Oconee 4-H Focus

Middle School Edition

February 2018

1420 Experiment Station Road

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Our next meeting is

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Learning Opportunities

Quiz Bowls, Judging Teams, and More!

Livestock Judging: Learn about beef cows, market hogs, and sheep! Practices for Livestock Judging will be held after-school on Tuesdays: January 30, February 6, 13, 20, 27, March 6, 13, and 20. The area contest is on March 24.

Dairy Judging: Learn about different dairy cow breeds and evaluate classes of dairy cows. Practices will be held on Wednesdays: February 7, 14, 21, 28, March 7, 14, 21, 28, and April 4. The area contest is on April 6.

Poultry Judging: Learn how to evaluate a class of live birds, judge the interior and exterior qualities of an egg, and identify parts of a chicken. Practices will be held on Mondays: March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9,16, 23, and 30. The area contest is on May 3.

Summer Camp

Save the Date!

Cloverleaf 4-H Camp: 4th-6th graders spend the best week ever at Rock Eagle 4-H Center June 18—22. CPA participants can sign up a week early on February 19. Sign ups for others begin on February 26. *Spaces will fill up!* Details for all camps will be distributed at February club meetings.

Junior Camp: 7th and 8th graders can spend the week at Fortson 4-H Center the week of June 11—15. Project Achievement participants can sign up a week early on February 12. Sign ups for others begin on February 19.

Marine Resource Camp: 7th and 8th graders can learn all about the beach and marine life at this specialty camp! From beach ecology to shark dissection to a marsh cruise, this camp has it all! Marine Resource Camp will be held July 16—20 at Burton 4-H Center on Tybee Island.

Wilderness Challenge Camp: This camp is perfect for 7th and 8th graders committed to enjoying some real adventure! Activities include: white water rafting, zip line canopy tour, and specialty classes designed just for Wilderness Challenge Camp! Wilderness Challenge Camp will be held July 2—6 at Wahsega 4-H Center in Dahlonega.

Stay Connected!

Website: http://extension.uga.edu/county-offices/oconee/4-h-youth-development.html

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Monthly Newsletter: Passed out in club meetings and posted on Oconee 4-H website

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Transportation

Need a ride?

Transportation can be requested for 4-H after-school activities. A parent's note must be given to your school **each time** you go to the 4-H Office. Be sure to follow the directions for your school:
MBMS: 4-H van pick up in bus lanes, during the 1st bus load
OCMS: 4-H van pick up in bus lanes, during the 2nd bus load
Athens Academy: 4-H van picks up in car rider line at the bottom of the hill

Service Opportunities

I pledge my hands to larger service!

Cooking With Care: Fifth graders are invited to learn new recipes and proper food handling skills while they prepare a meal to donate to a local family on February 22 from 3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. Please call the office starting February 9 to make a reservation for Cooking with Care as space is limited.

Collect Pop Tabs for the Ronald McDonald House: Turn pop tabs in at 4-H meetings.

Recycle your cans! Please bring your recycled aluminum cans to the trailer at the back entrance to the 4-H office. A full trailer equals a camp scholarship for a deserving 5th or 6th grader.

Special Interest Clubs

I pledge my head to clearer thinking!

Clovers Crew: The Clovers Crew is a performing arts group led by two senior 4-H'ers. All singers are invited to be a member of Clovers Crew. Rehearsals will be held on Fridays: March 2, 16, 23, and 30.

Photo Contest

"Taking an image, freezing a moment, reveals how rich reality truly is."
-Anonymous

If you enjoy taking pictures, then do not miss out on the Oconee County Photography Contest! The categories include: **Focus on Youth, Focus on Agriculture, Focus on Animals**, and **General Photography**. Please attach the entry form to the back of your photo OR email digital copies of your photos to ksashley@uga.edu. The deadline to turn in your entry is February 28. Winning photos will be forwarded to the State 4-H Photography Contest.

Oconee 4-H Photo Contest

Name:_____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Age: _____ Phone: _____Grade: _____

School: _____Teacher: _____

Title of Photo: _____

Category (circle one): Agriculture Youth

Animals General Photography

Attach to the back of photo!
For tips on taking great pictures go to:
http://www.georgia4h.org/photocontest/tips.html

Congratulations to our junior and senior **Horse Quiz Bowl** teams who competed at the state contest! Junior team members included Maddie Arnold, Danica Heeter, Molly Smith, and McCall Woodruff. Senior team members included Ayah Abdelwahab, Mennah Abdelwahab, Alicia Carnes, and Kalani Washington.

We had a large group compete at **County Project Achievement** this year! Everyone did a great job presenting!

Aadyn Jenkins, Abbie Pierce, Abel Moody, Abigail Benoff, Abigail Cook, Adam Cafontaine, Addie Grace Hood, Addie Pursley, Adora Chen, Adrian Belnap, Alex Clark, Alexander York, Amber Gomes, Amelia Bethel-Land, Analise Butryn, Anders Eastman, Andrea Nau, Anna Claire Lines, Annabella Huskey, Asher Sinclair, Ava Castleberry, Banks McCommons, Bella Mingledorff, Ben Whaley, Benjamin Chatham, Benjamin Palomino, Bennett Butryn, Bill Kilgore, Blake Allen, Blake Owens, Blakely Stewart, Brennan Kajder, Bricen Daughtry, Bricen Doughty, Brody Foster, Brooke Leffert, Brooks Panish, Caden Fleming, Caleb Antwine, Camille Long, Campbell Patterson, Carson Mink, Carson Peters, Carson Rollins, Carson Smith, Carter Mink, Catherine McCormack, Champ Blose, Chance Roberson, Charity Wells, Charlie Carter, Charlotte Ransom, Chizua Ndukwe, Claire Walton, Cole Broxton, Cole Johnson, Conner Ward, Corinne Crowe, Danielle Molnar, David Craft, Dawson Johnson, Deeya Mepani, Delaney Braswell, Dezirae Prater, Dillon Hetsko, Dottie Kelnhofer, Dylan Adcock, Eli Chrisohon, Eli Earhardt, lijah Lines, Elizabeth Edmunds, Elizabeth Wynn, Ella Davis, Ellie Skinner, Emily Hammond, Emma Kate McGinity, Emma Kate Washington, Emma Stephens, Emmy Holt, Emory Shepherd, Ethan Poole, Evan Whitaker, Evie Heyen, Evy Cole, Farah Adres, Frances Booz, Gabriel Hinton, Gabriella Stoming, Georgia Sasser, Giuliano Romano, Gracie Hobbs, Gweny Musgrove, Halen DeMattie, Haley Fleming, Hannah Myers, Hannah Wiggins, Harrison Kilzi, Harry Kim, Helena Hargrave, Hoke Lucas, Holland Purser, Hudson Hannawalt, Hudson Stamps, Ian Rogers, Isabel Rivers, Isabella Yankura-Rapp, Issac Smith, Jack Berberena, Jack Murray, Jack Wadley, Jack Yu, Jackson Jansen, Jackson Parker, Jacob Boyd, Jake Grobbs, Jalen Ruark, James Greene, James Gregory, James Jarrard, Jaxon Summesour, Jillian Herron, Jonas Davis, Julia Nunley, Julie Manders , Kaden Brooks, aden Piper, Kailey Teyner, Kara Woodall, Katherine Colletti, Katherine Williams, Kayla Sigman, Kaylee Cassity, Kaylie Phonsavanah, Kendall Wells, Kian Visitacion, Kimsey Ann Lerch, Kinlee Hagwood, Kyle Melton, Lacy Szczepanski, Lane Mulkery , Lara Lel, Leah Powell, Lily Martin, Lily Reece Jenkins, Lily Weiglan, Luke Lewis, Luke Sledge, Lydia Lowry, Lyla Wilson, Macon Shore, Maddie Arnold, Maddie Carroll, Maddie Griffith, Maddy Kiel, Mae Neely, Maggie Callham, Maggie Joy Tomlin, Maggie Massawi, Mariana Rodriguez, Marley Ray, Mary Reid, Mason Bradshaw, Matt Smith, Max Patrick, Maya Compton, McCall Woodruff, McCoy Mizerak, Melissa Carrillo, Melissa Lel, Mercer Rabon, Micah Brooks, Morgan Campbell, Naomi Couch, Nick Wells, Noah Keeting, Olivia King, Olivia Roscoe, Orion Marler, Parker Laver, Peyton Downs, Quinton Roberts, Raegan House, Reagan Bell, Reece Coates, Regan Phillips, Renan Horst, Rosalinda Arroyo-Mondragon, Ryler Smith, Sadie Rector, Sadie Stennes, Samuel Inn, Samuel Wood, Savannah Callis, Sean Harron, Sebastian, SeoJun Lee, Shel'be Johnson, Shelby Blevins, Sophia Mayo, Stephen Bartlett, Steven Helms, Suhaila Julka, Teddy Berente, Thomas Mcelhannon, Trey Kuriger, Tristan Hess, Vicky Mohan, Walker Adcock, Will Albanese, Winter Thompson, Wyatt Wilson, Xavier Werth, Zach Wiley, Zak Qadri, and Zoe Mills.

Congratulations to Ayah Abdelwahab, Mennah Abdelwahab, Kiana Washington, and Harrison Williams for competing at the **National Consumer Decisions Contest** and placing second!

Thank you to Austin Geeslin, Daniel Magee, Lexi Pritchard, and Camden Stephens for attending the **Teen Leader Meeting** to get ready for the spring semester!

Clovers Crew has been working hard during rehearsals and performances. Good job Kalani Washington, Alicia Carnes, Cooper Durden, and Jalen Ruark!

A big thanks to Farah Adres for coming to the **4-H Art Class** and painting flags that will be put on display at our biennial Pastabilities fundraiser dinner!

February

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 CFES Mtg OCES Mtg Pastabilities Dinner	2 RBES Mtg Clovers Crew	3
4	5 HSES Mtg DPA Practice	6 OCES Mtg Livestock Judging	7 OCES Mtg MBES Mtg DPA Practice Dairy Judging	8 WCA Mtg Acad Mtg	9 Clovers Crew DPA Practice	10
11	12 Early Junior Camp Sign Up Begins DPA Practice	13 OCMS Mtg Livestock Judging	14 MBMS Mtg Senior Mtg Dairy Judging	15	16 Clovers Crew	17 5th/6th Grade DPA @ Rock Eagle
18	19 Cloverbuds Early Cloverleaf / Regular Junior Camp Sign Up Begins	20 Livestock Judging	21 Dairy Judging	22	23 Clovers Crew	24
25	26 Camp Sign Up Begins	27 Livestock Judging	28 Dairy Judging	To Make the Best BETTER		

March

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5 HSES Mtg Poultry Judging	6 OCES Mtg Livestock Judging	7 OCES Mtg Dairy Judging	8 WCA Mtg Acad Mtg	9 **Junior/Senior DPA @ Rock Eagle**	10
11 **Junior/Senior DPA @ Rock Eagle**	12 Poultry Judging	13 OCMS Mtg Livestock Judging	14 MBMS Mtg Dairy Judging	15	16 Clovers Crew	17
18	19 Cloverbuds Poultry Judging	20 Livestock Judging	21 Road Clean Up Dairy Judging	22 Cooking with Care	23 Clovers Crew	24 Livestock Judging Contest
25	26 Poultry Judging	27	28 Dairy Judging	29	30 Clovers Crew	31