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Give, Lead, and Inspire.

Quote of the Month

"The challenge of Leadership is to be strong, not rude; be kind, but not weak; be bold, but not bully; be thoughtful, but not lazy; be humble, but not timid; be proud, but not arrogant; have humor, but without folly."

~ Jim Rohn

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Hello, everyone! Fall is almost here and that means a variety of things to different people...school starting back up, the Mountain State Fair and North Carolina State Fair, maybe sports, tailgates, and bonfires...but even better yet, North Carolina 4-H State Council Conference! Your State Officer team are setting our best feet forward to kick off an amazing 4-H year, and we absolutely can't wait to share it with you!

First off, we need to give some recognition to this years' District Officers. For those of you who may not know, the NC 4-H State Council is made up of five District teams, each with four District Officers, as well as four State Officers. These District Officers are especially instrumental in bridging the gaps between counties and districts, creating a unified 4-H program across the state.

Each year the State Council chooses a theme to guide North Carolina 4-H through the upcoming year with a specific purpose or mission in mind.

Our theme for this year is "**GIVE. LEAD. INSPIRE.**", reminding each of us of what our mission as 4-H'ers should be! No matter what your interests or 4-H background may be, each of us can strive to first **GIVE** to others in our communities, **LEAD** in our communities, and strive to **INSPIRE** others to make that same difference.

An example of 4-H'ers using "**Give. Lead. Inspire.**" Is the Sassy Stitches Sewing Club in Lincoln County. They **give** by making walker caddies for nursing home residents. Club members have helped **lead** 4-H summer camps to teach the community about sewing and 4-H. They have **inspired** by organizing a Christmas party for Alzheimer patients so that they could celebrate Christmas like everyone else!

Meet Your 2016-2017 State 4-H Council

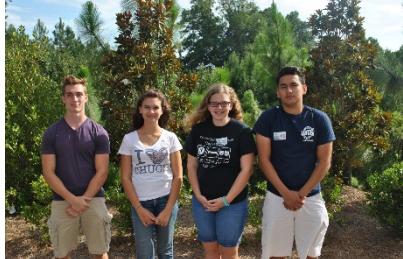


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NCACC YouthVoice

The 7th annual Youth Voice was held August 12-13 in Winston Salem. On the first day delegates had the opportunity to meet one another during the fun icebreaker activities as well as participate in a true colors personality test. The following day youth had the chance to eat breakfast with their county commissioners followed by participating in the Bottom Line Budget simulation game. This activity gave participants the opportunity to act as county commissioners and manage a county budget. We know that all the youth who attended this event learned and had a great experience. A special thanks to the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners for sponsoring this conference!



State 4-H Council Conference

State Council Conference is just around the corner! The dates for the 2016 State Council Conference are November 19-20 and will be held at North Raleigh Hilton in Raleigh. At this event, you will be able to get to know your 2016-2017 district officers by participating in the workshops they have prepared. We will also have ambassador and other leadership workshops to participate in. All of our workshops will be focused on this year's State Council theme - **Give. Lead. Inspire.** On Saturday night we will be doing one of our favorite 4-H events as we dance the night away, so be sure to bring your best dance moves. Also, throughout the event the state officers will be noticing your 4-H spirit and at the end of the conference, a new district will be named the Spirit Stick recipient. You will be judged on your enthusiasm, service to others, attendance in workshops, and... mystery points which will be revealed before the spirit stick is given away! State Council up to attend. We hope to see everyone there!



District Reports

South Central District

The 2016-2017 South Central District Officers are excited for the upcoming year their serving as the district officers representing nineteen counties' across the district. Many counties are wrapping up their summer fun programs as summer is coming to an end. We hope everyone enjoyed summer! Since NC 4-H Congress your district officers have been busy attending State Council Conference Planning Meeting and State Council Officer training on July 30-31. Together we worked to plan for SCC and learned about our responsibilities for the upcoming year! State Council Conference will be held November 19-20, 2016! The South Central district had their Shooting Sports Competition on August 13, 2016 where we had 200 principles at Millstone 4-H Camp Center. NCACC Youth Summit was held on August 12-13 in Winston-Salem in which we had twelve delegates attend. On August 28 your district officers will plan our workshop for SCC. Want to get to know your district officers here are a few facts about them! Enjoy!!

West District

Your West District Officers are very excited for the upcoming year. We attended the State Council Conference planning meeting in July and had a blast! This year we will focus on better communication between the district officer team and the counties. We plan to raise awareness of district events and form stronger communication by visiting as many county events as possible.

North Central District

It has been an exciting and fun-packed summer in the North Central District. 4-Hers across the district have participated in everything from Livestock Judging to Electric Congress on the State level. NC 4-H Congress was a smashing success this year. Youth had the opportunity to hear a holocaust survivor speak and participate in a great community service project. On the District and County level there have been many interesting summer workshops. They have spanned across many of 4-H's awesome project areas. Guilford County had a cooking class where youth learned how to make peach salsa and Rockingham County had a woodworking class in which they made phone stands. Several counties came together to put on some great summer programs including Junk Drawer Robotics and C.S.I. Investigates. These events and many more have been the highlight of many of the youths' summers. It has truly been a fantastic summer.



District Reports

Northeast District

The Northeast District Officers are off to great start. We just finished a weekend workshop with all the District and State Officers in Raleigh, Planning Stare Council Conference.

The Northeast District attended State 4-H Congress July 16-19th.

On District Presentation Day May 14th, 2016. The Northeast District had 192 presentations, 9 entertainers, 22 cloverbuds, and a total of 559 parents and judges in attendance. 92 presentations moved on to the state level on July 16th, 2016. The Northeast district brought home 22 gold, 22 silver, and 20 bronze. Congratulations!

Our Gold Winners are Wil Haines Pasquotank 11-13 Agriculture Science, Hira Iqbal Wake 14-18 Artistic Arrangement, Mason Leen Beaufort 9-10 Beef Char Grill, Tyrell Holley Gates 14-18 Beef Char Grill, Josiah Harris Northampton 11-13 Chicken Char Grill , Amoz Gardner Beaufort 9-10 Electric, Victoria Robey Pasquotank 14-18 Electric, Lilliana Andreoli Wake 9-10 Environmental Science, Conner Mills Pitt 11-13 Environmental Science, Kylie Bowden Beaufort 11-13 Fisheries & Aquatic Resources, Chawki Deida Northhampton 14-18 Foods & Nutrition, Lillian Worsley Beaufort 14-18 Fruits and Vegetable Use, Lillie Bailey Pasquotank 9-10 Horse, Avery Otts Pasquotank 9-10 Livestock & Dairy Production, Mary-Catherine Mayo Edgecombe 14-18 Livestock & Dairy Production Anashia Harris Northampton 11-13 Peanut Foods, Lennon Condrey Beaufort 14-18 Peanut Foods Audrey Glass Washington 14-18 Pork Char Grill, Madeline Chandler Washington 9-10 Poultry Production and/or Preparation, Joe Harris Jr. Northampton 11-13 Public Speaking, Olivia Mullen Perquimans 11-13 Safety, Summer Fleming Franklin 11-13 Small and Companion Animals. Congratulations again to all winners and Presenters at the state level.

Congratulations Honor Club Members who were tapped in from the Northeast District on July 16, 2016

David Parisher	Edgecombe County
Jessica Cahoon	Hyde County
Cloey Goins	Hyde County
Michaela Vicks	Nash County
Victoria Robey	Pasquotank County
Cassandra Suedbeck	Pitt County
Audrey Glass	Washington County

National 4-H Week 2016

Celebrate the impact 4-H youth are making in their lives and their communities during National 4-H Week. 4-H is the nation's largest youth organization; we empower more than six million young people across the U.S. National 4-H Week is October 2 - 8, 2016

Key Hashtags:

Primary: #4HGrown

Secondary: #TrueLeaders

Platform Focus:

Facebook

Twitter

Instagram

Tips:

1. Always use the Hashtag, #4HGrown, on all posts.
2. Add images of youth, alumni or volunteers to accompany your posts
3. Add [state/county] name or tag state handles/pages where appropriate.



The Pipeline is Back!

Our State 4-H Officers have already hit the ground running and want to continue to build the leadership pipeline this year by making sure as a team they visit as many counties in North Carolina as possible. If you are having a county event where you would like a state officer to attend and bring greetings, speak, help hand out awards, teach a workshop or participate in a service activity, please contact Sarah Kotzian at least one month prior to the event and she will work with the officer team to see if one of them can attend. It might not be possible to accommodate every request, but we will do our best to try. Our State 4-H Officer team is looking forward to visiting your county 4-H program soon and looking forward to seeing all the great community service projects your 4-H'ers will participate in!