Community support amazing for 4-H

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The Forsyth County 4-H Club is fortunate to have generous support from many sponsors in the community. This year, 4-H partnered with JOANN Fabric and Crafts on the national level to hold a fundraiser.

On Feb. 3, 4-H’ers from Forsyth County set up shop in the local JOANN Fabric and Crafts store and worked with customers to make Valentine’s Day cards for senior citizens in a local assisted living facility. Along with the customers, these crafty kids made more than 60 cards to donate. Throughout the month of February, shoppers were also able to purchase coupons for $4 to be used on their next visit to the store. Proceeds from these coupons went back to support both the state and local 4-H clubs.

The Forsyth County store raised more funds for 4-H than any other store in the state. The club would like to publicly thank the managers and staff at JOANN Fabric and Crafts for their efforts to make this event such a success.

Another way the community has supported Forsyth County 4-H is through our second annual 5K fundraiser. This year’s 5K proceeds went towards summer camp scholarships, the annual 4-H awards night and other club expenses. The continued success of this event would not be possible without support from SitarNTP who put on the race along with the generous donations from Custom Home Center, Adams Homes, FBC Mortgage, Silverton Mortgage and Acopia Home Loans.

If you are still looking for a way to support 4-H, the club is currently partnered with Kroger Community Rewards. If you already have a Kroger Plus Card, you can go to www.kroger.com/communityrewards and create a free online account that will be linked to your card. Once you have your account, log in, then select “enroll” and then enter the organization number 36165 to find Forsyth County 4-H. Once enrolled, a percentage of what you spend at Kroger will come back to Forsyth County 4-H at no additional cost to you.

Thanks to the overwhelming support from the community, Forsyth County 4-H is able to provide numerous programs and activities throughout the year. This summer, 4-H has hosted a wide range of summer camp camps. The next will be Sawnee Mountain Day on July 5. We will spend the day doing the extreme tree climbing adventure and hiking to the Indian Seats. There are still spots available for your child to attend this exciting event.

For more information on how to participate in 4-H activities, or on how to support the local 4-H Club, contact the UGA Extension office at (770) 887-2418 or uge1117@uga.edu. You can also like and follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/Forsyth4H. In Forsyth County, 4-H is supported by The University of Georgia, Forsyth County Board of Commissioners, Forsyth County Board of Education, and United Way of Forsyth County.