunteer. The 2019-2020 4-H year will begin on October 1 and 4HOnline Enrollment will open on October 8th.

Please note the important deadlines for end of year forms:

Club Leaders - All Club year-end forms and books, i.e., Secretary, Treasurer, Club Scrapbooks and Member Scrapbooks, Outstanding Club Members, Civil Rights Compliance, Community Club Award, Community Service Award, Property Inventory, and Charter Renewal and Charter Seal Forms are due to the 4-H Office by **October 1st**.

Club Members: The Outstanding City-wide 4-H Club Member Application was revised last year and is included as an attachment to this

We encourage 4-H'ers to submit their application through their club leaders to the 4-H Office. Club members will be eligible for many distinguished awards, i.e., Outstanding City-Wide Award, Herbert W. Ozlin Award and the “I Dare You” Award. These applications are due **December 1st** to the 4-H Office.

Kind regards,

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SPECIAL REMINDER

- Newsletter articles due October 15th
- Follow us on social media @vabeach4h

UPCOMING EVENTS IN 2019-2020

The following events are scheduled:

Youth Opportunities

- State 4-H Championship Horse & Pony Show – September 12-15, Virginia Horse Center
- State 4-H Shoot – September 13-15, Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center
- State Fair of Virginia – September 27-October 6, Doswell, VA
- Fall Tractor Supply Paper Clover Campaign - October 9-20, Tractor Supply
- Harvest Fair - October 19, Virginia Beach Farmers Market
- Weaving Workshop – October 20-23, Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center
- 4-H Club Officer Training – October 21, Virginia Beach 4-H Office
- Virginia Tech Science Festival – November 16, Virginia Tech Campus
- 4-H Day at the Capitol – February 4, 2020, Richmond, VA
- Equismartz Horse Bowl & Hippology- March 21, 2020, Lexington, VA
- State 4-H Congress – June 22-25, 2020, Virginia Tech Campus

Volunteer Opportunities

- Virginia Beach 4-H Volunteer Leaders Association Meeting – September 16, 4-H Office
- Volunteer Leader Training – October 9, 4-H Office
- State Adult Volunteer Leaders Association Fall Conference - October 26-27, Richmond, VA

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

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

October 1 – End of the Year Club Forms due to 4-H Office

October 1 – 4-H All Star (youth and adult) nomination due to 4-H Office

October 21 - NRA Foundation Grant for 4-H Shooting Education Programs Deadline 10/21/19 at Noon

October 24 – 4-H Youth in Action Awards Deadline

December 1 – Outstanding Citywide 4-H Club Member Applications due to 4-H Office

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

The anticipation is building for National 4-H Week, during which millions of youth, parents, volunteers and alumni across the country will be celebrating everything 4-H. Virginia Beach 4-H will observe National 4-H Week this year by showcasing the incredible experiences that 4-H offers young people, and will highlight the remarkable 4-H youth in our community who work each day to make a positive impact on those around them.

Contact our office if you, your club, or adult volunteer would like to be featured representing Virginia Beach in National 4-H Week, held October 6-12, 2019.



JOIN THE VIRGINIA BEACH 4-H TEEN CLUB

Started by teens for teens, the NEW 4-H Teen Club will meet on the first Wednesday of every month, 6pm at the 4-H Office.

Through fun meet ups, community service activities, and youth mentorship, teens ages 13-18 will gain friendships and leadership skills that will last a lifetime.

Contact the 4-H Office to learn more, 757-385-4769.



4-H YOUTH IN ACTION AWARDS

Applications are now open for the national 4-H Youth in Action Awards. These prestigious awards provide recognition for 4-H'ers in the pillar areas of Agriculture, STEM, Healthy Living, and Civic Engagement and come with a \$5,000 scholarship. We know that we have many deserving 4-H'ers in Virginia, and we would like to see as many applications as possible. Applications are due October 24. Information is online at <https://4-h.org/parents/4-h-youth-in-action-awards/>

4-H TRACTOR SUPPLY PAPER CLOVER CAMPAIGN



Each Spring and Fall, Tractor Supply will help raise money for 4-H programs with the Paper Clover Campaign, a national in-store fundraiser that benefits 4-H programming. Contribute during our fall 2019 fundraiser by doing one of the following **October 9-20**:

- Donating at the Virginia Beach store register.
- Donating online at checkout when making a purchase on tractorsupply.com. (Donations will be assigned to states based on the shipping location).
- Donating by phone when you call TSC Customer Solutions at 877-718-6750



Special Offer for 4-H Alumni & Friends!

Kicking off our partnership, Georgia Boot is offering **an exclusive 50% off discount** to all current 4-H'ers, family, staff, alumni, and volunteers towards any full-price purchase on the Georgia Boot site through September 30, 2019. Visit georgiaboot.com and use discount code **GB4HAUG** to unlock the exclusive offer. Don't wait! Discount code will expire after August 31st, but check back for September's code!

For every product purchased, Georgia Boot will **donate 5%** of the purchase price back to support 4-H - with a minimum donation of \$20,000! Together, we'll inspire kids to serve, grow, do and leave a lasting footprint.

**USE DISCOUNT
CODE : GB4HAUG**

**50%
OFF**

4-H CRAFT CLUB

Four-H Craft Club members celebrated the end of our club year with a party at the May meeting. Our parents bought fresh fruit and yummy desserts to add to the party food. After our party and business meeting, we got down to business working on our craft of the month. By popular demand of the club members, we made our foam rockets and took them outside behind Building 14 to test and modify. Club members have had a busy year with a variety of simple and more complex crafts plus several community service projects.

Our first meeting of the new 4-H year will be held on Tuesday, October 8, 2019 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. We will be conducting elections at this meeting. Please remember to register 4-Hers to 4-H Online as soon as Miss Sarah sends out the information the program is active and ready for online registrations.

Reminder notices will be sent to previous club members about the upcoming meeting. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT 4-Hers and/or PARENTS ALWAYS RSVP BY THE DEADLINE FOR PARTICIPATION FOR THE CURRENT MEETING. We will only have supplies for the participants who RSVP'D by the posted deadline. Looking forward to a fun and busy crafty 2019-2010 4-H year.

FORAGERS BEEKEEPING 4-H CLUB

Ashten R.: Reporter

8/15/19

We have had a busy and fun packed summer. We have taken in new members and enjoyed getting to know them. We did a hive inspection at the Norfolk Christian Apiary. Checked the hive for varroa mites by doing a sugar roll and found NO mites. One of our new members, Makayla marked their queen with help from Mr. Hodgje.





The club received a note from Ms. Sandra Masterman, whom we would also like to thank for all the help from her and her husband, with the club.

Good Morning Foragers,

I want to thank you for visiting my apiary and inspecting my hives yesterday! Special thanks goes to Ms. Jennifer and Mr. Hodgie. These 2 amazing people are such great role models, not only for beekeeping, but for teaching life-long character and value. They give of themselves each and every time there is a meeting or an event. They are both extremely busy people, but they continue to put you, the Foragers, at the top of their lists! Please let them know how much you appreciate them and support all of their efforts with enthusiasm and effort!

Keep enjoying your summer and stay cool.

Ms. Sandra

We all had a wonderful time at our Fun Day Pool Party. Everyone brought great food and we played pool, ate, swam and held our missed meeting. Many thanks again to Ms. Jennifer and family for opening their beautiful home for such a fun night!



Our next project was weeding the TBA Pollinator Garden. As you can see from the pictures, they did a great job.



Special congratulations to Paul for completing the Hive Incentive Program. He has earned a new bee hive and grant! Yay Paul!



WAVE RIDERS 4-H CLUB

The Virginia Beach Wave Riders have been practicing and preparing for the Virginia State Horse show this September. We have also been working on our drill team because we will also be attending and competing in the Virginia State Fair this October as well. Our drill team is working to prepare for the novice class, 2 rider, and 3 rider classes. Over the summer we have also competed in local shows. Maddy Sokol, Stephanie DiGioia, and Isabelle Luft competed in the most recent show.

We are also always looking for new members rider or non-rider. Our club works to participate in hipology events that non-rider members can also attend and compete. We have monthly meetings the first Sunday of every month so feel free to come out and join us! Feel free to contact our leader Lou Cummings (757)-778-1180.



Maddy and Stephanie at the local show.



Isabelle and ribbons awarded at the local show.

2019 VIRGINIA BEACH 4-H CAMP MEMORIES



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