



Happy Holidays from Anson County 4-H!

4-H Newsletter



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Anson County 4-H'ers Participate in Livestock Skillathon Contest

Youth from the Anson County 4-H Livestock Club participated in the State Livestock Skillathon Contest in Raleigh in August. In the Jr. division youth placed 5th in the state. What a terrific job. Big thanks to Livestock Agent and club leader Jessica Morgan for helping these youth and preparing for the contest.

Pictured at right with their skillathon ribbons are Anson County 4-H'ers (L to R): Hayden Allen, Gracie McSwain and Olivia Allen.



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State 4-H Project

The North Carolina State 4-H Council is focusing on The 4th H: Health as our State Project this year. As a part of this project, the State 4-H Council Officers have developed a monthly health challenge and we want you and your 4-H'ers to participate! Each month a new challenge, resources and helpful hints will be shared through both the State 4-H Council Facebook page and the North Carolina 4-H Facebook page. The challenges will relate to dietary, physical and mental health and will be posted a few days before the start of each month.

If participants meet the monthly goal, they will be ask to submit their information here: <http://goo.gl/forms/tJGVmC62eK> . This is a honor system and one 4-H youth and one adult (employee or volunteer) will be randomly selected each month to receive a health related prize! Winners will be announced through Facebook! Please share this information widely and let people know about this great opportunity!

If you are interested in learning more about any information in this newsletter, contact me at the Extension Center or E-mail me at roshunda_blount@ncsu.edu. For accommodations for persons with disabilities, contact me no later than five business days before the event.

Sincerely,

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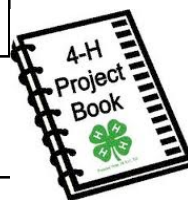


Three Anson County 4-H Volunteer Leaders attended the 2015 4-H Volunteer Conference of the Southern States in Eatonton, GA October 1-4th. Volunteer leaders attended various workshops and banquets. Everyone had a great time and a big thank you goes to Pearl Blount, Betty Garris and Hannah Dunlap the 4-H volunteers that attended and represented for us.

Pictured above is the group of North Carolina delegates that attended the conference in Eatonton, GA.

4-H Livestock Show

Anson County hosted our 2015 4-H Livestock Show on Friday, September 25th and Saturday, September 26th at the Circle G Arena in Lilesville. Youth showcased their showmanship skills with heifers, lambs and goats during this two-day event. A big thank you goes to our Cattlemen's Association for their assistance during the two days. A total of 81 youth participated showing 44 goats, 34 heifers, and 37 lambs representing 14 counties this year. A biggie is that 18 4-H'ers were from Anson County. Way to go!



Fall Paper Clover Campaign

Thank you to all youth that signed up to help Saturday, October 17th and participated at the 4-H booth and sold homemade treats for paper clovers. I do believe the day was successful. The homemade treats were an added incentive to customers to purchase clovers. We sold at least 2,000 clovers by the close of the campaign on October 18th. A huge thank you goes to Dan Ward and all the staff at our Wadesboro Tractor Supply for all the hard work and dedication they put into the clover campaign. We can't wait for the spring; we are making plans to sell even more clovers!!!



Anson County 4-H'er Milayjah Smith stands by the 4-H display at Tractor Supply.

Project Records Due

It is that time of year again for 4-H'ers to start working on their project records. They are due in the office by January 22nd. You have time over the holidays to put in some work and have some quality books completed. I look forward to receiving many.

National 4-H Week

National 4-H Week was a great success! From our flag flying at the county courthouse for the week to the displays at the schools. Anson County 4-H was well represented throughout the county. The week of events was concluded with a tailgate with the Bearcats during their home game. Thank you to all that participated and volunteered to help make National 4-H Week great.

Volunteer Leaders Association Yard Sale

The 4-H Volunteer Leaders Association got geared up for their fall yard sale, which was Saturday, October 31st at the Old SunTrust Bank parking lot. All funds go to the leaders association and help with individuals attending conferences and regional meetings for 4-H. Many great items were sold like clothing, jewelry and appliances. The sale was advertised in the local newspaper and on the Anson County 4-H Facebook page. We hope you all had a great turn out and made a profit!

Youth Annual Enrollment Forms

If you have not completed your enrollment forms for 2016 for Anson County 4-H, you have until the end of December. I will go through and do a clean sweep February 1, 2016. Forms are included in this newsletter but if you need additional copies please come by the office and pick you up a packet.

Master ACE Books

The North Carolina 4-H Master Volunteer Achievement in Continuing Education (ACE) program is designed to assist volunteers in the development of specialized skills as 4-H volunteers by participating in quality training experiences, processing learning experiences, conducting service activities/projects, and developing a Master Volunteer ACE portfolio. We hope Anson County will have quite a few that will submit books. The deadline to have ACE books to me is Monday, November 23rd.

Club News

Eager Beaver Club – We did not have a regular club meeting during the month of August but did participate in several activities. We collected school supplies for the Caraway Foundation and participated in the School Blast they provided. Several of our leaders attended Project Record Training in August and also helped with Farm Fresh Venture. We collected bags of canned goods and presented them to the post office to help with their “Stomp out Hunger” program. In September we had a program on Bullying and operated the concession stand at the Livestock Show. October we gave a donation to the Susan Komen Breast Cancer Walk that was held in Ansonville. We also helped man the booth for Paper Clovers at Anson Tractor Supply Store. We had the largest attendance and were rewarded with pizza, thanks to our 4-H Office. We also had a project book workshop and a Fall Festival. We had hot dogs, chips, cup cakes and other treats. We played a variety of games and everyone had an enjoyable time. We were all given a bag of treats upon going home.



Busy Bees Club – Club members kicked off the fall season with a Personal Development workshop in September where they explored their personal ideas, relationships and their knowledge of and where they fit in 4-H programs. They also made plans for the fall and winter club programs. In October several club members participated in the Paper Clover Campaign at Tractor Supply. November plans include a workshop on recycling, land fields and the environment, adopting a family for Thanksgiving and crafting holiday wreaths with residents at Meadowview Assisted Living Center.

Livestock Club – The Livestock Club has wrapped up show season and has resumed monthly meetings. In October, the youth tried out their STEM knowledge by building structures from candy pumpkins and toothpicks! The club continues their stuffed animal drive and will have an etiquette dinner for their November meeting.

Outstanding Youth & Volunteer Forms

I am enclosing this year's Outstanding Volunteer and Youth applications in this newsletter. Please pay attention to the deadlines. Winners will be announced at 4-H Achievement Night on February 16, 2016.

2016 Volunteer Leader's Conference

4-H Volunteers mark your calendars for the 2016 NC 4-H Volunteer Leader's Conference being held February 6-7, 2016 at the Jane S. McKimmon Center in Raleigh, NC. As soon as I get the registration packet I will send out so please be on the lookout for this and mark your calendars.

Sending Newsletters Via Email

Anson County 4-H will start sending newsletter via email. If you would like to get your copy of our newsletters by email please email Roshunda at roshunda_terry@ncsu.edu and let her know.

Calendar of Events

November 14-15 – State 4-H Council Conference, Raleigh, NC

December 30 – Youth Enrollment Forms Due

January 22, 2016 – **Project Records Due**

January 29 – Outstanding Youth and Volunteer Leaders Forms Due

February 6-7 – NC 4-H Volunteers Leaders Conference, Raleigh, NC

February 16 – 4-H Achievement Program

Dates to Remember

Enclosed in this issue is a sheet of important yearly dates for 2016. Please put this up where you can see it for the year.

Anson Co. 4-H is now on social media! Follow us on Twitter @aco4h or instagram @ansonco4hchick and Facebook @Anson County 4-H.

Backpack Buddies Items Needed

As we enter our third year partnering with Wadesboro Elementary and Lilesville Elementary Schools. We are in desperate need of items. Weekly 10 bags are packed for youth to take home over the weekend to have food. Whatever you can give we are grateful for.

Items for Backpack Buddies

Mini Cereal Boxes

Juice Boxes

Packs of Crackers

Fruit Cups

Pudding Cups

Vienna Sausages

Pop Tarts

Cereal Bars (Nutra Grain, Breakfast or Snack Type Bars)



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