

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WATSON MILL STATE PARK CLEANUP—September 23...Meet at the **North side of bridge** for your registration at **8:15am** and bring gloves, bug spray, and any tools you prefer to use. Breakfast will be served at 8:30am. This year, the focus is on the area around the metal bridge.

CONSUMER JUDGING TAILGATE FRIDAYS—We have spots on our bus for Consumer Judging practice on Fridays. We'll travel to Dollar General, Walmart, and other places in Danielsville on Fridays in September. Call to reserve your spot and show up at the 4-H office at 3:30pm where the 4-H bus will be waiting. Bring spending money if you want to buy something. We'll have snacks and drinks.

HOLIDAY CARD CONTEST—**September 28th** deadline! Check the flyer/entry form for more details. The contest is open to all ages but Cloverleaf 4-Her's can earn 5 Clover Points for entering!

RIVER'S ALIVE—October 14...The Keep Madison County Beautiful River's Alive program is scheduled for October 14th beginning at 9am at the South Fork Broad River off of Fred Goss Rd. We'll meet at the paved clearing at the curve in the road (formerly Mill Pond area). Look for the signs! Bring gloves and wear closed toe shoes and old clothes. Work 4 Cloverleaf Reward Points!

HORSE QUIZ BOWL—October 19...Calling all horse enthusiasts! Horse Quiz Bowl will start up on Thursday, October 19th at the 4-H office. This competition teaches students all about horses—care, health, feeding, housing, etc. Practices will continue on Thursdays at 3:30pm and last until 5pm.

PIONEER HARVEST FESTIVAL EXHIBIT—October 21...The Madison County Chamber of Commerce & Partners in Agriculture sponsor the festival and Madison County Extension/4-H invites all to come by the exhibit and sign in! Points are awarded to 4th-5th grade 4-H'ers!

CANDY BAG DONATIONS AND PACKAGING (TRICK-OR-TREAT BAGS)—Donate a bag of individually wrapped candy (no nuts or peanut butter) for the Head Start goodie bags. Cloverleaf 4-H'ers can earn 5 Reward Points. Drop donations off at your school by **October 20th**. Assembling the goodie bags will be **October 26th** at the Robotics Workshop, **3:30-5:00pm**. This Robotics Outreach community service project aims to provide children with trick or treating safety rules.

HELP PEOPLE HEAL (HPH)—after school until 5pm on September 14 at the 4-H office...HPH will be putting together a gift basket for families that have suffered the loss of baby loved ones. Donations are needed for these special gifts (baskets, candles, candy, notebooks, and self-care products.) You can turn your donation in at the 4-H box at school or the 4-H office. Cloverleaf 4-Her's will receive 5 points.



SCAN ME

To visit the 4-H web page!

October 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 MCMS Club Mtg	3 Cloverleaf Conference	4 Hull Club Mtgs	5 Ila Club Mtgs GA National Fair Livestock Shows (Oct 5-8) Market Lambs, Goats	6 Consumer Judging Practice	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 Consumer Judging Practice	14 River's Alive Clean Up
15	16 Comer Club Mtgs	17	18 Colt Academy Club Mtgs	19 Horse Quiz Bowl Practice	20 Colbert Club Mtgs Consumer Judging Practice	21 Weekend in the Classic City (10/21-10/22) Pioneer Harvest Festival
22 Weekend in the Classic City (10/21-10/22)	23	24	25	26 MCHS Club Mtg Horse Quiz Bowl Practice STEM Challenge (Trick-or-Treat bag assembly)	27 Consumer Judging Practice	28
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4-H Connections

Madison County

September 2023

Welcome to the 2023-2024 4-H Year. Madison County 4-H has a rich history and loads of Madison County and University of Georgia resources to "Celebrate Your Achievements" by developing great STEAM, Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math skills. Our upcoming activities will include exploring from the mountains to the seas, learning about nutrition and even helping solve environmental issues. Great hands-on experiences, such as these, help members gain knowledge and skills in public speaking, decision making and much more.

You may participate in some of these exciting opportunities by reading this newsletter! Program registrations can be emailed or called into the 4-H office at 706-795-2281 for all events! Madison Co. 4-H is all about great life-learning experiences. 4-H, as the largest youth organization in the nation, reaches students in 4th - 12th grades. Let's get involved and "Celebrate Your Achievements" and aim for success with your bright future!



Select Varieties of:

Apples
Peaches
Pears
Pecans
Blueberries
Blackberries
Grapes

Figs
Muscadines
Pomegranate
Raspberries
Elderberries
Goji Berries

Order deadline is
Friday, November 3rd.



Visit <https://t.uga.edu/6i5> (scan the QR code with your phone's camera) or call the Madison County Extension office at 706.795.2281



Our annual fruit tree fundraiser is here!

Please share this information with family and friends. The proceeds we receive from sales helps us fund programs.

Rewards Points can be earned by 4th and 5th grade 4-H'ers which helps them earn a reward trip at the end of the year.

Opportunities at a Glance

Project Achievement
Equestrian Drill Team
Horse Quiz Bowl & Hippology
Consumer Judging
Wildlife Judging
Poultry Judging
Livestock Showing
Robotics Team
Summer Camp—Jun/Jul

Project S.A.F.E. Shooting Sports—call the office for more information

SHOOTING SPORTS...We'll offer three Project SAFE team opportunities this year—Archery, BB, and Shotgun. Students will learn important safety rules and practice target shooting. These teams will hold orientations with more information/requirements. The BB team (4th-9th graders), the Shotgun team (6th-12th graders) and the Archery team (4th-12th graders) look forward to sharing Project Shooting Awareness Fun Education. For more information, please email Deborah at dwofford@uga.edu.

Stay Connected!

Website:

<http://caes.uga.edu/extension/madison/>

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@UGAExtensionMadisonCounty

Instagram:

@madico_extension

Monthly Newsletter: Passed out in club meetings, posted on our website, emailed to families

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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 5 points if you bring at least one bag of candy for the Trick-or-Treat bags.
- Earn 5 points if you help assemble the Trick-or-Treat bags on October 26th.

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.

Cloverleaf Conference—4th-6th Graders

Cloverleaf Conference is scheduled for Tuesday, **October 3, 2023** at the Rock Eagle 4-H Center. This is a chance for Cloverleaf 4-H'ers to come together to meet new friends and have a fun, learning experience! Classes will be taught by older 4-H'ers. **Registration fee is \$20** and covers pizza, supplies, transportation, and insurance. Sign up at the 4-H Office by Wednesday, **September 20th**.



GEORGIA
4-H NORTHEAST DISTRICT

CLOVERLEAF CONFERENCE
ROCK EAGLE
OCT. 3, 2023
4:00-7:30

Cloverleaf Conference is for 4-H'ers in the 4th-6th grades.



Cloverleaf Conference is an opportunity for 4-H'ers to come together and meet new friends. This event is full of fun and new learning experiences. We'll have exciting classes, a pizza party, games and recreation all at Rock Eagle 4-H Center.

Junior Power

Junior Conference—November 11-12

6th-8th grade and **selected teen leaders** from 9th-12th grades can register for all the fun at the Rock Eagle 4-H Center Junior Conference. Sign up now for the early bird sponsored fee. More information will be shared soon! Save the date!



ROCKIN' AND ROLLIN' AT THE ROCK

JUNIOR CONFERENCE



MCMS October Club Mtg
October 2

Senior Excitement

Weekend in the Classic City—October 21-22

Learn about college and career options and hang out with current college students in Athens and at Rock Eagle! High School 4-H'ers...**sign up by October 10th**. Cost is \$100. This Georgia 4-H event is a future-focused program for 4-H'ers to explore pathways to higher education. In conjunction with Georgia Collegiate 4-H Chapters, this even showcases the University of Georgia, in Athens, and allows youth to gather a firsthand experience of campus and higher education. This will be accomplished through a hybrid model of both virtual and in-person learning experiences. An optional virtual financial aid session will be available prior to the event to allow parents/guardians access to this information as well. Seats are limited so register NOW!



MCHS October Club Mtg
October 26

Junior & Senior 4-H'ers...

Junior & Senior Superlative Applications... Pick up your 2022-2023 4-H Program Year Superlative Application from the 4-H office. This is a non-competitive county achievement award. It is a simple applications that adds up to be Bronze, Silver, or Gold; depending on your participation level in 4-H. You will be recognized with this award at the annual 4-H Awards Program on October 29, 2023.

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

September 2023

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

School Club _____

