

JASPER FARMERS MARKET:

4-H'ers helped with a Master Gardener project at the Farmer's Market. A project to build a bird feeder out of used liter plastic bottles and wooden spoons was a huge success!



SNEAD AG-SPRING FAMILY FUN DAY: On Saturday, April 20, 4-H'ers manned a booth at the Ag Day. They handed out balloons, played games with attending kids, and explained the local 4-H program to parents and anyone that would listen.



S.A.F.E.: Nineteen 4-H'ers competed in the NE District Shotgun qualifying. This competition determines who will get to go to the state contest in May. Pickens County came home with the 1st place jr and sr teams for the day. We also had the top high junior shooter-Luke Chastain and the 3rd high senior shooter-Justin Fellenbaum.



SCHOLARSHIPS: Pickens County 4-H paid out a total of \$6,350 in January to previous 4-H'ers for scholarships they had earned during their 4-H career.



**Pickens County 4-H
Spring 2013**



Learning Through Service

Junior/Senior District Project Achievement (DPA)

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State Livestock Judging, Valentine Cards for Nursing Home, Drill Team, GA Jr. National Livestock Show, Jasper Farmer's Market project, Snead Ag-Family Ag Day, S.A.F.E. Qualifying, & Scholarships.

Our 4-H Family.....



Jr/Sr DPA: Ten Jr/Sr 4-H'ers traveled to Rock Eagle to participate in DPA (District Project Achievement). After competing against other 4-Her's throughout NE district Pickens County brought home three-1st place, three 2nd place, and one 3rd place. Amanda Rogers-senior 4-H'er was 1st in the Flowers, Shrubs & Lawns project and will travel to Atlanta for State Congress in July.



STATE LIVESTOCK JUDGING: Pickens County was represented at the state livestock judging competition both a junior and senior judging team. The junior team came home with a 10th place while our senior team won 9th in the contest. 4-Hers judged classes of market & breeding cattle, hogs, lambs, and goats as well as gave several sets of oral reasons on the classes that they had judged.



VALENTINE CARDS FOR NURSING HOME: At our monthly County Council meetings not only do we get caught up on 4-H business but we try to incorporate community service. In Feb, the 4-H'ers made cards for nursing home residents.



2012-2013 DRILL TEAM: Drill team coaches, Vickie Crowe and Carl & Tammy Bledsoe have been working very hard to prepare this year's drill team for competition in the spring. These girls put in many hours on horseback practicing their routine. If practice makes perfect, these girls will be pretty close by show time!



GA JR NATIONAL LIVESTOCK SHOW: Nine Pickens County 4-H'ers exhibited market hogs and breeding ewes in the 2013 GA Jr National. 4-H'ers represented their county very well. In market hogs; Mason Sims was 1st & 2nd, Alice Kirby was 8th, and Courtney Chapman was 9th. In the breeding ewe show; Davon Painter was 1st, Mason Sims was 2nd and Emma Long was 4th in Showmanship. In their breeding classes; Davon won 3rd & 4th, Emma was 2nd, 6th, & 7th, while Mason was 1st & 4th. Mason's ewe went on to win 3rd Overall Breeding Ewe and the GA Born & Bred Champion and Emma's ewe was the GA Born & Bred Reserve Champion. Pickens County also won 2nd place County Group of 3. While attending the show, 4-H'ers also attended the annual awards banquet. Colin and Conner Watson and Davon Painter all submitted record books on their goat and lamb projects. After judging, Davon was 2nd with his lamb book and 4th with his goat

book while Colin and Conner both won 2nd with their goat record books.

