



This Just In! – From Alabama 4-H Friday, June 6, 2008

Alabama 4-H Golf Classic
June 12
FarmLinks at Pursell Farms
Sylacauga, Alabama

<http://www.aces.edu/pubs/docs/E/EX-0064/EX-0064-2008.pdf>



4-H Competitive Day
June 27
University of Montevallo
Registration Deadline: June 16
<http://www.alabama4H.Com>



Southern Region
4-H Volunteer Forum
October 2 – 5
Rock Eagle 4-H Center
Eatonton, Georgia
Application Deadline:
August 22

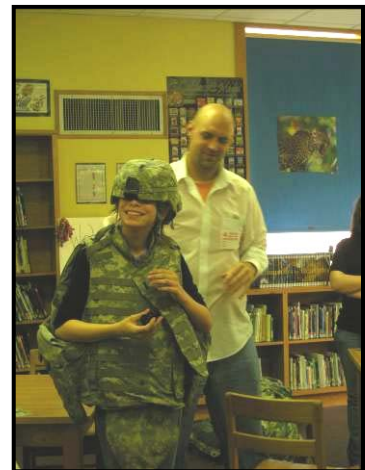
Marshall 4-Hers Welcome “Their” Soldier

The Douglas Middle & High School 4-H Club in Marshall County was surprised with an unexpected visit from U.S. Army 1st Lieutenant Ted Hunt of the 488th Combat Security Company that recently



returned from Iraq. Throughout the 4-H year, 4-H'ers sent Ted and his company snacks, hygiene necessities, and

cards and letters of support as a Community Service Project. Ted came to personally thank the 4-H'ers for their hard work, and presented them with an American flag which had flown at forward operating base Camp Bucca, Iraq. Ted also gave each 4-H'er old Iraqi



currency from the Hussein reign along with providing them with the unique opportunity to wear a real US Army full-gear suit. A big thank you to Nancy Montgomery, Marshall County Volunteer, who helped create this once-in-a-lifetime experience.

Thanks to Kristen Wilson

Art Comes Clean – in Choctaw 4-H

Don't these look like delicious confections?



Guess again! They are 4-H-made soaps!

The 4-H Wild About Art Club ventured into soap making in May. Nancy Gibson, volunteer club leader, talked about soap-making and let students mix, add colors and scents, and pour the mixture into molds. She showed them how to add sparkles and soap graffiti as well as how to mold and slice their soaps.

Nancy also demonstrated techniques for making scented bath salts. Each student then made individualized bath salts and took home two decorative soaps and a small gift bag of bath salts.



The students made their own decorative, stamped wrapping paper. What was amazing was that the boys enjoyed the soap-making program just as much as the girls. All the 4-H'ers were excited to get to take the soaps and bath salts they had made home to their mothers in the wrapping paper they had designed.

Thanks to REA Susan Thompson

Elmore 4-H Leadership Does Good Stuff!



Elmore County 4-H youth leaders Rachel Beth Hamilton, Zoe Morris, and Jennie Smithson put together a great service project for "Youth Leadership Elmore County." They raised funds – and more – for the Adullam House in Wetumpka, a home and school for children of incarcerated men and women.

The 4-H girls decided to collect change in their schools, with the winning classes receiving a popcorn and movie party. The school that raised the most would also have "bragging rights" over the other school. Although Zoe's school, Stanhope Elmore High School in Millbrook, "won," the winning class at Elmore County High School got so excited about the project that their teacher Jeannie Garrett (a 4-H volunteer leader) told her class she'd take the class on a field trip to visit the children at the Adullam House.



In May, Mrs. Garrett's class, along with Rachel Beth, Zoe, and Jennie, visited the Adullam House where the three girls presented the \$1,070 they raised, along with stuffed animals, children's books, and canned goods. Some of the students did face painting for the younger children, while others read to children and some rocked the babies.

The Adullam House, which depends on private donations, was grateful for the efforts of the three 4-H youth leaders and Mrs. Garrett's class.

Thanks to Katrina Mitchell

Getting Globalized



More than sixty 4-H and Youth Development staff attended the two-day Globalize Me training at the 4-H Center. The training was provided by Global Kids Inc., a youth development organization from New York City. The training provided a practical framework for the integration of global themes into our urban and rural programs. Themes discussed were the environment, health, migration, poverty, development, justice, and globalization.



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Everything at CWF is going well. We got caught in the House yesterday during the bad weather. Because of it though, some reps such as Artur Davis also ran late, so he sent his tour guide to get us and take us to the House side. We got to sit in the gallery and see a vote, so not only did they get into the Senate Observation Room but also the House Gallery.

They also saw and took pictures of Barack Obama and John Kerry, so the kids were excited!! We just got back from the National Zoo and will be going to Cultural Heritage Night tonight. The kids are doing exceptionally well. 4 of the 6 elected officials in the different committees are from Alabama, and during the congressional session we had the speaker of the house, house leader, clerk and deputy clerk of the house, and 2 committee chairs. Also the adults have heard from National 4-H on fundraising ideas, and today we heard about 4-H Access, the online social network that looks to be a great resource for everyone. The kids have been well behaved. They are beginning to get tired. Also, our girls have discovered Iowa boys. They are amazed.

So, all in all, we are doing fine... No injuries, no problems... Talk to you later.

Amy



Recently the Marion County 4-H Ambassador Club was given a lesson on Geocaching by Mr. David Harmon of Hamilton. Geocaching is a treasure-hunting game where you use a GPS to hide and then seek containers with other participants or it can just be a high-tech treasure hunting. With Harmon are the members of the Marion County 4-H Ambassador Club: Adam Schuman, Tommy Gray, Erin O'Mary, McCall Barnett, Zak Ganey, Andrew Sanderson and Jericho Dye.



Marion County 4-Hers Use High Tech to Find Treasure

Thanks to Susan O'Mary,
4-H Volunteer