Happy Fourth of July!!
The Fourth of July is a great time to celebrate our nation. It’s also a wonderful opportunity to spend time with friends and family. I hope you’ll take a few minutes to find the celebratory words in the puzzle below!

Complete the puzzle & turn it in to the Cooperative Extension Center by August 1, 2010. Completed & accurate puzzles will be entered into a drawing to win a 4-H prize!

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Upcoming Events

Technology Day Camp: There are still spaces available for this week-long day camp. Join other Granville County Teens for a week of “Learning by Doing.” This camp is facilitated by the staff and graduates of NC Connected Inc. Though challenging at times, this camp is a LOT of fun. To see pictures of other young people across the state enjoying classes presented by NC Connected, please visit their website at http://www.ncconnected.org/

4-H Electric Congress: 4-H Electric Congress is a three day event open to teen participants of 4-H Electric Projects. This is an all expense paid trip, including youth from all over the State. While at 4-H Electric Congress, youth attend workshops to engage in challenging projects related to electricity and technology. If you would like to learn more about 4-H Electric projects with the hope of attending Electric Congress in the future, please contact me. There is time for you to be working towards next year’s event! In the meantime, please join me in congratulating our delegates for 2010: Daniel Barker, Vicky Hamrick, Stephenson Smith, and Tiara Raines. Have a great time, guys!

State 4-H Congress: State 4-H Congress is a week long event that takes place on the campus of NC State University in Raleigh. For 4 days, 4-H’ers from all over the State move in to the dorms and get a taste of college life! We spend our days in highly interactive workshops, or community service activities. The nights include the 4-H Fashion Revue, the premiere of "iDig 4-H" and a dance. Please look for pictures from Congress in future newsletters. For information about how you can participate in 4-H Congress, please contact the 4-H office!

4-H Babysitting Camp: On July 20th, 20 young people from around Granville County will come together to hone their babysitting skills. They will learn about first aid, CPR, and how to market their babysitting business!

Summer Clover Experience: Prepare for an insect invasion! Participants in the summer clover experience will learn more about insects while they participate in games, crafts, and snack making!

Teen Leader Training

Teen leaders spent the day preparing for our summer activities. They learned new songs, and brushed up on First Aid and other safety information. With their energy and creativity, we know the rest of the summer will be a blast! Please look for pictures of our Granville County 4-H Teen Leaders in our coming segments. And, when you see them, please be sure to thank them for their contributions!

4-H Citizenship Focus, North Carolina

Mollie and LoriAnne Melton represented Granville County at this years event. They spent three days in Raleigh, met with legislators who represent Granville County, and developed a plan for actions they can take to better their community. In the coming months, look for information about how you can support their efforts, and our community!

Safety Kerr Lake

What a great way to spend two days! We worked with the Kerr Lake State Park Rangers and learned about water safety, boating safety, poisonous plants and insects, and all of the responsibilities of the State Park Rangers. We put our “hands to service” by helping to pick up litter around the Glass House at Satterwhite Point. Best of all, at the end of two days, participants were the first group at Kerr Lake to earn their Junior State Park Ranger Badges! Congratulations!

North Central District Activity Day

Granville County 4-H was well represented at this year’s District Activity Day. Some of the categories were especially challenging, and I’m so pleased with all of our presenters. Please see below for individual results. Representing Granville County 4-H in Entertain, Vicky sang, while Mollie and Carley performed a piano and saxophone duet.

Open Class

14 – 19: Stephenson Smith – Bronze

Expressive Arts & Communication

14-19:
   - Vicky Hamrick – Bronze
   - Tiara Raines - Participation

Heritage Crafts and Woodworking

9-10: Rebecca Melton – Gold
11 – 13: Hannah Melton – Silver

Community Service & Volunteerism

14 – 19: Mollie Melton – Gold

Exploring Granville County, Part 1

Thank you to Mr. Carl Cantaluppi, Area Horticulture Extension Agent serving Granville and Person Counties. In order to learn about horticultural producers in Granville County, we visited Ms. Booth, who showed us her grape trials and shared information about her sales at the Durham Farmers Market. We also visited Coley Bunch Nursery, in Stem. Special thanks are extended to all individuals who took time from their day to share with us about their work. This was a great trip!

Camping at the Betsy Jeff Penn 4-H Center

What a great week at the Betsy Jeff Penn 4-H Center! Granville County 4-H campers participated in archery, horseback riding, swimming, canoeing, hiking, and so much more! We made s’mores, sang, and played games. Our campers challenged themselves on a variety of activities, including the high ropes course.

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