

4-H Happenings Newsletter

April, 2007

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Wicomico



Things are blooming all over and everyone has started working like busy bees. The spring and summer is gearing up for lots of activities and events. Join us for these great adventures and get your 4-H club involved.

Mrs. Amy and Mrs. Barbara

Safe Kids Day Volunteers Needed

Come Be A Mascot

Dress up like Vince or Larry (the Crashtest Dummies), Safety Pup, or SunGuard Man. We would love to have help running a booth. Kids and adults welcome.
Lots of Freebees

May 5th

1230-330

Salisbury YMCA

Call Mrs. Amy



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4-H Email Group

We are developing a 4-H email group. This will allow us to keep you up-to-date on 4-H happenings or allow you to share 4-H news via email. To be added to the group list contact Ms. Amy at arhodes1@umd.edu and put "Add me to the Email Group" in the subject line.

Volunteer Meeting Dates

Monday, 6:30

Wicomico Extension Office

April 23

July 23

October 15

January 28

PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST COUNTY & REGIONAL

4-Hers enthusiastically participated in the 2007 Wicomico County Communications Contest on Friday, March 9th. Twenty one participants spoke on a variety of topics as well as creating 4-H promotional radio spots and dramatic interpretations. Congratulations to the following 4-Hers who won championship ribbons in their categories: **Kyle Barga**- Radio Spot, **Sarah Wilber** - Extemporaneous, **Santana Pouncy** - Interpretation and **Margo Luke** - Prepared Speech. A special thank you to **Margo Luke** who has participated in county, regional and state communication contest for 10 years.



Thank you to the following 4-Hers who eagerly participated in the contest:

Radio Spots: **John Coltellino, Hunter Adkins, Kyle Barga, Jessica Oneil** and **Keith Barga**

Extemporaneous Speech: **Sarah Wilber,**

Interpretation: **Santana Pouncy and Kathryn Adkins,**

Prepared Speech: **Amy Wilber, Courtney Blumenthal, Molly Burns, Emily Desjardins, Madison Dillon, Greta Downes, Brittany Flurer, Ashley Grant, Ashley Jones, Meredith Wilde, Candace Jablonski, Margo Luke** and **Laura Pavlos**

Robby Davis served as Teen presenter for the contest. Thank you to Anna Beardsly and Rick Conrad who graciously gave of their time and talents to judge this years contest.

Wicomico County 4-Hers Rocked the Regional Contest on March 30th in Easton

Taking home a total of 8 Champion Ribbons. Congratulations to all who entered!! You all did a great job!

Radio Spots: **John Coltellino** (Junior Champion), **Kyle Barga** (Intermediate Champion), **Molly Burns** (Intermediate 1st Alternate), and **Keith Barga** (Senior Participation)

Extemporaneous Speech: **Greta Downes** (Intermediate Champion) and **Sarah Wilber** (Senior 3rd Alternate)

Interpretation: **Santana Pouncy** (Senior Champion)

Prepared Speech: **Amy Wilber** (Junior Participation), **Courtney Blumenthal** (Intermediate 1st Alternate), **Madison Dillon** (Intermediate Champion), **Brittany Flurer** (Intermediate Champion),

Candace Jeblonski (Senior Participation), **Margo Luke** (Senior Champion) and **Laura Pavlos** (Senior Champion)

We look forward to seeing you at the State Competition in JUNE.

Check Out the 4-H Web Photo Gallery for Past Events
<http://picasaweb.google.com/Wicomico4H>

New Fair and Show Regulations for Livestock Exhibitors

Rules and Forms are available now on the Internet

Rules for the 2007 fair and show livestock exhibition season are now available from the Maryland Department of Agriculture's (MDA) website, www.mda.state.md.us/animal_health/. Hard copies are available and can be picked up at that time at one of MDA's five regional animal health diagnostic laboratories as well as the headquarters office in Annapolis.

New regulations this year include:

- Maryland exhibitors need to contact their veterinarian within 60 days of their first show to have their animals inspected and an Intrastate Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) completed.
- The Intrastate CVI is now valid for up to 180 days from the date of approval.
- Submit the appropriate copies of the CVI for approval to any of the regional MDA Animal Health Laboratories or the headquarters office in Annapolis within 30 days of inspection. One copy will be retained by MDA, the other returned to the exhibitor.
- Self-certification of animal health. On the reverse side of the exhibitor's CVI hard copy or as a separate document downloaded from the MDA web site is the "Livestock Exhibitor's Self-Certification of Animal Health" form. This form is to be filled out by the exhibitor prior to transporting their animal(s) to a fair or show stating that the animal(s) show no signs of contagious or infectious disease.

Contact MDA's Animal Health Office at 410-841-5810 or any of the MDA's regional animal health facilities with any questions. Centreville Animal Health Diagnostic Lab, 410-758-0846; College Park Animal Health Diagnostic Lab, 301-314-1870; Frederick Animal Health Diagnostic Lab, 301-694-1548; Oakland Animal Health Diagnostic Lab, 301-334-2185; Salisbury Animal Health Diagnostic Lab, 410-543-6610.

The Kindred Spirit Farm 4-H Horse Club



The club met on March 3rd. **Annie Reading** and **Meredith Wilde** brought a snack and **Ashley Jones** and **Lexi Foster** brought a drink. **Ellie Jensen** played a horse game with the group about horse parts. We have lots of exciting things coming up in March. On March 10th, **Alexa Grant, Julia Poole, Ellen Weber, & Annie Reading** will take part in their first horse bowl. On March 17th, **Colleen O'Reilly and Annie Reading** will be getting their riding instructor certification for Maryland Horse Camps and **Ellen Weber, Julia Poole and Alexa Grant** will be getting their grounds person certification for Maryland Horse Camps. On March 24th, we are taking a group trip to the Harrington Horse Expo. On March 31st, the club is sponsoring Ms. Kelly, **Colleen O'Reilly, and Meredith Wilde** on a trail ride to support the Southern Delaware Therapeutic and Recreational Horseback Riding, Inc.

The Kindred Spirit Farm 4-H Club took a trip to the Horse Expo in Harrington, DE. We had 14 members and 7 parents attend on March 24th. We are very proud of **Molly Burns & Madison Dillon** who participated in the Regional Public Speaking Contest. The club had a meeting on April 1st and worked on project books and some clean-up around the farm. The club is hosting a Horse Show on April 14th for all the riders at Kindred Spirit Farm. The members are in charge of the organization of the show, set-up and clean up and selling food as a fundraiser. We are all excited about getting matching shirts and, as show season approaches, look forward to wearing our shirts as a group to all the shows and 4-H functions. As summer approaches, we plan on having a couple formal meetings on evenings, but most of our activities will involve horse events.

Photography Club

The next 2 meeting dates for the Photo Club have changed and will be



Monday April 16th and Monday May 14th
Call Mrs. Amy 410-749-6141 for info

Powellville Miller's 4-H Club

Reporter: Miranda Smullen

The Powellville Millers met on February 12 with 7 members, 2 leaders and 5 guests attending. The members that attended were **Wesley Myrer, Miranda Smullen, John Coltellino, Emily LeMaster, Willow Gunther, Harmony Cecil and Kylie Uzman. Willow** called the meeting to order and **Harmony** and **Willow** led the pledges. **Harmony** was appointed chairperson to a newly formed scrapbook committee. The committee will take pictures and scrapbook the club's activities. Dan Tabler talked to us about public speaking. We also talked about our trip to Annapolis; **Emily, John, Miranda, Ms. Sandy** and **Ms Barbara** will be going. **Harmony** and **Willow** will be presenting a health and fitness program at our March meeting and we will plan some dates for our community service project at Adkins Mill Pond Park. Dan Tabler came to the meeting and taught us 4-H songs. He also played his autoharp. Snacks, were brought by **Wesley**. I thought the meeting was fun and some people were cheerful ! Thanks , Mr. Dan for a great time! I had fun !

Reporter: Miranda Smullen

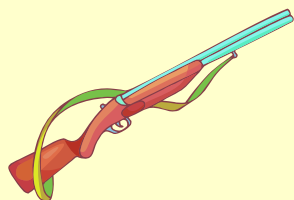
The Powellville Millers had their March meeting on Monday, March 12 th. There were 12 people in all, with 7 members, 3 leaders and 2 guests. The members who attended were Wesley Myrer, Emily LeMaster, Miranda Smullen, Kylie Uzman, John Coltellino, Harmony Cecil and Willow Gunther. Willow called the meeting to order. Emily and Miranda led the pledges. Wesley gave the secretary's report and Kylie gave the treasurer's report. For our old business John, Miranda and Emily talked about going to Annapolis to meet Delegate Mathias. He was interested in our community service project at Adkins Mill Pond Park. For our new business a master gardener is going to be coming to our April meeting to help us learn more about planting our butterfly garden. Our program was presented by Harmony and Willow about health and fitness. We all played a game about the new food pyramid and had a healthy balanced snack.



SHOT GUN CLUB

The Shot Gun Club is forming and would like all interested individuals 8 and older to attend a organizational meeting which will be held Wednesday April 25th at the Wicomico Office at 6:30. The first shooting day will be Sunday May 6th, and then will continue on the 2nd Sunday of each month through the Fall.

Please do not bring any firearms or ammunition. Parents are encouraged to stay. Safety and Proper Handling are a Priority for this Club. This club is limited to 15 participants. So call the office and talk to Mrs. Kay at 410-749-6141 to sign up.



TRACTOR SAFETY CLASS

Maryland Cooperative Extension will sponsor a tractor safety class for all youth ages 14-16 wishing to work on a farm or to operate a tractor of 20 or more horsepower. Youth wishing to work in the lawn care industry will find this course beneficial. Course dates are April 15, 25, 29, May 3, 14 & 19th. Each class will take place at a location within Talbot or Queen Anne's County. A pre-registration fee of \$20 per participant is required by April 6th. For more information, contact Sharon Pahlman, 4-H Educator at 410-479-4030.



2007 State 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Training / Certification Workshop

The workshop is set for May 4, 5 & 6, 2007 and will be held at the Thendara 4-H Center in Dorchester County.

Early Bird discount registration must be received by April 20 in order to receive the discounted rate and 4-H scholarship. Disciplines Offered: Rifle, Archery, Shotgun, Pistol, Muzzleloading.

RESCHEDULED!!

QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING

Quality Assurance Training has been rescheduled and will now be held on

Wednesday

May 9th, 2007

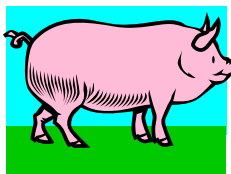
from 6:30-8:30

at the Wicomico Extension Office.



New guidelines have been established and will be shared that evening. You must attend this training to show 4-H livestock this summer.

RSVP to Mrs. Kay at the office.



AIR RIFLE

The Wicomico 4-H Air Rifle and Small bore club is in need of a volunteer that could commit to helping with the club's monthly meeting, the 2nd Thursday of every month. The volunteer need not be trained in the discipline but needs to simply be willing to participate in running the club. Additionally, the club is in need of a volunteer willing to become certified in the Air Rifle discipline at the 2007 State 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Training / Certification Workshop. The workshop is set for May 4, 5 & 6, 2007 and will be held at the Thendara 4-H Center in Dorchester County. Early Bird discount registration must be received by April 20 in order to receive the discounted rate and 4-H scholarship.

Please contact Mrs. Amy or Mrs. Barbara if interested.

4-H SPORTING CLAYS TOURNAMENT APRIL 14

The Maryland 4-H Foundation 12th Annual Sporting Clays Shoot will be held Saturday April 14, (Rain or Shine) at Pintail Point, 511 Pintail Point Lane, Queenstown, MD. Registration will start at 9:00 a.m. with the clays competition beginning at 9:30 a.m. Participants are welcome to begin the course anytime until 11:30 a.m. The 50-target clays course always proves to be great fun and a real challenge. Awards will be presented in 3 to 4 Lewis Classes, Youth, Ladies, Veteran, Super Veteran, High Overall, Ladies Team, Youth Teams and Adult Teams.

A Pit Beef Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Awards, door prizes, a drawing for a 391-12 gauge Beretta Semi-Automatic Shotgun will wrap up the fun-filled day. Entry fees are: Adults -\$60; 4-H & Youth -\$30. Program Sponsor opportunities and Program Book Advertisement are also available. Last year's event drew 85 adult and 35 youth participants. Come out for a great day and help support our Maryland 4-H Youth Shooting Sports Programs. For additional information or to register call Conrad Arnold at 410-228-8800; or Pintail Point at 410-827-7029.



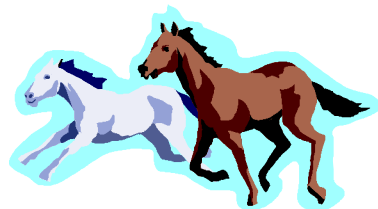
2007 National 4-H Conference

The 77th National 4-H Conference, March 24-29, 2007, is sponsored by the National 4-H Headquarters, Families 4-H and Nutrition, CSREES, and USDA. The conference is the



Secretary of Agriculture's premiere national youth development opportunity, which engages youth in developing recommendations for the 4-H Youth Development Program. National 4-H Headquarters, on behalf of the Secretary, invites land-grant institutions to send a delegation to the conference. This year's theme,

"Our Changing World," reflects the question, "As the world changes, how do we enhance 4-H to ensure it remains significant and relevant for today's youth?" Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns and Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics Gale Buchanan will address the conference delegates at the USDA Assembly March 28. Exciting new program components include "Citizenship Excursions," structured educational excursions in our nation's capitol that will set the foundation for roundtable discussions and a dynamic town hall meeting. Our private partner—National 4-H Council—secured scholarship funds this year to increase participation by our 1890 and 1994 partners. Scholarship recipients include Alcorn State University, Crownpoint Institute of Technology, Delaware State University, Langston University, Lincoln University, North Carolina A&T State University, Prairie View A&M University, Southern University and A&M College, Tuskegee University, and the University of Maryland Eastern Shore. Our Maryland delegation includes: **Robert Davis, Wicomico County;** Bree Anne Feullet, Montgomery County; Laura Harmon, Allegany County; Colleen Harmon, Allegany County; Jennifer Hill, Carroll County; Jeffrey Jin, Korea; Aryelle Lawson, Baltimore County; Seth Marvin, Washington County; and Sophia Reaves, Montgomery County.



Have You Turned In Your Horse Show Ads?

If you still have them bring them in ASAP. We will except them until Monday April 15th. This is a great way for your Club to Earn 25% of the profit. Every Little Bit Counts.

Start Thinking about the Farm and Home Show, Local Fairs, and the State Fair.

Upcoming Out Reach Opportunities

How do we tell the public about 4-H? Well there are many ways, "by word of mouth" usually is the best. So to start our campaign to recruit new members and volunteers into the program, we have several opportunities to talk directly to the public at upcoming local events. We are asking each club to make at least a 1 hour commitment to any of the following dates. Help support the program, contact Mrs. Amy or Mrs. Barb for more info.



April 28th, 10-4, Early Child Fair, Center at Salisbury

May 5, 12-4, Safe Kids Day, Salisbury YMCA

May 12, Horse Show

May 15-17, Farm Tour, Volunteers needed

June 9, JAKES Day

August 16-18, Farm and Home Show



EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES
Things To Do, Places To See, Reminders



EASTERN SHORE 4-H CAMP

Equal Access Program



Dates: June 19-22, 2007
Times: Arrive June 19th @ 7pm
Depart: June 22nd @ 6pm



Location: Camp Thendara, Hurlock MD

Address: Intersection of Lords Crossing Rd and Cabin Creek-Hurlock Rd



Activities

- Crafts
- Archery
- Fishing
- Campfires
- Cooking
- Nature Walks
- GPS/GIS

Important Info

Cost: \$200

Non-Refundable deposit of \$100 and Registration due by May 1.



A health physical is required to attend camp.

If you need financial aid, contact your local extension office.

ACA Accredited

American Camping Association (ACA)

This camp is accredited by the American Camping Association. All staff receive extensive training and are prepared to work with young children.

Camp Goal

To provide campers with fun, educational and safe residential camping experience while educating youth about the importance of natural resources.

Accommodations

Campers receive professionally catered meals and snacks. If your child has a special-needs diet, please make us aware when you send in your deposit and we will make special preparation arrangements.



For more information contact:

Lisa Dennis

Somerset 4-H Educator

410-651-1350

Or

Amy Rhodes

Wicomico 4-H Educator

410-749-6141



Return by May 1, with \$100 Deposit.

Campers Name: _____

Guardian's Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

(Camper Ages: 8 to 13 years old)

Birth Date: _____ Gender _____

Adult Contact Phone: _____

daytime _____

evening _____

Make Checks Payable To

Somerset EAC

Mail Registrations To

Maryland Cooperative Extension

4-H Camp

30730 Park Drive

Princess Anne, MD 21853

FREE!



Sponsored by:



Safe Kids Day

Saturday, May 5, 2007

12:30 p.m.—3:30 p.m.

Salisbury Y.M.C.A.

Interactive displays, prizes and giveaways.

BRING YOUR BATHING SUIT!

For more information, call (410) 334-3480.



Make it a SAFE KIDS Summer!

Eastern Shore Chapter of the

NWTF



FREE
EVENT 4 THE
WHOLE FAMILY

National Wild Turkey Federation
Presents.....

JAKES DAY

Don't Miss
This
Wonderful
Outdoor
Experience

Saturday June 9, 2007

8 am – 12:30 Rain or Shine

Free For Children of All ages

*Come Try Your Talent at
Sporting Clays, Air Rifles, Archery,
Fishing in a Stocked Pond
Come See Wild-turkeys,
Retriever Demonstrations,
Zoo Exhibit*



Food and Beverages for Lunch Provided FREE

For More Info Contact: Martin Hutchison 443-260-0919

From Allen Road Turn onto Walnut Tree Rd. Take a right onto Campground Rd. Turn left onto Cooper Rd. Farm is 4 miles on left.
From Riverside Drive Extended: Turn right onto Campground Rd. then immediate left onto Cooper Rd. Farm is 4 miles on left.

Please Bring This Registration With You On The 9th

Name _____ Birthday _____ / _____ / _____

Address _____

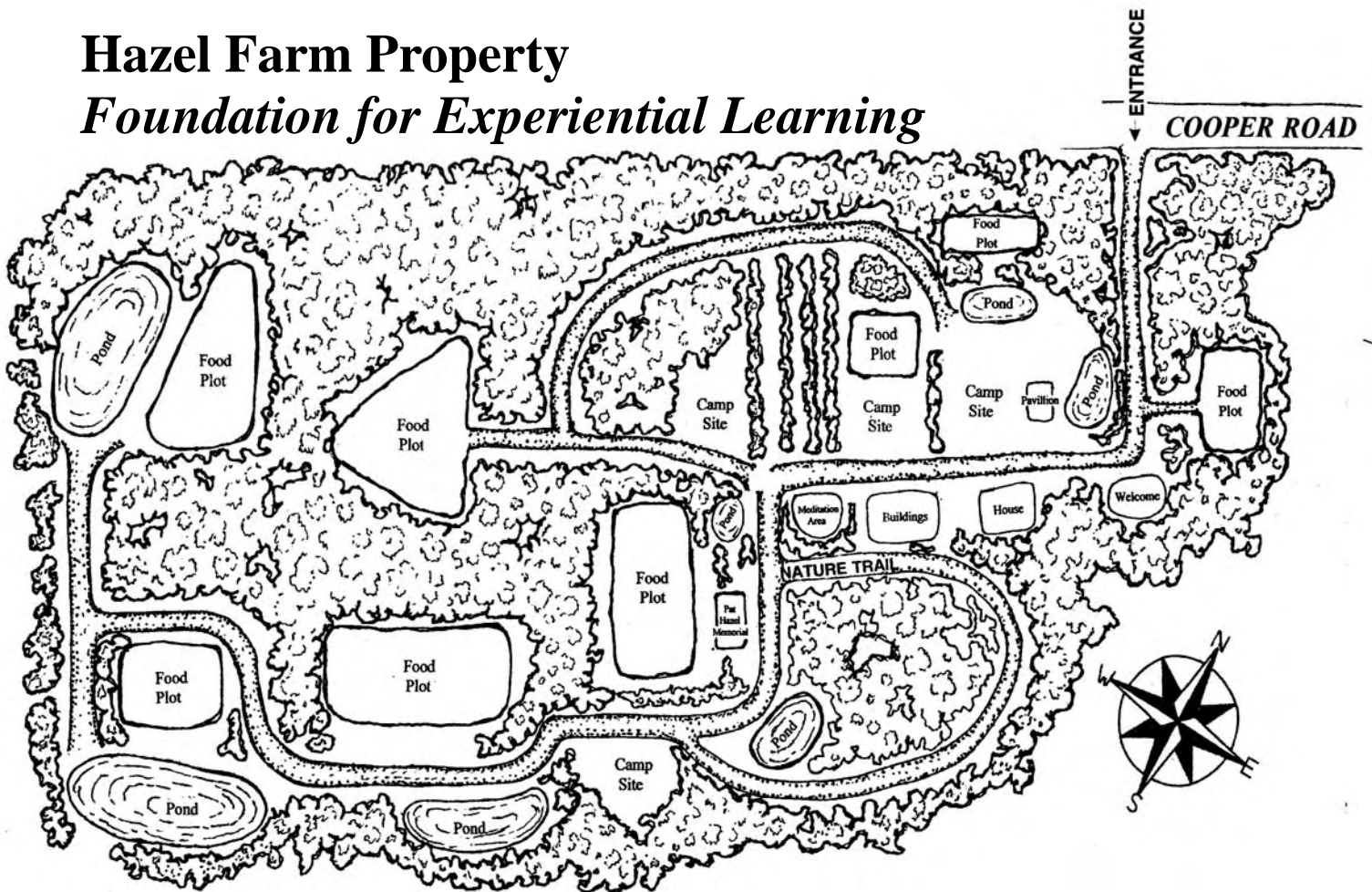
Guardians Name and Phone # _____

Group/Organization Your Attending With _____

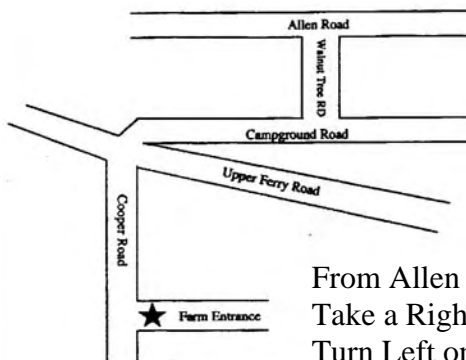
Directions and Map on Back

Hazel Farm Property

Foundation for Experiential Learning

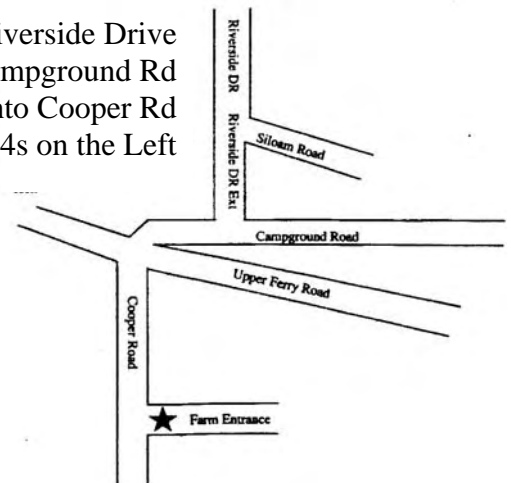


Directions - Hazel Farm Property - Cooper Road - Eden MD



From Allen Rd. turn onto Walnut Tree Rd.
 Take a Right onto Campground Rd.
 Turn Left onto Cooper Rd.
 Entrance is 4 miles on the Left

From Riverside Drive
 Turn Right onto Campground Rd
 Turn Left onto Cooper Rd
 Entrance is 4 miles on the Left



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