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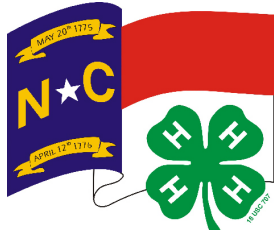
**NORTH CAROLINA 4-H  
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT  
AWARDS HANDBOOK**

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4-H age is 5-18. 4-H Competition is for 4-H members age 9 through 18. Age is determined on January 1 of the competitive year. The 4-H program year is January to December, annually. Unless otherwise noted, a 4-H member may only be declared a state gold winner one time for each age level and category of the contests listed in this handbook.

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## Tomorrow's Leaders, Today . . .

### 2011-2012 State 4-H Council Officers



(Left to Right): Elected by their peers to serve and lead the organization statewide are: Vice President Justin Simmons of Brunswick County, President Allyson Brake of Wilson County, Reporter Talor Brown of Guilford County and Secretary/Treasurer Bryan Hartman of Stokes County.

## 2011 National 4-H Congress

National 4-H Congress is a highlight event of the 4-H program across the country. For more than eighty years, youth from the United States and its territories have participated in this celebration of 4-H achievement. 4-H Congress provides youth, ages 14-19, a quality, educational, and cross-cultural experience. In 2011, fifteen North Carolina youth and three adults attended National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Georgia, right after Thanksgiving.

Brandon Joyce, Forsyth  
 Cody Johnsen, Lincoln  
 Emma Isom, Lincoln  
 Margo Lee, Gaston  
 Nathan Barrick, Forsyth  
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 State 4-H Office

Thearon McKinney, NCSU,  
 State 4-H Office

Denise Sherrill, Henderson  
 4-H Agent

## APPLICATION, INTERVIEW, RÉSUMÉ, & ESSAY

1. To participate in 2012, the 4-H member must be 14 years old before January 1, 2012 and must not have had his/her 19th birthday before January 1, 2012.
2. 4-H members should complete an Application Form for Leadership Opportunities and prepare a two-page résumé (guidelines available from your 4-H agent). Applications and résumés are due to the Department by May 15.
3. A transmittal form is available from the 4-H agent to declare the categories in which the 4-Her is eligible. Applications may be entered in one or more of the broad curriculum categories listed and in the general category.
4. Applicants with the top 100 scores will be invited to interview during 4-H Congress.

Program Area	#	Donors
Trips To National 4-H Congress		
Animal Science Brinton Hopkins, Dairy Extension; Brent Jennings, 4-H Livestock; Extension Horse Husbandry	4	Gary Stott Memorial Fund (Swine); NC Cattlemen's Beef Council (Beef); NC Pork Council; Terry and Sigrid McCain Dairy Scholarship Endowment (Dairy); Southeast & Northeast District 4-H Horse Councils, MattDowns, NC 4-H Horse Program (Horse)
Citizenship & Civic Education Thearon McKinney, 4-H; Steve Lilley, Sociology	1	Steve and Sharon Rowland 4-H Leadership & Citizenship Endowment
Communication Arts Natalie Hampton, Communication Services	2	Ray Wilkinson Communication Award; Dr. James W. Clark, Jr; Carolina Farm Credit; Ag Carolina Financial; Cape Fear Farm Credit
Environmental Science Renee Strnad, Forestry & Environmental Resources; Jim Rice, Zoology	1	Fred and Dot Wagoner 4-H Forestry Endowment
Healthy Lifestyles Carolyn Dunn, Ben Chapman, Foods & Nutrition; Biological & Agricultural Engineering; Cassandra Wiggins, Health	1	NC 4-H Development Fund
Leadership, Citizenship, Community & Public Service Thearon McKinney, 4-H	1	Georgia Wade and Louis Marvin Butts & Sarah Ann Butts Sasser 4-H Endowment. Preference given to members from Carteret, Johnston, Halifax or Northampton Counties.
Leadership & Personal Development Thearon McKinney, 4-H	1	North Carolina 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Association; Sadie Burbage Whitley Endowment
Plant Science Liz Driscoll, Horticulture Crop Science	1	Syngenta; Phi Alpha Xi; NC Soybean Producers Association; NC Small Grain Growers Association
Science & Technology Stephen Bambara, Entomology; Jim Rice, Zoology; Lynn Turner, Food Science; Grant Ellington, Biological & Agricultural Engineering	2	MSC, Inc.; Progress Energy; Duke Energy
Trips To National 4-H Conference		
Leadership and Citizenship Shannon McCollum, 4-H	6	NC 4-H Development Fund; JD & Naomi Sykes Memorial; Carolyn W. Grant National 4-H Conference Endowment

*For those awards traditionally funded by endowments, payment of the award (including trip awards) will be dependent upon the availability of investment income.*

# Cumulative Records Regulations:

1. Age eligibility is established on January 1, 2012. To participate in the 13-to-15-year-old age group, the 4-H member must be 13 years old before January 1, 2012 and not have had his/her 16th birthday before January 1, 2012. To participate in the 16-to-18-year-old group, the member must be 16 years old before January 1, 2012 and not have had his/her 19th birthday before January 1, 2012.
2. To be eligible for district and state awards, the member must:
  - a. have been enrolled in 4-H for at least one year, and preferably three or more years.
  - b. be enrolled during the current year in the program area in which competing.
  - c. record at least one, but no more than three, years of information on the pages of the North Carolina 4-H Report Form, except in the section entitled "Other 4-H Accomplishments." This section is designed to capture major accomplishments in other project areas and/or in the project of competition if more than three years ago.
3. A 4-H member may submit cumulative records for district and state competition in no more than two program areas during the same year.
4. A 4-H member may be declared a state winner in only one 4-H cumulative record per year. He/she may also be declared state silver or bronze winner in one additional program area per year.
5. Silver and Bronze winners may continue to compete in the same cumulative record area until named a state gold winner.

# CUMULATIVE RECORDS

Due February 1, 2013

Program Area	Donor
<b>Animal Science</b>	
Agriculture	Commissioner James A Graham 4-H Agriculture Endowment
Beef Brent Jennings, 4-H Livestock	NC Cattlemen's Association NC Cattlemen's Beef Council
Dairy Brinton Hopkins, Dairy Extension	NC Dairy Youth Foundation
Poultry Production and Preparation Poultry Science	NC Poultry Federation
Horse Horse Husbandry	Carolina Farm Credit
Sheep/Goat Brent Jennings, 4-H Livestock	NC Meat Goat Association NC Sheep Producers Association Piedmont Dairy Goat Association
Veterinary Science Brent Jennings, 4-H Livestock	Kevin and Beth Farrell
Swine Brent Jennings, 4-H Livestock	Gary Stott Memorial Fund
<b>Citizenship &amp; Civic Education</b>	
Citizenship & Community Service Harriett Edwards, 4-H	The Skipwith Family
<b>Communications &amp; Expressive Arts</b>	
Public Speaking/Communications Thearon McKinney, 4-H	Ag Carolina Financial, Carolina Farm Credit, Cape Fear Farm Credit, Ray Wilkinson Communication Endowment, Dr. James W. Clark, Jr., The NC Ag Communicators Network
Expressive Arts Mark Dearmon, Communication Services	Ray Wilkinson Communication Endowment
<b>Environmental Science</b>	
Forestry & Natural Resources Renee Strnad, Forestry & Environmental Resources	Fred & Dot Wagoner Forestry Endowment
<b>Consumer &amp; Family Science</b>	
Consumer & Family Science Karen DeBoard and Sandy Wiggins, Family and Consumer Sciences	Frankye Susanne Ebert Memorial Fund Ellen Willard Haenlein

## CUMULATIVE RECORDS (continued)

Program Area	Donor
<b>Healthy Lifestyles</b>	
Food & Nutrition (Breads, Dairy Foods, Peanuts, General) Ben Chapman, Family & Consumer Sciences	Rachel Kirby Thomas and Dr. Frank Bancroft Thomas 4-H Foods & Nutrition Endowment
Health & Safety Barbara Garland, Rural Health Coordinator & Grant Ellington, Biological & Agricultural Engineering	NC 4-H Development Fund
Sports Nutrition Carolyn Dunn, Family & Consumer Sciences	Martha and Ted Archer 4-H Family and Consumer Science Endowment
<b>Leadership &amp; Personal Development</b>	
Achievement Shannon McCollum, 4-H	Russell and Rebecca Parker Murray 4-H Achievement Endowment
Leadership 4-H	Sadie Burbage Whitley Endowment, NC 4-H Volunteer Leaders Association
Personal Development Careers	NC 4-H Development Fund
<b>Plant Science</b>	
Plant & Horticultural Science Liz Driscoll, Horticulture	John Henry and Sarah Catharine McCaskill 4-H Plant Science Endowment
<b>Science &amp; Technology</b>	
Electric Energy Grant Ellington, Biological & Agricultural Engineering	Progress Energy, Duke Energy, Dominion NC Power Company
Science & Technology (Science, Mechanical Science & Entomology) Cassandra Wiggins, Family & Consumer Sciences; Grant Ellington, Biological & Agricultural Engineering, Steve Bambara, Entomology	MSC, Inc. Syngenta

*For those awards traditionally funded by endowments, the payment of the award in 2012 will be dependent upon the availability of investment income.*

*NOTE: NC 4-H Development Fund allocations for the current fiscal year remain severely limited. If funded at this same level, we may be unable to award these trips. Currently, the areas of Agriculture; Sheep/Goat; Forestry & Natural Resources; Health & Safety; and Personal Development/Careers are sponsored or co-sponsored by the Development Fund. Awards will be contingent upon funding.*

## Cumulative Records Regulations: (continued)

- Gold state winners in the 13-to-15-year-old age group are ineligible to compete in that same category until they reach the 16-to-18-year-old age group.
- There is no limit to the number of records a county can submit in any given cumulative record area.
  - If a creditable cumulative record is not submitted in a project area, no winner will be declared.
  - As of December 1, 2011, some donors had not renewed their support contracts or a donor had not yet been secured for some 2012 programs; therefore, if a donor is not secured or renewed for a category, the state award will be a certificate and medallion.
  - Awards that are provided by state donors will be distributed in the fall of the year selected.

## State and District Cumulative Record Awards

District level winners receive a certificate. State level winners receive an award of the following value unless otherwise noted\*:

Ages 13 to 15:	Ages 16 to 18:
Gold, \$100	Gold, \$150
Silver, \$50	Silver, \$100
Bronze, \$25	Bronze, \$50

*Specific Prize will be determined by the county 4-H program.*

Once a member has achieved the Gold Medal at the state level, the 4-H'er may not compete in the same program area until he/she reaches the next age level.



1. The Project Record competition recognizes excellence in annual 4-H Project Records. Youth who have been declared county champions in one or more of the nine curriculum areas listed are eligible to compete for district awards in four age groups: 9 through 10, 11 through 12, 13 through 15, and 16 through 18.
2. District Awards are given for each age group as follows: \$50 value, except for 16 through 18 year olds in the Personal Development and Leadership Category, which supports a trip to Cooperative Leadership Camp in that division. A district winner can attend Leadership Camp only once.
3. Age eligibility is established on January 1. Work on the project may cover no more than 12 months. The 4-H program year is January - December, annually.
4. Records will be held in the County Extension Office after judging. 4-H members may not make improvements on their records after they have been submitted for county competition, with the exception of copying the record in one color of ink. No alterations can be made to the content of the project. This will ensure equal time for competitors to work on their project records. Records are due in the 4-H Youth Development Department office on March 1.
5. A 4-H member may submit up to two project records for district competition. Counties may submit their top two projects in each category for district competition.
6. The district award will be mailed to the County Extension Center and distributed as determined by the county 4-H program.
7. Project Records that are partially funded will receive a monetary award which reflects current funding.

A 4-H member can be named a District Gold Winner in a curriculum area only one time for each age category.

## PROJECT RECORD RECOGNITION\*\*

\*\* Certificates are available for county level recognitions from the Department of 4-H Youth Development. Pins, plaques, and other recognitions can also be purchased from the National 4-H Supply Service for county level recognition.

Program Area	
Animal Science	
Brinton Hopkins, Brent Jennings, Horse Husbandry, Animal Science	NC Cattlemen's Beef Council, NC Pork Council, NC Poultry Federation
Citizenship & Civic Education	
Thearon McKinney, 4-H	NC 4-H Development Fund
Communication Arts	
Natalie Hampton, Communication Services	Ray Wilkinson 4-H Communication Endowment
Environmental Science	
Renee Strnad, Forestry & Environmental Resources; Jim Rice, Zoology	NC 4-H Development Fund
Consumer & Family Sciences	
Apparel & Textiles; Economics; Sarah Kirby, House Furnishings Housing	Partially funded by: Lucille and Charles Carter NC 4-H Development Fund
Healthy Lifestyles	
Carolyn Dunn, Ben Chapman, Foods & Nutrition; Biological & Agricultural Engineering; Cassandra Wiggins, Health	NC 4-H Development Fund
Leadership & Personal Development	
Thearon McKinney, 4-H	Partially funded by: NC 4-H Development Fund; General Henry Hugh Shelton Leadership Endowment
Plant Science	
Liz Driscoll, Horticulture, Crop Science; Soil Science	NC Soybean Producers Association
Science & Technology	
Steve Bambara, Entomology; Jim Rice, Zoology; Lynn Turner, Food Science	Syngenta Crop Protection
Discovery I (9 - 10 year olds)	
Mitzi Downing, 4-H	Bell Family Foundation

For awards traditionally funded by endowments, the payment of the award in 2012 will be dependent upon the availability of investment income.

NOTE: NC 4-H Development Fund allocations for the 2011-2012 fiscal year were severely limited. If funded at this same level, we may be unable to award these trips in the future. Currently, the areas of Citizenship & Civic Education; Environmental & Natural Resources; Family & Consumer Sciences; Healthy Lifestyles; and Personal Development & Leadership are sponsored or co-sponsored by the Development Fund. Awards will be contingent upon funding.

## ◆— NC MAKE IT WITH WOOL COMPETITION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2012, 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM Fashion Revue 2:30 PM  
 Cabarrus County Fair, Cabarrus County Arena and Events Center,  
 4751 Highway 49 North , Concord, NC 28025 ◆

<b>Sponsor</b>	NC Sheep Producers Association, Cabarrus County Fair, NC 4-H Youth Development Program
<b>Eligibility</b>	Open to all ages and all levels of sewing. Participants must be residents of NC and/or students enrolled in NC schools or institutes of higher learning. Anyone regardless of race, creed or sex who meets age and other guidelines may participate. Age is determined as of December 31, 2012.
<b>Categories</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preteens, 12 &amp; under</li> <li>• Juniors, 13 – 16</li> <li>• Seniors, 17 – 24</li> <li>• Adults, 25 and over</li> <li>• Made for Others, all ages</li> <li>• Wearable Accessories, all ages</li> </ul>
<b>Fabrics/Yarns</b>	Entries may be sewn, knitted, crocheted, woven or felted and must contain 100% wool or wool blends (requirement: minimum 60% wool, mohair, cashmere, alpaca, camel, llama and/or vicuna). The entire garment body (back, front and sleeves) must be of these fabrics. Trims, facings, linings, interfacings and underlinings may be fabrics other than wool or wool blend. <b>PLAN AHEAD:</b> Test fabrics and/or yarns before construction to assure eligibility (see <a href="http://www.sheepusa.org">www.sheepusa.org</a> > MIWW Contest). All fabric(s) and/or yarn(s) must be tested by MIWW designated lab to qualify for placing awards. Send \$3 for each 5" x 5" sample of fabric/yarn to be tested to Jean Thomas (address below) as soon as you purchase fabric/yarn but no later than August 1; should receive results in 2 weeks.
<b>Garments</b>	<p>Participants must select, construct and complete garments in 2012. Garments may be entered in prior competitions (fashion shows, fairs, etc.). Preteens, Juniors, Seniors and Adults must model garment(s) to place. Made for Others modeled by intended wearer. Wearable Accessories modeled by entrant.</p> <p>Preteens may enter dress, jumper, skirt, pants, shorts, vest, sweater, shirt/blouse, jacket, or a combination of garments (list as two-piece outfit or ensemble as below).</p> <p>Juniors, Seniors, Adults, and Made for Others may enter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One-piece garment: dress, jumper, outerwear jacket, coat or cape</li> <li>• Two-piece outfit: coat, jacket, cape, blouse/shirt, vest or sweater with dress, jumper, skirt, pants or shorts</li> <li>• Ensemble (Three or more garments worn together at one time): coat, jacket, cape, blouse/shirt, vest, and/or sweater with dress, jumper, skirt, pants or shorts</li> </ul>
<b>Entries</b>	<p>Entry forms must be postmarked by August 18, 2012 with a \$10 fee for each entry (one-piece garment, two piece outfit, ensemble or wearable accessories ); 5" x 5" sample of each wool or wool blend fabric and/or knitted, crocheted, woven or felted swatch; and commentary form. A late entry fee of \$5 will be collected at competition registration.</p> <p>NATIONAL: mail MIWW entry form, entry fee (add block for Wearable Accessories), and sample for each entry to MIWW National Director, Marie Lehfeldt, Box 175, Lavina, Montana 59046</p> <p>STATE: mail 2 copies of MIWW entry form, Cabarrus County Fair entry form, W-9 form, samples (in addition to sample submitted for testing earlier), and commentary sheets to NC MIWW State Director, Jean Thomas, 3019 McLaughlin Lane, Charlotte, NC 28269 (704-547-0499).</p>
<b>Judging</b>	Bring garments on hangers for construction quality judging (40% of score) which begins promptly at 9:00 am. Judged when modeled for fashion and creativity, appropriateness to age/lifestyle, presentation, and coordination of fabric/yarn with garment style and design (60% of score). Judges decisions are final.
<b>Prizes</b>	MIWW participants will receive certificates, wool fabric, sewing notions and placement awards from NCSPA, ribbons and honorarium from the Cabarrus County Fair of \$10 or \$20 if entry is displayed in MIWW Booth September 8-15 (picked up by participants/directors September 16). NC Jr. and Sr. Winners may advance to National Finals to be held January 24-27, 2013 in San Antonio Texas and receive a travel scholarship provided by the NCSPA. Adult State Winner may compete in National Finals by submitting 5" x 7" photos and a 3 minute of themselves wearing garment(s). National Adult Winner receives a trip National Competition.
<b>Information</b>	Current year info, entry forms, and student design competition info at <a href="http://www.sheepusa.org">www.sheepusa.org</a> >MIWW Contest; State info at <a href="http://www.ncsheep.com">www.ncsheep.com</a> ; Fair forms, hotel and facility info at <a href="http://www.cabarruscountyfair.com">www.cabarruscountyfair.com</a> ; Additional info at <a href="http://www.cabarruscounty4h.com">www.cabarruscounty4h.com</a> >Useful 4-H Forms and <a href="http://ncsheepproducers.com">ncsheepproducers.com</a>
<b>Contacts</b>	NC MIWW Director Jean Thomas (704-547-0499, <a href="mailto:ejthom41@bellsouth.net">ejthom41@bellsouth.net</a> ) or Co-Director Jo Ann Lower (704-455-9340, <a href="mailto:joannlower@earthlink.net">joannlower@earthlink.net</a> ).

## 4-H Presentation Regulations\*

\*Note that all programs listed in this section are not pure presentations; however, for simplicity in categorizing programs for this handbook, they are listed here.

For specific suggestions for visuals, see Presentation Handbook.

1. Age eligibility is established on January 1, 2012. To participate in 2012, the 4-H member must be 9 years old prior to January 1, 2012 and not have had his/her 19<sup>th</sup> birthday before January 1, 2012.
2. The same presentation may be repeated from one year to the next; however, the individual's personal development will be greater if the presentation is revised and improved.
3. Time Requirements: For all general presentation categories the following time requirements are expected: a minimum of 5 minutes and a maximum of 12 minutes. Judges will use their discretion in ranking presentation length. Exceptions are as follows: Public Speaking (5-7 minutes); All Horse Categories (see #4); Chicken Barbecue (2 hours); Turkey Barbecue (2 hours); Pork Cookery (2 hours); Beef Char-Grill (2 hours). *Turning baskets or cooking baskets are not permitted during Chicken and Turkey BBQ.*
4. Horse Category Time Requirements: Horse, Individual 9-10, 11-13: 4-12 minutes; Horse, Individual 14-18: 9-12 minutes; Horse, Team 9-10, 11-13: 5-15 minutes; Horse, Team 14-18: 10-15 minutes; Horse Public Speaking 9-10, 11-13: 4-10 minutes; Horse Public Speaking, 14-18: 8-10 minutes. One point is deducted per judge for each minute under or over time limits.

## PRESENTATIONS

Age Divisions: 9-10; 11-13; & 14-18 • Each County may enter 2 participants per age division per category • State Finals for Horse and Horse Public Speaking will be held during the State 4-H Horse Show on July 7, 2012.

The 4-H Chef NC Sponsored by 4-H Development Fund. Competition among individuals within each age division 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District winner will receive certificate. (3, 11, 22)

\*Artistic Arrangement/Landscaping *Liz Driscoll, Horticultural Science*. Sponsored by Pi Alpha Xi. Competition among individuals within each age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District gold winners receive \$50 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress for each age division. Each state gold winner for 9-10, 11-13 is a \$25 award; 14-18 is \$150 toward trip to NJHA Convention (must do demonstration at NJHA). *All senior (14-18) horticultural presentations must be a "demonstration" from the beginning at the county level in order to be prepared for national competition. REQUIREMENTS: No artificial plants or flowers are to be used. See rules and guidelines for NJHA presentations on page 13. (3,11,21)*

Beef Char Grill *Brent Jennings, 4-H Livestock*. Sponsored by NC Cattlemen's Beef Council, Inc. Competition among individuals aged 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District Gold in each age division will receive \$50 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress and plaque. District silver winners also receive a plaque. State gold winner receives \$75 award, plaques for gold and silver. (3, 11)

Bugs and Bees *Stephen Bambara, Entomology*. Sponsored by Southern States Cooperative, Inc; MSC, Inc.; NC Pest Control Association; and NC Pest Management Association. District gold winners in 11-13, 14-18 receive \$75 stipend for each individual or team member to attend NC 4-H Congress and plaque. Each state gold winner will receive a \$37.50 award. <http://www.ipm.ncsu.edu/4-H/> (3, 11)

Careers and Entrepreneurship *Mitzi Downing, 4-H Youth Development*. Sponsored by Bell Family Foundation. Competition among individual and teams within age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District award is a certificate. Each gold state winner will receive a \$200 award. (3, 11)

Chicken Barbecue *Poultry Science*. Sponsored by NC Poultry Federation and NC Breeder Hatcher Association. Competition among individuals within each age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District and state winners receive a medal and certificate. State gold winner in the 14-18 age division are eligible for a trip to the National 4-H Poultry & Egg Conference in Louisville, KY, the week before Thanksgiving. *Poultry products (chicken halves) will be provided for the state contest. Junior division contestants will not make a verbal presentation at district or state competition. Senior (14-18) contestants are expected to present a verbal presentation at district and state levels. (3,11)*

Citizenship & Civic Responsibility Sponsored by Buck Lattimore. Individual and teams within age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District Gold in each age division will receive \$100 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress. State Gold winners in each age division receive a \$200 award (3,11)

Community Service & Volunteerism Sponsored by NC 4-H Development Fund. Individual and teams within age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District Gold Winners will receive a \$50.00 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress. State Gold winners receive a \$25.00 award.(3,11)



# PRESENTATIONS

Age Divisions: 9-10; 11-13; & 14-18 • Each County may enter 2 participants per age division per category • See PresentationHandbook online for suggestions for presentation visuals

Crop Production and Utilization *Liz Driscoll, Crop Science*. Sponsored by NC Corngrowers Association, NC Small Grain Growers Association, Syngenta. Competition among individuals and teams within age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District award for 9-10 is a certificate. District gold winners in 11-13, 14-18 receive \$75 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress; if a team, each member will receive \$37.50. Each state gold winner will receive a \$50 award. (3,11)

Dairy Foods Sponsored by Dinah Gore 4-H Food, Nutrition, Fitness and Etiquette Endowment. Competition among individuals and teams within age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. *Recipes presented must contain 1/2 cup milk or its calcium equivalent per serving*. District gold winners in each division receive \$75 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress. Each state gold winner will receive a \$25 award for 9-10, 11-13 divisions and \$50 award for 14-18 division. (3,11, 22)

Egg Cookery *Poultry Science*. Sponsored by NC Egg Association, Dinah Gore 4-H Foods & Nutrition Endowment. Competition among individuals within age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District gold winners receive \$75 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress for each winning individual or team member. Each state gold winner receives a \$50 award; 14-18 division winners are eligible to receive a trip to the National 4-H Poultry & Egg Conference. Senior gold winners must present at the National 4-H Poultry & Egg Conference to receive their trip award. (3,11)

Electric *Grant Ellington, Biological & Agricultural Engineering*. Sponsored by Touchstone Energy Cooperatives of North Carolina. Competition among individuals within age divisions, 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District gold winners receive \$75 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress; if a team, each member will receive \$37.50. Each state gold winner will receive a \$50 award. (3,11)

Expressive Arts and Communications *Harriett Edwards, 4-H Youth Development*. Sponsored by Ray Wilkinson Communications Endowment. Competition among individuals and teams within three divisions, 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District winner certificates are awarded in each age group. Gold state winners receive a \$50 award. Performance may be incorporated, but only to illustrate information similar to visual posters or models. Oral presentation skills must remain the focus. (3,11)

Fabric and Fashion Design; Interior Design and Home Space *Mitzi Downing, 4-H Youth Development; Sarah Kirby, Housing*. Sponsored by NC 4-H Development Fund. District gold winners receive \$50 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress for winning individual or team member. Each state gold winner receives a \$25 award. (3,11)

Fisheries & Aquatic Resources *Jim Rice, Fisheries*. Sponsored by Duke Energy. Competition among individuals and teams within each age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District award for 9-10 is a certificate. District gold winners in 11-13, 14-18 receive \$75 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress; if a team, each member will receive \$37.50. The stipend has no cash value. Each state gold winner will receive a \$50 award. (3,11)

Forestry & Wildlife *Renee Strnad, Forestry & Environmental Resources*. Sponsored by NC 4-H Development Fund. Competition among individual and teams within age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District award is a certificate. Each state gold winner will receive a \$50 award. (3,11) (19)

For those awards traditionally funded by endowments, payment of awards will be dependent upon the availability of investment income.

## 4-H Presentation Regulations\*

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5. Youth competing in presentations compete against their room's competition, not a standardized norm.
6. Each county may enter two participants in each age division in each category.
7. 4-Hers may compete in no more than one presentation program per year. The "Talent Showcase" (4-H Entertains) is not considered a presentation program.
8. Members participating in both presentations and the Talent Showcase (4-H Entertains) are required to indicate their involvement in both areas on the sign-up sheet (outside both rooms) on the day of the event. The Talent Showcase coordinator should also be notified that the 4-Her will be participating after his/her presentation. It is desirable that participants in Chicken and Turkey Barbecue, Pork Cookery, and Beef Char-Grill, not participate in the Talent Showcase. However, if they do, they should report to and complete their presentation before participating in Talent Showcase.
9. Presentation Awards: A county winner ribbon is given to each district participant. A medal and certificate are presented to the gold winner. A medal only is presented to the silver and bronze winner. One presentation in each category will be designated the district winner and will be eligible to compete on the state level. EXCEPTION: Talent Showcase/4-H Entertains awards blue ribbons and participation ribbons.

## 4-H Presentation Regulations\*

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10. The decision of the judges in each category is final.
11. The value of a scholarship to 4-H Congress varies for each award. Please note specific scholarship values for each category. Other expenses are the responsibility of the recipient. If a winner elects to participate in finals only, funds can only be applied to that youth's on-site expenses for presentations. Scholarships are not transferrable to other 4-Hers.
12. Cash awards, either in full or in part, will not be given to the district winners in lieu of the scholarship to attend North Carolina 4-H Congress.
13. When a gold medal winner cannot attend Congress or participate in the state presentation contest, the award will be given to the District Silver winner if the District Silver winner registers and attends Congress as a part or full-time delegate and participates in the Presentation Contest.
14. Age 11-13 and 14-18 district Silver Winners in presentations are invited to participate in the state contest at the 4-H Congress at their expense. There will be no scholarship available for Silver winners to attend Congress unless the district winner decides not to participate.
15. 4-H members may continue to compete in a particular presentation category/division until declared a state winner. When the member reaches another age division, he/she may again participate in the same category.
16. A team is composed of two individuals except in 4-H Entertains, which has no limit. If

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\*Fruit and Vegetable Use Sponsored by Southern States Cooperatives, Dinah Gore 4-H Foods & Nutrition Endowment. Competition among individuals and teams within each age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. *Recipes presented must contain 1/2 cup fruit and/or vegetable per serving. At NJHA, a demonstration must be given.* District gold winners receive \$75 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress for each winning individual or team member. Each state gold winner in 9-10, 11-12 is a \$37.50 award; 14-18 is \$150 toward NJHA Convention. *Review rules and guidelines for NJHA presentations on page 13. (3,11, 21, 22)*

Health and Fitness *Cassandra Wiggins, Health*. Sponsored by NC 4-H Development Fund. Competition among individuals and teams within each age divisions, 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District gold winners receive \$75 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress for each winning individual or team member. Each state gold winner will receive a \$25 award. (3,11)

Heritage Crafts & Woodworking *Mitzi Downing, 4-H Youth Development*. Sponsored by NC 4-H Development Fund. Competition among individuals and teams in three age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District award is a medal for each winning individual or team member in each age division. State gold medal winners in each division will receive a monetary award. (3,11)

Horse *Extension Horse Husbandry*. Co-sponsored by: West Central 4-H Horse Council, West District 4-H Horse Advisory Council, Matt Downs, Ride It 4-H Club, & the NC 4-H Horse Program. Competition among individuals and teams within each age division – 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District award is a certificate for each division winning individual or team. State award for 9-10, 11-13 is an award. 14-18 state winners will receive an award and a travel scholarship to National Contest. NOTE: State contest will be held in conjunction with the State 4-H Horse Show in the Jim Graham Building starting at 8:00 am on Wednesday, July 11, 2012. All contest updates will be included on the Extension Horse Husbandry website. NOTE: *District preliminaries will be offered at NC Horse Camp for camp participants with a District Activity Day conflict ONLY. All other district competitors must present at District Activity Day. (4)*

Horse Public Speaking *Extension Horse Husbandry*. Co-Sponsored by Wake County 4-H Horse Council and North Central District 4-H Horse Advisory Board. Competition among individuals within each age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District award is a certificate for each division winning individual or team member. State 9-10, 11-13 winners receive an award, 14-18 state winner receive an award and a travel scholarship to National Contests. NOTE: State contest will be held in conjunction with the State 4-H Horse Show starting at 8 a.m on July 11, 2012. All contest updates will be included on the Extension Horse Husbandry website. NOTE: *District preliminaries will be offered at NC Horse Camp for North Central participants ONLY. All other district competitors must present at District Activity Day. (4)*

If a district winner chooses to attend State Presentation Finals only, stipend can only be applied to the 4-Her(s) involved in presentations for their on-site expense. The stipend has no cash value.

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- Each County may enter 2 participants per age division per category • State Finals for Horse and Horse Public Speaking are held during the State 4-H Horse Show

\*Horticultural Production/Marketing *Liz Driscoll, Horticultural Science*. Sponsored by Southern States Cooperative and Wyatt-Quarles Seed Company. Competition among individuals and teams within age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District gold winners receive \$50 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress. Each state gold winner in 9-10, 11-13 age division is a \$25 award. Top winner in 14-18 age division in Horticultural Production and top winner in 14-18 age division in Horticultural Marketing receive \$75 toward expenses to NJHA Convention. All 14-18 horticultural presentations must be a “demonstration” from the beginning at the county level in order to be prepared for national competition. *Review rules and guidelines for NJHA presentations on page 13.* (3,11, 21)

Hospitality, Etiquette & Social Graces *Mitzi Downing, 4-H Youth Development*. Sponsored by Dinah Gore 4-H Foods, Nutrition, Fitness & Etiquette Endowment. Competition among individual and teams in age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District gold winners receive \$100 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress for each winning individual or team. State gold winners in each division receive a \$100 award.

Livestock and Dairy Production *Brent Jennings, 4-H Livestock and Brinton Hopkins, Dairy Extension*. Sponsored by NC Livestock Auction Markets Association, Gary Stott Memorial Fund, NC Cattlemen’s Association, and NC Dairy Youth Foundation. Competition among individuals and teams within each age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District gold winners receive \$75 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress; if a team, each member will receive \$37.50. Each state gold winner will receive a \$50 award. (3,11)

Open Class *4-H Youth Development*. Sponsored by NC 4-H Development Fund. Competition among individuals and teams within each age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District winners will receive a certificate. Each state gold winner will receive a \$25 award. *Only presentations that cannot be categorized in any other presentation area may be placed in this category.* (3,11)

\*Peanut Foods Sponsored by NC Peanut Growers Association, Dinah Gore 4-H Foods & Nutrition Endowment. Competition among individuals and teams within each age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. *Recipes presented must contain at least 1/8 cup (2 tablespoons) peanuts, peanut butter, or flavored peanut pieces per serving.* District gold winners receive \$75 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress for each winning individual or team member. Each state gold winner for 9-10, 11-13 divisions is a \$50 award; 14-18 winners will receive \$100 toward expenses at NJHA. *At the national level, a demonstration must be given. Review rules and guidelines for NJHA qualifying presentations on page 13.* (3,11, 21, 22)

Pork Cookery *Brent Jennings, 4-H Livestock*. Sponsored by NC Pork Council. Competition among individuals aged 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District winners and alternate in each division receive a plaque. In addition, District gold winners receive \$50 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress. Each state gold winner receives a \$75 award and a Golden Grill award for first place, plaque and Silver Grill Award for second place. (3,11)

For those awards traditionally funded by endowments, the payment of the award in 2012 will be dependent upon the availability of investment income.

## 4-H Presentation Regulations\*

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16. (continued) team members are not in the same age division, they must compete in the older division.
17. As of December 2011, some donors had not renewed their support or a donor had not been secured for 2012. Therefore, should a donor not renew or be secured, the district award will be a certificate and the state award a \$25 award for each winner (sponsored by the NC 4-H Development Fund). See note at left on page 10.
18. No live animals may be used in any presentation. Firearms and/or weapons are not allowed to be used during any presentation.
19. Donor contacts and addresses can be obtained through the North Carolina 4-H Development Office.
20. Only members 15 years old or older are eligible for National NJHA Contests.
21. 4-H members age 14-18 will be asked to present a knowledge-based presentation. There should be no food preparation presented during the presentation; thus no tasting by judges.
22. Presenters are not required to say “The question has been asked” and then repeat the question.
24. All seniors in Artistic Arrangement, Horticultural Production & Marketing, Landscaping, Fruit & Vegetable, Egg Cookery, & Peanut Foods categories must be a “demonstration” from the beginning at the county level in order to be prepared for national competition.
25. 4-H Entertains is for amateur performers only. 4-H members or groups who perform for pay are not eligible.

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Poultry Production and/or Preparation *Mike Wineland, Poultry Science*. Sponsored by NC Breeder - Hatchery Association. Competition among individuals within each age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District gold winners receive \$50 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress for each winning individual or team member. Each state gold winner receives a \$50 award. (3,11)

Public Speaking *Thearon McKinney, 4-H Youth Development*. Sponsored by Ag Carolina Financial, Carolina Farm Credit, and Cape Fear Farm Credit. Competition among individuals within each age divisions. District gold winners receive \$50 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress. Each state gold winner will receive a \$75 award. *No props, posters, or costumes are allowed. Judging is based on the speech and its delivery.* (3,11)

Safety *Grant Ellington, Biological & Agricultural Engineering*. Sponsored by NC 4-H Development Fund. Competition among individuals and teams within each age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District award is a certificates for each winning individual or team member. Each state gold winner will receive a \$25 award. (3,11)(19)

Science and Technology *Mitzi Downing, 4-H Youth Development*. Sponsored by Syngenta. Competition among individuals and teams within each age division 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District gold winners receive \$75 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress. Each state gold winner will receive a \$50 award. (3,11)

Soil, Water & the Environment *Liz Driscoll, Soil Science*. Sponsored by NC Association of Soil & Water Conservation Districts. Competition among individuals and teams, 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District award for 9-10, 11-13 is certificate. District gold winners in 14-18 receive \$75 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress for each individual or team member. Each state gold winner receives a \$50 award for each member of a winning team. (3,11)

Small and Companion Animals *Brent Jennings, 4-H Livestock*. Sponsored by NC 4-H Development Fund. Competition among individuals and teams within age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District gold winners receive \$50 stipend to attend NC 4-H Congress. If a team, each member receives \$25.00. Each state gold winner will receive a \$12.50 award. (3,11) (19)

Turkey Barbecue *Melissa Scherpereel, Poultry Science*. Sponsored by NC Poultry Federation and NC Breeder Hatcher Association. Competition among individuals within each age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. District gold winners receive a medal and certificate. Each state gold winner will receive a medal and certificate. Gold winner in 14-18 division are eligible to earn a trip to National Contest at the National 4-H Poultry & Egg Conference in Louisville, KY the week before Thanksgiving. *Poultry products (turkey breasts) will be provided for the state contest. Junior level contestants will not make a verbal presentation at district or state competition. Senior level Turkey Barbecue contestants are expected to present a verbal presentation at district and state levels. Turning or cooking baskets, injection of the meat, or pre-marinating are not permitted.* (3,11)

Wheels and Engines *Grant Ellington, Biological & Agricultural Engineering*. Sponsored by NC 4-H Development Fund. Competition among individuals and teams in three age divisions 9-10, 11-13, 14-18. The District award is a certificate to the winning individual or team members. State gold winner receives a \$50 award from the NC 4-H Development Fund. (3,11)

Woodworking & Heritage Crafts see *Heritage Crafts & Woodworking on page 10*

**If a district winner of a stipend to NC 4-H Congress chooses to attend State Presentation Finals only, that stipend can only be applied to the 4-Her(s) involved in presentations for their on-site expense. The stipend has no cash value and is non-transferrable.**



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Check Out These Presentations That Allow You to Compete in A National Contest as a Senior Winner:

- Artistic Arrangement/Landscaping<sup>†\*</sup>
- Chicken Barbecue<sup>†</sup>
- Egg Cookery<sup>†</sup>
- Fruit and Vegetable Use<sup>†\*</sup>
- Horse
- Horse Public Speaking
- Horticultural Production/Marketing<sup>†\*</sup>
- Peanut Foods<sup>\*</sup>
- Turkey Barbecue<sup>†</sup>

See Subject Matter Specialist for specifics.

<sup>†</sup>*contingent upon funding*

## \* Rules and Guidelines for National Junior Horticulture Association (NJHA)

**Qualifying Presentations** *Artistic Arrangement/Landscaping, Horticultural Production & Marketing, Fruit & Vegetable Use, & Peanut Foods Categories*

Only members 15 years old or older are eligible for National NJHA Contests.

State monetary award is presented only to those who use the funds toward expenses to compete in the National Junior Horticultural Association contest. At NJHA, a demonstration must be given. To compete in the national contest, individuals must be 15 by December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year of participation. A 4-H member may receive sponsorship awards to no more than two NJHA conventions in his/her 4-H career. Note: Terrarium construction and dish garden presentations may only be given in the Horticultural Production program.



# SCHOLARSHIPS

Should a named scholarship recipient receive full scholarship from another source, he/she must decline the 4-H scholarship so that it can be awarded to another applicant.

Applications are due February 1, 2012.

Send applications to:

Shannon McCollum  
Extension Associate  
4-H Youth Development  
Box 7606 NC State  
Raleigh, NC 27695

To apply for a scholarship please submit the following:

- 1) 4-H Scholarship Application Packet
- 2) High school transcripts (including SAT or ACT scores and class rank)
- 3) A photo page
- 4) Two Letters of Recommendation—one academic, one 4-H

5) Documentation that applicant meets specific scholarship requirements

6) (Optional) Letter documenting financial need

All 4-H Scholarships will be paid directly to the college or university. They will NOT be made payable to a 4-Her nor his/her parents. Recipients must be Full Time Students.

Exceptions and additions include the following:

Applicants for the 4-H Horse Program Scholarship must also submit an essay entitled "How 4-H has Prepared Me for the Challenges of the Future."

Applicants for the Geraldine Kennedy Capps Scholarship must submit a letter documenting financial need from a parent or guardian.

## GENERAL NC 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship	Number Available	Amount	Applicant Requirements
L.R. Harrill	2 Statewide Up to 6 renewable for upperclassmen	\$1100* Renewable if funds are available	Awarded to a 4-H member enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in NC. May be renewed for 3 additional years by submitting a 4-H scholarship application and a current college transcript with a minimum GPA of 3.0.
Dr. Clarence Poe	3 Statewide	\$1000*	Must be a 4-H member enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in NC.
NC 4-H Alumni & Friends Association	1 Statewide	\$500*	Awarded to a 4-H member enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning.

Each extension district will receive two scholarships inclusive of the Dr. Thomas Hobgood, Jane K. Stuart, and Dr. David & Mrs. Carol Burnette scholarships.

Scholarship	Number Available	Amount	Applicant Requirements
Dr. Thomas Hobgood	1	\$1000*	Must be a 4-H member living in the Northeast District enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in the US.
Jane K. Stuart	1	\$1000*	Must be a 4-H member living in the North Central District enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in US.
Dr. David & Mrs. Carol Burnette	1	\$1000*	Must be a 4-H member from western North Carolina enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in the US. Selection based on 4-H participation, academic achievement and merit, financial need. Must reside in Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Caldwell, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania, Watauga or Yancey counties or the Cherokee Reservation.
District 4-H Development Fund	up to 2 per District	\$1,000	Must be a 4-H member enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in the US. Provided through contributions from retired employees of the NC Cooperative Extension Service, 4-H alumni, and friends of the NC 4-H program.

\*Amount of award is dependent upon availability of investment income.

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Scholarship	Number Available	Amount	Applicant Requirements
Edmund and Elizabeth Aycock	1 Statewide Renewable, subject to fund availability	\$1000*	Awarded to a current or former 4-H member who has participated in the North Carolina 4-H Youth Development and who is enrolling as a college freshman or upperclassman at North Carolina State University. Second preference shall be a 4-H member who is enrolling as a college freshman in another institution of higher education in North Carolina.
Larry & Joyce Bass 4-H Horticultural	1 Wake County or North Central District	\$500*	Must be a 4-H member enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in N.C. who has participated actively in the NC 4-H Horticultural program. First preference will be given to a 4-Her from Wake County. If none, preference falls to North Central District applicants. If no freshman is eligible, an upperclassman may be awarded this scholarship.
Anne Kristine Barnes	1 NE District	\$500*	Must be a 4-H member enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in NC.
Joe & Barbara Brooks	1 Statewide	\$1000*	Must be a 4-H member majoring in horticultural science at NC State University. Preference is given to freshman, but may be awarded to an upperclassman.
Thomas A Carter Family 4-H Poultry	1 Statewide	\$600*	Awarded to a current or former 4-H member who has participated in the North Carolina 4-H Youth Development and who is enrolling as a NC State Poultry Science freshman. If no freshman is eligible, upperclassmen may be awarded this scholarship.
J. Gregory Clemmons 4-H	1 Onslow County	\$500*	Awarded to a first semester NC State University freshman and who a 4-H member residing in Onslow County. If no 4-Her is eligible, award can be made to an outstanding senior at a Onslow County high school enrolling at NCSU as a freshman. Should no Onslow County resident be eligible, the award may be made to a North Carolina 4-H member enrolling at NCSU as a freshman. Recipients will be selected on the basis of excellence of 4-H participation, academic achievement and merit, with financial need as a consideration. Selection criteria will also include personal character and integrity, scholastic ability, and demonstrated interest in continuing to promote those values learned in the 4-H program
Dr. Eloise Cofer 4-H (Family and Consumer Science)	1 Statewide	\$750*	Awarded to a current or former 4-H member enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in NC. The scholarship will be given to an outstanding 4-H member in the program area of Family and Consumer Education.
Victoria Jean Cope	1 Statewide	\$600*	Must be a 4-H member enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in NC.
Preston, Marsha and Brooke Cornelius 4-H Beef	1 Statewide	\$1000*	Awarded to an outstanding 4-H member in the 4-H Beef Project or in the 4-H Livestock Judging Program & Contest who is enrolling as a freshman in the Animal Science Program at North Carolina State University. If no freshman is eligible, an upperclassman may be awarded this scholarship.
Reece and Jesse Crouse	NC District	\$1000*	Must be a 4-H member living in the North Central District, with preference given to Davidson County applicants.
Dr. Gary S. and Patricia H. Davis Poultry Science	1 Statewide	\$1000*	Must be a 4-H member majoring in Poultry Science at NC State University.
Lyman B. Dixon, Sr. 4-H Scholarship	1 Statewide	\$1,000*	Awarded to a 4-H member admitted to NC State University as a first-semester undergraduate student seeking a two- or four-year degree at NC State University. Should no freshman be eligible, scholarship may be awarded to an upperclassman as determined by the NC 4-H Youth Development program scholarship committee.
Rudolph Carl Ellis 4-H	Cumberland County or South Central District Up to 1 additional renewable scholarship	\$1000* Renewable (2 scholarships total)	Awarded to a current 4-H member enrolling at NC State University. First preference goes to a Cumberland County 4-H member majoring in Agriculture, Horticulture, or Animal Science. Second preference goes to a South Central District 4-Her. May be renewed for 3 additional years by submitting a 4-H scholarship application and a current college transcript with a minimum GPA of 3.0. If no upperclassmen are eligible, 2 freshmen may be awarded this scholarship.

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Scholarship	Number Available	Amount	Applicant Requirements
Farris "Pass It On"	1 Southeast District	\$500*	Preference for this scholarship is to 4-Hers from Wilson County and the Southeast District
Reba Green-Holley	1 Gates County	\$1,000*	Awarded to a 4-H member who is a rising first-semester freshman in any two- or four-year college/university who has participated as a member of the Gates County 4-H program for three of the last five years. Student must be in good standing at the high school and as a 4-H member. This evidence shall be provided through two letters of recommendation; one from the 4-H Agent and one from a high school faculty member. If no freshman is eligible, an upperclassman who meets all requirements and has a minimum 2.5 GPA.
Belinda Holshouser Hester "Go Green, Think Green"	1 Statewide	\$1,000*	Awarded to a 4-Her who is an incoming freshman and is selected on the basis of excellence of 4-H leadership and on their intention to pursue study in environmental issues and the promotion of being good stewards of our environment. First preference for this scholarship is to youth attending NC State University; if no applicants, may be utilized at any institution of higher education in the United States. If no freshman is eligible, scholarship may be awarded to an upperclassman. May be renewed for up to four years with a GPA of 3.0 or higher, continued pursuit of study of environmental issues, and the promotion of being good stewards of our environment.
Edward Gore/ General Hugh Shelton Leadership	1 Statewide	\$2000*	Awarded to current 4-H member who is a rising freshman at NC State University or Campbell University. Renewable at \$1,500 with current transcript and minimum 2.75 GPA.
Edward Gore/ General Hugh Shelton Upperclassmen Leadership Scholarship	1 Brunswick County	\$1,000*	Must be a 4-H member who has completed their sophomore year and is attending either NC State University or Campbell University who has participated actively in the Brunswick County 4-H program.
Huddleston Family 4-H Electric	1 Duke Energy Territory	\$500*	Awarded to 4-Her currently enrolled in the 4-H Electric Program and living in the Duke Energy Territory. 4-H'er must have also attended Electric Congress. Must be enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in NC.
Carolyn Smith Ivey	1 W or NC	\$1000*	Must be a 4-H'er enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in North Carolina. Must be a 4-H'er living in the Western or North Central Districts.
Vernon James 4-H Family	1 Regionally	\$1000*	Awarded to a 4-H member enrolling as a freshman at NC State in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. Preference goes to applicants from Pasquotank County. If no qualified applicants are available, then preference goes to applicants from Camden, Currituck, Perquimans, and Chowan counties.
Kristina Jarrell 4-H Electric	1 Statewide	\$500*	Awarded to a 4-H member enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in NC. The 4-H member must be currently enrolled in the 4-H Electric Project, and have attended 4-H Electric Congress.
Helene C. Knight 4-H Scholarship for Gates County	1 Gates County	\$500*	Awarded to a rising first semester freshman in any two- or four-year college or university who has participated in the NC 4-H Youth Development Program in Gates County for three of the last five years prior to application. Student must have a minimum 2.75 GPA evidenced by two letters of recommendation: one each from the 4-H Agent and a high school faculty member. Principal must verify positive student behavior. Should a freshman not be eligible, the scholarship may be awarded to an upperclassman meeting all of the above requirements and evidencing the following GPA as relates to their classification: sophomore - 3.00, junior - 3.25, senior - 3.5. Recipient must be demonstrating satisfactory progress towards graduation as determined by the NC 4-H Youth Development Scholarship Committee.
Lorna W. Langley	1 Statewide	\$1000*	Must be a 4-H member enrolling as a college freshman, majoring in home economics, family and consumer sciences, or human ecology and have a projected grade point average of 3.0 on 4.0 scale.

\*Amount of award is dependent upon availability of investment income.

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Scholarship	Number Available	Amount	Applicant Requirements
Edward H. Leagans 4-H Equine Scholarship	1 Forsyth County or West Central District	\$500*	Awarded to outstanding 4-H Horse program member based on academic achievement and merit. First preference given to a Forsyth County 4-H member attending any accredited institution of higher learning in the United States.
McInnis 4-H Meat Goat Scholarship	1 Richmond County or South Central District	\$500*	The McInnis Family 4-H Meat Goat Scholarship is awarded to a Richmond County 4-H meat goat participant who is a rising freshman at a NC institution of higher education. First preference is for a Richmond County 4-H'er who is a participant in the 4-H meat goat circuit. If no Richmond County youth qualifies, second preference is for a 4-H'er in the South Central District who is a participant in the 4-H meat goat circuit. Third preference is for any 4-H'er who is a participant in meat goat shows.
John C. and Catherine H. McLean	West District	\$1000*	Must be a 4-H member living in the Western District enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in NC.
Mitchell County 4-H Discovery Scholarship	1 Mitchell Co	\$500*	Awarded to a 4-H'er who has been employed by the Mitchell County Extension Center as first preference. If teen who has been employed is eligible, then preference will go to a 4-H member from Mitchell County enrolling as a college freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in NC. In the event that no freshman is eligible, an upperclassman may be awarded this scholarship.
NC 4-H Horse Program	2 Statewide	\$1000**	Must be currently enrolled in Horse Project and eligible under official 4-H Horse Program guidelines. Scholarship will be awarded after applicant has successfully completed one semester or quarter of college with a minimum GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale. Applicant may be enrolled in any accredited institution of higher learning in the United States. Applicant must include an essay entitled "How 4-H Has Prepared Me for the Challenges of the Future."
North Central District 4-H Horse Council Scholarship	2 North Central District	\$500*	Awarded to a 4-H'er currently enrolled in the 4-H Horse Project who is eligible under official 4-H Horse Program guidelines. Scholarships will not be awarded until applicant has completed one semester or quarter of college with a minimum GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale. Must include an essay entitled "How 4-H has Prepared Me for the Challenges of the Future." This scholarship will be awarded to a 4-H'er residing in the North Central District.
Robert & Helen Runion Scholarship	1 Mitchell County	\$500*	Must be a 4-H'er member enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in NC. First preference will be given to a 4-H'er from Mitchell County, followed by applicants from the Western District. In the event no freshman is eligible, upperclassman may be awarded this scholarship.
Gordon E. Sawyer Memorial	1 NE District	\$1000*	Must be a 4-H member enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in NC.
William Edmond Sawyer 4-H Scholarship	1 Currituck County or Northeast District	\$600*	Awarded to a 4-H member enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in NC. The scholarship will be given to an outstanding 4-H member from Currituck County. If no 4-H'er from Currituck County is eligible, the award may be given to a 4-H member from the Northeast District.
I.O. Schaub	1 Statewide	\$1000*	Must major in agriculture or forestry at NC State; may be a freshman or upperclassman.
General Henry Hugh Shelton Leadership	1 Statewide	\$1000*	Awarded to current 4-H member who is a rising freshman at NC State University. The 4-H'er will be designated as the General Henry Hugh Shelton 4-H Leadership Scholar. Preference will be given to applicants who are outstanding 4-H members from the General's home county of Edgecombe, or from Cumberland County, the home of Fort Bragg.
Southern States 4-H Leadership	1 statewide Up to 3 renewable for upperclassmen	\$600*	Awarded to a 4-H member who is a resident of North Carolina, a son or daughter of agricultural producers, and enrolled as an undergraduate student in the College of Agriculture & Life Sciences at NCSU. Renewable for 3 additional years with application, current college transcript, and minimum 2.7 GPA on a 4.0 scale.
Frank & Elizabeth Spencer 4-H	1 Gaston or Cleveland County	\$500*	Must be a 4-H'er enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in North Carolina. Must be a 4-H'er living in the Gaston or Cleveland Counties. Contact Cleveland County Cooperative Extension for information on applying.
Gary Stott	1 Statewide; renewable if eligible, as funds available	\$2000*	Must be an NC State freshman enrolled in animal science, pre-vet or Agricultural Institute, or be a current Gary Stott Scholarship recipient. Must also have an outstanding swine record or live on a farm where swine production is a commercial or purebred enterprise. Renewable for up to 3 years at \$1,000 with a current transcript and minimum 2.5 GPA.

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Teeter Family	1 Statewide	\$1000*	Must be a 4-H member enrolling as a freshman at NC State, in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, or Agricultural Institute, majoring in a curriculum related to production agriculture. Preference will be given to student who has participated in the Teeter Beef Leadership Institute.
Rachel Kirby Thomas & Dr. Frank Bancroft Thomas 4-H Foods & Nutrition	1 Statewide	\$1000*	Awarded to a current or former 4-H member enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in NC. The scholarship will be given to a 4-H member who has had an outstanding career in the 4-H Foods & Nutrition program area.
Ray Wilkinson Communications	2 Statewide	\$1000*	Must be a 4-H member enrolling as a college freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in NC, pursuing a degree in some phase of communications. If no freshman is eligible, an upperclassman may be awarded the scholarship.
Robert N. Wood Collegiate 4-H	2 Statewide	\$1000*	Must be a 4-H member enrolling as a freshman at NC State University.
Bruce & Annie Woodard 4-H	1 Johnston County	\$500*	Must be a 4-H member enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher learning in NC who has participated actively in the Johnston County 4-H program.
Wake County Junior Horticultural Program	1 Wake County	\$500*	The Wake County Junior Horticultural Program Scholarship is awarded to a 4-H member enrolling as a freshman at any accredited institution of higher education who has participated actively in the Wake County Junior Horticultural Club Program.
<i>*For those awards traditionally funded by endowment, payment of the award is dependent upon availability of investment income.</i>			



## Events & Activities Guidelines

1. Many of these activities are described more fully in the NC 4-H Awards and Incentives Guide or on the 4-H Awards site ([www.nc4h.org](http://www.nc4h.org)).
2. 4-H members are ineligible for these contests if, by the dates of the contest, they have completed undergraduate or graduate courses that provide specific training directly related to a contest event. Individuals participating as undergraduate in collegiate equine educational competitions are ineligible to participate.
3. Team members must be 15 years old to compete in the national contest. To qualify for the cash award, the team must go to the contest. Alternate winners awarded a trip to replace state winners may not compete for the same award again.
4. One statewide competition for dairy quiz.
5. All teams coming from county to district or state contests must be from the same county 4-H program.
6. To compete in national contests, contestants must reach their 15<sup>th</sup> birthday during the current contest year, but may not be past the year of their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday.
7. Senior division contestants in the dairy bowl may attend a college beyond high school, but if a contestant enrolls in or audits a dairy science or animal science course before the fall term of the contest year, he/she is not eligible to compete in the district, state, or Louisville contests.
8. The Louisville contest requires four team members. In the event that the winning senior team at the state contest does not contain four members, additional members will be selected from other participating senior teams based on individual written test scores.
9. Registration Deadline is May 1, 2012.
10. Contest held during the State 4-H Horse Show at the Governor James Hunt Horse Complex in Raleigh, NC on Saturday.

SEE ALSO page 28.

## EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

### Plant & Animal Science

#### **Horticultural Contest (Judging, Identification and Information) (3)**

*Liz Driscoll, Horticultural Science*

Sponsored by Pi Alpha Xi. Competition among teams of 3 or 4, ages 9 through 19. The highest total county score for a senior team (age 15 and older) is declared the state winner. The winning team receives three \$150 scholarships toward expenses to the NJHA Convention. A 4-H'er may receive this and other NJHA trip awards only twice in his/her 4-H career. For more information, visit: <http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/4hplantandsoils/hortcontest.html>

#### **National Jr Horticultural Association (NJHA)**

*Liz Driscoll, Horticultural Science*

Sponsored by NC Association of Nurserymen, Pi Alpha Xi. For youths 15 to 22 years old who desire to compete at a national level in the following areas: achievement and leadership, horticulture contest, speaking of horticulture, demonstrations and the project areas of environmental awareness, production and marketing, and experimental horticulture. Online at <http://njha.org>

#### **Dairy Cattle Judging (5)**

*Brinton Hopkins, Dairy Extension*

Sponsored by the NC Dairy Youth Foundation, NC Purebred Dairy Cattle Association, and VA-NC Select Sires, Inc. One statewide 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging Contest is held. Each county may enter an unlimited number of senior and/or junior teams. Competition is among teams of four, within junior and senior divisions. Multi-county teams that are composed of youth from different counties may be entered as a "county team". However, the team name must list the counties represented in which the youths reside. The intent of the "multi-county team" designation is to provide youth with activities that are not otherwise available in their area. All four members judge in the contest; the one with the lowest score will be declared the alternate and that score will not be counted toward the team score but will count for individual awards. If a county has less than three participants, they may compete on an individual basis. If a county has more than four individuals in either division, additional contestants may compete as individuals. The top 20 youth in the senior division at the state contest will be invited to compete for one of four positions on the state team and one of four positions on the alternate state team. Members selected for the North Carolina State 4-H Dairy Judging Team receive team jackets and will compete at the Pennsylvania Invitational Youth Dairy Cattle Judging Contest at Harrisburg, PA and at the National 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging Contest at the World Dairy Expo in Madison, Wisconsin. Members of the Alternate State 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging Team will compete at the North American Dairy Cattle Judging Contest in Louisville, Kentucky.

#### **Dairy Poster Contest**

*Brinton Hopkins, Dairy Extension*

Sponsored by the Southeast United Dairy Association. Competition among individuals within 3 age divisions: Division 1 (ages 9-12); Division 2 (ages 13-15); Division 3 (ages 16-18). County winners should be determined by July 15. First place posters in Divisions 1, 2 & 3, from each county should be sent to Dr. Brinton Hopkins in the Department of Animal Science by July 31. State awards include prizes and cash. The top three posters in each division at the state competition will be displayed in a prominent place in the Graham Building at the NC State Fairgrounds during the state dairy shows. Contests for participants in Division 4 (ages 5-8) is conducted on a non-competition basis at the county level only.

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### **Dairy Quiz Bowl (4-8)**

*Brinton Hopkins, Dairy Extension*

*Sponsored by the NC Dairy Youth Foundation.* One statewide competition is conducted among teams in two divisions: junior (9 to 14 years old) and senior (15 to 19 years old). Each county may enter an unlimited number of senior and/or junior teams. Multi-county teams composed of youth from different counties may be entered as a "county team". However, the team name must list the counties represented in which the youths reside. The intent of the "multi-county team" designation is to provide youth with activities that are not otherwise available in their area. Senior and junior teams should contain four (4) members and may have one or more alternates. Members of the winning state junior and senior division teams (and up to two alternates) and their coach will receive individual plaques and rosette ribbons. Second and third place teams in both divisions will receive individual rosette ribbons. The winning senior division team in the state contest will have the opportunity to represent North Carolina as the State 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl Team at the North American Dairy Quiz Bowl Contest held in Louisville, Kentucky. Members of the State 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl Team also receive team jackets.

### **National 4-H Dairy Youth Conference**

*Brinton Hopkins, Dairy Extension*

*Sponsored by NC Dairy Youth Foundation.* Two outstanding youth who have been very active in the NC 4-H Dairy Youth Program are selected using an application/interview process. Youth must be at least 15, but not more than 18 years old as of January 1 to be considered. This conference is held at the University of Wisconsin-Madison during World Dairy Expo. Application forms are available on the NC Dairy Youth Program website, and must be by Dr. Brinton Hopkins by June 1.

### **Hippology (2, 5, 6)**

*Extension Horse Husbandry*

*Sponsored by the NC Horse Council, West Central District 4-H Horse Advisory Board, and Matt Downs.* Competition among individuals and teams within junior and senior divisions. Winners receive awards and ribbons. Second through sixth place teams, and second through tenth place individuals in each division receive ribbons. The top eight to ten senior division individuals are eligible to receive one of four partial travel scholarships to participate as a team in national contests. The high overall individuals from both age divisions will receive appropriate awards.

### **Senior Horseman of the Year**

*Extension Horse Husbandry*

*Sponsored by Matt Downs.* High senior individual selected at Hippology Contest receives a Belt Buckle. Reserve high senior individual receives an award.

### **Junior Horseman of the Year**

*Extension Horse Husbandry*

*Sponsored by the West Central District 4-H Horse Council.* High junior individual selected at the Hippology Contest receives an award and a belt buckle. Reserve high junior individual receives an award.

### **4-H Horsemanship Camp**

*Extension Horse Husbandry*

*Sponsored by the NC 4-H Horsemanship Camp Volunteer Leaders Association and State 4-H Camping Program.* Horsemanship Camp will be held in June at Millstone 4-H Camp. 4-H'ers must be 9 through 18 years old and must take their own horse to camp. The program centers on horsemanship, training, safety, and management skills. Access to a horse is required for participation.

### **Horse Bowl (2, 5, 6)**

*Extension Horse Husbandry*

*Sponsored by Southern States Cooperative, South Central 4-H Horse Council, Candace Norman, Michelle Luhr, and the Wake County Horse Youth Council.* Competition among teams of four or five in three divisions: I, mixed, 9 through 18 years old; II, junior, 9 through 13 years old; and III, senior, 14 through 18 years old. State individual and team winners in each division receive an award and ribbons. Ribbons are awarded to second through sixth place teams and second through tenth place individuals. The top five individuals in the senior division and the top five senior individuals in the mixed division are eligible to compete for one of five berths on the State Horse Bowl Team participating in regional and national.

### **Horse Short Story Writing Contest (2,9)**

*Extension Horse Husbandry*

*Sponsored by the South Central District 4-H Horse Advisory Board.* Youth in junior and senior divisions improve written communication skills, use and interpret resources, and expand their equine knowledge. Youth are eligible to win individual ribbons for first through sixth place Junior and Senior Short Story. First place Junior and Senior winners will receive an award. Consult the 4-H Horse Program rulebook for complete description.

### **Horse Poetry Contest (2,9)**

*Extension Horse Husbandry*

*Sponsored by South Central District 4-H Horse Advisory Board.* Youth in junior and senior divisions improve written communication skills, use and interpret resources, and expand their equine knowledge. Youth are eligible to win individual ribbons for first through sixth place. First place Junior and Senior winners receive an award. Consult the 4-H Horse Program rulebook for a complete description.

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**Horse Essay Contest (2,9)**

*Extension Horse Husbandry*

Sponsored by the Orange County 4-H Horse Council. Youth in junior and senior divisions improve written communication skills, use and interpret resources, and expand their equine knowledge. Topics identified annually by Horse Advisory Board (see Advisory Board minutes). State winners for both divisions receive an appropriate award. Ribbons are presented to first through sixth place winners in each division.

**Southern Regional 4-H Horse Championships**

*Extension Horse Husbandry*

Rotated annually among 13 Southern states, the 2012 show is in Perry, GA. The top 50 NC show exhibitors, two judging teams, team demonstrations, individual demonstrations, public speakers, Horse Bowl and Horse Hippology teams are eligible to participate. Awards include medals and ribbons. Travel scholarships are not available. NC exhibitors receive special gift and t-shirt.

**Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup**

*Extension Horse Husbandry*

*Sponsored by Agribusiness & National Breed Associations.* This is the national competition for Horse Judging, Bowl, Hippology, Team & Individual Presentations and Public Speaking, held November 2-4, in Louisville, KY. NC 4-H Horse Program Senior Level State Winners are eligible to represent NC. Partial travel scholarships available.

**Horse Drawing Contest (9, 10)**

*Extension Horse Husbandry*

Youth increase their awareness of the horse through drawing exhibitions in three divisions: junior, 9 through 13 years old; senior, 14 through 18 years old; and cloverbud, 5 through 8 years old. Junior and senior participants are eligible to receive awards provided by Carteret County Roadrunners 4-H Club. Ribbons are presented to first through sixth place junior and senior winners. Cloverbuds are not ranked, but receive ribbons. Event held in conjunction with State 4-H Horse Show.

**Horse Judging (2, 5, 6)**

*Extension Horse Husbandry*

*Co-Sponsored by Purina Land-O-Lakes Feed Company, NC Farm Bureau, Matt Downs, and the Orange County and South Central District Horse Councils.* Junior team winners receive awards and ribbons. The high-scoring junior and senior individuals in each judging category (halter, performance and overall) receive an award/ribbon. Second through sixth place teams and second through tenth place junior and senior individuals receive ribbons. The top senior team members and individuals receive ribbons and awards and are eligible to compete for a berth on the national team. Partial expense money will be provided toward regional and national contests.

**Horse Sportsmanship Contest**

*Extension Horse Husbandry*

*Sponsored by NC 4-H Horse Program in memory of Holly Chiles.* Junior and senior 4-Hers displaying the highest degree of sportsmanship at the NC 4-H Horse Show are nominated by fellow members, and receive a plaque sponsored by Linda Hatfield in loving memory of George James Hatfield.

**State 4-H Horse Show**

*Extension Horse Husbandry*

The State 4-H Horse Show, conducted at the Governor James Hunt Horse Complex, in Raleigh, in July 11-15, 2012, offers youth an opportunity to exhibit progress with their horse project during the past year. State winners receive awards and ribbons in each class and division. Ribbons are awarded to second through tenth place, depending on class entries. The top 50 exhibitors are eligible to participate in the Southern Regional 4-H Horse Championships. Division champions receive awards donated by Nutrena Feeds and Cargill, Inc. Reserve champions are also awarded by the NC 4-H Horse Program.

**Horse Crafts Contest (9,10)**

*Extension Horse Husbandry*

Participants in cloverbud, junior and senior divisions learn craft skills to develop tack and attire alternatives. Youth are eligible to win individual awards donated by the West Central District 4-H Horse Council. An award is provided to the first place winner in each division. Ribbons are presented to first through sixth place winners in each division. Event held in conjunction with State 4-H Horse Show.

**Horse Painting Contest (9, 10)**

*Extension Horse Husbandry*

Participants in junior, senior, and cloverbud divisions increase their artistic talent, painting skills, and knowledge of the horse. Junior and senior contestants are eligible to receive awards donated by the West Central District 4-H Horse Council. Ribbons are presented to first through sixth place junior and senior division winners. Cloverbuds receive ribbons. Event held in conjunction with State 4-H Horse Show.

**Horse Photography (9, 10)**

*Extension Horse Husbandry*

Cloverbud, junior and senior division participants learn photographic skills and gain experience developing photography exhibits. Contestants winning in each division receive an appropriate award donated by the West Central District 4-H Horse Council. Ribbons are presented to first through sixth place winners in each division. Event held in conjunction with State 4-H Horse Show.



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### Horse Poster Contest (9,10)

*Extension Horse Husbandry*

Participants show their horse interest through written communication, visuals, and illustrations. Junior and senior participants are eligible to receive awards donated by Mrs. Faith Ford in memory of Pratt Ford. First place awards and top-six ribbons are presented in junior and senior divisions. Cloverbud participants are not ranked and receive participation ribbons only. Event held in conjunction with State 4-H Horse Show.

### Horse Sewing Contest (9,10)

*Bob Mowery, Horse Husbandry*

Cloverbud, junior and senior participants learn sewing skills while developing horse related attire and tack items. Contestants winning in each division receive an appropriate award donated by 4-H horse volunteers Debbi Hollowell and Amanda Baucom. First through sixth place ribbons are presented in junior and senior divisions. Event in conjunction with State 4-H Horse Show.

### Livestock Judging

*Brent Jennings, 4-H Livestock*

Sponsored by North Carolina Pork Council, competition is among junior and senior teams of four. High individuals in beef cattle, sheep, swine, oral reasons, and overall, receive plaques. Members of the top two senior teams and remaining top-ten individuals are eligible for a spot on the North Carolina State 4-H Livestock Judging Team, representing NC at regional and national contests.

### Livestock Skillathon

*Brent Jennings, 4-H Livestock*

Sponsored by the North Carolina Pork Council, competition is for junior and senior individuals and teams of four. High point individuals and teams win plaques. Top-ten individuals receive ribbons. Members of the top two senior teams and the remaining top-ten individuals are eligible for a spot on the State 4-H Livestock Skillathon team that will represent North Carolina at regional and national contests.

### Livestock Quiz Bowl

*Brent Jennings, 4-H Livestock*

Sponsored by the North Carolina Pork Council, competition is for junior and senior teams of a minimum of three participants and a maximum of five participants. Ribbons are awarded to the top three teams in each division, and plaques will be awarded to the first place team in each division.

### Beef Ambassador Competition

*Brent Jennings, 4-H Livestock*

*Sponsored by the NC Cattlewomen's Association.* The winning senior receives a trip to the national competition during the NC Junior Beef Roundup in June. Youth must be 15 by January 1, but not over 19 by October 1, of the year of competition.

### Dairy Skillathon

*Brinton Hopkins, Dairy Extension*

Youth compete as teams of four, or as individuals, in a format that will include, but not be limited to: identification of dairy products; identification of feedstuffs; identification of milking and dairy equipment; evaluation of forage samples; evaluating and judging dairy cattle; and problem-solving. Counties may enter an unlimited number of senior and/or junior teams. Multi-County teams composed of youth from different counties may enter; however, the team name must list the counties represented in which the youths reside. Any youth currently enrolled in 4-H may participate. Individuals 9 to 13 as of January 1, 2012 compete as juniors. If 14 as of January 1, you must compete as a senior.

### Market Steer Performance Record

*Brent Jennings, 4-H Livestock*

Sponsored by the North Carolina Cattlemen's Association, competition is conducted among individual 4-H'ers, 9 to 19 years old. State awards include 1st, \$100 bond; 2nd, \$75 bond; and 3rd to 5th, \$50 bond.

### Poultry Judging (5)

*Ken Anderson, Poultry Science*

Sponsored by the NC Breeder Hatchery Association and the NC Poultry Federation. Competition among teams of 3 or 4 individuals, ages 9 through 19, held on Monday prior to NC 4-H Congress at the poultry science teaching unit at NCSU. The highest total county score for a senior team (age 14 and older) is declared the state winner. Each county may enter an unlimited number of senior and/or junior teams. Multi-county teams composed of youth from different counties may be entered as a "county team". If a county has less than three participants, they may compete as part of a multi-county team or on an individual basis. If a county has more than four participants, additional contestants may compete as individuals. If the top individual in the competition is not part of the senior team, they may compete at the national level as an individual along with the senior state winning team. \$50 cash will be awarded to each winning Sr. and Jr. team member. Overall high scoring Junior and Senior receives a plaque. The top Sr. team receives a trip to the National 4-H Poultry and Egg conference in Louisville, KY the week prior to Thanksgiving.

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## Citizenship & Community Service

### 4-H Citizenship North Carolina Focus

*Sarah Kotzian, 4-H*

Sponsored by North Carolina's Electric Cooperatives. Two youth from each county participate in Raleigh, June 11-13, 2012. Participants gather information about local issues and political structures prior to attending, gain knowledge of state government and advocacy skills during the conference, visit with government officials, and develop a Personal Action Plan to address issues in their community following the conference.

### Interstate County 4-H Exchange

Exchange trips between counties in different states allow youth to learn, gain new ideas, and meet other 4-H members. Periodically, the Department of 4-H Youth Development will receive invitations from groups in other states. North Carolina counties can then work with the Department to contact the appropriate individual in the state making the request.

## Environmental & Natural Resources

### Beekeeping Essay Contest

*Stephen Bambara, Entomology*

Sponsored by the NC State Beekeepers Association. Individuals submit an essay on an assigned topic in beekeeping. The state award is \$50. State winning essay will be entered in the National Essay Contest sponsored by the American Beekeeping Federation. The national award is \$250. Deadline for entry is February 14th. More information online at: <http://www.ipm.ncsu.edu/4-H>

### Entomology Exhibit

*Stephen Bambara, Entomology*

4-H members enter their insect collections in the NC State Fair. The objectives are: (1) to learn how to properly collect, identify, preserve, and exhibit insect specimens, (2) to promote insect collection and study among 4-H'ers, (3) to publicize 4-H Entomology achievements to NC State Fair attendees, and (4) to reward 4-H'ers for their efforts. Full details are available in the NC State Fair catalog under "4-H Club Exhibits" or online at: <http://www.ipm.ncsu.edu/4-H> First place prize \$50.

## Science & Technology

### 4-H Electric Congress

*Grant Ellington, Bio & Ag Engineering*

Sponsored by the three major companies servicing North Carolina, Duke Energy, Progress Energy, Dominion NC Power, Electric Congress is held for all county-winning 4-Hers in the Electric Project. Participants must be at least 11 years old. Recruiting awards are presented to 4-Hers in each county who recruit the most new members in the Electric Project beyond the minimum requirement of eight.

### Japanese Exchange Program (LABO)

*Carolyn Langley, 4-H*

The LABO program allows Japanese students, ages 12 to 18, to spend a month in North Carolina homes learning about Americans. Host families also learn about Japanese families and culture. Another aspect of the program is the opportunity to host a Japanese high school student for one year who attends school with host siblings. Additional exchange opportunities with other nations are also available on a year to year basis.

### Speak Out for Military Kids

*Harriett Edwards & Scott Enroughty, 4-H*

Part of Operation: Military Kids (OMK), teens (13-18 year olds) are trained to raise awareness of the unique challenges facing North Carolina military families when a parent is deployed – especially as Guard or Reserve members. Participants (military and non-military) receive training in public speaking, leadership, technology, photography and special resources needed by geographically dispersed families.

### Forestry Invitational

*Robert Bardon, Forestry & Environmental Resources*

Judging competition is open to individuals and teams in junior and senior categories. The winning senior team is eligible to compete in the national competition in July.

### Wildlife Habitat Evaluation Program (WHEP)

*Renee Strnad, Forestry & Environmental Resources*

Sponsored by the State and local chapters of Quail Unlimited. Judging competition is open to individuals and teams in junior and senior categories. The winning senior team is eligible to compete in national competition in July.

### Fur, Fish, 'n Game Rendezvous, Beginning & Advanced

A week-long camp for youth, ages 12-15, sponsored by Cooperative Extension Service, NC Wildlife Federation, Wake County Wildlife Club, NC Wildlife Resources Commission, and others. Youth explore careers in the natural resources field; gain knowledge of environmental ethics; develop an understanding of wildlife management techniques; acquire outdoor skills; and complete the NC Hunter Safety Course.

### Kristina Jarrell 4-H Electric Spirit Award

*Grant Ellington, Bio & Ag Engineering*

Sponsored by Kristina Jarrell 4-H Memorial and Randolph County 4-H. Awarded to a 4-H'er who represents the enthusiasm and spirit for the 4-H Electric Program that Kristina Jarrells exemplified. Selection will be made by the NC 4-H Electric Congress Committee.



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## Personal Development & Leadership

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### 4-H Ambassadors

*Shannon McCollum, 4-H*

Sponsored by Dr. and Mrs. T.C. Blalock. 4-H Ambassadors are teen leaders and advocates for NC 4-H at the local, county, district and state levels. 4-H Ambassadors are recognized at four progressive levels: Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Emerald. Teen 4-H members must complete required Ambassador curricula and design their own elective leadership activities for each level before proceeding to the next level, documenting their achievements and accomplishments in an Ambassador Portfolio. New ambassador candidates begin with a Retreat in the Fall of each year. Upper level required classes are offered at existing 4-H events including Congress, State Council, and selected Teen Retreats. Portfolios are reviewed and assessed by trained county 4-H professionals and volunteers. Portfolios are submitted on May 15 and October 15 each year.

### Cooperative Leadership Award

*Agriculture & Resource Economics*

Sponsored by the Cooperative Council of North Carolina and its cooperative members, the 4-H Cooperative Leadership Award recognizes, in each county, an outstanding 4-H'er with demonstrated leadership abilities. Each county recipient receives a full scholarship (with arranged transportation) to the NC Cooperative Leadership Camp in June. The objectives of the award are to expand the leadership skills of the recipients and to increase the recipients' knowledge and awareness of the cooperative way of organizing businesses in the private enterprise economic system. Awards are limited to rising high school sophomores, juniors and seniors. The Extension 4-H agent in each county is expected to establish an award sponsor relationship with a local cooperative business. Assistance in identifying award sponsors is available. Contact Specialist prior to selection of award recipient.

### International Leadership Conference

*Sarah Kotzian, 4-H*

Sponsored by Thearon and Vanette McKinney. This conference takes place at camp Miniwanca in Shelby, Michigan in early August and is for 4-H'ers ages 15 - freshman year in college. Applicants are selected through the Application, Interview, Résumé, Essay program. Each county may nominate 4-H'ers, aged 15 - 18, who are outstanding in scholastics, 4-H leadership and character for consideration to attend the American Youth Foundation National Leadership Conference. Selected interviewees will be awarded: 1) AYF National Leadership Conference half scholarships valued at \$220 and 2) travel scholarships based on available funds.

### NC 4-H Congress

*Sarah Kotzian, 4-H*

A week-long educational program attended by an average of 800 4-H members, adult volunteers, and extension professionals on the North Carolina State University campus. 4-H Congress offers a variety of educational, recreational, and recognition experiences including outstanding speakers, educational and program development workshops, tours, presentations, recognition events, and social activities. Any 4-H member, 14 through 18 years old, currently participating in the 4-H program, is eligible to participate. Younger 4-Hers attend only by special invitation issued by the State 4-H Youth Development Department or as district presentation winners. County 4-H agents are encouraged to recruit delegates who are mature enough to apply their skills in new settings. Presentation awards are funded by 4-H donors listed on those pages of this handbook. Dates: July 16-19, 2012.

### National 4-H Congress

*Sarah Kotzian, 4-H*

National 4-H Congress is the premier national recognition showcasing the talents and achievements of the nation's most outstanding 4-Hers. National 4-H Congress is held in Atlanta, Georgia the weekend after Thanksgiving. North Carolina's delegates are selected based upon the Application, Interview, Résumé & Essay (AIRE) process. Young people are selected in one of the nine categories and must be 14 through 18 years old. Trips are funded by 4-H donors listed on page 3 of this handbook. Youth are asked to pay for some meals and baggage fees and will need some spending money.

### North Carolina 4-H Honor Club

*Shannon McCollum, 4-H*

The North Carolina 4-H Honor Club is composed of the most outstanding 4-H members in the state who are at least 16 years old and have had at least three years of 4-H experience. Members are chosen on the basis of service to the 4-H Program, leadership, moral standards, 4-H activities, and project achievement. The maximum number of members inducted each year shall not exceed .05% of the state 4-H enrollment. Applications are due to the Department of 4-H Youth Development February 1. Current Honor Club Members provide service at all levels of 4-H.

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## Personal Development & Leadership

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### State 4-H Council Leadership Conference

*Sarah Kotzian, 4-H*

State Council Conference will be held November 3-4, 2012 in Raleigh. This conference is an opportunity for 4-H members and adults to share information, ideas and resources on the state 4-H project and other leadership topics as well as participate in a number of leadership workshop and opportunities. The conference is for 4-H'ers ages 13 through 18 who are currently participating in the 4-H program. Transportation, registration, lodging and other costs are the responsibility of the 4-H'ers or county.

### Teens Reaching Youth through Innovative Teams

(TRY-IT)

*Shannon McCollum, 4-H*

The TRY-IT! program is designed for youth 12-18 to strengthen their skills in leadership, teaching/learning, and teen/adult partnerships so as to empower them as teachers of younger youth. A TRY-IT! Team consists of 3-4 teens and an adult volunteer leader coach. Teen and adult TRY-IT! Team member training consists of interactive, self-paced Web based modules as well as in-county and state level retreats. TRY-IT!'s overall goal is to encourage teens and adults to work as teams in teaching 4-H curricula to younger youth, while strengthening TRY-IT! Team members' self-esteem, leadership skills, and volunteer involvement.

### National 4-H Conference

*Sarah Kotzian, 4-H*

National 4-H Conference, held annually at the National 4-H Center lasts one full week and engages 4-Hers, volunteers, and professionals in national 4-H program development through peer focus groups, informal networking, and formal presentations. Individuals attending should have experience on local, county, district and/or state advisory groups or councils, etc. They should also have enough remaining years in 4-H to make significant contributions to the program when they return home from the conference and have growth potential and flexibility to meet differing situations. 4-H'ers 15-18 years old are selected to attend through the Application, Interview, Résumé, Essay (AIRE) process. Applications are due by May 15 2012. Up to six scholarships will be awarded to youth covering all but \$100 of the cost of the conference. Two adults will be selected to attend National Conference with the delegation.

## Communications, Arts, & Leisure Education

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### 4-H Photo Exhibit

*Becky Kirkland, Communication Services*

Sponsored by the North Carolina Agricultural Communicators Network. 4-H Photo Exhibit provides a showcase for 4-H members' photographic accomplishments. State winners are named in six classes in two divisions (junior, ages 9-13, classes 1, 2, 3, and senior, ages 14-18, classes 4, 5, 6) and are exhibited at State 4-H Congress in Raleigh. All 4-H members, ages 9-18, may submit entries. Participation is not limited to 4-Hers enrolled in 4-H Photography Projects. All photos submitted must have been taken by the 4-Her whose name appears on the application. There is no limit on the number of entries per county.

### NC Operation Military Kids (OMK) Visual Arts

*Scott Enroughty, 4-H/OMK*

The 4-H Annual OMK Visual Arts Contest is open to all North Carolina youth in these age categories: 5-8, 9-10, 11-12, 13-15, and 16-18. Youth will utilize artistry and photography skills to illustrate what freedom, patriotism and support for our troops mean to them. For Official Rules, Guidelines and applications see [www.nc4h.org/military/index.html](http://www.nc4h.org/military/index.html). Due Date: April 30.

# CALENDAR OF 4-H VOLUNTEER AWARDS

Adult	Receiving Deadline	Presented during	Sponsor
District Adult Volunteer	December 3, 2012	NC 4-H Volunteer Leader's Conference	NC 4-H Honor Club
Volunteer Leadership Team Award	December 3, 2012	NC 4-H Volunteer Leader Conference	NC 4-H Volunteer Leaders Association
Volunteer Leadership Individual Award	December 3, 2012	NC 4-H Volunteer Leader Conference	NC 4-H Volunteer Leaders Association
Achievement Hall in 4-H Leadership	December 3, 2012	NC 4-H Volunteer Leader Conference	NC 4-H Honor Club
Master Volunteer Recognition	December 3, 2012	NC 4-H Volunteer Leader Conference	NC 4-H Development Fund
4-H Alumni Recognition	March 1, 2012	NC 4-H Congress	NC State Collegiate 4-H Club
School Enrichment Volunteer Award	December 3, 2012	NC 4-H Volunteer Leader Conference	NC 4-H Volunteer Leaders Association
After School Volunteer Award	December 3, 2012	NC 4-H Volunteer Leader Conference	NC 4-H Volunteer Leaders Association
Youth	Receiving Deadline	Presented during	Sponsor
District & State Youth Volunteer Award	October 1, 2012	State 4-H Council Conference	NC 4-H Volunteer Leaders Association

*\*See also page 28.*

## SPECIAL AWARDS

Alumni Marshall Stewart, 4-H	Sponsored by the North Carolina 4-H Development Fund, this honor recognizes former 4-H members who have achieved success in their personal and/or professional lives. Engraved plaques are presented annually.
Community Service Shannon McCollum, 4-H	Sponsored by the North Carolina 4-H Honor Club, the Community Service Program is designed to recognize excellence in club community service activities. Club members and their volunteers submit the Community Involvement/Community Service Form entitled "Involvement Unlimited" (R-1-7-3). State prizes include: 1st place: \$150; 2nd place: \$100; and 3rd place: \$50. Application packets are due March 1.
Electric Group Grant Ellington, Bio & Ag Engineering	Sponsored by Duke Energy, Progress Energy, and Dominion North Carolina Power; the Electric Group Award recognizes excellence by 4-H clubs or county groups that work on electric energy projects. A winner is declared in each territory and receives a traveling plaque. The overall state winning group receives a plaque. Applications due March 1.
NC Partner-in-4-H Marshall Stewart, 4-H	Sponsored by the North Carolina 4-H Development Fund, this award recognizes individuals, groups, business organizations, foundations, associations, government bodies, and other institutions that have worked closely with the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service in supporting the 4-H Program. This special recognition is limited to those who have provided sustained and significant contributions to the 4-H Program on the state level.
Outstanding Support to Military Children in North Carolina Harriett Edwards & Scott Enroughty, 4-H/OMK	The North Carolina Operation: Military Kids program sponsors the statewide recognition program to acknowledge the outstanding work of a club or group who gives their time, talent and resources in support of North Carolina's military families and their children. Recipients will be recognized during the North Carolina 4-H State Congress. Application packets are due March 1. For Official Rules, Guidelines and applications check out at <a href="http://www.nc4h.org/military/index.html">www.nc4h.org/military/index.html</a> on the 4-H Military Programs page.

# VOLUNTEER EVENTS & RECOGNITION

Event/Recognition	Description
District Leader Association Meetings Harriett Edwards, 4-H	District Volunteer Leader Associations plan and conduct meetings in the fall or spring under the guidance of agent advisors. Educational workshops are conducted, program ideas are shared, and the district association has an annual meeting.
National Fisheries & Wildlife 4-H Volunteer Conference Renee Strnad, Forestry	Sponsored by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Six winners (nationwide) are awarded trips to the North American Natural Resources and Wildlife Conference.
N.C. 4-H Volunteer Leader Conference Harriett Edwards, 4-H	Annual meeting of the NC 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Association includes state leader recognition banquet, educational workshops, and exhibits. Held the 1st full weekend in February at the Sheraton Imperial in Research Triangle Park.
Southern Region 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Forum Harriett Edwards, 4-H	Held in October at the Rock Eagle 4-H Conference Center at Eatonton, Georgia. Highlights of this annual motivational and educational event include speakers, outstanding workshops, and sharing ideas with leaders from other states.
Master Volunteer/ACE Recognition Harriett Edwards, 4-H	Sponsored by NC 4-H Development Fund, this award recognizes up to four individuals or teams who have excelled in Master Volunteer roles over a two-year period. Recipients will receive a plaque at the annual 4-H Leaders' Conference Recognition Banquet.
4-H Horse Leaders' Conference Extension Horse Husbandry	Sponsored by NC 4-H Horse Program, provides horse subject matter to new and veteran volunteer leaders. 2012 conference will be March 16-18 in Leesburg, Virginia in conjunction with the Virginia 4-H Horse program. Contact Extension Horse Husbandry for details.
4-H Master Volunteer ACE Conference Harriett Edwards, 4-H	Master Volunteer training for those seeking recognition through the Master Volunteer ACE (Achievement through Continuing Education) program provided by specialists, agents, and volunteers. August 2012.
District Adult Volunteer Recognition Harriett Edwards, 4-H	Sponsored by the North Carolina 4-H Honor Club. Up to four outstanding volunteers from each Extension district are recognized for noteworthy contributions to 4-H. Framed certificates are presented at the NC 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Conference.
Achievement Hall in 4-H Leadership Harriett Edwards, 4-H	Sponsored by the North Carolina 4-H Honor Club. The Achievement Hall is North Carolina's 4-H Volunteer Hall of Fame and recognizes up to two adult volunteers annually for continuing and outstanding service to North Carolina 4-H. Recipients receive a plaque at the NC 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Conference. Recognition is placed in a display at McKimmon Center, Raleigh. A permanent display is located at Betsy Jeff Penn 4-H Center in Reidsville.
Volunteer Leadership Team Harriett Edwards, 4-H	This award is designed to reinforce the concept of the multi-leader model of 4-H club volunteer staffing. One team per district will be recognized with a plaque at the Recognition Banquet during the North Carolina 4-H Volunteer Leaders Conference.
School Enrichment Volunteer Harriett Edwards, 4-H	This award is presented to one volunteer per Extension District who demonstrates leadership excellence using 4-H curriculum inside the classroom. Recipients are recognized at the NC Volunteer 4-H Leaders' Conference.
State 4-H Volunteer Harriett Edwards, 4-H	Six individual volunteers (one per district) will be recognized for their outstanding contribution to 4-H. Recognition is presented at the NC 4-H Volunteer Leader Conference.
Individual Youth Volunteer Harriett Edwards, 4-H	This award is designed to recognize teen volunteer leadership in 4-H. Recognition is presented to two youths per district and to four state winners at the State 4-H Council Conference.
After-School Volunteer Award Harriett Edwards, 4-H	Six volunteers (one per district) will be recognized for outstanding leadership in 4-H After-School programs at the NC 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Conference.
Michael A. Davis Family Foundation Salute to 4-H Volunteer Excellence	One individual recognized annually based on service to 4-H and Extension for 10 or more years. This award recipient becomes the state's nominee for national recognition in the National 4-H Council Salute to Excellence program. Recipient is recognized at NC 4-H Volunteer Conference.
Outstanding Support for Military Children in North Carolina - Adult Volunteer Recognition Harriett Edwards & Scott Enroughty, 4-H/OMK	Statewide recognition acknowledges the outstanding work of the individuals who give their time, talent and resources in support of North Carolina's military families and their children. Recipients will be recognized during the North Carolina 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Conference. Application packets are due November 1. For Official Rules, Guidelines and applications visit at <a href="http://www.nc4h.org/military/index.html">www.nc4h.org/military/index.html</a>
Outstanding Support for Military Children in North Carolina - Extension Professional Recognition Harriett Edwards & Scott Enroughty, 4-H/OMK	Statewide recognition acknowledges the outstanding work of the individuals who give their time, talent and resources in support of North Carolina's military families and their children. Recipients will be recognized during the North Carolina 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Conference. Application packets are due November 1. For Official Rules, Guidelines and applications visit <a href="http://www.nc4h.org/military/index.html">www.nc4h.org/military/index.html</a>

For more information about the Awards and Incentives opportunities inside this publication, contact Shannon McCollum, Extension Associate, 4-H Youth Development, NC State University, at shannon\_mccollum@ncsu.edu or 919-515-8468.



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