

GROWING UP GREEN

Cabarrus County 4-H Newsletter



In the News

At the November County Council meeting, new officers were elected for 2024. Please join me in congratulating the new officers:

President - Meredith Scott Vice President - Peyton Letteer
Secretary - Nikitha Arun Reporter - Ishaan Joshy

The next County Council Meeting will be on **January 4th at 6:00pm**. Please be prepared to turn in your Project Records Books and Portfolios at this meeting. The business at this meeting will include Project “turn in”, Achievement Night invitations, and 2024 goals. We look forward to an exciting year.

Save the Date for the 2023 4-H Achievement Night on Saturday, February 24th at 5pm. It will be at Frank Liske Park Barn! We look forward to celebrating all the accomplishments of 2023!

Pictured Above: Pictures from our November County Council meeting where we elected our 2024 officers (middle photo) and learned how to properly fold a United States flag.

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**SEEKING NEW
COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**CLUB CORNER
SPOTLIGHT**

**END OF THE YEAR WRAP
UP!**

SCHOLARSHIPS



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

Looking for an adult 4-H representative to sit on the Cabarrus Extension Advisory Leadership committee. If you are interesting on taking on this role please reach out to Molly for more information. They usually meet quarterly.

Cabarrus 4-H Planning Committee

Seeking adults and youth to serve on the 2024 planning committee. The group will help outline the 2024 4-H year for Cabarrus County. They will also be able to share ideas for summer programming and ideas for County Council. The planning committee meeting will be on Wednesday, December 20th at 6:00pm.

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. Look out for an email with the dates and details for this committee. The first meeting is Monday, November 13th at 6pm.

Summer Camp Coordinator (needs based on Summer Intern)

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 Adult Team Leader (needs based on Summer Intern)

Seeking an adult 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.

CLUB TWEETS!

Blindshots Club Update

We've had a great year and have had many changes. Blindshots is excited to be winding down our year with a holiday party to celebrate all the season has to offer. All are welcome to come celebrate with us. <https://tinyurl.com/BlindshotsHoliday>.

Creative Minds 4-H Club Update

Meeting: 11/2/23
Topics: The club did soap carving lead by 4-H'er
Next Club Meeting: 12/1/23
Meeting Topic: Winter Fun
Location: Concord Library
REPORTED BY: Noah

Kickin' Tails 4-H Club

They recently collected food and candy for veterans. They are starting to practice for hippo and horse judging. They will also be participating in the Light the Night walk for Leukemia and Lymphoma. Pictures to come!

NOVEMBER 2023

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 Molly know you are interested.

Horse Bowl, Hippology Contest and Horse Judging -

Coaches: Laura Harper

Poultry Judging - seeking coach

Avian Bowl - seeking teammates

Dairy Judging - seeking teammates

Youth Market

The Cabarrus County 4-H is proud to partner with the Piedmont Farmer's Market at Winecoff to offer a Holiday Market featuring all of your favorite goodies special to this time of year. Market will be from 9 a.m. - noon on December 9th. Contact Molly for more information.

Volunteer Leaders

North Carolina State Volunteer Leaders

Association Conference

Save the date for 2/4-2/5 for the conference this year. More details to come. Many registration options. Great workshops, networking opportunities and a good getaway. Scholarships for registration available. When final details are released registration will be below.

Registration at go.ncsu.edu/registercabarrus

Nominate Your Best!

Want to make a special surprise for your favorite volunteer leader! Work with Molly to nominate them for a state volunteer award. Due before 12/1

Paperwork Update

Background checks to be valid for 3 years as a 4-H Volunteer. If yours is expiring as of Jan 2024, you will receive an email with directions on how to update it. Questions? Let Molly know.

ADULTS & VOLUNTEERS

Our 4-H volunteers, parents and community adults are a special bunch! They have really stepped up lately and we are excited to grow the Volunteer Leader's Association. Be on the lookout for VLA meeting dates as well as fun 4-H Social Nights, especially for our adult members!

END OF YEAR DATA

Make sure you and all of your club members are enrolled in 4-H Online for 2023. Your profiles will roll over for 2024, but you will need to re-enroll AFTER January 12th to stay active. This is important for awards recognitions and having accurate information. Please make sure your data is all up to date!

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

The Cabarrus County 4-H Foundation is proud to offer a variety of awards for clubs and individuals. As you wrap up your project records, please be thinking about how else you and your club could be recognized!

The Cabarrus County 4-H Foundation sponsors the awards for project records, portfolios and presentations at the local level. These awards are "4-H Credits" that can be used toward any 4-H event or as reimbursement for 4-H related expenses. See a board member for more details!

Applications and entries are due January 4th 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 16 - 4-H Foundation Board Meeting
- November 4 - SC VLA Fall Day - Lee County
- December 9 - Youth Holiday Market
- December 20 - Cabarrus 4-H 2024 Planning Committee
- January 4 - Project Records, Portfolio, County Awards, Charter Paper Work are all due
- January 17 - Volunteer Kick Off Training
- January 29 - Club Officer Training

Join our Facebook Group for more information about upcoming events!

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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 for 2023- please do so to be counted in the 2023 4-H membership.
 Deadline is December 4th
v2.4honline.com

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SAVE	NC 4-H VOLUNTEER LEADERS CONFERENCE
FEBRUARY 2-4	THE
DATE	<p>VOLUNTEERS UNITE! 4-H LIGHTING OUR FLAME FROM MOUNTAINS TO SEA</p>

CABARRUS 4-H 2024 PLANNING COMMITTEE

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

JOIN US IN THE PLANNING OF THE 2024 4-H YEAR!

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO SEE THIS YEAR?

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20TH
 6:00PM-7:00PM
 LOCATION
 715 CABARRUS AVE W CONCORD, NC

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