Merry Gold Gardener, Rosie Marley, went home from school one day and talked to her father about the Nature Trail project at Supply Elementary. Michael Marley saw to it that they received a $2,900 grant from Home Depot to help with the expenses and labor for a new garden! With the help of a Food Corps grant and the Home Depot folks, the garden project "grew." In addition, March 21st, the garden spot was tilled thanks to Dale Clemmons of Carolina Tree and Landscaping. Other work-days leading up to the finished garden, included March 28th with the Home Depot volunteers. Even though it was raining, Saturday, March 31st, the Home Depot volunteers came out along with several community volunteers as well as Mercy McCurdy, Grace Wrigley and Supply Elementary School principal, Dwight Willis. The Merry Gold Gardeners 4-H Junior Master Gardeners at Supply Elementary School continue to be inspired by their leaders, Grace Wrigley and Mercy McCurdy, Brunswick County Volunteer Master Gardeners, and a lot of support from their principal, Dr. Dwight Willis.
Although, it is too late to sign up to spend the night at Relay, it is NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN The Brunswick County 4-H Relay for Life Team.

   Team: Brunswick County 4-H
2. Call the office to see how you can get more involved in the activities offered during and before the Relay.
3. Start Fundraising!!

Our team has collected over $1500 so far, which is awesome! Our "Brunswick County 4-H, Clogging for a Cure!" team had a Marathon Dance Day, March 31st and will dance again, April 21st at Oak Island Accommodations at the Talent Showcase during Relay for Life as well as the Fashion/Talent Review, May 18th. Since they have collected over $500 thus far, they are in the running to win the Pizza Party this year. Remember the Pizza Party is awarded to the club that turns in the most money for Relay. Let us know what your club is doing!

Applicants must be at least 14 years old as of January 1. This program is used to select the delegations to attend National 4-H Congress, National 4-H Conference and the International Leadership Conference. Participants must complete a two-page application and submit a resume of no more than two pages. The resume should highlight the 4-H'ers achievements, project work and leadership throughout their career. The County 4-H Agent must sign off on the application before it is submitted. Interviews are held during 4-H Congress. Application above. Due May 1st to the County 4-H office.

AIRE Program Materials can be found at this link: http://brunswick.ces.ncsu.edu/files/library/10/AIRE%20Binder1.pdf

Several Brunswick County 4-H'ers participated in this year’s County Activity Day. The actual Activity Day had several participants this year including; Brittany Smith, Sierra Hart, Rebekah Taylor, Elizabeth Nutley and Breanna Long. Due to school schedules, Amber and Rosemarie Yurgel came on April 10th to make their presentations, and Bobbi Jane Lawrence gave hers on April 12th. Congratulations, you all did a wonderful job and will progress to District Activity Day in June!
MILITARY APPRECIATION DAY - OMK

To honor our military families, NC Operation Military Kids (OMK) program has collaborated with NC State University Athletics to celebrate the "Military Appreciation Day" event during the NC State Wolfpack vs. Duke Blue Devils baseball game. The event will be held Saturday, 28 April 2012 at 6:30 PM at Doak Field on the campus of NC State.

As part of the "Military Appreciation Day" event, fans with *Military ID will receive free admission, courtesy of Wolfpack Athletics, in honor and support of military service members, their families and their children. Youth 17 and under get in FREE. Military guests can purchase discounted tickets for $3 at the gate. *Military ID is required to receive special ticket prices.

At the beginning of the game, 20 military youth will have the chance to run out on the field with the Wolfpack players as they are announced. Military youth ages 5 to 17 years of age are invited to participate. Please provide the military child’s: First name, Last name, Age, Branch of Service to Scott Enroughty, Project Manager, NC OMK, by 12:00 PM (noon) Wednesday, 18 April 2012 to confirm a spot. RSVP by e-mail (ONLY) to scott_enroughty@ncsu.edu. *Please note that registration for spots via telephone will not be accepted. Additional logistics (time and place to meet before running on the field) will be sent no later than Friday, 20 April 2012.

Spring has sprung and the chicks are chirping! Over 150 baby chicks hatched in Brunswick County schools this spring! Each spring and fall 2nd graders in Brunswick County public and private schools can "EGG-SPLORE" the science of embryology from egg to chicken. This school enrichment curriculum provides teachers and students with background information and exciting experiential activities dealing with life science for use in the classroom. Brunswick County 4-H provides several school enrichment curriculums.

CAMP CORRAL

This summer Millstone 4-H Camp will host three weeks (sessions) of great camping experience. North Carolina 4-H is proud to have piloted Camp Corral at Millstone last summer for Golden Corral Corporation. Please check out our web site: http://www.campcorral.org/. Camp Corral is for 8-15 year olds in military families. Top priority is given to children of wounded, disable or fallen veterans/service members. Others are placed on each camp’s wait list and will be moved into slots beginning 60 days prior to each camp’s start date.

Camp Corral is open to military families of ALL branches of service, including National Guard and Reserves. The cost of camp ($400+ at each site) is paid in full by Golden Corral. Parents are responsible for transportation to/from camp. Remember to eat at your area Golden Corral restaurants during April & May so you can see all the marketing for Camp Corral and make a $1.00 contribution to help send a most deserving kid to camp! For complete details, contact: Larry Hancock, Extension 4-H Specialist, NC State University, College of Agriculture & Life Sciences 4-H Youth Development Phone: (919) 515-8482 FAX: (919) 515-3483

Tinker Divas 4-H Club members, (shown here - Hope and Dakota with Mrs. Jane Kulesza) have been preparing for the Fashion/Talent Review, during their spring sewing workshops.

CHIRPING CHICKS!
While other Brunswick County Teens were enjoying their day off on Friday March, 30th, your TiLT team was working hard to prepare school enrichment for Kindergartners and 4th - 8th graders! These innovative leaders created CalciYum for Kindergarten kits and planned lessons for Health Rocks!

CalciYum for Kindergartners kits are designed to teach kindergartners through interactive activities, the importance of calcium, vitamin D and exercise for strong bones. This program is the first of its kind! The NC Osteoporosis foundation has extended a grant to partners Cheryle Syracuse, Food and Consumer Science staff and 4-H Staff and TiLT teens, to have teens learn and teach about Osteoporosis.

Health Rocks! is an interactive, hands-on approach to train young people to make healthy life style choices and to reduce and prevent their consumption of tobacco, alcohol, and drugs; designed to be taught by teen adult partnerships.

TiLT teens included in this all day work-day included Angelique and Alexis Apple, John and Dillon Bernheisel, Olivia Bowers, Kenan Bridges, Camille Carr, Sammi Lawrence, John Macon and Savanna Michaux and Amber Yurgel. These teens will be visiting area schools, starting with Belville Elementary on Monday, April 23rd.

Find out how you can train to be a part of this exciting group of teens, in TiLT by calling "Mrs. Angie" in the 4-H office.

Hickman’s Crossroads 4-H club started the program: "4-H Heroes Helping Haiti", to gather peanut butter and infant formula to feed children in Port Au Prince, Haiti. The goal for the trip was 1800 pounds and thanks to the help of all the people who donated, the goal was met! Thanks again!

- Camden Clark, reporter for Hickman’s Crossroads 4-H Club.

Fashion/Talent Review May 18th

It's not too late to sign up for the Fashion/Talent Review! We have re-scheduled it for Friday, May 18th at 7PM. Please call the office for more information on when your garments need to be turned in for judging and let us know if you are performing a Talent!