I Pledge my head to clearer thinking, my heart to greater loyalty, my hands to larger service, and my health to better living, for my club, my community, my country, and my world.

2018 Awards Program

Our Red Carpet Awards Night in August recognized 4-H’ers for their participation in 4-H programs throughout the school year.

Project Achievement participants and members of the Consumer Judging Team, Poultry Judging Team (pictured above), BB Team, and Shotgun Team all received participation trophies.

We also recognized 4-H’ers who have been the most active throughout the year with a “4-H’er of the Year” award.

Cloverbud (K-3rd grade) 4-H’ers of the Year were:
1st—Lizzy Norton, 2nd—Colt Lindsay, 3rd—Lorelei Herring

Cloverleaf (4th—6th grade) 4-H’ers of the Year were:
1st—Paige Lindsay, 2nd—Hannah Long, 3rd—Titus Peek

Junior (7th—8th grade) 4-H’ers of the Year were:
1st—Charlee Chaney, 2nd—Bode Chaney, 3rd—Jasmine Wilkins

Senior (9th—12th grade) 4-H’ers of the Year were:
1st—Tanner Yarbrough and Trudy Peek, 2nd—Stephen Reinagel, 3rd—Cheyenne Logue

Congratulations to all of our award recipients and to our graduating seniors: Jacob Gassett, Tanner Yarbrough, Stephen Reinagel, and Abygale Gillespie (pictured right).
Columbus Day Family Fun Day at The Rock Ranch
Monday October 8
Open Times: 10am—6pm
Families can enjoy all of The Rock Ranch attractions including zip lines, pony rides, pedal carts, carousel, locomotive train, hay rides, petting zoo, corn maze, pumpkins, Tiny Town, and so much more!
Cost: $13 per person (plus tax) Chic-fil-a sandwich meals are available for $8.75 (plus tax)
Note: this is a family event, not a 4-H field trip. Parents must attend with their children.

‘4-H Rocks’ Rock Art
Tuesday October 9
K-5th grade 10—11am
6th-12th grade 11am—noon
Join us for rock painting at the Extension Office.
Cost: $5
You must call the Extension Office by 4pm on October 4 to register for this event.

National Youth Science Day at 4-H
Wednesday October 10
10am—2pm
Get involved in computer science with our Code Your World Challenge! Code Your World uses games and hands-on fun to teach kids important computer science and computational thinking concepts.
Cost: $5 per person. Includes lunch.
You must call the Extension Office by 4pm on October 4 to register for this event.

Thankful Thursday
Thursday October 11
3:30—5pm
Join us at the Extension Office to make cards and decorate cookies for local police officers and firefighters.
Cost: FREE
You must call the Extension Office by 4pm on October 4 to register for this event.

Field Trip to Griffin Skate Inn
Friday October 12
3pm—7pm
Join us for a fun evening skating at Griffin Skate Inn.
Cost: $10 per person. Includes boot skate rental, pizza and a drink.
4-H’ers may bring additional money for skate upgrade (speed skates $2, in-line skates $2, skate trainers $3) and/or snacks.
You must call the Extension Office by 4pm on October 4 to register for this event.
Civic Engagement

Move Night
Our September Movie Night was a lot of fun for everyone who attended (photo above).
County Council voted to go skating this month instead of watching a movie.
Look for details of our next Movie Night in our November newsletter.

Manners Worth Millions
Starting in October, our Middle School and High School Clubs will be learning about manners and etiquette. Club meetings will be led by volunteer leader Mrs. Karen Peek and 4-H Educator Mrs. Angela Norton.
Dates:
7th—8th grade Tuesday October 16
9th—12th grade Tuesday October 23
6th grade Tuesday October 30
Time: 3:30—5pm
You must call the Extension Office by 4pm on October 10 to register.

Consumer Judging
Do you like shopping? Then join our Consumer Judging Team and learn about how to make smart choices when you shop!
Our Consumer Judging Team is lead by Mrs. Ashlee Lindsay.
The team will meet from 3:30—5pm on Mondays and Thursdays after Fall Break: October 15, 18, 22, 25, 29 and November 1.
The Consumer Judging contest is in Perry on Monday November 5.
Open to grades 5-12.
You must call the Extension Office by 4pm on October 10 to register.

Project Achievement Workshop
Junior and Senior 4-H’ers (7th—12th grade) who want to do DPA this year should meet with Mrs. Angela after your club meeting this month (dates above) from 5pm—6pm.

Tractor Supply Paper Clover Campaign
Stop by Tractor Supply in Thomaston between 10am and noon on Saturday October 6 or 13 to say “Hi!” to our volunteers and donate to our bi-annual Paper Clover Campaign.
All money raised goes towards scholarships for Upson County youth to attend 4-H Camp and Leadership Experiences.
You can buy a Paper Clover at Tractor Supply from October 3—14.

BB Team
Upson County 4-H BB Team is led by Coach Mark Gassett and Assistant Coach Ashlee Lindsay. It is open to grades 4—8.
The club will begin with an informational meeting on Tuesday November 13 at 6pm at the Extension Office.
The cost for this club will be $40 and includes gun rental, BB’s, targets, and a t-shirt.

Healthy Living

Cross Country Club
Upson County 4-H Cross Country Club is led by Junior 4-H’er Paige Lindsay with the assistance of certified volunteer leaders Mrs. Ashley Lindsay and Mrs. Genia Crenshaw.
The Cross Country Club will meet on Saturdays* from 9am to 10am at the Walking Track on Civic Center Drive (behind the Middle school).
Wear your running shoes!
Call the Extension Office to register.
*weather permitting

Cooking 101
Our Cloverbud and Cloverleaf Cooking 101 chefs will be going on a field trip to Ingles on October 18. Parents are encouraged to attend.
Parents will be contacted with details for the field trip.

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County Council
The next County Council meeting is Tuesday October 30 from 5—6:30pm.
Livestock Show Team
Informational Show Team Meeting on October 9 at the Upson Extension Office 6pm—7pm.
If you think you might be interested in showing an animal this year, this is the meeting to be at. We will discuss upcoming beef project options at a reduced price.
Open to grades 6—12.
Please RSVP to the office by 4pm Monday, October 8, 2018.

Wildlife Judging Contest
Good luck to our Wildlife Judging Team who will be attending the State Wildlife Judging Contest at Fortson 4-H Center on October 20.

Horse Club
We are looking for volunteers to lead our Horse Club! If you are interested in sharing your love of horses, we would love to hear from you.
We have several 4-H’ers interested in this club but cannot schedule meetings without a committed volunteer.

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Volunteers
We are looking for volunteers to support our growing 4-H program.
All volunteers and “parent helpers” must pass a background check and complete the Georgia 4-H Working With Youth and Managing Risk training online.
If you are interested in volunteering, please call Angela on 706 647 8989.

Faculty and Staff
We are excited to welcome Dr. Lori Bledsoe as the new interim County Extension Coordinator (CEC) at Upson County Extension. Dr. Lori is the 4-H Program Development Coordinator for all of Northwest Georgia and is now also serving as CEC in Upson County.

In August, we bid farewell to 4-H Program Assistant Lisa Fox who started with Upson County 4-H in 2007 and to interim CEC Cherry Hovatter who has been with 4-H for 36 years and in Upson County since October last year.

We thank Mrs. Lisa and Mrs. Cherry for their dedication to the 4-H program. You will both be missed!

October 2018
4-H members who secure their parents signature and return this section to their 4-H leader the following month, will receive a small prize. (Do not leave at the school front desk)

Parents: By signing this, you do not commit your child to participating in activities, it just shows us a parent has seen this newsletter.

Parent’s signature: ______________________________ Child’s Name: ______________________________