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County Presentation and District Activity Day

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Youth prepared diligently for presentation and competitions this June. Our Anson County 4-H'ers bought home two district gold, one silver and one bronze placings during the District Activity Day presentation competition. District gold winners were Keyshawn Tillman- Public Speaking, 11-13 and Milayjah Smith-Health and Fitness, age category 11-13. Silver medal winner was Na'La Brown, Public Speaking, age category 14-18. District bronze presentation winner was Cameron Tillman in the Health & Fitness Category age 11-13. Other presenters were Katherine Brown. Citizenship & Community Service, 14-18 age division and Katie Edwards, Health and Fitness, 14-18 age division. Kevshawn and Milaviah will go on and compete at state competitions in Raleigh on July 29th. Congratulations to all on a job well done! Others in attendance from the county were 4-H'ers Kendall Duncan. Quenton Cromartie. Akira LeGrand, Alexis Smith, LaMia Smith-Maxwell; 4-H Volunteer Leaders Sharon Edwards, Debra Ratliff, Betty Garris, Pearl Blount, Leslie Smith and parents/relatives Kishi Tillman and Earlene Tillman.



Pictured are all the 4-H youth that attended District Activity Day in Alexander County.

Summer Day Camp

Summer Adventure Camps was a blast!! Over 65 youth participated in the four-week camp program and learned things from tapestry to learning about body health and brain function to the history of NASCAR. Each week youth enjoyed educational programs and went on a trip pertaining to the themed week. The youth had a great time and we look forward to seeing them and many more next summer. A BIG thank you goes to all the teen volunteers, Volunteer leaders, staff and partners that helped make our summer program a success again this year.

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Pictured from left are Betty Garris, Anson County 4-H Volunteer Leader, Quenton Cromartie, Keyshawn Tillman, Na'La Brown and Wayne Huddleston, Account manager with Duke Energy.

NC 4-H Electric Congress

Quentin Cromartie, Keyshawn Tillman and Na'La Brown along with 4-H volunteer leader Betty Garris attended the annual 4-H Electric Congress July 11-13 at the University of North Carolina Charlotte in Charlotte, NC. 155 4-H'ers, adult leaders and North Carolina Cooperative Extension agents from 47 counties attended the three-day event. Na'La Brown was recognized as the 2nd place territorial winner for her Electric portfolio. Since 1947, Duke Energy and Dominion Energy have sponsored the annual congress to emphasize electrical energy concepts, conservation, and safe efficient use. The 4-H electric program is one of the most popular activities among Tar Heel 4-H'ers. The 4-H program is the youth education program of N.C. Cooperative Extension, based at North Carolina State and North Carolina A&T State universities. More than 232,000 young people between the ages of 5 and 19 participate in North Carolina 4-H activities each year with the help of 20,563 adult and youth volunteers.

NC 4-H Congress

Anson County's 4-H'ers received honors during the recent State 4-H Congress. This year's 4-H Congress, held in Raleigh July 29-Aug. 1, attracted more than 500 young people and their adult leaders for activities including presentations on a variety of subjects, leadership and citizenship training, service opportunities, officer elections and more.

Katie Edwards daughter of Dave and Sharon Edwards of Wadesboro was inducted into the 4-H Honor Club, one of the highest honors a 4-H'er can achieve. New Honor Club members were tapped during a candlelight ceremony Saturday night, July 29. Membership in the Honor Club is based on service to the 4-H program, leadership, moral standards, 4-H activities and project achievement. Less than one-half of 1 percent of North Carolina 4-H'ers are selected for membership each year. Members must be at least 16 years old and have a minimum of three years 4-H experience. Edwards is a rising senior at Windy Knoll Homeschool and a member of the Anson County 4-H Livestock Club. She has been active in the 4-H program for 11 years.

Keyshawn Tillman won the 11-13-year-old division of the public speaking competition. Milayjah Smith competed in the 11-13-year-old division of the health and fitness competition. Katie Edwards was also a state winner in the AIRE competition. AIRE -- Application, Interview, Resume and Essay competition -- is a four-step process by which youth are chosen to attend national 4-H events including National Congress, National Conference and International Leadership Conference. Katie will represent NC 4-H at National Congress in Atlanta in November.

Anson County Family Fall Fest, Fair & 4-H Livestock Show

Mark your calendars for the weekend of September 22 - 23, the dates for this year's Anson Ag Expo & Fair.

The annual 4-H Youth Livestock Show will be held at Circle G Arena, while the Ag Fair will be held at the Extension Center in Wadesboro on Saturday, September 23. The annual 4-H Youth Livestock Show will begin at 9:45 am on Saturday in Lilesville while the Ag Fair will be open to the public on Saturday from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm in Wadesboro.

New this year will be a Family Fall Fest, held at Circle G Arena on Friday night, September 22 from 6:00 until 9:00 p.m. The Family Fall Fest will feature fall and agriculture themed relays and competitions for kids, Finley's Food Truck, games, prizes, food, fun and more. Activities are free to the public. Come out and join the fun, and help us celebrate agriculture in Anson.



Club News.....

Eager Beaver Club – With Summer so busy with many camps and other activities, we took a little time off and concentrated on doing community services and other activities.

- We collected items for the Caraway Foundation "Back to School Blast"
- We collected sneakers for Shaundasia T. Smith "Stride for Pride" Foundation
- We also collected school items for our church that will be given to community children in need

Some of our 4-H'ers attended District Activity Day in Alexander County. We had one 4-H'er, to do a presentation and won first place in her category and received a gold medal. She also presented at state.

Many of our youth have been attending various camps including 4-H Summer Adventure Camps, Asthma Camp, Football Camp and Dance Camp.

We had one teen leader to participate in Teen Training and helped with several 4-H activities.

We will be having our regular club meeting August 19th and will give our 4-H'ers a special treat for their participation in a variety of events.

Busy Bees Club – 4-H'ers and adult volunteers have been on vacation for the summer but club members have been involved in county, district and state activities.

District Activity Day: 7 youth and 2 adult volunteers attended 4-H District Activity Day in Alexander County with four doing presentations. Congratulations to Na'la Brown who placed silver in her age category and Keyshawn Tillman who won gold. Katherine Brown and Cameron Tillman gave very good presentations, also.

Cloverbud Day Camp: 3 club members attended Cloverbud Day Camp. They participated in a variety of games, workshops, trips and fun learning experiences.

4-H Electric Congress: 3 club members and 1 adult were delegates to the 70th Anniversary 4-H Electric Congress held at UNC Charlotte. They participated in workshops, demonstrations, trip to Carowinds, The Farm at Mallard Creek Barbecue, hayrides and a hot air balloon ride. Na'la Brown won 2nd place in the Duke Energy Progress Territorial Awards and Quenton Cromartie and Keyshawn Tillman was recognized for their project record work.

4-H State Presentations: Keyshawn Tillman won gold in Public Speaking in his age level at State Presentations. 2nd year winning gold on the state level.

4-H State Congress: Na'la was recognized for winning a \$1,000.00 4-H scholarship at the Doner Reception at 4-H State Congress. Best wishes to Na'la as she is off to Pembroke State University to begin the next phase of her life.

Busy Bees Club will resume regular meetings in September



Calendar of Events

August 15 – Volunteer Leaders Meeting, 6pm September 22-23 – Family Fall Fest, Anson 4-H Youth Livestock Show & Ag Expo and Fair September 28-October 1 – Volunteer Conference of the Southern States, Eatonton, GA October 1-7 – National 4-H Week October 4-15 – Fall Paper Clover Campaign November 4-5 – NC 4-H State Council Conference November 18 – SC District 4-H Volunteer Fall Day,

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