## **GROWING UP GREEN**

Cabarrus County 4-H Newsletter







## In the News Congress 2022

This year, we had 6 delegates attend Congress. For many of them, this was their first time attending. The youth had so much fun at Congress! Below is some of their favorite memories! Congratulations to Rachell Wilson who was the State VP this year, you made Cabarrus County Proud!

Kylie: "My favorite part of congress was making new friends with other 4-H'ers and the endless insides jokes."

Xavier: "My favorite things about Congress was seeing old friends, while getting the opportunity to make new ones!"

Matthew: "My favorite thing about 4-H NC Congress was meeting new people and having fun, singing the songs I love with the people from my county and the Gala."

## County Fair Update

The Fair Committee met last month to start planning the Fair 4-H Booth. We need your help to make our vision come to life! This year the Cabarrus County Fair will be September 9-17. Please considering volunteering.

**Project Showcase:** Want a cool experience to add to your 4-H project? Select something you learned either through your independent learning, a 4-H class, or club activity and share it at the Fair. We will have demonstrations area set up and need presenters for each night. You could show off your rock collection, sewing skills, or animal knowledge. The topic is up to you!

**Educational Booth:** Your club could create an educational booth at the fair! Pick a topic and showcase your creativity! These are great teambuilding project and are wonderful for showcasing something that your club has been working on. This can count as Community Service (promotion of 4-H program) and include in your 4-H project or 4-H Ambassador Portfolio. Participating clubs will earn premiums that will be housed in the Cabarrus 4-H Foundation.

Left: Represented in from Electric
Congress!
Center: Delegates from Congress
enjoying their last day, which was full of
service to the community.
Right: Campers enjoying night one
campfire at BJP!

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## **Summer Update**

## Congratulations are in Order!

Congratulations to all of those who participated in presentations and speech at State! We hope to hear the results by the end of the month! Keep an eye out on Facebook and in the August Newsletter.

Congratulations to all of those who represented Cabarrus County at the State 4-H Horse Show! We are so proud of your hard work, persistence and grit! It hasn't been easy getting this far, but you made it! Way to go!

Congratulations to all our Project Record Book winners and Portfolio winners! We are proud of the work you have done! Molly has your record book and can be picked up at the Extension Office at 715-Cabarrus Ave W Concord, NC 28027.

## Electric Congress

Our first indoor large gathering across county lines was a success! Congrats to **Nekoda Loughlin**, **Kai Lisk and Ethan Loughlin** for earning this FREE opportunity. For more information about our Electric program, just ask!

#### Photo Contest

**Dr. Kim Ingold NC 4-H Photography Contest** - This statewide annual contest highlights North Carolina 4-H'ers' photographic achievements and is open to 4-H'ers 8-18 years old. All entries must be submitted online by your 4-H Professional (Agent/PA) **NO LATER THAN August 17th, 2022**. For More Information: https://nc4h.ces.ncsu.edu/youth-3/north-carolina-4-h-photo-contest/

## Summer Day Camps

We are having lots of fun this summer with day camps ranging from Survival Camp to STEAM Club! We still have room in upcoming classes, including: Giddy Up Club and Circus Camp! Register at go.ncsu.edu/registercabarrus

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

Start collecting your items for your fair entries. Anything you completed from

September 2021 until now is acceptable for entry into the fair. Entry forms are due Aug

24 at 12 noon to the Fair Office!

## **Project Mid Year Check-Up**

#### Project Accomplishment

If you haven't picked a topic for your project yet, no worries! You still have time. Think about all of the things you have done this year; is there a theme to them all? If so, use that as your project topic! When all else fails, Personal Development is a good catch-all topic.

#### Leadership

Have you taught a class, workshop, lesson or other activity? If you haven't, talk with your parents and 4-H club leader to work it into next month's club meeting. You can lead the Pledges, teach others how to make an easy snack or even share something that you have learned while exploring your project topic!

#### Civic Engagement

This is usually the hardest spot to fill in your project record, but now is the time to be thinking about it. What can you do for our Veterans or those in military service? How can you encourage people to vote? Do you know about Flag Etiquette? Can you teach others? We currently have former 4-H'ers serving and going through boot camp. Club leaders or your 4-H Agent will have more details!

#### Community Service

This is the fun one. There are so many parts to our community that could use your help. I challenge you to find one that aligns with your project topic!

## **Club Updates**

Club Reporters: Please submit a picture from your club meeting or event with a sentence or two for caption. Email to molly kleman@ncsu.edu





#### **CLOVERBUD CLUB**

We will start meeting again on September 22nd from 6-7 p.m. This club will be especially designed for ages 5-8 year old's. Club is planned to meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month. If you wish to volunteer with this club please reach out to Molly. This group is lead by a Junior Leader. Interested members may add this club to their 4-H Online profile.

#### **FAIR**

Interested Youth and Adults can plan to showcase their favorite things about 4-H. Molly will be sending out information about sign up early next month.

Fair Entry forms are due <u>August 24th</u> at <u>noon</u> to the Fair Office.

If your club wants to do an educational booth, please let Molly know your title and what club.

### **VLA SOCIAL**

VLA is working to plan exciting socials. The next meeting is August 16th at 6:00pm at the Extension Office. The next social will be September 1st and location is to be determined. Come share what you are doing in your club with other leaders.

See more info on our website

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

## **Mark Your Calendars!**

Aug 2 - Cabarrus Ag Celebration

Aug 11-13 Youth Voice

Aug 13 - Youth Market

Aug 16 - VLA Meeting

Aug 20 - Central Region Shooting Sports Competition

Aug 24 - Fair Entry Forms Due

Sept 1 - VLA Social

Sept 9-17 Cabarrus County Fair

#### Make a Plan!

October 2-8 is National 4-H Week. What can you do to celebrate? Share your ideas with your club and see what everyone else wants to do. Now is a great time to plan. How can you show your Clover Pride?

Got a great idea that might work for the whole county? Share it on our FB group!

Register for upcoming camps, classes and events at: http/:go.ncsu.edu/registercabarrus

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# Ag Celebration Next Tuesday!

CABARRUS AG CELEBRATION







TUESDAY, AUGUST 2 6:30 PM

THE FARM AT BRUSHARBOR 7700 BRUSHARBOR ROAD - CONCORD JOIN US FOR A CASUAL
CELEBRATION
INCLUDING DINNER,
FARM FELLOWSHIP,
SPEAKERS, GIVEAWAYS
AND EDUCATIONAL
EXHIBITS.





