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County. We hope to see you there!

Interim Director / Horticulture Agent

**UF/IFAS Extension Baker County** 

Dear Extension Friends,

Α **Baker County** Extension Service Monthly Newsletter

## **Baker County Extension Service**

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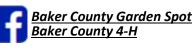
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Sincerely,

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Alicia Lamborn



Our two biggest events of the year are happening this month —the

Spring Garden Festival and 4-H Benefit Auction. Bring the family and have

some fun while supporting horticulture and youth programming in Baker



Search "Baker County 4-H" in your app store

## **Upcoming Programs & Events**

- April 7 Spring Garden Festival, 9am—2pm, Baker County Extension Office Arboretum and Gardens (Ag Center). Local vendors will offer a variety of plants, arts and crafts, and more. Kids will have fun with a free gardening activity while parents shop, enjoy gardening exhibits, and stroll through the pubic gardens on site. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call (904) 259-3520.
- Annual Public 4-H Auction. Entry fee: \$5 a person, Baker County Extension Office Auditorium. April 28 Doors Open: 4:30pm Dinner: 5:00pm Live Auction: 5:30pm. Come out and support 4-H's annual fundraiser! Entry fee includes fried chicken dinner!
- May 18 Pollinator Workshop, 10:00 am to Noon, Baker County Extension Office (Ag Center), 1025 West Macclenny Ave. Topics include: Florida's native bees and pollinators; Pollinator plants for your garden; DIY native bee nest boxes. Cost is \$20 per person and includes materials for your own "make and take" native bee house similar to the one shown. Register at the Baker County Extension Office. For more information. please call 904-259-3520.



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Highlights in Horticulture Horticulture Agent

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# **Sneak Peak**

## Master Gardener Plant Sale @ Spring Garden Festival



## **Baby Sunrose**

Succulent-like groundcover — 6" tall — Full sun — Red, aster-like flowers Also great in containers & hanging baskets — Flowers on & off all year

## Lantana 'Miss Huff'

Pollinator-friendly perennial — 4-6' tall and wide — Full sun Flowers change from orange to pink spring to frost - Sterile variety



## Sweetspire 'Henry's Garnet'

Flowering shrub — 3-4' tall, 4-6' wide — Partial shade or sun — White flower clusters May-June last for weeks — Red fall color — Thrives in moist soils, but adapts to dry conditions; prune after flowering

## **Obedient Plant**

Pink to pale lilac tubular flowers are snapdragon-like — Partial sun/shade — Native Florida perennial — 3-4' tall — Flower spikes bloom in summer



## Autumn Sage (Red & Pink)

Pollinator-friendly perennial — A dependable butterfly/bee magnet Red or pink flowers — Long blooming season — Drought tolerant Beautiful when mass planted — Mounding shrub — 3' tall and wide

## **Pineapple Guava**

Flowering shrub or small tree — Evergreen — 15' tall & wide — Full sun to partial shade — Edible flowers & fruit — Flowers in spring, fruit ripens Aug-Oct — Needs cross-pollination



Pentas 'Starburst'

Tropical perennial — Attracts hummingbirds & pollinators — 2-3' tall & wide Pink & white flowers bloom spring through fall — Full sun or light shade

### Seven Sisters Rose

Heirloom — Rambling rose — Named for the seven shades that can be seen at any one time Full sun — Big clusters of double, Multiflora flowers — Free flowering and strong growing



UF/IFAS Extension Baker County presents FLORIDA MASTER GARDENER

10th annual

UF IFAS Extension

Spring Garden Festival

Held in the Arboretum & Gardens 1025 W. Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny FL

Saturday, April 7, 2018 9 am - 2 pm

plant SALE

> KIDS Activities

gardening EXHIBITS

Florida-Friendly Landscaping

FREE

ENTRY

LOCAL VENDORS

Info: (904) 259-3520

The Foundation for the Gator Nation An Equal Opportunity Institution

# Lucky Clover Chronicle Shaina Spann, 4-74 Agent



## Annual 4-H Auction—April 28, 2018

Entry fee: \$5 a person (Includes meal) Doors Open: 4:30pm Dinner: 5:00pm / Live Auction: 5:30pm Baker County Agricultural Center Auditorium



We need donations! Please contact the office to sign up for a business for the auction. The annual auction helps to provide funding for scholarships, volunteer screening, and a van to transport youth. If you know of a business that would like to donate, please send them our way! Going with the Kentucky Derby, our theme is Big Hats & Bow Ties!

## **Criminal Justice Academy**



Top L to R: Viewing dispatch; Dusting for fingerprints; Ridge experiencing beer goggles. Middle L to R: In a court house jail cell!; Solving a missing persons' case; Petting the RMC Bloodhounds. Bottom L to R: 6 panel of jurors; Learning about the history of the Baker County Sheriff's Office.

## **4-H Activities & Club Meetings**

Apr 2– Cloverleaf Cloggers—7:00pm @ Ag Center Auditorium Apr 7– Spring Garden Festival—9am-2pm @ Ag Center Apr 9- Cloverleaf Cloggers—7:00pm @ Ag Center Auditorium Apr 7-13– Mrs. Shaina at National 4-H Conference Apr 16- AUCTION ITEMS DUE Apr 16- Cloverleaf Cloggers—7:00pm @ Ag Center Auditorium Apr 19– District Events, Union Co High School Apr 19– Baker Ropers Horse Club—6:30pm @ 4-H Classroom Apr 23- Cloverleaf Cloggers—7:00pm @ Ag Center Auditorium Apr 24– Livestock Club & Animal Orientation Meeting-6:00pm @ Aud Apr 28-4-H Auction! Apr 30- Cloverleaf Cloggers 7:00pm @ Ag Center Auditorium

District Council Bee Hotels!



Top L: Mr. Kozee helping drill holes in tree rounds. Top R: Stuffing their hotels. Bottom L: Hunter and Cadee building their hotels. Bottom R: Malia with her hotel!

We no longer have individual club Facebook pages. In an effort to streamline communication, all clubs will now be hosted on the main Baker County 4-H Page.

Please like us on Facebook! http://facebook.com/bakerco4h

**Download our App!** 



Search Baker County 4-H on your device!

# 2018 4-H Summer Programs!

**<u>Robotics Camp</u>—June 4-7** age 7-9; Cost \$60. 9am-4pm. Bring Lunch. Register by: May 21st. Location: Ag Center. Youth will have the opportunity to build, design, and code their own robots! For youth who have completed 2nd and/or 3rd grade.

<u>Kebab Camp—June 11-14</u> age 11+; Cost \$60. 9am-4pm. Bring Lunch. <u>6/14: Lunch provided.</u> Register by: May 28th. Location: Ag Center / Columbia County Extension Office. Come and learn about meat selection, meat cookery, farming, vegetables, grilling and more!

Intermediate State—June 15-17 (Fri-Sun) 4-H Members age 10-13; Cost \$85. Location: Madison, Florida at Camp Cherry Lake. Participate in educational workshops along with FUN SHOPS such as 4-H Tailgate Contest, Graphic Design Competition, the 4-H Insectation, Public Speaking, and more!

Living on My Own Camp—July 10-13 age 10+; Cost \$60. 9am-4pm. Bring Lunch. Register by: June 25th. Location: Ag Center. From laundry to car maintenance to meal planning, youth will learn what it takes to be an adult!

Invasive Species Camp—June 19-22 age 8+; Cost \$60. 9am-4pm. Bring Lunch. Register by: June 4th. Location: Ag Center. Learn all about Florida's invasive plants and animals! This camp jumps into what species are in our own backyards!

<u>Copycat Kitchen—July 24-27</u> age 8+Cost \$60 Each Day 9am-4pm Bring Snack, Lunch is provided Register by: July 9th. Location: Ag Center. This camp takes restaurant meals and turns them into recipes we can make at home & some even healthier!

<u>4-H Legislature— June 25-29</u> ages 13+; Cost:\$230. Location: Tallahassee, Florida at the State Capitol 4-H Members come develop your skills to debate, analyze legislation and speak Publicly.

<u>Camp Cherry Lake— July 16-20</u> ages 8-13 & 14+ Counselor. Location: Madison, Florida at Camp Cherry Lake. Must be member as of 04/01. Deadline to register: July 9th. (Early registration due June 11th: Member \$230; Non-Member \$260) (Late registration after June 11th: Member \$250; Non-Member \$280). This week long camp is where kids can have a blast making friends, attending campfires, fishing, swimming, kayaking, and more!

<u>4-H University—July 31-Aug 2</u> ages 14+; Cost: \$250. Location: Gainesville, Florida at the University of Florida . Participate in educational workshops led by University of Florida faculty, explore career opportunities, lead community service activities, and more!

- Register at: http://florida.4honline.com
- All ages are as of 09/01/2017
- Payment is required to secure registration.
- Payment plans available upon request.



 Make checks payable to: Baker County 4-H Association (Payment can be made at the Baker County Extension Office, 1025 West Macclenny Ave OR on-line at https://www.Eventbrite.com





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