ARE YOU HUNGRY to HELP?

Hunger is a problem hiding “in plain sight” in North Carolina. Whether it involves skipping meals, eating less than is needed to live a healthy life, or making do with foods that are filling but not nutritious, hunger’s effects can be devastating, especially among our more vulnerable citizens, including children and older adults. Every day hunger disrupts the lives of 1 in 5 children in NC. To combat hunger, the NC 4-H Youth Development program and the Food Banks of NC, have teamed up to promote awareness of hunger in NC and to make an impact in local communities through a new hunger awareness initiative entitled “Hungry to Help.”

Granville County 4-H is holding a contest for 4-H clubs to see who can raise the largest amount of canned food to help those experiencing hunger. The winning club will be awarded a $100 check to be used for club activities. To participate, collect canned food items and bring them to the Granville County 4-H office designating which club you are from. We will then transport the canned food to ACIM for weigh-in and delivery. The Hungry to Help contest will start December 10th, and it will end on February 3rd.

2011 Area 4-H Poultry Pullet Chain Show and Sale Results

A total of 27 youth from Granville, Franklin, Vance, and Warren Counties participated in the 2011 Area 4-H Pullet Show and Sale at the Lion’s Den in Warrenton, on Thursday, November 10th. Four 4-H youth participants from Granville County did an excellent job preparing for the show and exhibiting Speckled Sussex or Araucana/Ameraucana chickens. Both breeds are great egg producers and the Araucanas/Ameraucanas are particularly well known for their colored eggs.

The Area 4-H Pullet Show and Sale included a showmanship division for juniors and seniors, as well as, judging for the best cage of three pullets. Pullets are young female chickens and were judged on their production quality at the present time. 4-H youth across the four counties were each given ten one-day-old chicks of the breed they chose and had to pick their top three pullets to show and sell on November 10th.

Granville County 4-Hers received the following recognition:

• Daniel Barker—2nd Place Sr. Showmanship, 3rd Place 16-18 yr. old Project Record Book
• Michael Harris—3rd Place Jr. Showmanship
• Rachel Harris—3rd Place 11-12 yr. old Project Record Book
• Katie Roberts—1st Place 11-12 yr. old Project Record Book

We are sincerely grateful to all of our generous sponsors for the event including: All County Cooperative Extension Offices, Franklin County Farm Bureau, Granville County United Way, and Vance County Farm Bureau. We also wish to say a huge thank you to E. B. Harris for serving as our auctioneer for the evening, Dan Campeau and Laura Martin for judging, and to the Warren County Lion’s Club for allowing us to use their facility for the event. It should also be noted how appreciative we are of the members of the community who came out to support the youth in the 4-H Pullet Program by purchasing chickens. All of our 4-Hers work very hard on raising their chickens and completing their project records successfully so the opportunity to be rewarded for their efforts is spectacular.
2012 North Central District 4-H Winterfest

When?  January 21, 2012
Where?  Palace Point in Person County
Time?  9am-5pm (this includes travel time)
Ages?  11-18 years old
What’s going on?  The District business meeting, exciting workshops, roller-skating, bowling, arcade games, and compiling our District scrapbook. Meet at the Granville County Extension Center by 9am to ride in the 4-H van! Pick-up will be at 5pm from the Extension Center, also. RSVP by December 21st.
Cost?  $19 and free transportation.

Granville County Youth Promote 4-H Program in Creedmoor and Butner Parades

On December 3, youth across Granville County promoted 4-H by riding in the Creedmoor and Butner parades. Many positive comments came back from parade observers from both towns. A huge thanks to all the volunteers and youth that helped decorate, ride, and make the float possible. Special thanks go out to Jody and Tara Haynes for securing a trailer and buying all the decorations, as well as, Jason Harris for bringing a tractor and pulling the float in the parades.

*2011 Project Record Books*

One of many components 4-H offers includes project record books. Members are encouraged to complete a 4-H record book that highlights the 4-H member’s experiences and activities during the 4-H year. 4-H members earn recognition and awards by completing a book. A project is the topic the member wants to learn about during the 4-H year. Through project work, 4-H members learn responsibility and new skills in their projects.

If you are interested in completing a project record book or are working on one and need help before the deadline to turn them in approaches, come attend the project record book workshop on January 19th, at 6pm, in the Granville County Extension Center. We will discuss essential components and techniques so you can have the tools to produce a winning record book!

All 2011 project record books will be due to the 4-H office no later than February 6th, if you want to enter it into the county’s competition.

GRANVILLE COUNTY TEEN COURT: Volunteers Always Needed!

Granville County Teen Court is a sentencing/diversion option administered by NC Cooperative Extension for youth ages ten to seventeen currently enrolled in school in Granville County who admit responsibility for a misdemeanor offense. Instead of the youth being charged and appearing in court, he or she is “diverted” to the Granville County Teen Court. The courtroom is overseen by an adult judge, but all the lawyers, bailiffs, jury members, and defendants are youths. Granville County Teen Court offers youth an opportunity for constructive sentencing by their peers. The jury hears evidence and arguments as presented by the lawyers on each side and then chooses from a menu of sanctions designed to teach consequences and responsibility that can redirect youth from committing another crime.

For more information, please visit: http://www.granvillecountyteencourt.com/index.html.
You Are Cordially Invited....

To what? Granville County 4-H 2011 Recognition Banquet

For whom? Granville County 4-H members, parents, and volunteers

When? February 18th, 2012, from 2pm-5pm

Where? Granville County Expo Center (previously the livestock arena) located on Hwy. 15

Other details? We will be recognizing all the hard work Granville County 4-Hers and volunteers have put into making this a successful year. A mid-afternoon meal will be served: barbecued pork, all the fixins, tea, and water.

Dessert Contest: 4-H youth are encouraged to bring a dessert to enter into the dessert contest. Here are the rules:

• 5-8 year olds=cookies, 9-13 year olds=pies, and 14-18 year olds=cakes.
• NO DESSERT MAY BE FIXED THAT REQUIRES REFRIDGERATION (for example: custard pies, dirt cake, etc.). This is only for your food safety.
• Typed or handwritten recipes must accompany the dessert with the entrant’s name on the back of the recipe.
• Clover Cash will be awarded in the following amounts: 1st place=$25, 2nd place=$15, 3rd place=$10.

RSVP: by February 9th if you plan on attending by calling 919-603-1350 or send an email to Jessica or Gwen. We will need to know your name, number attending, and phone number or email address.

NC 4-H Volunteer Leaders’ Conference is Coming Soon!

The 2012 NC 4-H Volunteer Leaders’ Conference will be February 3-5, 2012, at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel and Conference Center in Research Triangle Park. This is your opportunity to participate in workshops and seminars designed especially for 4-H volunteers and agents to create positive learning experiences for young people across the state. Annually, more than 350 conference participants gain skills and knowledge to help make the best better!

Pre-conference sessions will be offered on Friday, February 3. These three-hour sessions provide opportunities for intense topic investigation for focused learning. Regular conference registration opens Friday afternoon with the evening featuring an entertainment showcase and a service project.

Saturday features more than 40 offerings of workshops in either 90-minute or 60-minute settings. Everything from preparing healthy snacks to managing behavior, from leather crafting to electric project work – there’s sure to be something for everyone! The conference is wrapped up on Sunday morning with brunch and a great speaker. It’s always a great training event!

If you would like to attend, please let Jessica or Gwen know. Partial scholarships are available to assist with cost. As soon as the registration opens, we will send out an email to let you know. The state 4-H office has promised world-renowned speakers and useful workshops in 2012.