



# Sumter County 4-H Opportunities

(January 2012- April 2012)

Winter / Spring

## January

### Archery Team

Grades 7-12. - \$100 competition fee  
 Learn the art of archery and have the opportunity to compete at 4-H archery competitions across the state. Call Mrs. April for more information- 229-924-7159

### Project Achievement Practices

Contact Mrs. Keri to schedule an appointment.  
 Become an expert in your favorite area of interest.

### 4-H Camp Scholarship

Application Due Date: January 20  
 Want to go to camp this summer but don't have extra cash for camp? Apply for Sumter County 4-H Camp



### Cloverbud Meetings Begin

Date, time and location coming soon  
 Call Ms. Martinez: 229-591-1166.

### Sumter County 4-H Awards Night

January 26, 2012, 6:30pm - 7:30pm  
 Sumter County Agricultural Center  
 4-H'ers and Family are all invited  
 RSVP by at noon to 229-924-4476 or  
[uge2261@uga.edu](mailto:uge2261@uga.edu)

For more information

visit our website :

<http://www.caes.uga.edu/extension/sumter/4H/>

### Youth Summit

Apply by January 30

Summit focuses on engaging youth in the improvement of their local communities. Youth will research local issues, enhance their planning and communication skills and connect with resources in their community, region and state that will assist them.

Prior to attending the Summit, a team of youth and adults research the issues facing their community, as well as assets they can use to help address these issues. For more information or application visit: <http://www.georgiayouthsummit.org/>

### National Agricultural Day Contest

Deadline February 1st

The Agriculture Council of America (ACA) is calling on 9th- to 12th-grade students to submit an original essay of 450 words or a two-minute video about the importance of agriculture.

For more detail visit:

<http://www.hpj.com/agdayessay>

### 11th Annual Leadership Day in Georgia

Registration Deadline: January 20

Event Date: February 6

County Officers can meet leaders from all across Georgia come together to share best practices and success stories and identify ways to improve leadership efforts in Georgia. Combined with 4-H Day at the Capitol, it provides 4-H'ers an opportunity

## February

### Junior/Senior Project Achievement

February 10-12; 7th—12th graders

You will become an expert in your favorite area of interest, spend weekend at Rock Eagle.

### 4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest

Deadline: February 3, 2012

4-H'ers investigate plants in your community that benefit from honey bee pollination, determine the results of that pollination, and write an essay.

For rules and regulation visit:

[www.georgia4h.org/beekeeping/](http://www.georgia4h.org/beekeeping/)

### State Indoor Archery Match

February 18, 2012

Sumter County 4-H Archery Team will have the chance to travel to Perry and compete against others across the state.

### "Fair Bear" Writing Competition

Deadline to enter is Feb 20

All 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to enter in this creative writing contest. Students will describe the process of deciding on, designs, and implements a project. The project can be anything from a recycling program, to a community garden, to any type of program to reduce waste.



### Georgia 4-H College Scholarship

Deadline: February 27

Headed off to College after graduation? Have you considered the costs? With tuition, books, room and board . . . it all adds up quickly. As Georgia 4-H'ers you are eligible for college scholarships to help you with the expense of continuing

### Walk Georgia

Registration: Feb. 1 to Mar. 17, 2012

Program period: Feb. 12. to May 5.

As you log your minutes of physical activity each week, you will virtually travel across the state of Georgia discovering interesting facts about each county you "visit" and learning new ways to improve your health.

[www.walkgeorgia.org](http://www.walkgeorgia.org)



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(Spring 2012 continued)

## March



### Poultry Judging Team

Date, time and location to be announced  
 Grades 7-12. - \$ 20 fee  
 Area Contest on April 12th in  
 Houston Co.

Learn about all things poultry:  
 eggs, chickens, and poultry  
 products!



### State Horse Show

Exhibit knowledge of your horse project  
 through exhibiting horses and demonstra-  
 tions.

Pre-registration: March 1

Registration : May 18

Show Dates: June 6 - 9 in Perry, GA

### Leadership In Action

Application deadline March 26

The Leadership in Action program is de-  
 signed to recognize the work of Junior (7th  
 -8th) and Senior (9th-12th) 4-H'ers as lead-  
 ers in their communities. 4-H'ers will iden-  
 tify an issue or need in the community or  
 an issue related to agriculture or the envi-  
 ronment. Once this issue or need has been  
 selected, the 4-H'er will determine ways to  
 make a difference and then enact his/her  
 plan. The process focuses on leadership  
 engagement by the 4-H'er.



### Project Achievement

March 17

Cloverleaves, become an expert in your  
 favorite area of interest and meet  
 people across the district at this  
 year's Project Achievement held at  
 Sumter County Middle School.

### Sell Your Vidalia Onions

Pick up your packets on March 2nd!

\$10 for 10lb bag

Call Mrs. Keisha: 229.924.4476



### Get Movin' Monday's

Beginning March 26

Monday's 4:30 - 5:30

Sumter County Extension Office

Join us for fun games, sports, and activi-  
 ties that will get you moving!

EVERYONE IS WELCOME! Free!



## April



### Dean's Award Application

**Deadline: April 30 by 5pm**

One of the highest awards Georgia 4-H  
 Members can earn is the 4-H Dean's  
 Award. Competition for the Dean's  
 Awards is open to all Senior 4-H mem-  
 bers regardless of their prior participa-  
 tion or winning status in other pro-  
 jects. Dean's Award participants will  
 submit a cumulative (4-H career) portfo-  
 lio and participate in an interview ses-  
 sion.

### Leadership in Action Interviews

Leadership in Action interviews  
 are a formal interview experi-  
 ence for competitors. 4-H'ers  
 are judged on presence, ease,  
 ability to answer questions as  
 well as quality of the application  
 and the work the 4-H'er has  
 done.

### Poultry Judging Area Contest

Area Contest on: April 12th  
 In Houston County  
 Good Luck Team!

### **Volunteers Needed for Spring 2012**

#### Poultry Judging Coach

Interested in mentoring youth, giving  
 back to community? Sumter Co. 4-H is  
 seeking a Poultry Judging Coach who  
 will guide youth about all things poul-  
 try!

Commitment time will vary between  
 March until April (until area contest)

#### Health Living Leader

Have a keen interest in health, and  
 educating youth? Why not lead activi-  
 ties to engage our youth in healthy  
 behaviors? Commitment time varies.

**For more information contact, Keri Hobbs  
 at 229.924.4476 or klgandy@uga.edu**

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