

Berkeley County 4-H News

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Top Ten Things You Need in 2012

Have you ever stopped to think how attitudes and choices influence the benefit of each day during the year? How attitudes and choices affect the way you view the activities of the day, and the way you feel toward other people. Did you know you choose your attitude and no one can make that choice for you? As we begin 2012 take a moment and think about your attitude and how you will embrace the New Year.

If you choose to have a positive attitude for what lays ahead in 2012 you will experience more self-confidence, a feeling of courage for tackling the more difficult problems, and a feeling of friendliness and good will toward the people with whom you are associated. Chances are you will also do the best you can, and therefore will not be depressed, irritated, or frustrated because you

will have done your best.

Have you ever thought seriously about your choices and how you affect those around you? How they are influenced by what you say, what you do, and how you feel toward them? Have you ever considered the idea that what children do, or do not do, may reflect the attitudes and choices of their parents and other adults? And that the training children receive in their early years is likely to affect their choices and attitudes-how they react to their peers, family and friends, and how they are able to face the realities of life.

Wise are the parents and adults who make a thoughtful analysis of their many responsibilities and opportunities, and who give top priority to the training of their children. These parents and adults realize that it

is in the home that attitudes and choices take root and grow; that good attitudes and choices are learned, not inherited. They realize that the attitudes formed and choices made will determine to a great extent the child's future success and happiness.

Parents and adults should do everything possible to create for their children the kind of mental, spiritual, emotional, and physical climate in which positive attitudes can grow and help their children learn that in the real world choices have consequences, and the consequences of their choices can be good or bad.

Keep in mind the feelings that a child needs to have down deep inside, if they are to develop into a normal adult fortified with a positive attitude and the ability to make good decisions and choices.

Ten things you need in 2012:

- A feeling of being loved and wanted
- A feeling of security
- A feeling of belonging and sharing
- A feeling of faith in a higher power
- A feeling of being needed and important
- A feeling of self-reliance and success
- A feeling of consideration for others
- A feeling that reality must be faced
- A feeling of responsibility
- A feeling of courage and perseverance

Project Instructor List

This year we will be sending out a complete packet of the "Project Book & Exhibit Requirement" sheets to each 4-H family. These sheets, along with the listed Project Instructor will help guide you through project expectations and the exhibit requirements for the 2012 year. If you have any questions about your project please give them a call - they are happy to help!

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Denim & Dust 4-H Club



On December 3rd and 4th the Denim & Dust 4-H Club participated in two parades which were in Martinsburg and Inwood. Club members took part in decorating our float with garland, stockings, lights, glitter spray, 4-H signs, a Christmas tree with homemade ornaments, wrapped packages, fake snow, stars and hay bales covered with red sheets for sitting. During the

parades club members sang camp songs and Christmas songs and handed out candy to the crowd at both parades. As part of our attire, we wore light-up Rudolph noses and our new club shirts. Our club is growing as a FAMILY through all of our projects we are accomplishing. New members are welcome. *Submitted By Brianna Lilly - Reporter/Historian*



Mt Airy Winners 4-H Club

The Mt. Airy Winners 4-H club has been very busy during the months of November and December. On November 12, club members picked up trash and tires along Winebrenner Road. Refreshments were provided by the Daniel family. On December 4, the club held its annual Christmas dinner and party. It was held at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Bob Butler. Members enjoyed good food & fellowship and played the thieves Christmas game. Additionally, club members donated toys for Toys-For-Tots. On Dec. 13, the club wrapped gifts at the Martinsburg Mall for the Children's Home Society of WV. Members were very busy wrapping during the three hours we worked at the booth. This is one of the many community service projects the club participates in. *Submitted by Ryan Snyder, 4-H Reporter*

Tuscarora Indians 4-H Club

Tuscarora Indians 4-H club held a public meeting and club awards dinner on the first of November. During this time, everyone attending went to the Tuscarora Church Hall to have a cover dish dinner. Chicken, ham, mashed potatoes, green beans, mac and cheese, and a lot of dessert was eaten. After dinner, the 4-Hers and Cloverbuds received their awards from the youth fair. New members were also omitted into the club. New officers took their places and the new president directed the meeting. Everyone had a wonderful time, were very satisfied and full from a great evening. *Submitted By Emily Nadenbousch, 4-H Reporter*



CONGRATULATIONS

Berkeley County 4-H Horse Judging Team!

We did very well on our trip to Louisville in November, placing **15th in the Nation!** We couldn't have done it without all of the support we received from the folks in and around our county. We will be starting practice again on January 15th - 2pm at Sulphur Springs Stables in Inwood. We look forward to another successful year. In the past 3 years we have achieved 2 Junior state titles and 1 Senior state title with several Individual winners as well. We are proud to have had such a fun, educational and successful program.

This team is open to all 4-H members.... Hope to see all of our returning team members along with many new. Bring a friend!

Please contact me if you have any questions.

~ Cookie 304-261-8323.

Southern Cross 4-H Club

Southern Cross 4-H Club held its monthly meeting on November 7th 2011 at Vanville Church. Before the meeting began new officers were installed for the 2-11-2012 year. The slate of officers are; President, Allen Feagans; Vice President, Hannah Burkhart; Secretary, Allison Feagans; Treasurer, Tyler Manriques; Reporter/Historian, Kyle Kilmer & Helen Davis; Song Leader; Aleynah Miller; Head H, Austin Cox; Health H, Helen Davis; Hand H, Mariah Mandy; Game Leader, Abigail Burkhart and our How How Leaders, Frank Burner and Skylar Hutton. Following the ceremony, President Allen Feagans called the meeting to order. Old business was discussed which included the Achievement Ceremony held on October 27th. Austin Cox received the club spirit award, Mariah Mandy received the "I'll be Glad too" award and Allison Feagans received the "I Dare You" Award. The club then discussed new business which included our Christmas community service projects. The meeting was adjourned and refreshments were served. Our next meeting will be held on December 5th. *Respectfully submitted by Kyle Kilmer, Reporter*



Shining Stars 4-H Club

The meeting of the Shining Stars 4-H Club was held on October 12, 2011. Our new officers were installed. The officers are Hana Ulman- President, Madison Brooks- Vice President, Jillian O'Connell Secretary, Garrett O'Connell Treasurer, Aeris Shriver-Reporter, Addison Lackey and Katheryn Tidwell- Song Leaders, Peyton Brooks and Ben DeOms - Game Leaders, Health H Officer Sierra Dixon and Head H Leader Brooke Spickler. We played getting to know you games and enjoyed refreshments were provided by the Shriver and Ulman families. Our next meeting will be held on November 9, 2011. *Submitted By Aeris Shriver, 4-H Reporter*

Military Kids



On Oct 7th, Military Kids 4H participated in the 2011 National Science Experiment "Wired for Wind". Hanna Truman, Andi Hersom, Kennedy Lovejoy, James DeCicco, Alex Hersom, and Emily DeCicco learned about renewable energy and how to build a wind turbine. The club also learned how the design and pitch of the blades effects the energy output! Military Kids 4H is dedicated assisting the children of all military branches with education, life skills, and service to our community. We meet the second Friday of the month- for more information please call (304) 268-5258. *Submitted by Alex Hersom, Reporter*

Scrabble Scramblers 4-H Club

The Scrabble Scramblers 4-H club met on December 12th at 7 pm in Wesley Hall. The meeting was called to order by President Dalton Yeager. New business; the club donated \$85.00 to Warm the Children, a large bin was filled with non-perishable food items for C-CAPP (this is an on-going food drive), new 4-H calendars were handed out, each member received a new "Go Green" 4-H bag. The next meeting will be January 9th with Briana Sine's grandfather as guest speaker, focusing on his years in 4-H as a child. The meeting was adjourned, each member received a small Christmas treat bag, and delicious Christmas refreshments were enjoyed.

To submit items for the "Club News Pages" type them up and send them by mail to WVU Berkeley County Extension Service, 400 West Stephen Street, Suite 302, Martinsburg, 25401, use the Club Report form on the website www.berkeleyextension.com or send an email to Suzanne.Antolini@mail.wvu.edu

Greensburg Go-Getters 4-H Club

4H Club Has Christmas Spirit!

The Greensburg Go-Getters 4-H club went to the Martinsburg Mall for their annual Salvation Army stocking stuffing event. This event benefits children in the local community. Each 4-H member went shopping and then filled a stocking. All together 30 stockings were stuffed. The following 4-Hers participated in this event: Kelsie Greenfield, Arianna Cunningham, Kyle Cunningham, Autumn Funkhouser, Dennis Funkhouser, Emily Keefer, Roger Reed, Jared Shackelford, Jasmine Miller, Keegan Miller, Corbin Saville, Desirae Reed, Kelton Werner, Zane Werner, and Patrick Talbot. The club also held their annual Christmas party this month at Shepherd University. The club members enjoyed bowling and billiards while snacking on many wonderful desserts. Instead of doing a gift exchange, club members agreed to bring one unopened gift for Toys for Tots. This will help benefit the local community for the young children whose parents are unable to afford Christmas gifts. The turnout was great, a lot of gifts were collected, and everyone had a great time. *Submitted by: Autumn Funkhouser, Club Reporter*



Livestock Judging Team

It is time again for us to start our livestock judging practices for 2012. We will have our first practice on January 8th 6 to 8pm. at the Butler Farm. Please let all interested persons know when and where we will be meeting. I would like to thank each of the students who participated last year and congratulate them on an outstanding job. The following are confirmed practices and judging events for this upcoming year.

Practice Schedule: Sundays 6-8pm

January 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th
February 5th, 12th and 26th
March 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th

2012 Livestock Judging Competitions:

February 18th - Skyline stockmen's contest in Front Royal
April 6th - WV Beef judging contest at Jacksons Mill
June 2nd - WV Sheep / Stockmen's Contest in Petersburg
June 25th - Cattail Classic in Maryland
July 19th - State 4-H Livestock Contest

This team is open to all interested 4-H'ers and has had great success at the State and National levels. No experience is required! Anyone interested in joining the team should call Matt Ware at 671-9694 or Mark Hostuttler at 839-2368.

Animal Science 101 Horse Program - Meghan Manor, Instructor

This program is designed by 4-H members. You do not have to have a horse to participate, even during opportunities to "bring your own horse." My responsibilities as the leader/instructor include providing structured learning experiences, personal guidance, and counseling project opportunities for 4-H members. You can expect fun-filled educational opportunities that provide social and instructive experiences. We are going to practice on Sundays at 2pm at the Historic McFarland House. Anyone interested in either the Animal Science - Horse Program or Horse Judging is welcome to attend. Please share this information with anyone who may be interested. If you have any questions please feel free to email or call me; Meghan Manor 304-886-7039 or email MImanor85@aol.com

The Historic McFarland House ~ 409 South Queen Street ~ Martinsburg, WV 25401

Berkeley County 4-H Shooting Sports Club

Anyone interested in joining the Shooting Sports Club should call Keith Cooley 304-229-3941 or Kevin Knotts 304-261-8027. This club is a special interest club with an emphasis on Archery and Air Rifle target shooting as well as safety. Leaders are certified through the 4-H Shooting Sports program given by the West Virginia University Extension Service.



CAMPING ~ CAMPING ~ CAMPING

- **Tri-County Younger Camp** ~ June 11-15 ~ Has Completed 3rd through 5th grade
- **Tri-County Intermediate Camp** ~ June 18-22 ~ Has Completed 6th through 8th grade
- **Tri-County Older Camp** ~ June 25-30 ~ Has Completed 9th grade through 21 years
OMC - June 17-23 **Alpha I** - July 8-13 **Alpha II** - July 15-20

2012 Tri-County 4-H Camp Counselor Applications

The 2012 Camp Counselor Applications are now available on our website. Please use the same paperwork if you are applying to be a counselor at any of the 3 Tri County camps. Applications are due to the appropriate Extension office no later than January 30.

Tri-County 4-H Camp Registration Forms will be available on April 1!

Deadline to receive scholarships will be April 30th.



2012 Tri County Younger Camp Theme:

"Wild West Adventures at Ole 4-H Camp Frame"

Each day promises to be exciting as we turn Camp Frame into a "Home on the Range" with roping, line dancing, Barnyard Olympics, horse riding demonstrations, a hoe-down, and the coolest Wild West camp shirts.

Fair Book Cover Contest

Last year, we had a fantastic turn out of young artist who submitted covers for the fair catalog! We are again asking all the 4-H, FFA, and any other organization that is affiliated with the fair to help design this year's fair book cover. Guidelines and submission information can be found on the BCYF and Extension websites. If there are any other questions feel free to call Beverly McDonald at (304)886-2083 or submit an e-mail to bcyfcatalogsubmissions@hotmail.com

**The Berkeley County
Youth Fair Will Paint
Your Summer Fun!**

BCYF Market Animal Check-In Dates

Market Hog Check In - April 28th from 8 am to 10 am

Market Lamb Check In - May 4th from 6 pm to 8 pm

Market Goat Check In - May 4th from 6 pm to 8 pm

Poultry Blood Testing - July 14th from 9 am to 11 am

All market animals must be ear tagged by the Berkeley County Youth Fair on the scheduled ear tagging date in order to be shown and sold at the 2012 fair. An exhibitor may tag two animals per species. An ear tag fee will charged per animal.

LIVESTOCK PRE-REGISTRATION FORMS - These forms are used to register NON-MARKET animals for the Fair. Entries are to be sent to Berkeley County Youth Fair, c/o Lisa Duvall, 5711 Tabler Station Road, Inwood, WV 25428 by May 10, 2012. Entries must be RECEIVED by this date. Late entries will not be accepted. Forms will be available by February 1, 2012 on the BCYF and Extension websites.

4-H Shooting Sports Training at Jackson's Mill

4-H Shooting Sports Weekend will be held February 17-19, 2012 at WVU Jackson's Mill. (There will not be a 4-H University event this year) The goal of Shooting Sports Certification Training is to send participants home with tools they can use in clubs and camps. This training is open to adult and teen (age 16 as of Jan. 1, 2012) leaders. Agents must sign the pre-registration form to verify participants. Registration Deadline is February 10th. More information and registration will be posted to our website - berkeleyextension.com on the "State Events" page when it becomes available.

WV 4-H Poster & Photo Contests

There are six subject categories for the 4-H Poster contests; 4-H Promotion, 4-H Health, Nutrition, and Food Safety, 4-H Litter, Recycling and Environment, 4-H Science, Engineering & Technology, 4-H Dairy & 4-H Safety. Any current 4-H member, age 9-21 may enter any or all categories regardless of his/her project enrollment. Entries are judged in the county and the top county winner for each age division per subject area is sent to WVU for the next phase of judging. All entries that go to the State finals will receive a special West Virginia 4-H Certificate and appropriate ribbon award. Gold ribbon winners will be displayed at Jackson's Mill during the summer and all entries will be exhibited at the WV State Fair. Deadline for entries to be submitted to the County Extension office is February 14. For complete contest rules and information please visit the "State Events" page on our website - www.berkeleyextension.com or email Suzanne.Antolini@mail.wvu.edu



4-H Teen Leader/Charting Weekend, March 23-25, 2012 at Jackson's Mill

The purpose of this weekend is to provide 4-H members with personal development experiences to help them better understand themselves, and display more personal confidence when assuming leadership positions and when taking part in Charting workshops. The events are open to West Virginia 4-H members from ages 13 - 19 and participants may not be beyond their 1st year in college. Agents must sign the pre-registration form to verify participants. Deadline to register is February 24. More information and registration will be posted to our website - www.berkeleyextension.com on the "State Events" page when it becomes available.



Beef Expo Photo Contest, Cook-Off & WV Beef Ambassador

Contest ~ These events are to be held during the 2012 WV Beef Expo at Jackson's Mill April 12-14, 2012. Beef Recipes and Photography entries must be postmarked no later than March 1, 2012. Go to the "State Events" page on our website www.berkeleyextension.com for more information and entry forms.

4-H Scholarships Available

Applications for the William F. & Eva C. Kief 4-H Scholarship, Berkeley County 4-H All-Stars Scholarship and several others are now available. You can obtain a copy at the Berkeley County Extension Office or go on line to the 4-H page at www.berkeleyextension.com and click on "Scholarship Opportunities". Any questions please contact the Extension Office.

4-H Dance Weekend March 2-4, 2012

Open to 4-H members at least in 6th grade and all 4-H Leaders. The purpose of this weekend session is to provide dance learning experiences that will challenge interested 4-H'ers at their skill level and provide in-depth training for 4-H'ers to lead or teach heritage and folk dances. More information and registration materials are available at the Extension Office or by following this link: http://4-hyd.ext.wvu.edu/events_forms/events_packet/dance Deadline to register is February 3rd, 2012.



Schedule of Events

- January 16 - Martin Luther King Holiday, Extension office closed
- January 17 - Fair Board meeting 7:00 pm at the Fairgrounds
- January 23 - Berkeley County 4-H Leaders Association meeting 6:30 pm at the Fairgrounds
- January 27 to 29 - Young Adult Conference (YAC) at WVU Jackson's Mill
- January 30 - Tri County Younger Camp Counselor & ECI Applications due

February - Check your project information sheet for workshop time and place

- February 13 - WV 4-H Poster & Photo Contest Deadline
- February 16 - Charting Orientation Workshop 5:30 pm at Extension Office
- February 16 - Tri County Younger 4-H Camp Counselor Training 6:30 at Extension Office
- February 17 to 19 - Shooting Sports Training at WVU Jackson's Mill
- February 21 - Extension Day at the Legislature in Charleston
- February 21 - Fair Board meeting 7:00 pm at the Fairgrounds

March - Check your project information sheet for workshop time and place.

- March 2 to 4 - Dance Weekend at WVU Jackson's Mill
- March 11 to 15 - National Camping Institute at Jackson's Mill
- March 14 - Beef Expo Photo Contest Entries
- March 15 - Last day to drop a 4-H project.
- March 17 - 4-H Horse Judging Clinic Jackson's Mill
- March 21 - Fair Board meeting 7:00 pm 7:00 pm at the Fairgrounds
- March 22 - Charting Workshop 5:30 pm at Extension office
- March 22 - Tri County Younger 4-H Camp Counselor Training 6:30 pm at Extension office
- March 23 to 25 - Charting/Teen Leader Weekend at WVU Jackson's Mill
- March 24 to 29 - National 4-H Conference, Washington, D.C.
- March 26 - Berkeley County 4-H Leaders Association meeting 6:30 pm at the Fairgrounds

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