# **GROWING UP GREEN**

Cabarrus County 4-H Newsletter







Pictured Above: Left & Right - 4-H youth and adults honor Veterans at the Cabarrus Boys & Girls Club Annual Veteran's Day Event. Center: T-Shirts are available for purchase from NC Collegiate 4-H. Design Contest Winner from Wayne County.

#### In the News

Thank you to all of those who helped us support 4-H at Tractor Supply Company's Paper Clover. We are anxiously awaiting our final numbers!

Congratulations to our participants in the annual 4-H Farm Credit Virtual Showmanship Circuit, sponsored by Carolina Farm Credit and Cape Fear Farm Credit. We had three participants, Gracie Morris (Cloverbud), Marianna Harrison (Intermediate) and Haley Barnhardt (Senior). The girls did a great job and took on the challenge with excitement! Marianna earned 5th place and Haley earned 3rd! Way to go ladies!

Cabarrus County 4-H Council is seeking adults and teens to help lead the program for 2021. Applications are due November 20. Check out our Facebook post for more information.

Anyone interested is invited to join us for the Fall 4-H Advisory Committee Meeting on December 10 at 6 p.m. We will be discussing the calendar of events for 2021. Now is your chance to share your thoughts and ideas of how to shape the future of our county 4-H program. See Tracy for Zoom-link details.

The next County Council Meeting will be on January 5. We are planning to do this in person!! There will be a registration for those who want to attend in person as we will be limited in numbers. Business will include Project turn in, Achievement Night invitations and 2021 goals.

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### **Heart To Greater Loyalty**

As the new year approaches, many of us seek new opportunities to serve. Grow your loyalty to the clover by serving in a new role. How can you help?

#### Advisory Committee

Seeking adults and youth to serve a one-year term. Group will meet three times annually to discuss future plans and directions for our county 4-H program.

December Meeting - Plan Calendar Year\*

January Meeting - Plan Summer Events

September Meeting - Plan School Year Events

\*Current and newly elected officers are automatically invited to this committee

#### Fair Committee

Seeking youth and adults to serve May through September, meeting at least three times to design, plan, create, and implement the 4-H Fair Booth. Committee is asked to work at least one night in the booth at the Cabarrus County Fair.

#### Achievement Night Committee

Youth and adults help to plan and direct all parts of the Cabarrus County 4-H Achievement Night. Committees include food, decorations and awards. Committee chair and special assignment duties are available.

#### Summer Camp Coordinator

Seeking an adult to help organize paperwork and track submissions and payments. 1-2 hours per week from May to July. Includes a FREE trip to join us at camp - a great place to disappear for a week! (must be approved volunteer)

#### Congress Team Leaders

Seeking 4 adults to help organize paperwork and track submissions and payments. 1-2 hours per week from May to July. Includes discounted registration to NC 4-H Congress (must be approved volunteer) Will have supervisory role.

### **Head to Greater Thinking**

4-H offers multiple options to expand your knowledge about livestock, dairy, poultry and horse. Join a team or start your own today! Let Tracy know you are interested.

Horse Bowl, Hippology Contest and Horse Judging - Coaches: Kristen Kaus & Laura Harper Avian Bowl - seeking coaches and teammates Dairy Judging - seeking coaches and teemmates

# Project Club Meetings

Club meets on the 3rd Tuesday each month to focus on project record books. Great way to keep focused on completion. Meets via Zoom from 6-7 p.m

### **THOUGHTS FROM YOUR 4-H AGENT**

Health care facilities can be a lonely place at the holidays. Think about how your family and your 4-H club could bring a little cheer to an otherwise humbug atmosphere. Check for COVID precautions and procedures before project.

#### **Volunteer Leaders**

North Carolina State Volunteer Leaders Association Conference

Save the date for 2/5-2/6 for the conference. Virtual event includes workshops, business meetings, networking events, online auction, and professional development. Registration \$30.

#### Nominate Your Best!

Want to make a special surprise for your favorite volunteer leader! Work with Tracy to nominate them for a state volunteer award.

#### **Paperwork Update**

NCSU has approved background checks to be valid for 3 years. If yours is expiring as of 2020, you will receive a letter in the mail with directions on how to update it. Questions? Let Tracy know.

#### **Financial Audits**

If your club has a checking account, please take a few minutes to organize your bank statements and financial records. An official audit packet will be sent to the adult on record with fiscal responsibilities. Please complete these as soon as possible and return to Tracy. If your club has closed its account, please submit closure paperwork.

### **Club Updates**

Please send club updates to Tracy\_lecompte@ncsu.edu



#### SUMMER INTERN

Now accepting applications for our 4-H Summer Intern. Must be at least 18 years old. Position includes a stipend. Responsibilities include registration paperwork, reminder calls, supervision of Summer Leaders during some classes. Four office hours weekly plus 4 or more day camp responsibilities.

#### **END OF YEAR DATA**

Make sure you and all of your club members are enrolled in 4-H Online for 2020. These will roll over into the NEW 4-H Online 2.0 system for 2.21. Make sure your data is all up to date!

#### **FACEBOOK GROUP**

We are excited to have a Facebook group to help keep members up-to-date. Join the "Cabarrus 4-H" Facebook Group to see posts about upcoming activities and opportunities.

# SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

The Cabarrus County 4-H Foundation is proud to offer a variety of awards for clubs and individuals. This year, the Foundation is excited to offer a new award, The William A. McCrary Agribusiness Scholarship, for area HS Seniors who are interested in pursuing a degree in an agrelated field.

Applications and entries are due January 5th at the County Council meeting. Please check out the website at https://cabarrus.ces.ncsu.edu/4-h-local-awards-and-incentives-2/

See more info on our website

https://cabarrus.ces.ncsu.edu/categories/4-h-youth-development/

## **Mark Your Calendars!**

November 23-Dec 4 - County Council Elections Online

December 10 - Cabarrus 4-H Advisory Committee

December 2-23 - Mile-A-Minute Quilt Class

December 30 - Vision Board Workshop

January 2 - March 11 - ASPIRE ACT Course

January 5 - County Council/VLA Meeting

All Projects & Forms Due

#### Renewing Time!

In January, ALL 4-H members, adult and youth, will need to renew their enrollment in 4-H online. If you haven't already enrolled - please do so to be counted in the 2020 4-H membership.

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# Join our Facebook Group for more information about upcoming events!

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