



4-H Furry Friends Walk and Wrap For the Holidays



The Furry Friends 4-H Club is a group of youth ages 9-18 who work with certified therapy dogs to provide comfort and companionship by sharing their dogs at institutions, functions, and homes. Through visits group members and their dogs increase emotional well-being, promote healing and improve quality of life for the people they visit. Furry Friends holds a regular Reading Program at Barnes and Noble as well as visit facilities such as Avalon, Dominion Village, Bark in the Park, Morningside, Williamsburg Holiday Parade, Williamsburg Respite Care, Blayton Building, Ruxton, Williamsburg Landing.

Members of the pet therapy club, walked in the Williamsburg Christmas parade on Saturday, December 6th.



Members came out to Barnes & Noble on December 21 to raise money for the club by gift-wrapping.



Back:
Erin Giblin
Taylor Olson
Sydney Giblin
Front:
Veronica Lewis
Hannah
(therapy dog)

Peer Mediation Training



Ten students at Matoaka Elementary School completed Peer Mediation Training this past November. During training students learned conflict resolution skills, listening skills, and how to better identify feelings and needs of others in order to guide peers through conflict resolution peacefully.

Martha White Corn Meal/Lodge Cast Iron 2009 National Cornbread Festival Cornbread Cook-Off

for 4th graders. First Prize: \$400 cash & special; Second Prize: \$200 cash & special gifts; Third Prize: \$100 cash & special gifts; Seven Honorable Mention Prizes: \$50.00 and gifts. Call 564-2170 for more information or to obtain a registration form.

2009 4-H Junior Camp information will be mailed out in February.

LEGO Robotics Club

The 4-H LEGO Robotics Club promotes essential workplace skills in youth ages 9 to 18. Students will explore teamwork, collaboration, and leadership while learning to appreciate science and technology. Youth learn to build structurally sound Lego Robots as well as how to program these robots. The 4-H LEGO Robotics Club holds a monthly meeting (free) and has the opportunity to compete in a fall competition with First LEGO League of Virginia (fee is required). A second section has begun meeting on the second Wednesday of each month from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. and has few open spaces remaining.



The 4-H Archery Club promotes youth interest in natural resources and related natural sciences programs through archery target shooting. Students learn safe and responsible use of archery equipment to develop decision-making, self-discipline, and concentration. Participants learn about range and equipment safety, eye dominance, parts of the bow, parts of an arrow, basic archery form, and development of technique. The 4-H Archery Club holds two monthly meetings throughout the year and provides the opportunity for youth to prepare for and to compete in the State 4-H Archery Shoot.

4-H Archery Club

Jamestown 4-H Educational Center

Palette of Fun 4-H Art Camp February 13-15, 2009

"Palette of Fun" Art Appreciation Camp encourages 9-13 year-olds to express their artistic talents, appreciate different types of art, teamwork, and, of course, have fun!!



Spring 4-H Cloverbud Camp March 14-15, 2009

This camp offers five to eight year olds the opportunity to experience the excitement of overnight camping. Through the many songs, games, special programs, classes, and campfire experiences that camp offers, youngsters can learn how to plan ahead, how to work with others, and develop a love of the outdoors.



**Open House
May 17, 2009
2:00p.m.—5:00p.m.**

For prospective and returning 4-H Campers, Parents, Camp Alumni, and anyone interested in the Northeast District 4-H Summer Camps at Jamestown 4-H Educational Center. During the Open House guests will have opportunities to explore the Center's 16-acre campus, receive camp information, meet the summer staff, engage in children games and activities, and enjoy complimentary refreshments.

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4-H Pledge:

*"I pledge my head to clearer thinking,
I pledge my heart to greater loyalty,
I pledge my hands to larger service,
I pledge my health to better living,
for my club, my community, my
country, and my world."*

If you are a person with a disability and desire any assistive devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please contact Jeremy Johnson, James City County at (757) 564-2170/TDD*) during business hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. to discuss accommodations 5 days prior to the event. *TDD number is (800) 828-1120.