

FORSYTH COUNTY CENTER

What's Happening - December 2021

Horticulture



Pesticide Continuing Education for Green Industry Professionals and Farmers

Date: Monday, December 6, 2021

Time: 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Location: N. C. Cooperative Extension office
1450 Fairchild Rd, Winston-Salem

Registration required: [Online with Eventbrite](#)

Description: In this 2 hour class, we will discuss personal protective equipment (PPE) options for pesticide users and provide an update on current pest issues. Credits available: *N.C. pesticide license credits:* 2 hours H, L, N, O, D, X. *NC landscape contractor's license credits:* 2 hours (0.5 hours landscape + 1.5 hours business).



Winterizing the Garden

Date: Thursday, December 9, 2021

Time: 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Location: Crossnore Communities for Children
1001 Reynolda Rd NW, Winston-Salem

Registration: [Online with Eventbrite](#)

Description: In the Piedmont, gardening does not have to stop in the winter, but you do need to prep the garden space to ensure its success. Best garden winter care practices will be demonstrated.



Scale Certification

Drop off scales on either:

Wednesday December 15 from noon - 5 p.m.

or Thursday, December 16 from 8 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Pick up scales: Thursday, Dec 16 from 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Location: N.C. Cooperative Extension
1450 Fairchild Rd, Winston-Salem

Registration recommended: [Online with Eventbrite](#)

Description: Those that sell produce and other items by weights must have their scales certified annually. The North Carolina Department of Agriculture & Consumer Sciences (NCDA&CS) will be certifying weigh scales at our office.

Piedmont NC Farm School

Taking applications on a first come, first serve basis until the class is full

Applications are currently being accepted for this unique entrepreneurial program for new and transitioning farmers with the mission of increasing the number of successful farmers in North Carolina. **[For more information and the application, click here.](#)**

Natural Resources



Bee School - *coming soon!*

The Forsyth County Beekeepers Association has just posted information about their next Bee School in Spring 2022. If you have an interest in becoming a beekeeper, this class will teach you what you need to become a certified beekeeper. Here is a link to their website: **<https://fcba.wildapricot.org/>**

Family & Consumer Sciences



*****Get a head start on your New Year's Resolution!***

Holiday Med Instead of Meds

Dates: Thursdays, December 2 - January 20, 2022

Time: 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Location: Join us online with Zoom.

Registration is required: **[Online with Eventbrite](#)**

Description: You will learn about popular Mediterranean way tips, life hacks, and simple, delicious, and satisfying recipes demonstrated by Chef Floyd from the Forsyth County Public Library, that will help you eat the Med Way every day and maintain, not gain, during the "most wonderful time of the year."



Pickling During the Winter Season

Date: Tuesday, December 7, 2021

Time: 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Location: Join us in person at 1450 Fairchild Rd, Winston-Salem or online with Zoom.

Registration is required: **[Online with Eventbrite](#)**

Description: Learn how to pickle this winter and holiday season to compliment your holiday meals and have great gift-giving ideas for family and friends.

4-H Youth Development



Poultry & Rabbit Show in 2022 - *Preparation begins now!*

Forsyth County school-age youth may participate in a Poultry & Rabbit show on May 7, 2022. All poultry **MUST** be purchased through Forsyth County 4-H. The fee is \$20.

Egg-laying chicks may be ordered by December 17 using this

link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSchPzZX-Fy3M8OTSfWG89n4PqBPgbk_uosKEu1uOKtmUU_uUg/viewform

Meat-type chicks may be ordered by January 28 using this link: **<https://forms.gle/JVh66gH3q4ceSezg6>**

Youth are also welcome to show their own rabbit and that link will be sent out after the first of the year. Learn more at **<https://forsyth.cc/article.aspx?NewsID=26565>**

Livestock



Where and How to Sell Your Livestock

Date: Wednesday, December 8, 2021

Time: 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.

Location: Online with Zoom

Registration is required: [Online with Eventbrite](#)

Description: N.C. Cooperative Extension, NC Choices, and NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services-Livestock Marketing Division are hosting a webinar about various livestock markets. The webinar will focus on price comparisons from weekly sales, value-added, graded sales, truckload sales,

and selling live animals directly off the farm.



Housing for Chickens

Date: Thursday, December 9, 2021

Time: 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Location: Online with Zoom

Registration is required: [Online with Eventbrite](#)

Description: We will explore the various types of housing for chickens, space requirements, roosting and nest boxes requirements, and other considerations.

Other Important Information

Happy Holidays!

Our office will be closed for the holidays on:

Friday, December 24, 2021

Monday, December 27, 2021

Tuesday, December 28, 2021

Friday, December 31, 2021

Soil Test Fees

Most of the year (generally April through November), routine NCDA&CS soil tests are provided at "no direct cost" to N.C. residents because of funding derived from a statewide fee on commercial fertilizer. **However, from now through March, a peak-season fee of \$4 is charged for the processing of each soil sample.**



We have soil test kits available 24 hours a day in the message center in our Demonstration Garden.

EVENTS | [View Calendar](#)

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