



CONGRATULATIONS & THANK YOU



We take this time to show how proud we are of our 4-H'ers and their accomplishments and say thank you to those who make our program a success...

COTTON BOLL & CONSUMER JUDGING COMPETITION—Congratulations to our Consumer Judging Jr and Sr Teams for competing in the Area Contest in Conyers, GA! Oakley King placed 1st in Cloverleaf Speeches; Bailey Bennett placed 3rd in Junior Reasons and Judging, and Ansleigh Docker placed 4th overall in Judging, Reasons, and Speech.

SIXTH GRADE DISTRICT PROJECT ACHIEVEMENT —Congratulations to our 6th graders for competing in DPA! Thank you to Bailey Bennett (NE District Board Member & Georgia 4-H Certified Teen Leader), Amber Gross (UGA Cooperative Extension Certified 4-H Volunteer), and Savannah McDaniel (Georgia 4-H Certified Teen Leader) for giving your time for this event.

1st Place...

Henry Bartenfeld, Target Sports, "Archery"
Branson Flynn, Historic People, "Dale Earnhardt"
Oakley King, Swine, "Pig Shows"
Mason Maloney, Robotics, "Advanced Robotics"
Ellery Tyson, Geology, "Layers of Rocks"

2nd Place...

Mackenzi Costello, Horse, "All About Equine Tack"
Grayson Stuchell, Poultry Science, "Caring for the Backyard Birds"

3rd Place...

Donny Drew Roberts, Historic Places and Events, "Vietnam"

5th Place (Honorable Mention)...

Carsen Stewart, Between Meal Snacks, "Apple & Sesame Salad"

DPA Results



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4-H Connections

Madison County

November 2023

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

HORSE QUIZ BOWL—Thursdays...whether you have a horse or not, we want you to participate in the Horse Quiz Bowl! You just need a love of learning about horses. Weekly practices are on Thursdays from 3:30-5:30pm at the 4-H office. Ms. Shannon McBride is the coach; the State Contest is in January at Rock Eagle.

PEANUT RECIPE CONTEST—If you like to experiment in the kitchen, try creating your own peanut butter sandwich recipe. Add this to white bread with your choice of other edible items and ask another person to taste it. Write your recipe by listing ingredients and amounts to be used, the number of servings it makes and then the steps in making it. You can use the 4-H recipe card given out at your club meeting or another sheet of paper. Fill out the entry form and turn it in to your 4-H leaders at the **December club meeting**. Your recipes will be judged on nutrition, appeal, creativity, flavor, and technique/preparation.

ELITE NE TRIVIA TOURNAMENT— November 20th...at the Jackson County Ag Facility, 10am-4pm. This is a fun and laid-back competition where teams of 4-H'ers compete for the Trivia Championship Belt, currently held by Jackson County. 4-H'ers in grades 6th-12th are invited to take part. There will be lunch and an exhibit fair (very helpful for those working on their portfolios). Our service project is a diaper drive for the Diaper Bank of North Georgia, trivia participants will help sort diapers for delivery. The cost is \$6 per participant and adult. Sign up by Wednesday, November 15th!

GEORGIA STATE RABBIT SHOW— December 9th...Got a rabbit? Do you love showing your rabbit? The 2023 FFA/4-H Georgia State Rabbit Show is on December 9th at the Georgia National Fairgrounds in Perry, GA. The entry fee is \$5 per rabbit (no limit to the number of rabbits entered). You must be in the 1st grade or older but can't have completed high school. If you're interested, please contact our office at 706-795-2281. Register by the end of November. T-shirts can be ordered but must be done so by November 27th.

4-H OFFICE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE—The Madison County 4-H office will be closed for Thanksgiving on **November 23rd and 24th**; we'll re-open on November 27th. We'll be closed again **December 25, 2023-January 1, 2024** for the Winter Break and will re-open on January 2, 2024.

2022-2023 4-H AWARDS PROGRAM— January 7, 2024...held at the Board of Education PLC 2 (cafeteria) at 2pm. All 4-H'ers who participated in any competitive event during the 2022-2023 year will be recognized.

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December 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Colbert Club Mtgs	2
3	4 Comer Club Mtgs MCMS Club Mtg	5	6 Colt Academy Club Mtgs	7 Ila Club Mtgs Horse Quiz Bowl Practice	8	9 Fall Forum (12/9-12/10)
10 Fall Forum (12/9-12/10)	11	12	13 Hull Club Mtgs	14 Horse Quiz Bowl Practice 4-H Christmas Party	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 Horse Quiz Bowl Practice	22	23
24	25 4-H Office Closed for Winter Break	26	27	28	29	30
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Cloverleaf Corner

Clover Points—All 5th graders...All points are due Wednesday, May 1, 2024. All drop offs for points need to be at the 4-H office or in the 4-H box at the front of your school.

- Earn 5 points when you turn in your 4-H Friends book completed!
- Earn 1 point each time you wear a 4-H shirt (or any shirt that is at least 50% GREEN) or UGA shirt to club meetings. Show your SPIRIT!!
- Earn 2 points when you turn in the signed slip from your newsletter!

Everyone who signed their 4-H Information Form through school has already been awarded 2 Clover Points for signing up for our e-mail list. If you haven't signed up or aren't sure if you have, please contact the 4-H Office (uge1191@uga.edu) and let Carrie know to add your child to the list. Please provide an adult's email address.

4th and 5th Grade County Project Achievement—Our Cloverleaf CPA will be held Saturday, January 20, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. If you would like to be a participant – come with your speeches printed out and posters/power points and visual aids or performances, ready to perform! Call the 4-H Office at 706-795-2281 for more information about County Project Achievement. All 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners will be invited to **District Project Achievement at Rock Eagle 4-H Center on Saturday, February 17, 2024.**

Junior & Senior 4-H'ers...

Fruit Tree Pick-Up Volunteers Needed... Our Fruit Tree Sale Fundraiser was a huge success this year. We sold over 300 plants which means...we need YOU! Any 7th-12th grader interested in helping us organize and distribute plants on Tuesday, November 21st (the week of Thanksgiving), please register with our office. You can call 706-795-2281 or email uge1191@uga.edu to have your name put down. Adults are welcome to help too!

Superlatives... Current 7th-12th graders are encouraged to complete a checklist for the Madison County 4-H Superlative Award that covers the 2022-2023 year. We present Gold, Silver, and Bronze Superlatives. The Superlative you receive is based on points earned on the checklist. This is due to our office no later than December 1st. Make plans for attending the 2024 Awards Program on January 7, 2024.

Jr/Sr/Volunteers and Family Holiday Party... December 14th...Back by popular demand, the Holiday Christmas Party will be held at the Traveler's Museum in Comer from 6:30-8:30pm. This includes all our valuable volunteers and their families. *Bring a Holiday covered dish and a 2-liter drink/tea. 4-H'ers need to bring a \$5 valued gift to exchange!* Provide your own transportation or catch a ride with a 4-H friend or leader and meet us there.

Junior / Senior DPA Portfolio and Presentations...We have sixteen (16) 4-H'ers scheduled to compete at District Project Achievement. YOUR PORTFOLIO MUST BE COMPLETE BY JANUARY 4th, 2024 with no exceptions. We have Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays available for you to come in and work. Your demonstration appointments can be made in January, 2024. The final deadline for demonstrations to be complete is February 25th. **Call the 4-H Office to schedule your appointments ASAP at 706-795-2281.** District Project Achievement will be take place **March 1st – 3rd, 2023. Junior / Senior Showcase (Dress Rehearsal) has been scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 25th, 2023 from 3:00 to 5:00 pm at the Board of Education PLC 2.** You need to provide your own transportation to this event if all possible. Parents and Volunteers are encouraged to attend the Junior / Senior Showcase.

Teen Leaders for CPA...Teen Leaders and County Council, you must be pre-approved as judges or runners because space is limited. Pre-approved Teen Leaders will receive a letter with this newsletter; **You will need to wear Madison County 4-H or Georgia 4-H polos & black/khaki pants.**

Return this signed portion of the Clover Connection verifying that you and your parents read the newsletter to receive points.

November 2023

4-H'er signature (you) _____ Parent/Guardian Signature _____

School Club _____

Junior Power

MCMS December Club Mtg

Monday, December 4th

Senior Excitement

MCHS December Club Mtg

No December meeting—will meet again January 25, 2024

Fall Forum—December 9-10

What: Attend fun workshops, do community service, watch Clover's & Company!

Where: Rock Eagle 4-H Center

Cost: **\$100 for participants and \$75 for approved Teen Leaders** (includes Saturday lunch and dinner, lodging, and Sunday breakfast)

Deadline to register is **November 14th** for those applying for Teen Leader opportunities and **November 28th** for all other registrants.

Teen Leader applicants must pay the \$75 fee at time of application; if not approved, the remaining \$25 is due by November 28th.

Please note that registration after November 28, 2023 will incur a \$5 late fee and any drops after this day will incur a \$30 cancellation fee.

Teen Leader Opportunities for Fall Forum!

Hone in on Skills Teaching Your Own Workshop: You'll provide a topic (one that interests you) and materials needed to conduct a workshop.

Motivate Others by Teaching a Prepared Workshop: You'll teach a lesson developed by our Extension Specialists using materials supplied for you.

Lead a Service Activity: You'll lead a community service activity for participants during the Exhibit and Service Fair. Projects should be easy to do in a short amount of time and provide something for a group in need.

Recreation Leader: You'll be responsible for keeping participants actively engaged through leading recreation, ice breakers, game, etc. throughout the weekend.

Other Opportunities

Exhibitors: Fall Forum participants have the opportunity to showcase an exhibit focusing on his/her DPA project area. The exhibit can be on a tri-fold board. Awards will be given to the top exhibits! The first 100 participants to register to bring an exhibit will be selected.

4-H Cans Hunger: You're encouraged to collect canned goods and non-perishable items to donate to your local food bank. All you have to do is record the number of items you collected and turn that number in at Fall Forum.

Red Raiders 4-H FTC Robotics Team

Our Robotics Team will be headed to the Caterpillar Meet on November 14th after school at the Oconee High School lunchroom. This is a MCHS 4-H Team. If you're interested in participating in Robotics, please call the 4-H office at 706-795-2281 to request more information.

