SE District Council Meeting, Dec. 29
Open to 4-H’ers ages 13-18, and will be in Duplin County. Lunch is typically $5, but I have not received confirmation. Please sign-up and pay by December 17.

January Due Dates
College Scholarship and 4-H Honor Club applications are due in the county office by January 13, 2010. Within a couple of weeks the link will be posted on our county website with additional information and applications.

Special instructions for college scholarship applicants:
- Four (4) copies of all materials are required with the exception of those sealed by the school and reference letters that have been sealed.
- Any 4-H’er receiving a "renewable scholarship" in the past MUST submit an updated resume in order for your scholarship to renew.

Annual 4-H Lock-In
Thirty 4-H’ers enjoyed an evening of games, movies and making new friends at the Fall Bash Lock-In at Morehead City Parks & Rec. If you missed this year make plans to be part of this fun experience in September 2010 planned by the County Council officers.

Youth is happy because it has the ability to see beauty. Anyone who keeps the ability to see beauty never grows old.
~ Franz Kafka (1883-1924) Czech Writer

State Council Conference
Carteret County 4-H teen delegates attending State Council Conference in Raleigh were (left): SE District Council Reporter Hannah Davis, Ashley Currie, L.D. Lanier, Sydney Giammona, Volunteer Natasha Dana, Abby Dana, Karen Dana, Jones County 4-H’ers Mary Downs, Jada Shanton and Rosa Shanton.

Delegates attended workshops, the award’s banquet, business meetings and participated in a ski and cheer with the SE District in the Spirit Stick competition.
**Favorite Food & Talent Show**

Carteret County 4-H'ers cooked tasty dishes that tickled everyone’s palette while filling the Crystal Coast Civic Center with superb aromas during the Favorite Food & Talent Show. A total of 23 entries were sampled and judged by Carteret Community College culinary students.

Members tested their abilities in the kitchen while learning to read and follow a recipe, understand measurements, set a proper place setting and receive recognition for their accomplishments. Entries are judged on overall taste, food appearance and presentation and place setting correctness.

As the scores were tallied and prior to recognition of winners, 4-H’ers shared their musical abilities in a non-competitive talent show. Individual performances included trumpeter Danny Hopkins, James Blakely playing drums, Karen Dana and Abby Dana each selected piano pieces and members of the Crystal Clovers 4-H Club organized a humorous skit with audience participation.

### AGES 5-8 CLOVERBUDS

Daniel Gallagher, Ryan Gallagher, Jesse Safrit, Nathan Pope

**Participation Ribbon**

### AGES 9-11

Samuel Safrit 1st Main Dishes

Danny Hopkins 1st Healthy Choice

### AGES 12-14

Jada Shanton 4th Desserts

J.D. Lanier 1st Desserts 1st Beverages 1st Healthy Choice

Naomi Fontenoy 2nd Main Dishes 3rd Desserts

Not pictured: Victor Murta, 1st Main Dishes; 2nd Desserts

### AGES 15-18

Karen Dana 1st Beverages 1st Vegetables

Abby Dana 1st Fruits 1st Desserts 1st Main Dishes

Rosa Shanton 1st Bread

Not pictured: Emily Fontenoy, 1st Healthy Choice

*Look for additional photos of all events on the Carteret County 4-H webpage: [http://carteret.ces.ncsu.edu/index.php?page=youth4h](http://carteret.ces.ncsu.edu/index.php?page=youth4h)*

### Coming Soon – SE District Junior Leader Ski Retreat

**What:** SE District Junior Leader Retreat sponsored by Wayne County 4-H

**When:** January 16-18, 2010

**Where:** Cragmont Assembly, Black Mountain; Ski at Cataloochee Ski Resort

**Who:** 4-H Members, 13 and older

**Program:** Train in new science curriculum, team building and prevention activities and agree to teach younger members in Carteret County

**Cost:** $95.00 includes lodging, skies and lift tickets along with dinner Saturday, breakfast and lunch on Sunday and Monday breakfast; additional money for lunch Saturday and Monday and dinner at the ski lodge Sunday.

**Deadline:** January 4, 2010
**Club News**

**Dolphins**

Carteret County 4-H Dolphins enjoyed an educational fieldtrip to Honeybees-by-the-Sea apiary November 10. Donna Marie Lynk gave us a tour of her honeybee garden in Mandy Farms. She educated us about art of beekeeping and treated us to a snack of honey and crackers afterwards. She also taught us how to make beeswax candles!

*Submitted by Kenzie Edwards*

Reminder: Club reporters – email club news to cindy_day@ncsu.edu or send to the Extension office by the 26th of each month for inclusion in the following month’s newsletter.

**Emerald Club**

4-H’ers attending the Emerald Club trip learned about the film industry and its impact on the economy of Wilmington and NC during tours of downtown locations and Screen Gem Studios. The day ended with ice-skating. To earn points to become eligible for the Emerald Club adventure, become active in your club and county events and complete the application located on the Carteret County 4-H website.

Attending were (left) Jada Shanton, Cheyenne Smith, Sara Huckaby, Rosa Shanton, Naomi Fontenoy, Abby Dana, Cierra Tomaso, Karen Dana and Emily Fontenoy.

**4-H Centennial Cookbook**

Coming January 15th! After one year of compiling over 400 blue ribbon recipes collected from every decade of 4-H in NC, the 4-H Centennial Cookbook is complete and now taking pre-press orders. This would make a great IOU Christmas present for any member to have for years to come. Prepress orders are $14.95, increasing to $18.95 after January 1, 2010.

To order there are several options. Complete the order form available online (www.nc4hfund.org) or in county office and send to the state 4-H office and pay shipping OR submit your order to the county office by *December 29* and pay NO shipping.

**2010 Coastal Plains Livestock Show & Sale, April 5-6**

It’s hard to believe that it is time to begin planning for the CPL&S&S, *April 5-6, 2010* in Kinston. All paperwork is available on our county website and is due *February 14, 2010*. New this year is a T-Shirt design contest. See the packet for details and the blank form to submit original artwork.

**Overseas Military Holiday Mailing Deadline, Dec. 4**

The U.S. Postal Service has announced its recommended mailing dates for delivery by Christmas to our U.S. military troops serving overseas at APO/FPO addresses. Holiday mail for our U.S. troops stationed in Iraq and Afghanistan should be sent by Dec. 4 for arrival by Christmas.

The NC National Guard Family Readiness Program has shared the following for holiday mailings to our troops. Along with the holiday mailing information, they have provided 5 military personnel contacts in which the holiday cards and goody boxes can be sent. All goody packages will be shared with everyone in the units.

CH CPT Mike Allen
HHT 1/150th ARS
APO AE 09322

CH LTC Phil Glick
HHC, HQS, 30th HBCT
FOB Falcon
APO AE 09361

CH Thomas Watson
COP Meade, HHB 1-113
FA
APO AE 09361

CH Lt. Matt Ward
HHC 12 CAB, 30th HBCT
FOB Mahmudiyah
APO AE 09322

CH CPT Melissa Hale
HHC, 230*TH BSB, 30*TH HBCT
FOB FALCON
APO AE 09361

For more info contact J. Scott Enroughaty, Extension Asst/Military Programs.
919.515.8500 or scott_enroughaty@ncsu.edu
To see a “wish list” go to:
**This ‘n That**

Stephen Wesley would like to invite anyone interested in trains to the 16th Annual Christmas Model Train Show at the Beaufort Depot on Broad Street, December 4-6. Admission is free.

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**4-H County Council Report**

Next meeting: **December 7** for election of 2010 officers and selection of the Achievement Night theme. The floor will open for additional nominations prior to voting. Current nominees for office, listed alphabetically by last name:

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**Hospice Festival of Trees**

Any club or individual who has ornaments for the 4-H tree will need to deliver them to the office before 5:00 PM Thursday or make plans to help decorate at the Civic Center, **December 3 at 5:30 PM**. This year’s theme for our tree follows the state theme, ‘We Are 4-H: Then, Now & Forever.’

http://www.facebook.com/pages/Morehead-City-NC/Carteret-County-4-H/97899404708?ref=s

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**FROM THE AGENT**

What a GREAT group of 4’ers we have in Carteret County! Between the Lock-In, Emerald Club trip, Favorite Food & Talent Show and State Council Conference, I am always proud of our youth and proud to be part of this program.

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to making the lock-it-a success again this year. To the County Council officers who planned and implemented the activities; to the parents who supplied goodies and those who stayed all night (not easy!); and to all the 4-H’ers who behaved so well, THANK YOU! This also applies to those who took part in the Emerald Club trip to Wilmington and State Council Conference and those attending and participating in the Favorite Food & Talent Show. November was a busy month!

As we approach this time of year, what an excellent time to reflect on all of our blessings and the freedoms that we enjoy. May each of us look to 2010 for a renewed sense of strength to continually work to become a better person, role model, parent, child, teen, club member, volunteer, student, team member, etc…and the list goes on for each to fill in the blank. Whatever your role in life is, I would like to encourage you to take your responsibilities seriously and encourage you to have a renewed sense of energy to “make the best better.”

Wishing everyone a merry Christmas, happy Hanukkah and a safe, happy and prosperous new year…

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**Wishing you a Happy New Year!**
## 4-H Calendar

Don’t forget to check the state 4-H calendar online at [www.ces.ncsu.edu/depts/fourh/calendar/index.html](http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/depts/fourh/calendar/index.html)

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Happy Holiday!
Patricia, Melissa & Cindy