Georgia Cloverleaf

4-H Annual Report

4-H: Celebrating 100 Years

The University of Georgia College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences
Back in 1904, G.C. Adams was the school superintendent in Newton County. He saw hard times ahead for cotton producers, so he launched a corn contest for school boys to challenge them to learn about a new crop. The winner in the fall of ’05 was a kid named George Plunkett, whose 20 ears of corn weighed 29.9 pounds and won him an Oliver Chilled Plow. In ’06, Professor Joseph Stewart of the University of Georgia picked up the idea and announced statewide cotton and corn contests, with cash prizes awarded at the state fair. To be eligible for the state contest, boys had to win in their counties. Some 800 boys in 35 counties entered the ’06 contest.

In a few years, the girls were invited to compete in garden, tomato and canning clubs. Soon County Extension Service home economists were lugging canning equipment from one end of the county to the other, demonstrating safe and nutritious canning techniques.

The 4-H emblem, name, pledge and motto soon encompassed these early efforts throughout the country. By 1914, 4-H was the designated youth program of the Cooperative Extension Service, as a result of the Smith-Lever Act.

So what’s been happening since then? Some would say more of the same. More contests, more winners, more education. And much more fun.

A lot of Georgia 4-H alumni are out there. After all, enrollment topped 190,000 last year, making it the largest youth organization in the state. Whether you’re in a school, a sales convention, a theater or a seed supply store, you’re probably surrounded by former 4-H’ers. They’re in every field, every walk of life.

Although the program started out as a way to educate farm kids, it quickly expanded into just about any topic a youngsters wanted to study: foods, photography, cars, consumer skills, computers, pets, livestock, community service and many, many others. Actually, it doesn’t really matter what the topic is. 4-H is just trying to help kids get excited about education, learn how to get along with each other, take on some leadership and responsibility and get involved in the community.

If you quiz old 4-H’ers about their 4-H experiences, you’ll probably hear stories about camps, contests, record books and trips. They’ll tell you how 4-H gave them confidence in public speaking, even if it was just the courage to ask a girl to dance at 4-H camp. Or how it helped pull them out of themselves and plopped them outside the local nursing home planting flowers, or dragged them out on a sunny morning to pick up trash by the road. Some will say it led them to their career. Many will say it introduced them to their spouse. They’ll probably smile when they remember those days.

Some employers say 4-H on a resume gives an applicant an automatic boost because 4-H’ers know how to work. They accept responsibility. G.C. Adams would nod and say that’s exactly what he had in mind back in 1904.

But as tough as those times were, it’s a whole new world for kids today. They have pressures and choices the kids of Adams’ day never dreamed of. So 4-H has worked hard to keep up with the real issues. In the past 10 or 20 years, Georgia 4-H has developed an environmental education program that has become a national model. It has worked with schools to focus on character education. Some 4-H’ers living in housing projects or foster homes get help on how to get a job and live independently. Some programs concentrate on curbing teen violence and substance abuse.

Today’s 4-H may have roots that go back a hundred years, but it’s as young and energetic as tomorrow’s leaders.

Our thanks to Madison County 4-H’er Erin Holliman whose drawing served as the inspiration for Georgia 4-H’s centennial design.
We are fortunate and blessed to be leaders in an organization with a rich and successful history. And now Georgia 4-H is poised to serve as a catalyst for the future.

We celebrate our Centennial. Georgia 4-H began in Newton County, Georgia, in 1904, when School Superintendent G.C. Adams organized a boys’ corn club. And while Georgia is one of several states claiming to be the birthplace of 4-H, the reality is 4-H didn’t start at any one time or place. The organization that emerged at the turn of the century was the result of the work of many people in different parts of the United States who were concerned about young people. The early years of 4-H saw the development of several innovative concepts:

- **Young people and adults working together to learn and grow.**
- **Providing young people with “hands on” learning experiences.**
- **Taking research and making it useful, practical and accessible.**
- **Creating an environment where students are safe and supported.**

Those hallmarks of 4-H marked our beginning, and they still provide the basis for all we do today.

**Georgia 4-H:**

4-H is one of the largest youth development programs in our nation. Georgia 4-H as part of the University of Georgia cooperating with Fort Valley State University, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the National 4-H Council, the Georgia 4-H Foundation, and the counties of Georgia provides educational opportunities and life skill development experiences throughout the state. We are proud to be a partner in public education and take our role as an extension of the University of Georgia very seriously. The core values of Georgia 4-H are **Leadership, Citizenship, Family and Consumer Sciences, Agriculture, the Environment, and Communication.**

4-H is successful because of a public and private partnership. The support of government at all levels along with the investment of corporations, individuals and foundations lets 4-H reach approximately 200,000 young people every year with positive learning experiences.

This *Georgia Cloverleaf* highlights programs available in 4-H and chronicles the events of last year. This past year we saw the fall and renovation of the Jekyll 4-H Center and the generosity of the Camp Fortson Trustees and the Whitakers as we moved to operate Fortson 4-H Center. We celebrated leadership in Georgia with the 2003 Youth Summit and enjoyed the largest camping participation in modern history. We faced deep state budget cuts and began a campaign to replace the dining hall at Rock Eagle. We lost champions and friends like Rufus Adams, Andy Barber, and Doug Strohbehn. We made great strides in reaffirming our education role with public schools. We benefited from the generosity of friends and support in the largest annual fund drive ever. We learned that Dr. Tommy Walton and Mrs. Martha Harrison Jones will be inducted into the National 4-H Hall of Fame.

The faculty, staff and volunteers in Georgia 4-H are doing an incredible job. Let’s band together to support them as we seek funds to sustain the organization during budget cuts. I encourage you to get involved with 4-H as a member, a donor, a leader, or a staff member. The challenges facing our young people are huge. They need 4-H now more than ever. Please help us reach more of them than ever before with 4-H as we start this second century. — Bo Ryles
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“I am a better person for having been a 4-H club member because 4-H taught me to make my world a better place. When I get tired or frustrated with my endeavors, I remember what 4-H taught me ... it is my duty as a citizen of this world to do the best I can at everything I do and make my world better in any small way that I can.”

— Sharon Reeves, 4-H Alumnus, Crisp County
Building on the Past, Planning for the Future

Rock Eagle Needs Dining Hall

Sutton Dining Hall at Rock Eagle 4-H Center opened in 1955 and has served approximately 14 million meals. But its age is showing and the need for a new dining hall to serve 4-H’ers and other visitors is apparent.

The dining hall has extensive electrical, plumbing and steam supply concerns that could become safety hazards to guests and employees. The building is also in a state of noncompliance with a number of life safety codes and emergency alarm systems due to the age of the building. Because of the condition of the electrical and steam components and the lack of sufficient fire suppressing equipment, the dining hall could be shut down at any time.

During the 2002 session, the Georgia General Assembly appropriated $30,000 to conduct a feasibility study on the Sutton Dining Hall. The study, completed in September, 2002, determined the cost of renovation would be approximately $7.2 million with lost revenue of $1.5 million.

By Arch Smith
In 1982 the Georgia 4-H Program entered into a lease with the Jekyll Island Authority for the use of the old Dolphin Hotel on the south end of Jekyll Island, Georgia. The old hotel was constructed in 1959, and the first summer 4-H camping season was held in 1983. In 1987 the rapidly growing 4-H Environmental Education Program was expanded to Jekyll. The Jekyll Island 4-H Center has become a very popular spot for 4-H’ers, but during the school year the 4-H Environmental Education Program has turned away schools because of the great demand for the program. As a result, the Jekyll Island 4-H Center became the most financially sound of all the Georgia 4-H Centers.

During construction, the Cooperative Extension Service would face the costs of renting alternative sites for 4-H events, conferences and extension agent training meetings. The construction to renovate the dining hall would require complete shutdown for 12 weeks.

The cost to construct a new dining hall is $8.6 million. Plans for the new building would increase seating capacity from 800 to 1,200 people. The Sutton Dining Hall is the key component to the operation of the Rock Eagle 4-H Center. Guests that use the 4-H Center depend on the dining hall for their meals. If the dining hall cannot function, the 4-H Center will have to close, and the 4-H program will have to find other locations to support the 4-H Environmental Education Program, 4-H educational and competitive events, and 4-H Summer Camp activities for nearly 35,000 young people.

Replacing the existing dining hall with a new one is the best solution. The new facility would provide more efficient use of space and a system designed from the ground up to maximize safety and economy. The new building would cost a little more than renovation because of the costs related to disrupted service. A new dining hall will leave the current building to be used as an exhibit hall and gift shop.

Please help the Rock Eagle 4-H Center continue its tradition of serving the people of Georgia.
Plans were being made to remodel the restrooms in Building 200 with funding being provided through the University of Georgia Major Rehabilitation and Repair Funds (MRR). An architect had been employed to design the plans, and the restroom renovation project was ready to go out for bidding, when a ceiling tile was removed to relocate a computer wire, and a bucket of rust fell out of the ceiling. Pictures of a deteriorated bar joist were e-mailed to the structural engineer, who canceled his appointments and said he would be at the 4-H Center the next morning, Sunday, February 23, 2003.

His decision was that the Jekyll Island 4-H Center should be closed until further investigation into the structural problems. Immediately, schools scheduled for the next week were rerouted to other 4-H Centers.

As a result the Jekyll Island 4-H Center underwent an extensive renovation. Many of the bar joists that support the second floor of the building were damaged and had to be repaired. The sidewalks on both sides of the building were removed and a new central sidewalk system was placed on the courtyard side of the building facing the ocean. The entry into all the rooms was reversed and the building was completely rewired, new heating and air conditioning units were placed throughout the building, asbestos was removed, and a fire alarm and sprinkler system were installed. In addition to these physical improvements, cosmetic improvements updated the facility: floor tile; a new coat of paint; new blinds; and additional data, phone and television capabilities in many rooms in the building. The old VIP suites on the second floor of the 100 and 300 buildings were replaced by four VIP rooms on both the first and second floors of the 100 and 300 buildings. Much of the asphalt was pulled up around the exterior of the building and replaced with sod, and new sidewalks now connect the boardwalk leading to the beach to the central courtyard of the 4-H Center.

The motel buildings and sleeping quarters at the 4-H Center remained closed until the first week in July, when they reopened for the fifth week of summer camp.

The Jekyll Island 4-H Center can accommodate 240 people, and now the 23,000 square foot facility is prepared to serve the Georgia 4-H Program for many years to come. The renovation was made possible when University of Georgia President Dr. Michael Adams advanced 4-H $750,000 of MRR money to complete the project.

On August 7, 2003, 4-H Foundation Board Member Bob Burton made his plane available so Dr. Adams, Vice President for Public Service and Outreach Dr. Art Dunning, others from the University of Georgia, and Representative Richard Royal from Camilla could travel to Jekyll to rededicate the Jekyll Island 4-H Center.

Fortson 4-H Center

Starts Over

In the early 1960s, leaders and members of the Black Jack 4-H Club in Henry County started Camp Fortson. In the early years, Camp Fortson operated as a 4-H Center and later was used as a camp facility for community camps and other youth and adult conference groups. On April 1, 2004, the University of Georgia 4-H Program entered into an official lease with the Fortson Youth Training Center, Inc., Board of Directors to lease Fortson’s 77 acres and 27 buildings and began operating it as a University of Georgia 4-H Center.

Fortson 4-H Center will host its first summer camping program beginning May 31, 2004. 4-H’ers from Sumter County and Pierce County will be the first to attend camp, followed by many others. Georgia 4-H plans to expand its 4-H Environmental Education Program to Fortson 4-H Center, and it will continue to be used as a conference facility for weekend 4-H activities and other non-4-H youth and adult activities. Georgia 4-H is excited about this new beginning at Fortson 4-H Center, and greatly appreciates the tremendous support from the Fortson Youth Training Center Board of Directors, Robert and Regina Whitaker, and their son Jerry Whitaker. In light of this new endeavor, Georgia 4-H will no longer operate the Truitt-Fulton 4-H Center in College Park as a summer camping facility.
Georgia 4-H Program

Provides Computers

By Cheryl Varnadoe

For 20 Georgia 4-H members, new computers they’ve gotten through a program run by other 4-H’ers got 2004 off to a good start.

The Georgia 4-H Youth Technology Team runs the Need-a-Computer program that provided the computers. It started in Walton County as tech team member Rachel McCarthy’s 4-H teen leadership project. The tech team expanded the program into a statewide team service project. George Walton Academy in Monroe donated 20 Gateway computers.

The 25 members of the Georgia 4-H Youth Technology Team met this past fall to refurbish the computers. They cleaned them, restored the hard drives, and tested each computer and monitor to make sure they worked right. Then the team created the Need-a-Computer application, reference form, letter and promotional aids.

All Georgia 5th through 8th grade 4-H’ers could apply. Preference was given to those who didn’t have regular access to a good computer. The 4-H’ers who applied submitted a 4-H activity form and character reference with the application. They also included an essay on “Why I want or need this computer.”

In all, 50 Georgia 4-H’ers applied. Georgia Extension Service county agents notified the 20 winners. The tech team “hopes the winners will use their computers to excel in their schoolwork and enhance their 4-H participation,” said Cheryl Varnadoe, tech team advisor.

Current plans are to continue the project on a yearly basis. To learn more about the tech team, visit their Web site at www.georgia4h.org/public/edops/techtteam/default.htm. If you’re interested in helping with the project, contact the team at ga4h@uga.edu.

Georgia 4-H Joins the Military

By Matthew Wilson

September 2003, the United States Department of Agriculture awarded Georgia 4-H a $30,000 grant for 4-H work at several military installations throughout the state. The mission of this project is to strengthen lines of communication and programming efforts for young people whose families serve this nation through the Army and Air Force.

4-H Programs will be established at five Army posts: Fort Benning, Fort Gordon, Fort McPherson, Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Air Field. 4-H will also reach Robins Air Force Base and Moody Air Force Base.

Some of the goals of the partnership include establishing a functioning 4-H club at each military installation and having military youth participate in statewide 4-H events such as District Project Achievement, 4-H Summer Camp and State Council.

With lines of support on each side of this partnership, work has already begun. We’ve established contacts at each installation and set up the preliminary groundwork. Throughout spring 2004, county extension agents together with the state 4-H faculty will be working with youth development personnel at each installation to establish 4-H clubs and begin recruiting military youth.

Georgia 4-H is leading the way in this project. With such a large military presence in our state, efforts to reach this untapped audience are timely. We are excited about the opportunity to pave the way for such a program on a national level and even more pleased about the chance to reach this group of young people.

The success of this project will largely depend on the help of county extension agents within the counties where the military posts are located. These agents will serve as liaisons among the military installation, the county extension office and the State 4-H Office. Mandy Marable, Extension 4-H specialist, will be working with county extension agents and military personnel to carry out this new endeavor for Georgia 4-H.
The Georgia Youth Summit was cosponsored and organized by the Georgia Rural Development Council and the University of Georgia 4-H and Youth program. The Summit was designed to create an awareness of state and local issues, to enhance youth-adult partnerships, and to equip young people to become active locally to better their communities. The Governor and the Georgia General Assembly approved funding of the Summit as a project of the Georgia Rural Development Council's Youth Leadership Initiative. Each of Georgia's 159 counties received scholarship money for four high school students and one adult to serve as a county team and attend the Summit.

Four issues received attention from the Summit participants: education, community economic development, environment and safety.

EDUCATION
The delegates in all the education roundtables agreed education is one of the most important issues facing today's young people. They identified several assets of the education system in Georgia, among them clubs and organizations, community support, the HOPE scholarship, track courses such as college prep and tech prep, and co-op youth apprenticeship programs. But they also discussed the following challenges: apathy of students and teachers, peer pressure, racism, the dropout rate, lack of funding, overcrowding and an absence of tolerance in the curriculum.

ENVIRONMENT
Discussions on environmental issues were diverse and constructive. Some of the positive points concerning Georgia's environment included the Keep Georgia Beautiful program, tourism, the water curriculum program, Rivers Alive, the Adopt a River/Highway/Stream programs, and state parks. Some of the challenges identified are pollution, unwise land use, deforestation and loss of wildlife habitat, lack of water conservation and preservation programs, too few recycling centers and the explosion of Georgia's population.

SAFETY
The safety cluster groups — inspired by a presentation by Head of Homeland Security Captain Cliff Miller — discussed domestic and school violence, drug and alcohol abuse, sexually transmitted diseases, teen pregnancy, emergency medical needs, automobile safety and gangs. They also identified ways Georgia governments are working hard to keep us safe: reverse 911, anti-DUI programs in high schools prior to proms, fire safety education, EMTs, Project Safe Georgia, Click It or Ticket, DARE programs, Amber Alert and new driving laws.

COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Nekeisha Randall, Peach County, said "economic development involves the smallest of towns, the biggest of cities, and the best of youth and adult partnerships," a statement that resounded with the delegates. They agreed that economic development brings better jobs, resources, population and a strong tax base. Enhanced diversity, work force preparation, and response to supply and demand were identified as important factors in the economic development formula.
The lady answers her e-mail while she’s in the middle of her call-in radio show. Organized, efficient, dedicated and a think-on-her-feet public speaker, Nancy Grace has gone from Bibb County 4-H’er to Court TV anchor and host of the daily trial coverage program Closing Arguments. Her radio show, “Rapid Fire with Nancy Grace,” premiered in February 2004. But that 4-H spirit just sticks and stays. You can hear it in Grace’s voice when she talks about it.

“My greatest treasures from 4-H are the ability to speak publicly, whether I’m prepared or it’s at the drop of a hat, and the wonderful friends and memories I have to this day,” she said. “It’s probably surprising to a lot of people, but I actually discuss it [4-H] fairly often. My TV show on Court TV, you know, comparing lifestyles, all the celebrities in trouble. I always find a way to talk about growing up in a rural area.

“I always wonder what went wrong with all these people ending up doing horrific crimes. I feel they did not have the family structure or the organizational structure like 4-H. Those are some of the happiest times of my life,” Grace said.

Nancy Grace’s law career began with a tragedy. Her fiancé, Keith Griffin, was murdered in 1982 five months before they were to marry. The killer got a life sentence. At the time, she said she didn’t want to seek the death penalty, a decision she regrets. A student at Mercer University, “that is when I switched gears from becoming an English teacher to finally going back to school to become a lawyer and a felony prosecutor and a victim’s rights advocate,” she said.

Grace received her LLM in constitutional and criminal law from New York University. She was also a litigation instructor at Georgia State University School of Law. In 1987 she joined the Atlanta-Fulton County District Attorney’s Office where she served for a decade as Special Prosecutor of major felony cases involving serial murder, serial rape, serial child molestation and arson. Her record was nearly 100 felony convictions at trial and no losses.

“After having been a crime victim and having worked in the trenches at the district attorney’s office in Atlanta, and worked with literally thousands of victims, I feel the victim does not have a voice in our system,” she said. “Our Constitution is set up to protect the accused, as it should be. But the victim is left out in the cold, and very often it’s women and children who are the ones most taken advantage of. Not only does it disturb me intellectually, but it hurts my heart to see what they go through. I’m proud I can be an advocate for them.”

She gives a lot of credit to her 4-H experience for her success both as a trial lawyer and as a radio and television personality.

“A lot of New Yorkers don’t believe this story,” Grace said. “I started public speaking in the fifth grade. My mother, who was a state winner, would help me, train me, to give my demonstration speech, which started off at 4 minutes. And, you know, I’d have to turn posters and show how a tree was made into paper.”

She remembers that if she slowed down, her mom would turn around from the kitchen sink and look at her, say “Honey,” and she would start up again.

“So by the time I got into my first felony prosecution, I just stood up and started talking,” she said. “I mean, I had been practicing, preparing for that moment since the fifth grade.

“And even now, my second day on my new radio show, and the call-in board went down. So for an hour, I didn’t have any callers. My guest and I had to totally shoot from the hip for an hour. But you know, we did it, and it turned out to be very highly rated. All that goes back to when I would be preparing for 4-H demonstrations. It goes back to the fifth grade when I learned self-confidence to stand up, believe in what I say, and say it even though people may not agree with me and they may not like what I have to say. And without any stuttering, humming or hollering or any confusion. I have to say that is one of the greatest gifts I have ever been given,” she said.

Grace’s projects ranged from Forestry to Home Deco rating (“which I loved”), but her dream wasn’t to Master but to be a Rock Eagle camp counselor.

“My dream came true, and I became a Rock Eagle camp counselor in 1978 as I recall, teaching forestry and taking kids on nature walks and practicing tree identification. I was a Shawnee tribe member,” she said. “I loved being a counselor, and my happiest memories are of taking the youngest 4-H’ers on their nature walks.”

Still talking off the cuff, still speaking out, still helping others, Nancy Grace is a successful part of 4-H’s hundred-year history.
The Georgia Radon Poster Contest Winners were: **Marki Calvert**, First Place, computer generated category, Walton County; **Jeneka Avery**, First Place, hand drawn category, Walton County; **Denetra Hamilton**, 2nd Place, hand drawn category, Sumter County. **Marki Calvert** also won first place at the National Computerized Radon Poster Contest. Marki flew to Washington D.C. along with her family, teacher and Radon Educator to receive the National Award and also met the U.S. EPA administrator and USDA-CSREES leaders.

Thanks to the FACS Radon Educators, county extension agents and 4-H staff for helping our Radon Education Program move forward with this event.

Special thanks also go to President Michael Adams and Dean Sharon Nickols for presenting the awards.

**Georgia Radon Poster Winners**

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**4-H’er Wins National Award**

*by April Reese Sorrow, former writer with the University of Georgia College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences*

Rebecca Miolen, a 4-H’er from Newnan, Ga., won the 2003 IVERCARE Because You Care Award, which is presented annually to one American who cares the most for horses. Miolen, 16, was nominated for her work with abused and neglected horses.

“Horses are my life,” Miolen said. “They have taught me so much.”

Miolen nurses mistreated horses back to health and teaches them to trust humans again. While many teenagers spend their free time playing video games, she spends time every day caring for horses. Miolen encourages others her age to ride by lending them horses for shows, parades and clinics. She often gives free riding lessons to fellow 4-H’ers.

**PEPPER** Her love of horses started four years ago with an Appaloosa mare named Pepper, a rescue horse Miolen took in because no one else wanted her. After many miles of trails and a broken shoulder for Miolen, they are now showing in competitions and doing well. Pepper is one of several horses now in Miolen’s care.

“In March 2001, we bought a pony mare, Maggie, whose bottom lip was hanging loose and was badly scarred,” she said. “It looked like a wire had been wrapped around her chin and lip. She was skinny and had a large middle we thought was a hay belly.”

Miolen soon discovered Maggie’s “hay belly” was actually a colt. Maggie is doing well now and shows with the local drill team.

**CARING AND SHARING** In the summer of 2003, Miolen won the State 4-H Congress horse project, demonstrating foal imprinting with the same technique she used with Maggie’s colt.

Besides her work with individual horses, Miolen has taught a workshop on parasites and was a 4-H teen leader at a horse school in Perry, Ga., last summer.

Miolen represented Georgia 4-H at the State Horse Fair, placing fifth. President of the Coweta County 4-H Horse and Pony Club, she rides with the club drill team and competes in quiz bowl and horse judging events. She won second place on the senior horse judging team and represented Georgia at the regional competition this past August.

The IVERCARE Because You Care award program is sponsored by Farnam Horse Products. The public votes for the winners.

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**National 4-H Hall of Fame Inductees**

**Dr. Tommy Walton**

*Athens, Georgia*

Assistant Director 4-H & Youth Development Programs for Georgia Extension Service; established U.S. Senate/Georgia 4-H Patronage Program; Outstanding Educator in America

**Martha Harrison Jones**

*Carrollton, Georgia*

State Leader 4-H and Home Economics; Secretary, National 4-H Foundation; Chair, National 4-H Clothing Development Committee; Member, National Sub-Committee on 4-H Club Work; Charter Member, Georgia 4-H Club Foundation
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Governor Sonny Perdue (left), State 4-H President Nekeisha Randall, and Dr. Bo Ryles meet during Agriculture Day at the Capitol.

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Rob Turner, Board Member, Bleckley County
Sara Wise, Board Member, Coffee County

In Memory

In 2003, we were saddened to hear of the death of one of our most senior former 4-H’ers. Mr. Rufus Adams of Butts County died January 7, 2004. He was 88.

Mr. Adams continued to be interested in 4-H and had fond memories of his involvement with the organization. Just before he died, he was sharing his experience of camping out on the White House lawn in tents as a 4-H’er.

We will miss him.

National 4-H Congress Delegation
Projects

**Arts & Crafts**, Melissa Lee, Tift County

**Beef**, Daniel Tankersley, Tift County

**Bread**, Christa DeMasie, Bleckley County

**Companion Animal Science**, Laura Massengill, Coweta County

**Communications**, Hannah McCoy, Bryan County

**Computers**, Zack McKinney, Crisp County

**Conservation of Natural Resources**, Dori White, Stephens County

**Consumer Education**, KellyAnn Frizzell, Tift County

**Dairy & Milk Science**, Morgan Franks, Burke County

**Dairy Foods**, Cherilyn Humphrey, Floyd County

**Dog Care & Training**, Jillian Dunn, Tift County

**Entomology**, Bryce Tolle, Lanier County

**Environmental Science**, Mandy Slaton, Banks County

**Fashion Revue**, Cameron Buchanan, Pickens County

**Festive Foods for Health**, Ashley Justice, Crawford County

**Flowers, Shrubs, & Lawns**, Kim Larson, Gwinnett County

**Food Fare**, Reshunda Hull, Greene County

**Food Fast and Healthy**, Andrea’ Tolbert, Polk County

**Food Safety & Preservation**, Mack Prater, Jackson County

**Forest Resources & Wood Science**, Kayla Dobbs, Pickens County

**Fruits, Vegetables, & Nuts**, Carie Young, Irwin County

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**Health**, Allie Chambers, Jones County

**Horse**, Rebecca Miolen, Coweta County

**Housing & Environment**, Morgan Casteen, Evans County
Human Development, Natalie Smith, Early County
International, Chris Nowicki, Heard County
Outdoor Recreation, Stanton Porter, Oconee County
Performing Arts — General, Scottie Rowell, Heard County
Performing Arts — Other Instrumental, Cole Ryles, Oconee County
Performing Arts — Piano, Susan Guo, Tift County
Performing Arts — Vocal, Emily Lloyd, Bartow County
Photography, John Callaway, Effingham County
Physical, Biological & Earth Sciences, Nathan Eason, Oconee County
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Pork Production, Berrie Allen, Charlton County
Poultry & Egg Science, Katy Morgan, Pickens County
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Public Speaking, Nekeisha Randall, Peach County
Resource Management, Kimberly Page, Emanuel County
Safety, Anna Hull, Walton County
Sheep & Meat Goats, Shari Taylor, Whitfield County
Sports, Amber Oglesby, Hart County
Target Sports, Patrick Cannon, Tift County
Textiles Merchandising & Interiors, Amanda McCarthy, Walton County
Veterinary Science, Amy Piche, Madison County
Wildlife & Marine Science, Daniel Willcox, Pulaski County
Workforce Preparation & Career Development, Chaz Mezick, Gordon County

Special Events

Chicken Barbecue, Mack Prater, Jackson County
Cotton Boll & Consumer Jambo-ree, Ashley Chesnut, Hannah Clement, Austin Suggs, Laura Leidner, Tift County
Cotton Boll, High Individual, Anna Hull, Walton County
Dairy Judging, High Individual, Heather Foss, Houston County
Dairy Judging Team, Heather Foss, Jonathon Harrison, Laura Matthews, Houston County
Dairy Quiz Bowl, Daniel Tankersley, Jonathon Barber, Brandon White, Patrick Cannon, Ashley Chestnut, Tift County
Egg Preparation, Lindsey Shuman, Effingham County
Essay Contest, Natasha Cowie, Lumpkin County
Forestry Field Day, Amber Accord, Jennifer Macher, Kevin Macher, Dalton Cole, Hart County
Forestry, High Individual, Ben Gibson, Decatur County
Horse Judging, Heather Savelle, Sarah Yeany, Mary Beth Carter, Sarah Kickbush, Oconee County
Horse Judging, High Individual, Sarah Kickbush, Oconee County
Horse Quiz Bowl, Lauren McGirt, Sandy Smith, Alyssa Astin, Meg Vinnacome, Douglas County
Horse Show — Stock Seat, Amanda Maslen, Spalding County
Horse Show — Hunt Seat, Lindsey Chesnut, Morgan County
Horse Show Saddle Seat, Caitlin Pumppelly, Liberty County
Horse Show — Contest, Molly Ricketson, Jeff Davis County
Land Judging, High Individual, Brandon Welch, Putnam County
Land Judging, Justin Sheppard, Rachel Patrick, Tyler Watchorn, Brandon Welch, Putnam County
Livestock Judging, Josh Cabe, Dustin Farmer, Raymond Fitzpatrick, Franklin County
Livestock Judging, High Individual, Cheyanne Coggins, Carroll County
Market Lamb Show Champion, Kobe Wall, Telfair County

Market Steer Show Champion, Randi Walden, Henry County

National 4-H Conference Delegation, Anna Daniel, Butts County; Khalil Khilfi, Hall County; Loni Lewis, Liberty County; Hannah McCoy, Bryan County; Nekeisha Randall, Peach County; Natalie Smith, Early County

Poultry Judging, High Individual, Jonathan Barber, Tift County

Poultry Judging Team, Jonathan Barber, Ashley Chesnut, Melissa Lee, Daniel Tankersley, Tift County

Speech Contest 2003, Jenna Knight, Berrien County

Target Sports — Air Pistol, Dane Beatenbough, Coweta County

Target Sports — Air Rifle Team, Jeremy Deenon, Chuck Power, Jessica Fields, Ben Jenkins, Carroll County

Target Sports — Air Rifle, High Individual, Kristi Smith, Madison County

Target Sports — Sporter Rifle, High Individual, Joseph Hall, Carroll County

Target Sports — Archery Competition Team, Rance Boyette, Cody Felton, Clint Mallard, Wayne County

Target Sports — Archery Competition, High Individual, Josh Knight, Wayne County

Archery Recurve, Liz Harper, Ashley Williamson, Stacy Martin, Putnam County

Archery Recurve, High Individual, Eric Williamson, Columbia County

Target Sports — Shotgun Team, Michael “Grant” Grantham, Jon Ott, Lee Grantham, Ryan Solomon, Chris Brigmont, Rand Merchant, Dan Wise, Coffee County

Target Sports — Shotgun, High Individual, Shad Law, Douglas County

Target Sports — Trap & Skeet Team, Chris Orso, Lee Davis, Chris McDonald, Steven Highsmith, Robbie Carnahan, Thomas County

Target Sports — Trap & Skeet, High Individual, Cody Faulk, Laurens County

Teen Leadership III Winners, Bessy Lewis, Evans County; Matthew Williams, Crawford County

Wildlife Judging Team, Matthew Williams, Ashley Justice, Bekah Gibb, Josh Gibb, Crawford County

Wildlife Judging – High Individual, Amy Jamison, Walton County

International Experiences

LABO Summer Outbound Program Delegates — Japan, David Christian Hardy, Liberty County, Holly Michelle Oglesby, Walton County; Elizabeth Rachel West, Chatham County

4-H Inbound Summer Exchange Program — 21

4-H Outbound Summer Exchange Program — 4

Year-Long High School Exchange Program — 3

FLEX Year-Long High School Exchange Program — 2

Dean’s Award Winners

Agricultural & Environmental Sciences, Anna Daniel, Butts County

Citizenship, Bessy Lewis, Evans County

Communication and the Arts, Melissa Lee, Tift County

Family & Consumer Sciences, Ashley Justice, Crawford County

Leadership, Jenna Knight, Berrien County

4-H’ers on the steps of the State Capitol during 4-H Day at the Legislature.
Achievement Scholarship Recipients

4-H Dollars for 4-H Scholars, Amy Piche’, Madison County
ABAC, Jodi Cawley, Turner County
Atlanta Farmers Club, Matthew Wilson, Spalding County
Bess Cabaniss Memorial Master 4-H Club, Robbie Jones, Lowndes County
Don Massey, Heidi Hammack, Evans County
E. Roy and Minnie Taylor Memorial, Kayla Thompson, Carroll County
Eddye Ross, Melissa Selman, Greene County
Edmund and Joann Taylor 4-H Memorial, Rebecca Creasy, Bulloch County
Flint River Mills, Nathan Eason, Oconee County
GACAA Agricultural, Cheyanne Coggins, Carroll County
Georgia 4-H Achievement, Lee Poole, Clarke County
Georgia Master 4-H Club, Bessy Lewis, Evans County
Georgia Propane Gas Association, Ashby Graham, Effingham County
Helen Hargrove Memorial, Jenna Knight, Berrien County
Helen Hargrove Memorial, Ashley Goodman, Sumter County
Hugh Moss Comer, Loni Lewis, Liberty County
Irvin 4-H, Susannah Martin, Bulloch County
Jerry Patriarca 4-H Memorial, Seth Turner, Walton County
John Strickland, Natasha Cowie, Lumpkin County
Josten, Marissa Ball, Lincoln County

State Scholarships ................... $33,000
Project Scholarships ................ $14,400
TOTAL AWARDED ..................... $47,400

Julius Benton Memorial, Summer Adams, Madison County
Kitzinger, Cort Webb, Rockdale County
Kitzinger, Kristin Felton, Clarke County
Loyd Poitevint, Tyler Randolph, Dade County
Martha Harrison Jones Memorial Master 4-H Club, Hannah McCoy, Bryan County
Martha Jones FACS, Holly Foxworth, Bryan County
Nevels-Hall Family Scholarship, Erin Shealy, Oconee County
Robert and Kathleen Pinckney Master 4-H Club, Lauren Janelle, Tift County
State 4-H Staff, Leigh Varnadoe, Spalding County; Heather Sheppard, Toombs County
Wayne Shackelford, Alvie Coes, Dooly County; Lauren Westbrook, Crisp County
Bill Sutton, Cole Ryles, Oconee County
Wooten, Laura Bland, Tift County
Water Wise Scholarship, Perry White, Atkinson County; Cody Disque, Coweta County; Triesta Johnson, Muscogee County; Kristin Rager, Evans County; Dori White, Stephens County

“I am a better person for having been a 4-H member because 4-H has opened my eyes to so many things that I probably would have never been exposed to had I not been a member. 4-H has given me many great opportunities. I have met so many people who have taught me so much and have influenced my life. Some of these people do not even know that they have done so. I have learned so many things like leadership skills, character, how to overcome obstacles and fears, and also how to accept defeat. 4-H events are like family reunions and Rock Eagle is like a second home. When I go to 4-H events, I have so much fun and I learn so much because I can just be myself.”

— Tracy Edwards, Dougherty County 4-H’er
Georgia 4-H Advisory Committee

The Georgia 4-H Advisory Committee has recently gone through a process of reorganization to include revision of the existing bylaws and recruitment of new active members. The purpose of the Advisory Committee is to advise the University of Georgia College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Cooperative Extension Service, on behalf of the citizens of Georgia, in planning 4-H programs that meet the needs of Georgia youth, and in developing extension curricula, which enhance the 4-H partnership with the formal education system. Georgia 4-H also relies on the Advisory Committee to serve as a liaison to the Georgia 4-H Foundation and its work with donors.

Through the reorganization this fall, the Advisory Committee has begun work in subcommittees covering the following issues: 4-H facilities, Urban 4-H, Retention of Sixth Grade members, Enhancing the Brand of 4-H (relevant to public perception), and Special Events and Fund-raising. The Georgia 4-H Advisory Committee meets three times during the course of the year and receives recognition for their contributions during the opening banquet of State 4-H Congress.

The committee is made up of dedicated volunteers from all over Georgia including school superintendents, classroom teachers, private industry personnel, 4-H alumni, company executives, 4-H youth, and active and retired extension personnel. We feel fortunate to have such a talented group of volunteers working to support our state specialists and local County Extension Agents as they strive to continue the youth development movement in our state.

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“4-H is an integral part of who I am. I remember my 4-H experiences as a young person with fondness and continue to be amazed at how I use daily the interpersonal, organizational, leadership and life-long learning skills I learned in its ranks. I am also grateful for the wonderful people I have come to know and love through 4-H — they have truly blessed my life. I have come to believe if you honestly love something and believe in it deeply, you will support it with your time, your money and a good word. That’s the way I feel about 4-H. Both the 4-H program and the young people involved are worth my genuine interest.” — Dot Knox

Bo Ryles (left), Dot Knox, Randy Nuckolls and Frank Carter at a recent 4-H Foundation Board meeting.
**Georgia 4-H Foundation**

**FY03 Financial Statement**

**JULY 1, 2002 – JUNE 30, 2003**

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**NET .......................................................... $ - 46,691.81**

*Construction expenditures in FY03 were funded by gifts received in previous years.*

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### School Age

- Elementary: 68%
- Middle & High School: 32%

### Where 4-H’ers Live

- Elementary: 22%
- Middle & High School: 35%
- Rural Non Farm: 10%
- Farm: 9.6%
- Suburbs of Central Cities: 31%
- Towns & Small Cities: 21.6%
- Central Cities: 2.2%
- Farm: 2%

### Diversity

- White: 62%
- Black: 30.8%
- Hispanic: 4.3%
- Native American: 1.9%
- Asian Pacific: 2%
- Other: 0.9%

### 4-H Members

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