MAY 2011

Your May Club Meeting
Your member that attended the Leader Training in April will need/want to have discussion with you at your May meeting. The program will be a little different than those in the past. Please have a great discussion to see where your club goes from here. Are there changes to make or will you stay the same?

Area Meeting/Upcoming Work Day
Thanks so much for attending the April ECA meeting. I think we got a good handle on our table favors for the State meeting in October. Please have your calendars marked for Tuesday, May 31st for a full day of working on this project. Hopefully we will be able to complete this project on that day.

Lake Waccamaw
As usual, we will plan our trip to Wilmington to meet someone there from Lake Waccamaw. I called today to ask if they would send us a list of needs and found out that my contact (Jean Jordan) for all of these years passed away during the Christmas Holidays.

Someone else is supposed to send me a list. If it is not here by the time of the mailing of this newsletter then I will send it to the presidents as soon as I receive it.

We will plan the date of going to Wilmington on the May 31st workday.

Medicine Bottles
The day after our area meeting I received word that Samaritan’s Purse was no longer accepting medicine bottles. They have all they need for awhile. I was going to send all of ours to the dumpster but before that happened I received notice that the man we usually send ours to does still want them.

Now, the question for you. Do you want to continue sending the medicine bottles?

We will start at 9 am and then those that have to leave us for Leader Training will go to that and the rest of us will continue on. We will order pizza or something for lunch.
I think we have $100 dollars that the clubs gave money to send in the medicine bottles. Do you want me to use that and then ask members to see if other groups will help us with the postage or do you want to stop sending the bottles? We have several folks that save them for us to send and currently we have A LOT to send. The master gardener that was going to take them for us actually was taking them to Samaritan’s Purse not the man we usually give them to so therefore that offer is no longer on the table.

Please discuss this at your May meeting and let me know your thoughts. I am really going to have to do something soon because I am running out of storage room.

New Winery in the County
There is a new winery in the county. It is in Richlands and I wanted to offer to get a group together for those that were interested to go. Please let me know if you are interested and I will see when is best for you to go. They are open on Wednesday through Saturday.

Agri-Cultural Tour
Just a reminder that if you want to attend the Agri-Cultural Tour in New Hanover County that you need to get your registration money in soon. If you do want to go and want to ride with Nita and me please let me know so we can put you on our list.

Scrapbooking
If you know anyone that likes to scrapbook – please share the attached flyer with them. We are having an all day scrapbook event here at the office on the 14th of May from 9 am to 5 pm. We will have scrapbook vendors available selling items as well as placing orders. The cost is $15 and each person is asked to bring a dish for folks to nibble on during the day and or for lunch.

If they have any questions they can call the office.

Leader Training
The leader training in May will be on Tuesday, May 31st at 10:00 am. The title of the training will be “Social Media, The New Word of Mouth”. Robin Seitz, FCS Agent, will be the presenter of the information.

Employment and program opportunities are offered to all people regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. North Carolina State University, North Carolina A&T State University, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and local governments cooperating

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The 4-H motto is:
“To Make the Best Better”, so make the best better by enrolling now to learn something new and meet new people. The 4-H office along with those giving leadership to the activities hope you have an enjoyable summer and invite youth age 5 – 19 to take advantage of the many opportunities offered in the Avenues of Interest Summer Program.

We invite you to join us for an exciting summer!!! Any youth in Onslow County may enroll in one or more workshops, you do not have to be a 4-H'er to register, just come by the 4-H office at 4024 Richlands Highway, Jacksonville. Call us at 455-5873 or you can also check our web site to see what classes we offer and if they are full. (http://onslow.ces.ncsu.edu) All programs have a registration fee, which must be paid when you register. Registration will not be held at the workshop or activity.

All monies collected are used for supplies and or instructor fees. Again, do not miss out on an exciting summer of 4-H activities.

The Recipe
Corner

The Banana Split Cake

1 package yellow cake mix
2 packages instant vanilla pudding
2 packages (8 ounces each) cream cheese
2 cups milk
1 large can crushed pineapple, drained
2 or 3 bananas, sliced
Non-daily whipped topping (such as Cool Whip)
Maraschino cherries or sliced fresh strawberries walnuts

Bake cake according to package instructions in a 9-by 13-inch pan. Cool on a rack.
Combine pudding mix, cream cheese and milk and mix until smooth.
Split cooled cake into two layers. Spread half of the pudding mixture on the bottom layer. Cover with crushed pineapple.
Place second layer of cake on top of the pineapple and top with the rest of the pudding mixture. Top with banana slices.
Cover with whipped topping and decorate with cherries or strawberries and walnuts.