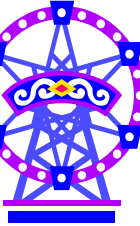




## GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIR

It's almost fair time! And that means it's time to think about entering the many contests and events available to 4-H'ers at the Georgia National Fair in Perry. The dates for the fair are October 5th-15th, but the entry deadline for Coffee County 4-H'ers is 4:00 PM on **Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>**.



### NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE PROCESSED!

Contests for 4-H members include: 4-H Computer Graphic Design Contest, Decorated Agricultural Products Contest, Recycling Contest, Terrarium/Dish Garden Contest, Family Scarecrow Building Contest, 4-H Promotional Media Contest, Cloverleaf Peanut Contest, Homemade Ice Cream Contest, Pizza Contest, Recipe Contest, Decorated Pumpkin Contest, Public Speaking Contest, Cotton Boll Speech Contest, and the Variety Show.

You can get a copy of the rules for each contest/event from the 4-H office or by visiting the Georgia National Fair website at [georgianationalfair.com](http://georgianationalfair.com) (go to Georgia Living→Youth Educational Exhibits→Competitions-4-H). Registration forms and exhibits/entries must be turned in to the county 4-H office by **September 13<sup>th</sup>**.

## PROJECT ACHIEVEMENT

Every 4-H member is encouraged to participate in Project Achievement this year. Project Achievement is a competition where the 4-H member chooses a project area, prepares a demonstration about a topic related to that project area, and presents that demonstration at a competition. Preparing and presenting a 4-H demonstration is a great opportunity to develop skills you will use for the rest of your life.

Junior and Senior 4-H'ers are also required to submit a portfolio documenting their project work, leadership, community service and other 4-H activities throughout the year. Your final portfolio will serve as your sign-up form for **Project Achievement and is due in the county 4-H office by Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**, so start working on yours now. You also need to start working on your demonstration now so you will have time to practice it and make improvements before the competition. We want each of you to have a competitive portfolio and demonstration so you have a good chance of standing on the stage receiving a first place award.

Call or come by the 4-H office today to sign up.

## COUNTY GOAT SHOW

The **County Goat Show** will be held on **Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>**, starting around 11 AM, at the CMS Livestock Facility in Douglas. Please come and support our youth involved in these events.



## 4-H HOLIDAY CARD CONTEST

All budding artists are encouraged to create a drawing for the Georgia 4-H Holiday Card Artwork Contest. Entries must be **turned in to the 4-H office by 5 PM on September 29<sup>th</sup>**. The rules include: Drawing must be the student's original work and drawn on an 8.5 x 5.5 inch (or 5.5 x 8.5 inch) sheet of white, unlined paper; it must include 4-H in the theme and be a universal holiday theme; it must be colorful; and it must be accompanied by an official entry form available from the 4-H office. All 4-H members are eligible to participate. If you don't follow these rules, the drawing will be disqualified.

Please contact Mr. Kevin, Mrs. Liz, Mrs. Chalanda, or Mrs. Alyse at the 4-H office if you have questions about this contest.



2016 Winner

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

4-H members are encouraged to take part in the community service projects listed below.

**Pet Therapy Visitation - Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>**, at Manor House Senior Living Center, and **Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>**, at Shady Acres from 4:00 to 4:30 PM. Pets must be current on vaccinations and must be friendly. Group photo at 4:30 PM. (25 points.)

**Adopt-A-Highway - Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup>**, 4:00 - 5:00 PM, at the 4-H office. Screened Leaders are needed to help. (25 points)

**Can Tabs** - Pop tabs are collected off of aluminum cans to be recycled. The money Georgia 4-H raises from this project benefits the Ronald McDonald House program in Georgia. (20 points for donating a pint bag or more once per school year.)



**Canned Food** - Donate a can of food to help the local food bank in Coffee County. This will be an on-going project for the whole school year. (5 points each month you make a donation, not per can.) The 5th grade club and the 6th grade club that donates the most cans this year will get a pizza party at the end of the school year (must exceed 100 cans).

**Dollars for Scholars** - Donate \$1 each month to help support Camp Scholarships. (5 points each month you donate \$1 or more.)

### TRACTOR SUPPLY CLOVER SALE

Each year, Tractor Supply holds two 4-H Paper Clover Sales, one in the spring and one in the fall. The fall sale will begin on Wednesday, October 4th, and run through Sunday, October 15th. We are asking 4-H members to come to Tractor Supply in Douglas on Saturday, October 14th, for a two hour shift between 8 AM until 4 PM to encourage Tractor Supply patrons to contribute to 4-H by purchasing a paper clover. Please sign up to help with this project. It will look good in your portfolio.



### CERTIFIED TEEN LEADER TRAINING

Junior and Senior 4-H members who have never had the Certified Teen Leader Training need to **pay the \$10 registration fee by Wednesday, September 13th**, for the upcoming training. The **training will be held on Friday, September 15th, beginning at 1:30 PM and lasting until at least 4:30 PM**. You cannot participate in out of county events like Cloverleaf DPA if you ARE NOT a Certified Teen Leader.

### GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIR TRIP

Plans are being made to go to the **Georgia National Fair on Friday, October 6th**. The fee for attending the trip is **\$21 per person**. This includes your admission to the fair and your armband for the rides. **The fee is due in the 4-H office no later than Friday, September 8th**. If you miss this deadline, you WILL NOT GET AN ARMBAND for rides. Late fee is \$5 for fair admission only. Armbands will NOT be sold at the gate.

### JUNIOR CONFERENCE

Lets get together for a weekend at Rock Eagle 4-H Center where you will be "Rollin' into 4-H". We will meet new friends, do service projects, participate in workshops and an exhibit fair, have a dance, and see Clovers & Company perform. Get Registered Today! **The cost will be \$74 until October 9th**. After that it will be \$79 until October 18th for regular registration. Late registrations will be \$84.



## 4-H CLUB CALENDAR

### September 2017

- 11 Volunteer Leader Update Mtg., 6 PM, 4-H office
- 12 Pet Therapy Visitation, 4-4:30 PM, Manor House
- 13 GA Nat. Fair 4-H Contests Entry Deadline, 4 PM
- 14 Parent/Teacher Conferences (CCA & Public Schools)
- 15 Public School Holiday
- 15 Certified Teen Leader Training, 1:30 PM, 4-H office
- 18 4-H Officer Training, 5:30 PM, Douglas First Baptist
- 19 Record National 4-H Week PSA's, 4 PM, 4-H office
- 22-24 SAFE Coaches Certification Training, Eatonton, GA
- 23 County Meat Goat Show, CMS Livestock Facility
- 25 CCA 4-H Meetings
- 26 Home School 4-H Club Meeting, 2 PM, 4-H office
- 28 Junior 4-H Club Meeting, 4 PM, 4-H office
- 28-30 4-H Volunteer Conf. of the Southern States, Rock Eagle
- 29 First Academy 4-H Meetings
- 29 4-H Holiday Card Contest Entry Deadline, 4-H office

### October 2017

- 1-7 National 4-H Week/Georgia 4-H Week, Statewide
- 2 Pet Therapy Visitation, 4-4:30 PM, Shady Acres
- 2-31 Cloverleaf Project Achievement Preparation, 4-H office
- Certified Teen Leaders Needed to Help!
- 5 Adopt-A-Highway Workday, 4 PM, 4-H office
- 5-7 State 4-H Lamb & Goat Shows, Perry, GA
- 5-15 Georgia National Fair, Perry, GA
- 6 School Holiday-Public School
- 6 Jr/Sr 4-H Trip to the GA National Fair
- 9 Junior Conference Early Bird Registration Deadline
- 12 Junior 4-H Club Meeting, 4 PM, 4-H office

### 4-H OFFICER'S TRAINING

4-H members who are elected or appointed to serve as an officer for their club are asked to attend the upcoming 4-H Officer's Training Workshop on **Monday, September 18th**. The training will take place at the **First Baptist Church in Douglas starting at 5:30 PM** with dinner. Parents should plan to **pick you up at 7:30 PM**.

### 4-H LISTSERVE & FACEBOOK

The 4-H office is in the process of updating the 4-H list serve. If you would like to be added to it (or remain on it), you must contact Mrs. Lisa, our 4-H office secretary, and ask to be put on it. The easiest way is to send her an email at <uge4069@uga.edu>.

Coffee County 4-H has a group page on Facebook. You can only join the group by asking to be added to the group.

### REMIND

Junior 4-H members and parents (parents of 7th-8th grade 4-H members) are encouraged to sign up to receive 4-H text messages through the Remind App. All you have to do is send the text message "**@coffeejr4h**" to the number **81010**.