



# Oconee 4-H Focus



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## National 4-H Week

### October 2-8

Oconee County 4-H is celebrating National 4-H Week! Go to [www.oconee4h.org](http://www.oconee4h.org) and hear how 4-H has touched the lives of many from all around the country. Georgia 4-H is offering a photo, video and essay contest for 4-H members and volunteers. Find details on our webpage. Deadline is October 7. Be sure to check out this week's Oconee Enterprise for a special 4-H section.



## Cooking with Care

Our next Cooking With Care for 5th graders will be held on October 18 from 3:30-5:00 at the 4-H Office. Call the 4-H office at 706/769-3946 on Monday, October 17 to sign up.

Open to the first 25 to sign up. Middle School CWC is scheduled for October 20th. Come learn the basics of safe food preparation & help prepare a meal for a local family.



To make the best better!



My next meeting is: \_\_\_\_\_

## 6th Grade Project Achievement

All 6th graders are invited to participate in Project Achievement on November 19 at Rock Eagle. Be sure to sign up at the October school 4-H meeting or call the 4-H office at 706/769-3946. A list of projects can be found at [www.oconee4h.org](http://www.oconee4h.org). There will be a practice day on November 11 from 3:30-5:00 at the 4-H office.



## Consumer Judging

Consumer Judging Team Members learn to be smart consumers by making wise financial decisions. Practices for Consumer Judging will begin on Monday, October 17th. Following practices will be October 19, 24 and 26 and November 2, 7, 9 and 14, with the area contest on November 15. All practices meet at the 4-H Office at 3:30 and end by 5:00.



## Road Clean-Up

Join us to help keep Watkinsville looking clean and beautiful. We will be picking up trash on Barnett Shoals Road on October 10th and November 16th from 3:30 until 5:00 p.m.



**Oconee County Extension Service**  
(706)769-3946

*Monte Stephens, County Extension Coordinator  
Lauren Healey, County Extension Agent  
Joey Bristol, 4-H Program Assistant  
Denise Everson, County Extension Agent  
Renelle Ramirez, County Secretary*

## Dairy Quiz Bowl

The Dairy Quiz Bowl team will begin preparing for state competition. If you are interested in taking an in-depth look at the dairy industry and being a part of a great team, come to the practices at the 4-H Office from 3:30-5:00. Practices will be held on November 8, 10, 17, 22 and 29 to prepare for the state contest on January 21 at UGA.



## Horse Quiz Bowl

Practices for the Horse Quiz Bowl team will start on November 18. This team will teach you everything you always wanted to know about horses and much more.



Remaining November practices will be held at the 4-H office from 3:30-5:00 on the 21st and 30th.

## Friends of Our Troops

Oconee 4-H will be collecting Christmas cards to send to United States Troops that will be away from their families over the holidays. This is a great way to show your support to members of the military! In your club meeting you will receive a card you may use to write the Troops. The inside can include a personal message and any drawings or clipart. Use your imagination!



## GA 4-H Holiday Card Contest

Design a December Holiday card for Georgia 4-H Supporters! The top prize is \$50! Entries must be original drawings on a piece of unlined, white paper, 8.5x5.5 inches.

Please try to use a universal "holiday" theme. Entries are due by to the 4-H office by October 12th.



## RECYCLING PROJECTS

Did you know that when you recycle your aluminum cans at the 4-H office it will help provide a scholarship for summer camp?

## Junior Portfolio Workshop

It's time for 7th and 8th graders who will be competing in District Project Achievement to start preparing a portfolio. Come to the Junior Portfolio Workshop and get help to make your portfolio look it's best. The Workshop will be held at the 4-H Office on November 28 from 3:30-5:00. Preparing now will guarantee a fantastic weekend in March!



## JUNIOR CONFERENCE

Junior Conference for 7th and 8th graders is set for November 5-6 at Rock Eagle 4-H Center in Eatonton. The cost is \$60.00 by October 14 and \$65.00 after that. date.

Registration forms may be found on our website: [www.oconee4h.org](http://www.oconee4h.org).

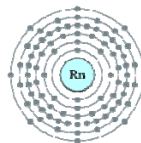


## Magnolia Friends

The next two meetings at Magnolia Estates will be on October 27 and November 29. 6th through 12th grade 4-H'ers are invited to join us at Magnolia Estates to participate in activities with the residents. We will meet at Magnolia Estates on Virgil Langford Road from 4:00-5:00. Participants need to be picked up at Magnolia Estates at 5:00.



## Radon Poster Contest



Radon is a colorless, odorless and tasteless gas that can kill. The Surgeon General lists it as the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States. **The Goal: Raise Awareness**

The University of Georgia Radon Education Program offers a Radon Poster Contest for all students ages 9-14. County and State Winners will be honored at the State Ceremony in December. Entries must be received at the 4-H office by October 11. Call 706/769-3946 for more details. For radon information visit: [www.sosradon.org](http://www.sosradon.org).

I have read my child's 4-H Focus:

Child: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent/Guardian Signature)

Please cut out and return to your teacher

# Oconee County SHOUT

## Clovers & Company

Oconee County 4-H members Megan Beckett, Caelan Berry and Garrett Hibbs will be performing with Clover's & Company at the Georgia National Fair in Perry on October 16th.

Congratulations to members of our **Forestry Judging Team** who competed in the Northeast Area Forestry Judging Contest. The Junior teams won third place and Garrett Hibbs was 7th High Individual in the Senior Contest. Congratulations to all team members: Michael Coulter, Jack Derochers, Garrett Hibbs, Josh House, Lora Nedza, Brantley Saye, Reed Smith and Bryce Watson. Great job!



Madalyne Bielen, Mary Fields, Alyssa Gladney, Baylee Hamby, Jordan Hicks, Reagan Murphy, Penn Ogilvie, Annie Schalnat, Savannah Steet and Catharine Waters attended the **Step Up and Lead Conference** at Rock Eagle.



**Kayla Bannister, Allison Barnes, Austin Daniel, Cole Daniel, Bailey Guthrie, Bennett Guthrie, Garrett Hibbs, Anna Kelley, Savannah Lockman, Brooks Saye and Heidi Schroeder were recognized by the Oconee County Commissioners and the Oconee School Board for their state 4-H accomplishments. Congratulations!**



A great group pitched in and helped with the **Road Clean-Up**. Thank you to Matthew Coulter, Jack Derochers, Mackenzie Merrit, Olivia Ogletree, Carmen Pavao, Hope Reeves, Reed Smith and Madison Warren. Thank you to our teen leader, Katelynn Oldham.



**Bailey Guthrie, Garrett Hibbs and Meghan Mitchell represented Georgia 4-H by leading the Pledge of Allegiance at the meeting of Georgia Association of Curriculum and Instructional Supervisors.**



Congratulations to the following clubs who had **100% participation** at Officer's Training: Mrs. DeSa, Mrs. Gaines, Mrs. Hadden, Mrs. Hoard, Mr. McConnell, Mrs. Stephens and Mrs. Warren.



Several Oconee 4-Hers visited with the residents of **Magnolia Estates** including: Breezy Barr, Jack Derochers, Andrew Hunt, Morgan Knupp, Katelynn Oldham, Reed Smith and Bailey Woodworth.



Rachel Albanese, Leslie Aldrich, Mason Black, Tanner Graves, Madeline Guest, Andrew Hart, Jordan Huff, Maxine Lafontaine, Marin Lonnee, Nelli Lucus, Mackenzie Merritt, Garrett Middlebrooks, Brianna Mitchell, Sara New, Caleb Newsome, Emalee Nichols, Olivia Ogletree, Emily Queen, Hope Reeves, Annie Schalnat, Griffin Sutton, Peyton Ward, Madison Warren, Allie Whitmire and Gracie Williams participated in **Cooking With Care**. Thank you to teen leaders Megan Beckett, Mackenzie Bramblett and Meghan Mitchell. A very special "Thank you" to **Wal-Mart** for providing the food.



*Kayla Bannister, Allison Barnes, Megan Beckett, Jared Daniel, Bailey Guthrie, Savannah Lockman and Brooks Saye submitted articles for the 4-H Supplement for National 4-H Week. Great job!*



Jared Daniel, Caroline Henning, Tristan Medlin, Katelynn Oldham and Staley Reed represented Georgia 4-H in Atlanta for the National Youth Science Day Experiment.



**Officer's Training** was a great success! *Thank You* to all Senior 4-Her's who taught classes: Megan Beckett, Jonathan Fox, Bailey Guthrie, Bennett Guthrie, Garrett Hibbs, Savannah Lockman, Meghan Mitchell, Nanki Udwani and Brooks Saye .



The **Tip Top Meeting Officers** did a fantastic job at Officer's Training! Those who led the meeting were: Brady Rhines, Hannah Hester, Anna Barnett, Bailey Pirkle, Samantha Smith and Anna Lee Eberhart.



**Project Achievement** was demonstrated at Officer's Training by Josh Gomez and Hayden Guthrie. They did a great job!



## 2011—2012 5th Grade Officers

**CFES** Arnold: Reagan Murphy, Turner Pascoe, Ashlyn Thompson, Jazmyn Vieitez, Hallie Elder, Anna Lee Eberhart

Dodge: Seoho Kim, Sara New, Marin Lonnee, Hudson Grogan, Jade Wayson, Tanner Dixon

Hoard: Madalyne Bielen, Zach Ayers, Hope Hewatt, Will Hite, Tela Eells, Christian Baxter

McConnell: Baylee Hamby, Hope Reeves, Laura Kiracofe, Jordan Longsinger, Lexey Cooper, Riley Whited

**HSES** Cooper 1: Lexi Bell, Cailey Dunford, Andrew Hart, Adam Schwartzenbach, Peyton Varner, Josiah Okello

Cooper 2: Wesley John, Kai Campbell, Jordan Huff, Jordan Mundy, Sarah Madden, Pryce Lofton

Cooper 3: Brady Rhines, Alicia DeFoe, Anna Barnett, Rosie Kitchens, Julie Elmore, Bailey Ellis

Cooper 4: Savannah Steet, Hannah Hester, Hunter Haskins, Gracie Williams, Dylan Crowe, Will Harrison

**MBES** Arnold: Yash Patel, Becca Dove, Carson Allen, Katie Beth Carey, Emilie Wingate, Alex Gandy

Joiner: Penn Ogilvie, John Thomason, Maddie Newton, Caroline Brank, Samantha Smith, Doster Chastain

Rose: Jordan Hicks, Hannah Elder, Luke Butler, Rhianna Byrd, Jane Cha, Spencer Brose

Warren: Anjali Makken, Abby Rider, Katelyn Ausburn, Ashlee Barwick, Ashley Cockfield, David Crumley

**OCES** DeSa: Mary Shields, Frances Redwine, Savannah Jane Fairbanks, Bailey Pirkle, Blair Lee, Emma Powers

Edenfield: Claire Cobb, Sarena Springer, Matthew Gaines, Evan Kesler, Walker Hedrick, Brianna Roberts

Hadden: Annie Schalnat, Sydney Field, Mason Black, Rahul Das, Daniel Rouhani, Taylor Moon

Julian: Annie Schalnat, Sydney Field, Mason Black, Rahul Das, Daniel Rouhani, Taylor Moon

Stephens: Juliana Hunt, Chase Dunegan, Raini Harper-Olson, Bailey Burrows, Hallie McCollum, Jordan Boling

Zuber: Laney Grace Frutiger, Luke Nelson, McKinley Jackson, Will Shuford, Mitch Benton, Taylor Alexander, Gillian Autry

**RBES** Channell: Alyssa Gladney, Elena Fischer, Zac Cason, Grant Grahl, Drew Tyson, Emily Queen

Gaines: Oliver Hedges, Olivia Emerick, Kendal Sosbee, Taylor Jenkins, Mackenzie Chandler, Hayden Bagley

Satterfield: Madison Britt, Akshey Suresh, Nick McKenna, Madison Holland, Constantine Saliki, David Patrick

Yount: Abby Davis, Zain Qureshi, Georgia Laster, Collin Waterfill, Christian Kilgore, DJ DeFabio

**WCA** Kinney: Mary Ford Smith, G. W. Hendrix, Emma Rasmussen, Zoe Gilliam, Gracin Wilkins, Jeremiah Smith