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FAIR CONTESTS

With the state and local fairs being cancelled this year, Coffee County 4-H has decided to offer fair contests at the local level. Contests for Senior 4-H members include: **Computer Graphic Design, Decorated Agricultural Products, Mini-booth Exhibit, Recycling, Seed Art, Decorated Pumpkin, and a Family Scarecrow Contest.** You may get a copy of the rules for each contest/event from the 4-H office or by visiting the Coffee County 4-H website at coffee4h.org under the "4-H Forms and Web Links" page. Registration forms and exhibits/entries must be turned in to the county 4-H office by **4 PM on Thursday, October 1.** No late entries will be accepted.



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.

Speeches can be up to twelve minutes long and projects cover a wide variety of topics. There are also performing arts and cooking projects to choose from.

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 portfolio will serve as your sign-up form for **Project Achievement. Portfolio rough drafts are due on October 16 and the FINAL COPY is due in the county 4-H office by Friday, December 18.** 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 for a project (first come, first choice). 4-H staff members will be happy to help you get started and answer any questions you have as you work on your presentation.

4-H HOLIDAY CARD ARTWORK 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 25.** 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 holiday theme; it must be colorful; and it must be accompanied by an official entry form available from the 4-H office.

4-H TARGET SPORTS SIGN UP

Programs available to Senior 4-H members include: Archery, 22 Rifle, Air Rifle & Air Pistol, BB Rifle (9th graders only), and Shotgun. Sign up for the target sports programs will begin today and run through **Friday, October 23,** at 5 PM. Coaches will notify you when practice begins.

If you are interested in competing in Target Sports programs with 4-H, remember that **you must take the Hunter Safety Education Course** and get your certification number in order to compete in most 4-H events. Check out the Georgia Department of Natural Resources website at <http://www.hunter-ed.com/Georgia/> to find the nearest course available for you.

A **Certified Coaches Training** will be held at Rock Eagle on **October 16-17 or on November 20-21** and we need to get anyone interested in attending enrolled as soon as possible for the workshop.

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

National 4-H Week will be observed October 4-10. 4-H Week is a time to promote 4-H to the public and make people more aware of the 4-H programs offered in Coffee County.

Junior and Senior **4-H members will record public service announcements Tuesday, September 29 at 4 PM at the 4-H office.** The PSA's will be played on local radio stations, so be sure to listen throughout the week.

CERTIFIED TEEN LEADER TRAINING

Congratulations to our three new Certified Teen Leaders: Brianna Moreno, Florence Shealy, and Caroline Spivey. We welcome you to this special position in 4-H.

All teen leaders are encouraged to create and submit artwork for a new teen leader t-shirt design.

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY WORKDAY

4-H members are encouraged to take part in the upcoming Adopt-A-Highway community service project. It will be held on **Tuesday, October 20**, 4:00 - 5:00 PM, at the 4-H office. We could always use extra volunteer leaders to help. Help us keep Coffee County looking great by keeping trash off our streets.



STATE GOAT SHOW

The State 4-H/FFA Market Goat and Lamb Shows will be held at the Georgia National Fairgrounds on **October 8-11**. Market goat showmanship classes will be held on Friday, October 9, with the wether show immediately following. Does will be shown on Saturday, October 10. Lamb showmanship will be held on Saturday, October 10, and the Market Lamb Show will be held on Sunday, October 11. If you are in Perry for any reason, please stop by the livestock arena and support the members participating.

4-H participants include: Hayden Gay, Hollyn Gay, Kyleigh Gay, McKenzie Gay, Maggie McIver, Makenzie McIver, Nora Taylor White, and Blakely Williams.

4-H FUNDRAISER

We need your help! Coffee County 4-H is offering Hog-N-Bones Boston Butt tickets to sell to the public. The tickets sell for \$25, a savings of \$5 for these Boston butts. If you are planning to participate in a 4-H competition or attend summer camp this school year, the profit of \$4 per ticket from these ticket sales can be used to pay for your team registration fee or camp fee. Tickets will be available after **October 1st**. A parent will have to come to the 4-H office to pick up tickets. The tickets can be used until **January 1, 2021**, to pick up the Boston butt at the Douglas Hog-N-Bones restaurant anytime during their normal business hours. Remember, this fund raiser is raising money to benefit YOU! So take advantage of this great opportunity to earn camp credit.

4-H HORSE CLUB

The Coffee County 4-H Horse Club is getting prepared to hold their first meeting for the school year on **Tuesday, October 13**. The meeting will be held in the Family Ministry Center at the Douglas First Baptist Church beginning at 7 PM. Due to COVID-19 spacing requirements, we ask that only one parent attend the meeting with the 4-H member (no siblings please).

The 4-H Horse Club is primarily for 4-H members who plan to participate in the State 4-H Horse Show. The State 4-H Horse Show will be held in Perry on **June 8-12**. Registration for the state show requires an Intent to Show Form by **March 5** and then the Class Registration Form and fees will be due by **May 7**.

Please contact the 4-H office if you would like additional information.

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES

Remember to collect your can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House Charities. These tabs help pay expenses to keep the house operating and help families who have children receiving medical treatment. Many Coffee County families have used the Ronald McDonald House.



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4-H CLUB CALENDAR

September 2020

- 25 4-H Holiday Card Entry Deadline, 4-H office
- 26 County Goat/Lamb Show, CMS, 9:30 AM
- 29 Record National 4-H Week PSA's, 4 PM, 4-H office

October 2020

- 1 County Fair Contests Entry Deadline, 4 PM
- 1 Early Release, CCA & Public Schools
- 1 Cow Show Meeting, 6 PM, CMS Livestock Bldg.
- 2 School holiday, all schools
- 2 Put out 4-H Week Signs, 1:30 PM, 4-H office
- 4-10 National 4-H Week/Georgia 4-H Week, Statewide
- 5 4-H Week Proclamation, County Commission Meeting
- 6 Senior 4-H Club Meeting, 3:30 PM, CHS Cafeteria
- 6 Swine Booster Club Meeting, 6:30 PM, CMS
- 8-11 State 4-H Lamb & Goat Shows, Perry, GA
- 13 4-H Horse Club Meeting, 7 PM, First Baptist Church
- 16 DPA Portfolio Draft Due, 5 PM
- 16-17 SAFE Coaches Certification Training, Eatonton, GA
- 19 Cattle Tagging Day, 5-6 PM, CMS
- 20 Adopt-A-Highway Workday, 4 PM, 4-H office
- 23 Target Sports Sign Up Deadline, 5 PM, 4-H office
- 26 BB Team Meeting, 6 PM, FBC Douglas (9th graders)
- 27 Senior 4-H Club Meeting, 3:30 PM, CHS Cafeteria
- 29 Home School 4-H Club Meeting, 2 PM, 4-H office
- 31 Daylight Savings Time Ends & Halloween
- TBA Volunteer Leader Update Mtg., 6 PM, 4-H office

This newsletter is designed for Coffee County Senior 4-H members and their parents to inform them of upcoming events and information on 4-H and it's activities. It was created by Kevin Tatum, CEA, and edited by Lisa Craigue, CES, and Liz Batten, CEPA. Call (912) 384-1402 for more information or visit our website at <coffee4h.org>.