



Yadkin County 4-H March Newsletter



Check out the Pot of Gold that is 4-H!

“We may encounter many defeats but we must not be defeated.”
By Maya Angelou

March is here and there is so much going on in 4-H! We have our Area Food Show, Achievement Night, essay contests, and so much more to prepare for! Not to mention all of the great club meetings we have going on this month. Make sure you take the time this month to see what 4-H has to offer you!

One of our favorite holidays in 4-H is coming up, which is St. Patrick's Day! Why is that one of our favorite holidays you might ask? Well, because four leaf clovers are associated with it! However, this holiday also makes me think of gold because of legends of leprechauns trying to find a pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. That makes me think of all the amazing opportunities 4-H gives youth that can be considered their own "pot of gold!"

Each 4-H'er has a chance to make 4-H what they want it to be, so what is your "Pot of Gold" in 4-H? Share with Ms. Madaline your favorite thing you do in 4-H and you might just get featured on our Facebook page this month!



4-H Achievement Night!-Friday, March 13, 2020



Achievement Night is a spectacular 4-H event for our 4-H'ers to be recognized for their achievements throughout the year! What will this night entail? Here is a list of all the great things happening on this night!



- We will provide dinner for our 4-H'ers, 4-H families, and 4-H volunteers!
- We will be recognizing our participants in 4-H Project Record Books!
- Also, we will be recognizing our 4-H graduates!
- Youth will have a chance to be in our Talent Show and possibly go onto the District Level with their talents! (Talents can be singing, dancing, reading one's own poetry, playing an instrument, and more. Must sign up by March 6, 2020. Ages 5-18 may enter. Only ages 8-18 can go to District.)
- We will be recognizing our youth with their artistic talents as well through our Art Show! (Each 4-H'er may submit one painting and/or one drawing of any medium. Artwork is due to the office by March 6, 2020. Ages 5-18 may enter.)
- We will also be presenting our awards for Junior and Senior 4-H'er of the Year!

As you probably can tell, this is going to be a fun filled night! If you would like to come, please **RSVP by Friday, March 6, 2020** to reserve your spots! We are hoping for lots of great artwork and talent to be at this event as well, so please fill out the needed paperwork/deliver art entries and sign up for the talent show by March 6, 2020. We hope to see you there for this great event!

Talent Show and Art Show Sign Up-Ages 5-18- Due Friday, March 6, 2020

Do you want to be the in the Talent Show or Art Show to show off your talents at Yadkin County's 4-H Achievement Night?? If so, awesome! Because we want you there too! If you would like to sign up for the Talent Show, please fill out and bring in this form <https://yadkin.ces.ncsu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Talent-Show-Forms-2020.pdf?pwd=no> and pay close attention to the agreements. All talent acts must be approved **before** Achievement Night, so it would be best to turn in these forms early. If you would like to sign up for the Art Show, please fill out and bring this form <https://yadkin.ces.ncsu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Art-Show-Forms-2020.pdf?pwd=no> and bring by your art piece to the office before the deadline. Each 4-H'er can enter in two art pieces (one drawing and one painting). We cannot wait to see all of your wonderful talents!



2020 NC A&T State University Small Farms Week Youth Essay Competition Due by Monday, March 9, 2020

It has been announced that there will be a 2020 NC A&T Small Farms Week Youth Essay Competition! This is to celebrate Small Farms Week, which is March 22-28. This year's topic is **"How has NC Agriculture affected your life today?"** The competition is open to **6th, 7th & 8th grade** 4-H'ers across the state. All essays must be computer generated and be 1-page in length, single spaced, with a 12 point in either Times New Roman or Arial font. Submissions will be judged on content (50 points), grammar/spelling (15 points) and originality/creativity (35 points). 4-H'ers should include their name, grade level, name of 4-H agent, and the county they reside in on their essay. Prizes will be awarded to the top two students in each grade level. Yadkin County 4-H is also giving Clover Cash for this essay contest. All submissions must be emailed to Ms. Madaline at madaline_jones@ncsu.edu by **5:00 PM-Monday, March 9, 2020**. Please let Ms. Madaline know if you have any questions about this contest.

Small Farms Week

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Beekeeping Essay Contest -Ages 8-18-Due by Sunday, March 15, 2020

This is a great contest for those of us that enjoy writing and know a lot about bees! The topic this year is, "Overwintering: Bee Survival through the Cold Season." More information about the essay contest can be found here: <https://growforit.ces.ncsu.edu/growforit-programs/beekeeping-essay-contest/>. Submissions must be sent in electronically to Liz Driscoll at liz_driscoll@ncsu.edu. To receive Clover Cash for this essay, you must Carbon Copy "Cc" Ms. Madaline to this email so she knows you submitted it. Please pay close attention to the instructions before submitting this essay. Yadkin County has some awesome Bee Keepers that might be able to help you as well. Feel free to talk to Ms. Madaline if you have any questions.



4-H Online--Time to Re-Enroll and Enroll!

If you have not done so already, make sure to re-enroll or enroll in 4-H Online! All 4-H members and volunteers MUST have a 4-H Online profile. Otherwise, they will not be considered a 4-H member or a 4-H volunteer for this program. It only takes a few short minutes to log into your account and re-enroll because a lot of the information you put in the system last year will rollover to this year. If you are in need of enrolling for the first time, it on average takes about 10 minutes. You can re-enroll or enroll in 4-H Online via this link: <https://nc.4honline.com/Login.aspx?403D4075376775636277493241453D>.

If you need help with this process at all, please contact our 4-H Agent for Yadkin County, Madaline Jones, and she will be happy to assist you. She can be contacted through email at madaline_jones@ncsu.edu and by phone at 336-849-7908.

Also, here is a helpful letter to assist you with this enrollment process whether you are a returning member or volunteer or new to this program: [4HOnline-Rollover Re-Enrollment Family Letter 2019](#). This is another great link from the NC State 4-H Office that provides some helpful resources to for 4-H Online: <https://nc4h.ces.ncsu.edu/4honline/>.



County Council Meeting-Ages 12-18-Monday, March 23, 2020

County Council is for ages 12-18 and youth must be a registered 4-H'er to attend. This council focuses on community services, leadership, and citizenship related topics. For this meeting, we will be creating items for a local animal shelter. Please consider bringing an unwanted old t-shirt to donate for one of our activity this night. Also, we will have a mini drive setup for this animal shelter this night. So, please feel free to bring new cat/dog toys, dog/cat treats and bones, beds, peanut butter (Xylitol free), or joint supplements for dogs/cats. The shelter could also use cleaning supplies such as paper towels and Dawn dish liquid. We will serve a meal at this meeting; therefore, please let us know if you have any dietary restrictions upon signing up. Must RSVP by **Friday, March 20, 2020**.



4-H Club and County Council Officer Training! Thursday, April 16, 2020-5:30 PM-6:30 PM Deadline to sign up is Friday, April 10, 2020

Did you just get an officer position? Are you looking to be an officer one day? Or are you a club leader and what to know how having officers in your club works? Then this would be a great workshop for you to attend! This is a free workshop for youth, parents, and 4-H volunteers/club leaders to attend. We will be going over traditional officer roles and some other officer roles that clubs have added, parliamentary procedure, and more! We will have light refreshments, a presentation, games, and handouts for all our participants. Please RSVP by **Friday, April 10, 2020**. This workshop will be held in our building's Federal Conference Room. We must have at least 5 families sign up in order to have this workshop.

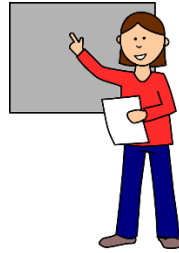


4-H County Presentation Week!-Ages 5-18-May 4-8, 2020

This event is a time where youth get to give their 4-H presentation and receive feedback on it. This will help them with the District competition because the feedback can help them make needed changes to the presentation.

You must sign up for this event by Friday, April 24, 2020 via filling out/sending in the "4-H County Presentation Week" form. This form can be found on Yadkin County Cooperative Extension Website at: <https://yadkin.ces.ncsu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/4-H-County-Presentation-Week-2020.pdf?pwd=no>. This form asks you for general information about your presentation such as category, your basic information about yourself, and it asks you to select three of your top appointment times you could come give your presentation. You will be contacted about your appointment time soon after the deadline for this has passed.

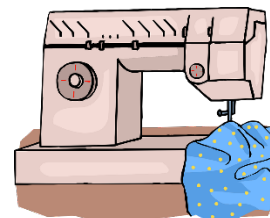
This is NOT a required event this year in order for you to do a District presentation unless you have three in your age division and category. You can still sign up for a District presentation (The District competition will be held at District Activity Day in Ashe County NC) by **Monday, May 18, 2020**. This event is to help our youth fine-tune their presentation and get them more public speaking experience in the process. Participants have the option of just competing on the county level as well. Clover Cash will be given for each level participated in. Please contact Ms. Madaline for more information or if you have any questions!



Dates to Keep in Mind!

North Central District Activity Day-Friday, June 26, 2020-Ashe County: Ashe County High School at 184 Campus Dr, West Jefferson, NC 28694: Make sure to put this event on your calendars! This event is where youth can show off their presentation skills in the North Central District 4-H Presentation Competition (ask Ms. Madaline for details), show off their garment in the District Fashion Revue (must have been in the top three in their age division at the county level), or show off their talents in the North Central District Entertains Showcase (must have won at county).

Fashion Revue County Deadline: Friday, May 29, 2020: It's that time year again to make your Fashion Revue entries! You must sew something you can wear for this competition whether that be a pair of pajama pants, an apron, dress, blouse with a skirt, etc. We will be able to send off our top three in our Junior and Senior divisions to District Activity Day in Ashe County on **Friday, June 26, 2020** where youth get to compete with other youth across our 20 county district! All Cloverbuds will get to go to District Activity Day if they choose. Clover Cash will be given to all participants for each level they reach in the competition. This competition no longer has a state event. Please bring your entries to the 4-H Office by **5:00 PM May 29, 2020**. For more information or to ask questions, please contact Ms. Madaline for more information!



Yadkin County 4-H Club Meetings!

Longtown 4-H Club- Thursday, March 12, 2020-Time: 6:00 PM-Area: West Yadkin

Juntos 4-H Club-Wednesday, March 18, 2020-Time: 6:00 PM-Area: Yadkinville

Prospect 4-H Club- Thursday, March 19, 2020-Time: 3:30 PM-Area: East Bend

Foothills Farm 4-H Club-Tuesday, March 24, 2020-Time: 7:00 PM-Area: Jonesville

Panthers 4-H Club-Thursday, March 25, 2020-Time: 3:15 PM-Area: Yadkinville

Deep Creek 4-H Club-Thursday, March 26, 2020-Time: 6:00 PM-Area: Yadkinville



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Special accommodations will be made for the physically disabled, vision, or hearing impaired person upon request. If special accommodations are required, please call Madaline Jones at (336) 849-7908, 7 days prior to the event or activity. This event or activity is operating under the 4-H Code of Conduct and Disciplinary Procedure. You can obtain a copy from your 4-H Agent. This 4-H Code of Conduct and Disciplinary Procedure is a condition of participation in any North Carolina 4-H activities or programs.