

# **COUNTY COUNCIL**

# **NEWS**

April | 2024 County Council

#### **Upcoming Club Meetings**

County Council 4th-12th Grade 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm May 7, 2024

Horse and Pony Club 4th-12th Grade 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm April 16, 2024

May 14, 2024

Cultured Ag. Club 4th-12th Grade 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm April 24, 2024

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#### **Reward Trip**

Final point tabulations have occurred and invitations will be distributed via email this week to all those that qualify for the trip.

Cloverleaf 4-H'ers (4th - 6th grade): Béhind the Seas at Georgia Aquarium on Friday, May 24th

Junior/Senior 4-H'ers (7th-12th grade): May 30th- May 31st fun and fellowship at Raft One Ocoee River Rafting in Copperhill, Tennessee. Lodging Raft One Ocoee River Lodging

Don't think you earned enough points this year? No worries! Talk with a 4-H staff member to map your 4-H journey for the 2024-2025 school year to make sure that you are on the trip next year!

#### **Cobb County 4-H Awards Program**

Cobb County 4-H Awards Program- Save the date 4-H'ers! If you have competed on a judging team, at Cloverleaf or JR/SR DPA, are a member of one of our competitive shooting sports teams, served as a County Council, or are a member of the Cultured Ag Club, you will be recognized at our annual 4-H awards ceremony! Save the date for the Cobb 4-H annual awards ceremony which will be held on Thursday, May 16th at 6:30 pm location to be determined. A formal invitation will be emailed to all youth that will be recognized.

### Cobb 4-H College Scholarship

Graduating Seniors- scholarship applications for the Cobb 4-H College Scholarship are here! To be considered for this Cobb 4-H scholarship please email Ms. Chloe at chloe.pattersonl@uga.edu to get the application. All applications and supplementing documents are due to the Extension Office no later than Friday, May 3rd.

# <u>Summer Activity Programming - Teen Leaders Needed</u>

Calling all 7th-12th graders! We are going to need your help this summer! There are many opportunities to serve as a teen leader at our Cobb 4-H summer activities! We have several dates and opportunities to volunteer this summer all while having fun too. See the teen leader summer activities online registration form for more information. New this year- teen leaders will apply to serve at summer programs. 4-H staff will place teen leaders in summer programs based on availability, interest, and project area. Spaces are limited for all activities! There is a \$10 activity fee for teen leaders participating in programs that travel to various locations. Applications will be available beginning Monday April 15th. The deadline to apply is Friday April 26th. For more information on serving as a teen leader at a 4-H summer program, contact Ms. Chloe at chloe.pattersonl@uga.edu.

For more information about serving as a teen leader at summer library programs, please contact Ms. Kathleen at kathleen.mcelroy@cobbcounty.org or Ms. Colleen at colleen.bakhsh@cobbcounty.org.



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#### June Dairy Month 4-H Poster Contest

Learn more about milk and milk products and their importance to human health by competing in the June Dairy Month Poster Contest!

Your poster must:

- 1. Be on standard poster board and must be of uniform size -14" X 22" (half a poster board) other sizes are ineligible.
- 2. Use slogan and stick to the theme "May the Dairy Be With You"
- 3. Newspaper, film cartoon characters, and other copyrighted characters may not be used.
- 4. Posters should contain only original, hand-drawn artwork done by the participant. Computer-generated artwork and text are not acceptable and will result in disqualification of the poster.
- 5. Complete a contest entry form and tape/paste it on the back of your poster in the upper right corner.

Prize: VISA gift card for top 3 winning entries in the state!

Bring your entries to County Council on May 7th!



# **Beekeeping Essay Contest**

Each year, Georgia 4–H hosts the annual Beekeeping Essay Contest. This is an exciting opportunity for students to test their writing abilities and learn something new about Honeybees and their importance in the environment. This competition is open to all Georgia 4–H members in the 4th–12th grades. This contest is a national competition offered by the Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees, Inc. State and national prizes are offered for this contest. For the state contest, a cash prize of \$250 will be given for first place, \$100 for second place, and \$50 for third place. The first–place Georgia essay will move on to the national competition and be eligible for additional prizes and awards.

The contest topic changes each year. This year's essay topic is "Varietal Honeys." For this essay, a 4-H student should answer these questions: What makes a varietal honey? What are some unique varietals? How are some of the valuable varietals confirmed to be authentic (e.g., Manuka honey UMF and MGO)? What are some culturally or economically important varietals, and why are they important?

Entries due by Friday, April 19, 2024, at 5:00 PM: <a href="https://ugeorgia.cal.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_1BRY6X2uno9EBMi">https://ugeorgia.cal.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_1BRY6X2uno9EBMi</a>

For full details of the Georgia 4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest, please visit: <a href="https://www.georgia4h.org/beekeeping">www.georgia4h.org/beekeeping</a>

Email Ms. Brittani with questions! bkelley@uga.edu.



#### **LifeSmarts**

The LifeSmarts team has been working hard to learn about Personal Finance, Consumer Rights and Responsibilities, Health and Safety, Technology and the Environment. They will be

competing at the National LifeSmarts competition in San Diego, CA April 18th - 21st.

Good luck to the following 4-H'ers as they compete: Kyle Bakhsh, Emma Bayer, Emi McElroy, and Harith Jayavel!

#### **Horse Judging and Hippology**

The Horse Judging and Hippology Teams have been working hard to increase their knowledge and understanding of equine science and management, knowledge of horses and develop skills in the selection of horses, while learning the basic principles of animal science. They will compete in the State competition on April 20th at the UGA Livestock Arena in Athens, GA.

Good luck to the Horse Judging and Hippology teams!

### **Wildlife Judging**

The Wildlife Judging team has been working hard to learn about wildlife habitats and wildlife management. They will be competing at the State Contest on April 27th at Rock Eagle 4-H Center.

Good luck to the Wildlife Judging Teams!

#### **Dean's Award**

One of the highest awards Georgia 4-H Members can earn is the 4-H Dean's Award. The Dean's Awards were established to encourage participation and achievement by 4-H youth in areas fundamental to the mission of 4-H, the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, and the College of Family and Consumer Sciences. They also recognize youth who have participated in and excelled at a broad spectrum of activities and experiences over a sustained period of time. The Awards also aim to improve participants' resume-preparation and interviewing skills. Dean's Awards are offered in six major project areas: Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Civic Engagement, Communications and the Arts, Family and Consumer Sciences, Leadership, and STEM. Competition participants will submit a cumulative portfolio that spans their entire 4-H career for judges to score. Dean's Award portfolios are due to Ms. Chloe by Tuesday May 16th at midnight. Email Ms. Chloe with questions!

## <u> State Council - "4-H: A Route to Your Destiny!"</u>

State Council: 8th-12th grade 4-H'ers- SAVE the date for State Council at Rock Eagle 4-H Center June 21-23! State 4-H Council is the annual event for 4-H'ers across the state. Compete in the iron clover competition in games such as tug of war, softball, 3 on 3 basketball and more, participate in exciting workshops or go through teen leader training, hangout at the canteen, see the Georgia 4-H performing arts group Clovers and Company, and much more! The cost for the first for the first 4 students will be \$55.00. For the remaining 5 the cost will be \$115.00. Limited to only 9students.

If you are interested in running for State Board, email Ms. Chloe at chloe.pattersonl@uga.edu for more information.