4-H Small Plant Sale

To learn more about 4-H clubs, and our upcoming events visit our website: henderson.ces.ncsu.edu/4-H

West District 4-H Teen Retreat

*March 25 – 26, YMCA Blue Ridge Assembly, Black Mountain*

A weekend of workshops, a dance, friends, recreation, and fun! All of this is planned by your West District 4-H Officers. Click here for the registration form, and here for the schedule. Registration forms are due to Denise by March 6.

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Buy plants to support kids!

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LOOK INSIDE FOR MORE OPPORTUNITIES!
Upcoming Events

It’s not too early to start working on a 4-H project record for 2017!
For forms, visit this website: http://www.nc4h.org/youth/awards.html
Project records are due January 2, 2018 to the NC Cooperative Extension, Henderson County Center. Contact Denise if you have any questions. Here is the link for project record forms for Cloverbuds, ages 5 – 8 as of January 1: https://www.ces.ncsu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/cloverbud-project-record-age-5-8.doc

4-H County Council – Tuesday February 28 and March 28
5:00 Workday—work on Arts for Life and Henderson County 4-H photo album. Bring food to share.
7:00 Meeting

4-H Presentation Training
Tuesday, March 14, 7:00 pm, NC Cooperative Extension, Henderson County Center, across from the ball fields in Jackson Park. RSVP to Barbara Walker@ncsu.edu or call 697-4891. You do not need to be a 4-H member to participate. 4-H alumni tell us that learning public speaking in 4-H has helped them tremendously in life. Contact Denise_Sherrill@ncsu.edu or call 697-4891 for more information.

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Poultry Science Summer Institute at NC State
July 30- August 3, 2017
The summer institute is a five-day, four-night conference and workshop designed to broaden the high school student’s understanding of the educational disciplines, scholarship opportunities, careers and industries related to poultry science. Any high school student with an interest in a career in the poultry industry may apply to attend the conference. The cost for the conference is $50.00. Click here for more information: https://poultry4hyouth.ces.ncsu.edu/poultry-science-summer-institute/ The deadline for submission is March 31.

4-H Shooting Sports Training for Instructors
For approved Henderson County 4-H Volunteers who have been through volunteer training. Volunteers will be trained in one discipline: archery, shotgun, rifle, pistol, muzzle loading, or hunting. They will be asked to rank their preferences for the discipline. Click here for a volunteer application to submit to Denise by March 17. Registration fee:
$70 for overnight lodging, $50 for commuting, Friday and Saturday
Space is limited, so apply soon.
March 31 – April 1, Black Mountain and McDowell County
Contact Denise_Sherrill@ncsu.edu for more information, or call 697-4891.

4-H Livestock Events
What: Western NC Livestock Judging Clinic
When: March 25
Who: Youth ages 9-18
Where: NC Mountain State Fairgrounds, Fletcher NC
Registration form and payment due in Raleigh by March 17.
What: Spring Fling Livestock Show
Livestock Judging Contest, Skillathon Contest, Swine Show, and Cattle Show
When: April 14-15
Who: Youth must be under the age of 21 as of January 1, 2017
Where: NC Mountain State Fairgrounds, Fletcher NC

4-H Project Record and Portfolio Judging
4-H Project Record Judging will take place in Raleigh on April 21-23, 2017 as well as Portfolio Judging April 24-26. RSVP to Denise if you’re interested in helping with this judging. It is a great way to learn how to do a project record and portfolio, and an honor to see work from 4-H members across the state!

Sewing Mentors Needed!
Do you sew or quilt? 4-H needs individual Sewing Mentors for kids in monthly classes that begin in June and end in December. For more information go to https://henderson.ces.ncsu.edu/2017/02/volunteer-to-help-with-4-h-sewing-classes/

Did you know? Henderson County 4-H is dependent on donations and fundraisers for awards and programs for youth. Click here to learn how to support 4-H.

Purchase 4-H items online
www.4-HMALL.org When you purchase items online, NC 4-H will receive 10% of the purchase price if you: click on the ‘Sign in’ Button on the left hand side of the website.
‘Create a New Web Account- if you do not have an online account with the 4-H Mall. Then purchase items online.

Recycle
LIT 4-H Club is recycling Christmas lights. Drop them by the Extension office 8:30 – 5:00 Mon. – Fri.

Do you love fabric?
Occasionally we get donations of fabric and craft materials. Contact Sue or call 697-4891 to be added to the “Fabric Alert” list
Young Naturalists 4-H Club, Tatum Epperson, Reporter
In January, the Henderson County Young Naturalists had a new members meeting. Learned about a bluebird box program, and actually helped build bluebird boxes to set up around Jackson Park. During the month of December, the Young Naturalists 4-H Club went to Operation Christmas Child, had a business meeting, and had a Christmas party. At Operation Christmas Child, we helped pack and sort through the donated shoe boxes. This process is so important because if the wrong items get into certain countries it can be dangerous for children and their families. By going to volunteer, we helped Samaritans Purse go through some of the hundreds of thousands of boxes they deliver per year!

Barnyard Bandits 4-H Club, Tanner Queen, Reporter
In December, the Barnyard Bandits wrote and sent Christmas Cards to Veterans and The Elderly.

Hooked on Horticulture 4-H Club, Reagan Gage, Reporter
The Hooked on Horticulture Club is looking forward to a year of horticulture related field trips. We started our year with a meeting at Stepp Orchards where we elected officers, and planned field trips and service activities. Our first field trip was at Granddad’s Apples where we watched and learned about cider making. Our first service activity was to weed and trim the plants in the InterFaith Assistance Ministries parking lot, and help get it ready to sell. We also ran a table at Farm City Day where kids could play a bean bag toss game and learn about parts of a flower. Most recently, we toured Turf Mountain Sod to learn how sod is grown.

Barnyard Bandits 4-H Club, Molly McMinn and Tanner Queen, Reporters
This month, The Barnyard Bandits held their annual dance. The dance was on Nov. 5 from 5-9pm. The dance was a great success. All who attended had a great time. The dance was held at a beautiful rustic barn in Weaverville, NC. We had s’mores, food, a fire pit and a lot of dancing and fun. Also we had sound extreme as our DJ. Overall we had around 40 guests in attendance.

Sugarloaf Mountain Lions 4-H Club, Santiago, Reporter
Here are our topics for our 4-H Presentations:
Santiago = insects
Hector = the Fox and the Hound
Jade = cats
Andrea = China
Holli = Descendants
Diego = Dr. Seuss Books
Liberty = cheetahs

Hoofbeats 4-H Club, Danielle Kuykendall, Reporter
At the 4-H Hoofbeats November meeting, we elected new officers. As of now these are the officers.
President—Kaiya
Co-Presidents—Ella, Gracie
Vice President — Ally, Izzy
Treasurer—Kailee
Secretary—Chloe
Show Chairman—Zachary, (Bryce to intern)
Since all 3 of the presidents play sports at different times of the year they will be rotating who is president throughout the year.
At the fun show the Hoofbeats were able to raise $250 for Hope for Horses. After the organization gets settled into their new location we plan on visiting and presenting them with the donation.

Barnyard Bandits 4-H Club, Molly McMinn and Tanner Queen, Reporters
The Barnyard Bandits 4-H club had a spot at Farm City Day. They had: horse rides, pony rides, llama walks, and other animals and food. From that they had made $2,800 Dollars. It was very successful for them. They are planning to use the funds to plan their barn dance in November.

Hoofbeats 4-H Club, Danielle Kuykendall, Reporter
The 4-H Hoofbeats were able to introduce 106 people to horses through the Time to Ride event. Many people were interested in taking riding lessons and learning more about horses after going through the program. Many 4-H Hoofbeats members also learned a lot more about the subject they were teaching, expanding their knowledge about horses. Overall it was good publicity for 4-H and the equine community.

At our September meeting, the 4-H Hoofbeats planned for the upcoming Time to Ride and the 4-H Hoofbeats Fall Fun Show. We hope both events have a good turnout and go well!
Henderson County 4-H
Public Speaking Competition

4-H alumni say that learning public speaking skills in 4-H has benefited them throughout their lives. Henderson County 4-H provides training and coaching for youth, ages 5–18, to create and give their own presentations. Cloverbuds, youth ages 5–8, do not compete in 4-H, but each one receives a small trophy for participation in 4-H presentations. At the county level, judges will decide if participants, ages 9–18, will earn a blue or red ribbon. A blue ribbon means the participant has done a great job and is ready for district competition. The 4-H Advisory Committee has decided that blue ribbon winners will earn $40. A red ribbon means that the participant needs some more work before going on to the district competition. Red ribbon winners are asked to meet with county staff and/or presentation coaches to practice and get approval to go on to the district competition. Gold medal winners at the district competition earn $60 from Henderson County 4-H. Depending on their category, they may earn a scholarship provided by donors to NC 4-H to participate in the state competition. Gold medal winners at the state level may also earn an award provided by donors to NC 4-H. The poster with presentation categories is posted in the Assembly Room at the Cooperative Extension office. Sign up early if you want a specific category. Only 2 names are allowed per category and age group (9-10, 11-13, 14-18). Click here for a list of presentation categories.

Presentation Training Monday, Tuesday, March 14, 7:00 pm, at NC Cooperative Extension, 100 Jackson Park Rd., Hendersonville (across from the ball fields in Jackson Park) Learn all about 4-H presentations, and see sample posters and excerpts of past presentations. RSVP to Barbara_Walker@ncsu.edu or call 697-4891. Contact Denise if you gave a presentation in 2016 and would like to help with this training.

Presentation Coaching by Appointment Call 697-4891 or email Barbara_Walker@ncsu.edu to register for a 30 minute time slot:
9:00 – 11:30 am and 3:00 – 6:00 pm
Most Tuesdays in March
Most Tuesdays and Thursdays April – July 27

Deadline to register for Presentation Category
Friday, April 7
Click here for the registration form: https://www.ces.ncsu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/sign-up-form-for-county-competition.doc Please email completed form to Denise_Sherrill@ncsu.edu or mail to Henderson County 4-H, 100 Jackson Park Rd., Hendersonville, NC 28792. Contact Denise for more information or call 697-4891.

County 4-H Activity Day (for ages 5-18, as of January 1, 2016)
Saturday, May 6, Location Grace Blue Ridge Church, 109 Florence St. Hendersonville
Presentations will start at 9:00. Arrive by 8:45 to find your room.

Early Presentation Competition will be scheduled for those who cannot be at County Activity Day. Contact Denise_Sherrill@ncsu.edu for more information.

West District 4-H Activity Day (for ages 5-18, as of January 1, 2016)
Saturday, June 17, Macon County
Presentations will start at 10:30. Arrive by 10:00. Register with Denise by May 26.

State 4-H Presentation Competition (for ages 9-18, as of January 1, 2016)
Saturday, July 29, at NCSU
NC 4-H Congress will be July 16 – 19 at NCSU
Registration for 4-H Congress and the presentation competition is due to Denise Monday, June 19. Congress Orientation will be Monday, July 10, at 7:00 at the Cooperative Extension office.

For more information about 4-H Congress, visit: http://www.nc4h.org/youth/congress/
Here are some helpful YouTube videos:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WVTyHTCkv8c
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hRktTsMttSU
and guidelines:
Now is the time to sign up for 4-H summer camp!

Now is the time to sign up for camp for 2017. Henderson County 4-H will take a group to the Betsy Jeff Penn 4-H Center July 16 - 21. A $50 deposit is due with registration. Click here for the summer camp flier. Contact Denise Sherrill@ncsu.edu for information about scholarships. Prices: Traditional Camp $425, Adventurer and Trekker $445 and LIT $255. LITs apply for their positions, and must be accepted by the camp. They are required to take online training before they go to camp. North Carolina 4-H has 3 camps. Each camp will have an open house:

- **Saturday, April 8 from 1:00-5:00 pm at the Eastern 4-H Center**
- **Sunday, May 7 from 1:00-5:00 pm at the Millstone 4-H Camp**
- **Sunday, May 14 from 2:00-6:00 pm at the Betsy-Jeff Penn 4-H Educational Center**

Click here to learn more about them. Register with your 4-H Agent for a reduced price at any of these camps. Donors are always needed to help send kids to camp. Donations may be mailed to Henderson County 4-H, 100 Jackson Park Rd., Hendersonville, NC 28792. Email Denise_Sherrill@ncsu.edu

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Henderson County 4-H Shooting Sports Winners


2017 Horticultural Science Summer Institute

The **2017 Horticultural Science Summer Institute is July 9-14th** on the campus of NC State University. For more information, visit [http://www.growforit.org/programs/detail/HSSI](http://www.growforit.org/programs/detail/HSSI) High school students are invited to spend a week trying North Carolina State University on for size, while exploring the many facets of the Department of Horticultural Science.

Tractor Supply Paper Clover Days

4-H clubs are asked to do fundraisers for their club and tell people about 4-H. Please sign up with Denise for a time slot. 4-H Spring Paper Clover – 4/26-5/7 and 4-H Fall Paper Clover – 10/4-10/15
Congratulations to the following people for completing 2016 4-H Project Records!

**Cloverbuds, ages 5 – 8**
- Elias Gibbs
- Gus McCall
- Victoria Gage

**Communication Arts**
- Celia Gibbs, 11 – 12

**Citizenship & Civic Education**
- Jesse Jakubielski, 11 – 12
- Dana Jakubielski, 13 – 15
- Matthew King, 16 – 18

**Personal Development & Leadership**
- Gabriella Torres, 11 – 12
- Environment & Natural Resources
- Ellie Gage, 9 – 10
- Issac Swekosky, 9 – 10

**Healthy Lifestyles**
- John Paul Torres, 9 – 10
- Zachary Swekosky, 11 – 12
- Luke Maybin, 13 – 15
- Jonathan Hutchinson, 16 – 18

**Science & Technology**
- Cayden Brackett, 11 – 12
- Jordan Jakubielski, 13 – 15

**Animal Science**
- Austin Taylor, 9 – 10
- Rebecca Couture, 9 – 10
- Eli Blanton, 9-10
- Hannah Queen, 11 – 12
- Reagan Gage, 11 – 12
- Molly McMinn, 11 – 12
- Haley Hargus , 11 – 12
- Celia Gibbs, 11 -12

**Family & Consumer Science**
- Rebecca Couture, 9 – 10

4-H Project Records will be on display at Achievement Night, Thursday, February 16, at Grace Lutheran Church, 1245 Sixth Ave. W., Hendersonville. Come early to see some beautiful project records, and get ideas for 2017! People who completed project records will receive an envelope at Achievement Night, containing a scoresheet, a ribbon, and a certificate. Volunteer judges completed a scoresheet for each project record. They may have made suggestions to improve future project records. A red ribbon means you’ve done a good job and should be proud of your work. A blue ribbon is a reward for excellent quality and comes with a $10 check, which will be mailed to you. Please cash these checks as soon as possible, or deposit them in your savings account or college fund. Two blue ribbon project records from each category and age group will go on to the District competition. Cloverbuds, ages 5 – 8, who completed project records, receive a participation ribbon and a goodie bag with stickers and supplies which we hope they’ll use to make project records in 2017. Memorial contributions in honor of Frankie and Steve Ruff fund Cloverbud awards. The judges and staff enjoyed reading your project records!

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**4-H Mini-Gardening**

Enjoy plants and gardening? If you do, then 4-H Mini-Gardening is for you!

All Henderson County youth, ages 9-18, as of January 1, 2017, are eligible to participate. In this project, each participant plants a 10-foot x 12-foot vegetable garden at home and maintains a garden journal. 4-H will provide all the seeds and plants for the garden. Each child will plant the same vegetables.

The program begins with an orientation session where participants will receive seeds and plants and learn how to prepare and plant their gardens.

Extension Master Gardener volunteers will visit each child’s garden twice during the summer to give pointers, evaluate the care of the garden and review the garden journal. Participants will submit their journals for judging in early August. The garden journal and the overall care of the garden throughout the project will be used to determine winners. Cash prizes will be awarded. Winners will be announced at the Mini-Gardening Awards Program/Pot Luck Dinner in August. Each child brings a dish for the dinner using vegetables from his or her garden. Click here for a registration form: [https://www.ces.ncsu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/flier_17.doc](https://www.ces.ncsu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/flier_17.doc) Space is limited, so register soon!
NEW! 4-H T-SHIRTS

New 4-H T-Shirts designed by the 4-H County Council are available to order

Youth S, M, L - $10.00
Adult S, M, L, XL, 2X - $10.00

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Phone Number: ________________________
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Write check to Henderson County 4-H. Mail order form and payment to:
Henderson County Cooperative Extension, 100 Jackson Park Road,
Hendersonville, NC 28792
Henderson County 4-H  
2017 Plant Order Form  
Extra plants available April 8, 2:00 – 4:00pm  

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### Strawberry Plants: $190.00/thousand, $20.00/hundred, $6.00/twenty-five

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### Blueberry Plants: $7.00 each (Two varieties are needed for cross pollination.)

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**Henderson County 4-H reserves the right to substitute suitable varieties in the event of short supply or the variety requested was not available. Plants are not under warranty beyond date of distribution.**

Make checks payable to Henderson County 4-H. Mail to: Henderson County 4-H, 100 Jackson Park Rd., Hendersonville, NC 28792. If you are paying with cash, please bring correct change with the order form to NC Cooperative Extension, Henderson County Center, across from the ball fields in Jackson Park. Call 697-4891 or email Denise_Sherrill@ncsu.edu for more information.

Return order no later than March 17, 2017 with full payment!!

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**STRAWBERRY VARIETY INFORMATION CHART** – All are good for eating, freezing and jam.

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*Day-neutral cultivars can potentially produce flower buds, and fruit can be harvested about every six weeks regardless of day length. Hot, dry weather will decrease production.

**BLUEBERRY VARIETY INFORMATION CHART**

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*Note: Since cultivated blueberries are partly self-sterile, it's best to plant at least 2 varieties for good cross-pollination. Any combination of varieties will work.*

**RASPBERRY VARIETY INFORMATION CHART**

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<th>Variety</th>
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<td>Red (Heritage)</td>
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<td>Black</td>
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<td><strong>4-H County Council</strong>, Tues., Feb. 28 - 5:00 Finish county scrapbook - please bring food to share, 7:00 meeting</td>
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<td>31 - Apr. 1 <strong>Shooting Sports Training for Instructors</strong>, Black Mt. For approved 4-H Volunteers who have been through volunteer training. Training provided in one discipline: archery, shotgun, rifle, pistol, muzzle loading, or hunting. Click <a href="#">here</a> for a volunteer application to submit to Denise by March 17. Registration fee: $70 for overnight lodging, $50 for commuting, Contact <a href="#">Denise</a> for more info.</td>
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*WNC Ag Ctr., Reg. due Mar. 17*
### Henderson County 4-H April 2017

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<td><strong>4-H Mini-Gardening</strong> is a fun way for young people, ages 9-18, to learn about gardening. Each participant grows 10 x 12 ft. garden at home. May 1 is the deadline to sign up for 4-H Mini-Gardening, but space is limited and this contest will fill on a first-come, first-served basis. Click here for more information: <a href="https://henderson.ces.ncsu.edu/2017/02/4-h-mini-gardening-2/">https://henderson.ces.ncsu.edu/2017/02/4-h-mini-gardening-2/</a></td>
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<td>8 4-H Plant Sale, Henderson Farm, 705 Tracy Grove Rd., Flat Rock. Volunteers needed. RSVP to Denise</td>
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<td>26 - May 7 <strong>Tractor Supply Paper Clover Sales</strong> - Sign up with Denise</td>
<td>28 Deadline to sign up for 4-H Entertains Talent Contest</td>
<td>29 <strong>West District 4-H Open Horse Show</strong> (for ages 5 and &gt;, including adults, register by April 7) 29-30 <strong>West District 4-H Qualifying Horse Show</strong>, (for 4-H members, ages 5–18, contact your 4-H leader or 4-H Agent by Feb. 17 to ask about eligibility card)</td>
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**4-H County Activity Day:** Sat., May 6, Grace Blue Ridge Church, 109 Florence St, Hendersonville, Presentations will start at 9:00. If you’ve never seen a 4-H presentation, come see some! Be sure to visit Outdoor Cookery! Deadline to sign up for a presentation category: April 7. Contact Denise for more info.
It's time to order strawberry, blueberry, raspberry, blackberry, and asparagus plants! This is the big 4-H fundraiser for 2017. Prices are low because we join other counties in ordering a large numbers of plants. These are very healthy plants, but they are bare root, and will need to go in the ground soon. Profits will help to provide awards for project records, presentations, and leadership training for 4-H members and leaders. Orders and payment are due by March 17. Please share the plant sale flyer with friends and neighbors. Volunteers will be needed to pack orders on Saturday, April 8. Contact Denise if you would like to volunteer.

Denise Sherrill
Extension Agent
4-H Youth Development

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