



Martin County Clover Times

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Two Martin County 4-H Members Receive Scholarships

On June 1, 2004, the Martin County 4-H Foundation President, Jim Overton, awarded Jaime Cromer and Sherri Jones the 4-H Foundation Scholarship. Each recipient was awarded a \$500

scholarship to be used towards their pursuit of higher education. Jamie, a 4-H member for ten years, will be attending the University of Florida this fall and majoring in Beef Science. Jaime was instrumental in starting the Martin County 4-H Cattle Classic, and the Martin County Fair Livestock Judging. She also took lead roles in the Horse Shows and numerous workshops. Although the Martin County 4-H program will really miss her help, input and hard work, we wish her

luck at the University and look forward to her visits.

Sherri Jones is presently working on her degree at Indian River Community College. She also plans to finish up at the University of Florida and looks forward to obtaining a degree in Extension. With this degree she can become a 4-H Agent. Sherri has been a 4-H member for 10 years and also an active member in FFA for 4 years. She had a variety of 4-H projects during her time as a 4-H member and worked tirelessly during the Martin County Fair. She is co-leader of the *All Stock 4-H Club*, and plans to continue

her work with Martin



Sherri Jones and Jaime Cromer scholarship recipients

County 4-H. We wish her luck with her college career and her chosen field.

For more information on Martin County 4-H Foundation Scholarships contact the Martin County



Martin County Fair and 4-H Kickoff

The Martin County Fair and 4-H Kick-Off is scheduled for Saturday, August 14. It will start at **9AM and end at 12Noon.** The schedule will include, Fair information, workshops on Fair animal value & Eth-

ics, Rabbit Showmanship, Poultry Showmanship, Letter Writing and Proper Feed. There will be dough-nuts and juice available in the morning and a lunch of BBQ Sandwiches for \$3. Lunch is a fund-raiser for the

All Stock 4-H Club. All 4-H members and parents are strongly encouraged to attend the kick-off. The 2005 Fair Premium Book and record books will also be available at this time.



Martin County 4-H Youth Off to 4-H Congress

Martin County 4-H Youth planning on attending 4-H Congress at the University of Florida in Gainesville will enjoy a week long educational and fun program. There will be animal science workshops that include a water buffalo meat production farm. Both Peter Linde and BJ Spinweber are enrolled in this workshop.



BJ Spinweber Peter Linde

Another workshop offered is titled "What's bugging your horse ." Three of our Martin County 4-H members will participate in this workshop.



Samantha



Kayla English

They are Samantha Durham, Kayla English and Gina Dulmage (not pictured.) During the workshop, they will learn how to control pests that pester their horse and other animal maintenance issues.

Rob Wicks will be attending yet a different workshop. It is titled

"Horse Research and third World Farming." This program will highlight such things as an equine nutrition research project.



Rob Wicks

Congress also has its share of fun social times such as dancing, bowling, and dinner outings. John Craton will be our male volunteer. He has agreed to take time out of his busy schedule to help us out.



John Craton



BBQ Sandwiches will be available at August 14- kickoff

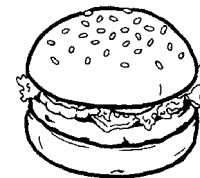
Martin County 4-H Fair
Kick Off

Saturday, August 14, 2004

**BBQ Sandwich, Chips
& Drink \$3.00**

This is a Fundraiser for
All Stock 4-H Club

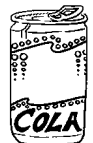
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with us- Come hungry



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Good

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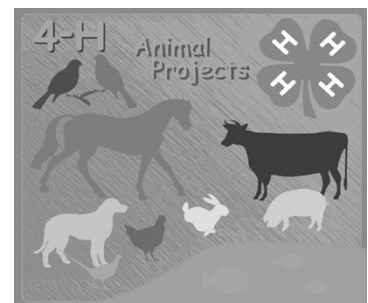


Awards Ceremony

The 4-H Awards ceremony is scheduled for Monday, September 27, at 7pm. It will be in the Agricultural Extension Office. That is the building at the north end of the Martin County Fair. During this time, awards will be given for club work, record books and leadership. Each 4-H member is encouraged to at-

tend and be recognized for their hard work. Families are invited to attend and enjoy the camaraderie and fun. Projects pins will be given out at this time. Mark it on your calendar and please plan on attending.

Come on Down!!



Junior Master Gardener Training



On October 18 and 19, there will be a Junior Master Gardener Training. This program is to train adults to work with youth and certify the youth as Junior Master Gardeners. The Junior Master Gardener program is a new and innovative youth gardening project. It is modeled after the highly successful Master Gardener Program and offers horticultural and environmental science education, and leadership and lifeskills development through fun and creative activities. As a leader you will receive the \$40 leader guide. The training and this guide will help you teach the gardening concepts to youth in a fun and creative way. Register now, space is limited. The training will be held at the

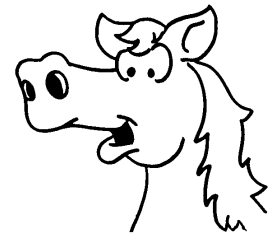
Martin County Extension Office, 2614 SE Dixie Highway, Stuart. It is a two day training from 9am to 3pm. Lunch will be served and there will be no cost to you. For more information on this program, contact the Martin County Extension Office at 288-5654.



Martin County 4-H Horse Judging Team

Barbara Barris will again be our Horse judging team coach. She will be starting up in August. **Everyone is welcome**, whether or not they want to go to the competitions. It is a great way to learn about confirmation, soundness, and what is important and what isn't when buying a horse. Meetings will be on Saturdays and a decision will be made concerning what time is best. If you are interested e-mail

pepperoothorse@juno.com or call at 283 0084 days; 286 0036 nights; or 201 5348 cell.



**COME JOIN THE
HORSE JUDGING TEAM**

4-H Leaders –STOP– LOOK– READ!

Rock Eagle Leader's Forum

This 4-H volunteer development opportunity is designed to provide a range of interesting and useful learning experiences which are applicable to "back-home" 4-H goals and objectives.

Volunteers will have the opportunity to share ideas that have worked for them, gain knowledge and skills in working with youth, increase ability in organizing and motivating 4-H leaders, and encourage teamwork in

Program Development.

It is held each October at Rock Eagle 4-H Center in Eatonton, GA. Cost is \$188– Dates are September 29 to October 3. If interested contact Cindy Harris 288-5654

MARTIN COUNTY 4-H NEWS

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Check out the State 4-H Web Site
<http://4h.ifas.ufl.edu/index1.htm>



4-H News You Think is 4-H State News Worthy

Do you have a great idea for a 4-H news story? Use our new online form to let us know! News must be interesting, timely and accurate. Most 4-H news is what we call "soft news," falling mainly in the human interest or feature category. Unusual 4-H projects, programs, and community service outreach activities are often great news stories. Maybe you know an outstanding 4-H leader or 4-H club member with a unique 4-H story we could profile. Sometimes a great news story is just about one person who has overcome an obstacle through 4-H. If your news idea involves an award, please note that we typically only distribute news releases for state and national awards.

If you are not sure if your idea is a news tip, please fill out the online form, and we will contact you. <http://4h.ifas.ufl.edu/newsandinfo/NewsPhotos/EmailNewsTip.htm>.



Camp Cloverleaf 2004

Wildlife Contest

The NRA is now accepting entries for its 2004 Youth Wildlife Art Contest. The contest, the 17th in the annual series, is open to students in grades 1 through 12 (including home-schooled children). NRA membership is not required. The deadline to enter is October 1, 2004.

Entries may be submitted in one of four categories, based on school grade. Category I includes grades 1 through 3. Category II is for grades 4 through 6. Category III covers grades 7 through 9, and Category IV includes grades 10 through 12. Entries may portray any North American game bird or animal that may be legally hunted or trapped. Endangered species and non-game animals, such as eagles and snakes, are not eligible subjects. Call (703) 267_1531 if you need to confirm whether a certain animal or bird is eligible.

Contestants are limited to one entry each. Entries may be in a medium of the artist's choice (oil, water color, pastels, pencil, pen and ink, charcoal, etc.). Submissions should be on good quality bond or

drawing paper, or illustration board. Preferred sizes for the image are 8½" x 11" or 11" x 14"; matting is optional. Entries need not be framed.

Composition must be original.

Photographs may be used for reference, but artwork determined to have been traced or copied from an existing photograph or work of art will be disqualified.

Entries must arrive at NRA by October 1, 2004, and must be accompanied by a brief statement signed by the student's parent, guardian, or teacher attesting to the originality of the work and verifying the artist's grade level as of October 1, 2004. In addition, the artist's name, home address, phone number, age, and grade must be printed on the back of the entry or on a note attached to the back of the entry.

Entries will be judged on effort, creativity, anatomical accuracy, and composition. First place winners in each category will receive \$100. Second and third place winners will receive \$50 and \$25, respectively.

Send entries to: NRA Youth Wildlife Art Contest, 11250 Waples Mill Road, Fairfax, VA 22030. Entries will be returned only if accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope. NRA assumes no responsibility for lost or damaged artwork, and reserves all rights to reproduce entries. The immediate families of NRA staff members are not eligible to enter. Questions regarding the contest may be directed to kharris@nrahq.org or (703) 267_1531.

