

# COLBERT COUNTY 4-H CLOVER NEWS

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### Upcoming Contest

2007 Farm City Poster Contest – Due November 1, 2007. Please leave posters in school office.



The poster theme is "Farm-City: Growing Closer Together." This exercise can provide a valuable learning and creative experience for every child who enters. The purpose of the Farm-City program is to bring about better understanding and cooperation between rural and urban people and a realization that both segments of society rely on each other. The theme this year points out the need for rural and urban to "grow closer together" in their relationships while at the same time, points to the fact that cities are spreading and are now literally growing closer to the farm. This points to an even greater need for farm and city folks to live and work together as neighbors.

The contest is sponsored by the Farm-City Committee of Alabama, P.O. Box 11000, Montgomery, AL 36191-0001, in cooperation with Alabama Ag in the Classroom. If teachers need additional agricultural information, they may contact Alabama websites of various agriculture organizations, The Extension Service and land grant universities or by searching "Alabama agriculture" on the web. Some of the winning entries will be used in a full-color Alabama Farm-City calendar.

### Eligibility and Rules

1. Entry is open to all students in grades kindergarten through sixth grade and **must be the original work of the student**. There are two categories of competition: K - 3 grades and 4 - 6 grades. First and Second Place winners will be named in each category. Posters must relate to the theme. Posters must be on display during the month of November in a shopping mall, library, retail businesses or other place of public view. The size should be horizontal with the length no greater than 28 inches and height no greater than 22 inches. It should be no smaller than 14 inches in length and 11 inches high. Standard thickness poster paper is preferred. (Vertical posters will be judged but **NOT** considered for the calendar due to format requirements.) Any flat medium can be used (such as pen and pencil, crayon, watercolor, ink, oil, but no three-dimensional posters such as gluing products on to a poster) will be eligible. Each student is required to complete the enclosed information form and attach it to each poster entry. On the back of each poster.

**All entries will be judged first at the County Farm-City Committee level with the first place winner in each county being submitted to the State Farm-City Committee. One entry per county may be submitted for judging at the state level.**

**Criteria for judging include: creativity, originality, neatness, overall appearance and relevance to the theme.**

Deadline for entry at the county level is October 31, 2007. NOTE: Posters will be picked up from the schools on November 1 & 2, 2007.

Entries become the property of the Farm-City Committee of Alabama and may be photographed or reproduced in a calendar or any other publication as the Committee sees the need without further permission or monetary consideration.

The first place county winner will be given an additional form to complete for the state competition level. Winners will be recognized at the Farm City Banquet on Thursday night, November 15, 2007 at First United Methodist Church in Tuscumbia, AL.

## Blocks Rock – Due at our November club meeting

### Rules:

- ✿ Be creative
- ✿ Compete by yourself or on a two person team
- ✿ Entire Blocks Rock art must be constructed from Lego's
- ✿ Blocks Rock can not be any larger than 18 x 18 x 18 inches including board
- ✿ Blocks Rock art must be viewed from all sides
- ✿ Blocks Rock art must be transported on a firm board such as plywood, foam board or cardboard
- ✿ Consider gluing or temporary attaching to keep structure secure
- ✿ You must do the construction yourself



## 4-H Club Essay

### “Peanuts: Healthy After School Snacks”



Sponsored by: The Colbert County Extension System and the Alabama Peanut Association

Objectives: To help 4-H members become aware of the importance of peanuts.

Requirements for participation:

Must use the topic designated – “Peanuts: Healthy After School Snacks”

Junior Division – 500 – 750 words

Senior Division – 750 – 1000 words

Essays will be judged on accuracy, creativity, conciseness and logical development of the subject.

Essays are due by December 7, 2007



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