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- Georgia 4-H Participation
 For the 2018-19 program year, Georgia 4-H had 242,884
 participants from around the state.
- 12 Ready to Launch
 Georgia 4-H celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11
 landing with a variety of STEM events and activities.
- One Georgia

 Georgia 4-H program teaches students about the agricultural diversity of their home state.
- 40 2019 Gala: The Legacy of 4-H Georgia 4-H Foundation hosts a biennial event honoring major donors, celebrating award winners and, this year, fundraising to restore the Rock Eagle 4-H Center Chapel.

ON THE COVER



Georgia 4-H campers at Rock Eagle 4-H Center.



The Rock Eagle effigy captured via drone footage, featured by National Geographic, taken by Stephen Alvarez.

"We thank our donors. volunteers and staff for the excellent support they provide to help us continue to live up to the 4-H motto: 'To make the best better'

Arch Smith

Georgia 4-H State Leader

Life has its ups and downs and the same is true for Georgia 4-H. The University of Georgia 4-H program served over 242,000 young people in every county in the state this past year. We were devastated by the fire that destroyed the Rock Eagle 4-H Center Chapel, but overwhelmed by the gifts from 4-H alumni to restore the iconic symbol of our 4-H home.

We celebrated the accomplishments of thousands of 4-H members who competed for state and national honors this past year and are grateful to our donors who support the work of 4-H staff and volunteers as they prepare kids for life. Bob and Maxine Burton of Athens, Georgia were honored as the recipients of the Georgia 4-H Lifetime Achievement Award for their lifelong dedication and support of the University of Georgia 4-H program. In their acceptance remarks Bob said, "Maxine and I have talked about this. This is not really for us. It is for all those leaders, all those agents, who spend nights away from their families, spend time helping 4-H'ers, spend time helping us to help prepare kids for life."

We mourned the loss of Bobby Deal and Teresa Harvey who retired as Southeast District 4-H Program Development Coordinators, but we celebrate their career of service to Georgia 4-H. Bobby and Teresa's work had a positive influence on the lives of countless 4-H members in southeast Georgia. We celebrate the fact that for the third consecutive year Georgia had one of the four National 4-H Youth in Action award winners. This year's recipient was Mason McClintock, a southeast Georgia 4-H member from Bacon County, who was recognized as the Civic Engagement Pillar Award Winner.

During the 2018-2019 4-H program year 242,000 youth participated in 4-H programs offered by county Extension staff. Georgia 4-H had national winners in educational programs: National 4-H Poultry Judging Winners: Caroline Lord, Ericka Lord, Carlissa Stewart and Aaliyah Ross from Ben Hill County; National 4-H Shooting Sports Air Rifle Winner Cole Cook from Bartow County and National 4-H Youth in Action Citizenship Pillar Winner Mason McClintock from Bacon County. The Georgia 4-H Environmental Education Program completed forty years of service to over 1,250,000 students for schools in Georgia and surrounding states. Most importantly, 4-H staff and volunteers with county, state as well as federal public support and private support from individuals, businesses, corporations, and foundations provide a safe learning environment for youth to belong, to gain independence, to master their chosen project work, and to practice generosity by giving back to the organization that has given so much to so many.

Arch Smith

Georgia 4-H State Leader

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242,884

TOTAL PARTICIPATION

<u>inimi</u>

2018-2019 PROGRAM YEAR

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOL 4-H ENROLLMENT: 121,416

HOME SCHOOL 4-H ENROLLMENT: 1,853

FORT VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY 4-H ENROLLMENT: **8,655**PARTICIPANTS IN 4-H ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS: **66,324**4-H ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PARTICIPANTS: **43,403**

MILITARY NON-SCHOOL BASED 4-H PARTICIPANTS: 635

"STEP UP & LEAD" 4-H STUDENT LEADERSHIP

CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS: 598





ETHNICITY

7.3% LATINO 92.7% NON-LATINO

DIVERSITY

WHITE: 58.1%

BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN: 29.1% MORE THAN ONE RACE: 3.6%

ASIAN: 2.4%

AMERICAN INDIAN/

ALASKA NATIVE: 0.4%

NATIVE HAWAIIAN/

OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER: 0.1%

UNDETERMINED: 6.3%

GRADES

ELEMENTARY

65%

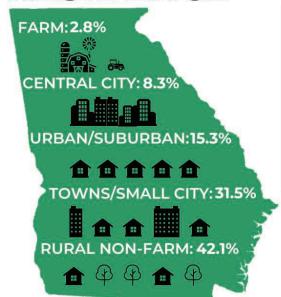
MIDDLE

24%

4%

HIGH

RESIDENCE



6,338
MILITARY
DEPENDENTS
SERVED BY 4-H

VOLUNTEERS

5,777 ADULTS
CONTRIBUTED
156,675 HOURS
2,010 TEENS
CONTRIBUTED









Georgia 4-H provides experiences for youth to learn by doing. Georgia 4-H'ers participate in hands-on learning in the focus areas of Agriculture and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math), Civic Engagement, and Healthy Living. The 4-H mission is to assist youth in acquiring knowledge, developing life skills, and forming attitudes that will enable them to become self-directing, productive, and contributing citizens.

GEORGIA 4-H PREPARES YOUTH FOR LIFE.

AGRICULTURE & STEM

Youth focus on agricultural sciences, natural resources, environmental sciences, plant and animal sciences, agribusiness, rocketry, robotics, renewable energy, computer science, technology, engineering, and more.











CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

Youth learn to be well-informed and engaged citizens through experiences and activities focused on leadership, communication, performing arts, public speaking, organization, the importance of giving back to improve communities, and more.







WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT





HEALTHY LIVING

Youth focus on nutrition, obesity prevention, drug awareness, bullying prevention, health and fitness, financial literacy, clothing and textiles, safety, stress management, social and emotional wellness, food science, and more.







HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS

HEALTH AND FITNESS











ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PARTICIPANTS



RESIDENTIAL SUMMER CAMPERS





FROM THE MOUNTAINS TO THE SEA

Available across the state from the mountains to the sea, the Georgia 4-H facilities provide a safe haven for a variety of youth and adult groups seeking conference spaces, educational programs, and recreational experiences in a day or residential setting. Collectively, the 4-H facilities served over 100,000 guests in the last year.

The five residential centers offer lodging, meeting spaces, dining halls, and programs that meet every group's specific needs. The day use facility, 4-H Tidelands Nature Center located on Jekyll Island, is open to the public and provides a unique opportunity for island visitors to learn more about the local ecosystem. True to our motto, to make the best better, we are always looking to improve our facilities.

WAHSEGA 4-H CENTER

The largest need at Wahsega remains the ability to implement the master plan, which includes adding restrooms and private adult accommodations to the youth cabins. The plan also includes a new dining hall, a fire access road, and a pool. The estimated need is \$13.2 million to complete the Wahsega master plan improvements.

FORTSON 4-H CENTER

Work to improve the septic system in two areas of the center was completed last year, as well as the installation of fire protection systems in several of the lodging buildings. The next projects on the horizon are the addition of a classroom and restrooms to the Little Red Schoolhouse, the final phase of the septic system improvements, and a new pool deck and other work to update the pool.

ROCK EAGLE 4-H CENTER

Several projects were completed at Rock Eagle in the last year. Founders Lodge was renovated to include new paint, linens and bedding, carpet, furniture, and to provide water proofing in the basement area. The renovation of the Bankers building was also completed which

included new paint, flooring, chairs, AV equipment, windows and retractable blinds, and doors. Also, a total of 39 new cabins are now in use, leaving only 15 Rock Eagle traditional cabins

> left to replace at an estimated cost of \$12 million.

The ever popular high elements the Rock Eagle ropes course area received a major

improvement last year with the addition of a new adventure course. The new course replaced the climbing wall and tandem zip line, which were scheduled to be retired since the poles were nearing the end of their life expectancy. The new course was well received by participants, and better serves our programming needs by allowing even more students to participate in high ropes activities in the time allotted for such activities.

BURTON 4-H CENTER

Burton 4-H Center

éorgia 4-H at Camp Jekyll

4-H Tidelands Nature Center

No major projects were scheduled for Burton, but improvements all around the center continue to make the 4-H Center a safe, comfortable and educational place for visitors. For example, some of the bunk beds in the dorms were upgraded, a new sea turtle tank was installed in the Biltmore Marine Education Building, and the living shoreline remains an important component for erosion control and estuarine education.



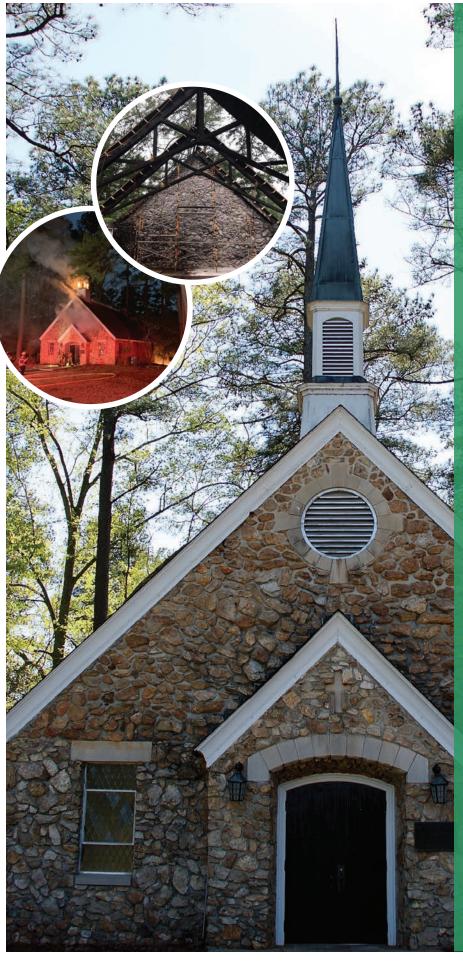
4-H TIDELANDS NATURE CENTER

The exterior improvements to siding and doors were completed at Tidelands as well as the installation of a new HVAC system in the interior. Tidelands remains a popular destination for visitors to Jekyll Island who enjoy guided kayak tours, educational exhibits and the day programs offered.

GEORGIA 4-H AT CAMP JEKYLL

The interior of the Sandra Deal Learning Center was fully equipped and decorated in the last year to include custom animal tanks and exhibits, microscopes in the labs, scenic photos and canvas prints in the learning spaces, and kid-friendly photos highlighting the fun and educational programs offered at the facility.





Rock Eagle 4-H Center Chapel Catches Fire

On the evening of Friday, February 8, 2019, Southwest District 4-H participants were registering for their annual District Project Achievement competition at Rock Eagle 4-H Center. As Marion County Extension 4-H Educator, Cara Freeman, arrived with her van full 4-H members, she noticed flames in the back window on the northwest side of the Chapel. Cara immediately dialed 911 to report the fire. Putnam County Fire Department responded within minutes with six fire trucks, and the blaze was out by 6:45 PM. Fortunately, no one was injured, and no one was in the building at the time of the fire, but the Rock Eagle Chapel, the symbolic icon of the 4-H Center, was a total loss.

The Chapel was built in the early 1950s with contributions from the City of Eatonton and Putnam County. The prisoners, who provided the labor for the construction of Rock Eagle, hand-picked the white quartz stones for the land around the 4-H Center campus and constructed the exterior walls of the Rock Eagle Chapel.

The original 1953 architectural blueprints were still stored in the maintenance building at Rock Eagle and are being used as a guide for the reconstruction of the building. These documents contained details about the different wood materials that were used, the details of the moldings and exposed wood scissors trusses used to emphasize the Modified Gothic interior design. Every effort is being made to restore the Chapel to its original appearance. However, some modifications are necessary to meet current building and life safety code requirements.

Total restoration is estimated to be more than one million dollars. Insurance funds will provide around \$500,000 for cleanup, demolition and restoration of the structure. The Georgia 4-H Foundation has been able to raise over \$465,000 in order to fund the remainder of the restoration expenses. Many 4-H alumni supported the request to restore the Chapel, and Atlanta businesswoman, Kelly Loeffler gave \$200,000 to support the Chapel. Kelly was a 4-H member in Illinois, and Georgia 4-H is grateful for her gift that served as a catalyst to reach our goal to restore the Chapel.

Parker Young Construction of Norcross, GA is handling the remediation work, and the project should be completed in early 2020. Once the restoration is completed, there will be a rededication of the Chapel.

HONORING MASTER 4-H'ERS

The Georgia 4-H Master Club holds its Annual Meeting during State 4-H Council and recognizes newly named state 4-H competition winners as Master 4-H Members. Additional Master 4-H Membership is extended to several former 4-H members who were active in 4-H but never won state honors, and Honorary Master 4-H Membership is given to individuals who were never 4-H members but have been involved and supportive of 4-H as an adult.

During the Master 4-H Club Banquet Mrs. Lottie Johnson was named the Honorary Master 4-H Member for 2019. Mrs. Johnson grew up in Morgan County and served as a Newton County Extension Agent from 1955-1986. Mrs. Johnson was nominated by Newton County 4-H Agent, Terri Kimble Fullerton.

Mrs. Johnson prepared 4-H'er Ruthella Sawyer to be the first African American 4-H'er to compete at overnight project achievement at Rock Eagle. Ruthella later mastered in scholarship after integration, which might not have been possible if not for her first trip to Rock Eagle.

Prior to desegregation, African American 4-H'ers attended district and state project competition at the Dublin 4-H Center, but could not move on to National 4-H Congress. These state winners were not given Master 4-H status. During the Master 4-H Banquet, State 4-H Leader Arch Smith announced that all 4-H members who won state honors at the Dublin 4-H Center are granted Master 4-H status and are eligible to join the Georgia Master 4-H Club.

Several Newton County members who were state winners at Dublin prior to integration were present and were recognized during the banquet and later during the

evening assembly in the auditorium:

- Maggie Duncan Reid won Canning in 1962 (deceased, represented by her children: Tammy Rogers, Tony Reid and Tom Reid)
- Celestine Henderson Jones won Recreation in 1964, and was likely the first African American 4-H'er to perform on the 4-H TV Show
- Josephine Burdette Brown won Clothing in 1957
- · Carolyn Maxine Roseberry Kilgore won Public Speaking in 1958, 1959 and 1960 and was among the first Georgia 4-H'ers to attend the Southeastern US 4-H Regional Conference held at Howard University
- Smithie Tuggle Baccus won Corn Meal Muffins in 1961 (unable to attend)
- Ola Mae Pitts Gilstrap won Dairy Foods in 1962 (unable to attend)



4-H ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

40 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

While it started with humble beginnings 40 years ago at Rock Eagle 4-H Center, the Georgia 4-H Environmental Education is now a well-respected, well-known, and well-attended program that served more than 43,000 participants during the 2018-2019 school year at all six 4-H facilities across the state. Through powerful partnerships with school systems, the 4-H **Environmental Education Program brings** learning to life by delivering science and other content in the context of real world environments. This program provides experiences which allow students and teachers to build positive relationships, fosters the connections youth have with nature and the environment and promotes curiosity and critical thinking, preparing our students to be productive and contributing members of society.

In 1979 when the program was started by then State 4-H Leader, Dr. Tom Rodgers and the newly hired Ms. Diane Davies, Rock Eagle 4-H Center had been operating for over two decades. However, the usage was primarily on weekends and summer months, leaving the center mostly vacant during the school year on weekdays. Recognizing a real need to increase revenue and grow the reach





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WRITTEN BY KASEY BOZEMAN AND MELANIE BIERSMITH

TECH CHANGEMAKERS

WRITTEN BY: KASEY BOZEMAN

With more than 23.4 million people lacking broadband internet access in the United States (Federal Communications Commission, 2019), thousands of communities across America are struggling. Access is only half of the problem. It is welldocumented that when high-speed internet suddenly becomes available to these areas, people do not feel secure and knowledgeable enough to adopt and use the technology. This hesitation of adoption leads many internet service providers to not expand service offerings. Enter 4-H.

Through a partnership between National 4-H Council and Microsoft, 4-H Tech Changemakers empowers teens as teachers of digital literacy, with the goal of increasing the adoption and use of technology by adults in rural communities.

GEORGIA 4-H, LEAD STATE ADVISOR

FOR 4-H TECH CHANGEMAKERS. **WORKS WITH**

80 COUNTIES IN 13 STATES

MENTORING YOUTH-ADULT TEAMS WITH LESSONS ON:

- PRIVACY AND SECURITY
 ONLINE SHOPPING
 NETIQUETTE

In early 2019, Georgia 4-H and the National Digital Extension Education Team hosted three multiday trainings for over 300 youth and adults involved in the project. Georgia 4-H also developed an extensive guidebook and lesson plans for the project, conducted bimonthly webinars, and provided individual feedback and coaching to county teams.

In Georgia, four counties in the northwest part of the state were invited to participate in the program. Youth and adults in Catoosa, Gordon, Murray and Whitfield Counties taught programming at schools, libraries, community centers and houses of worship. Kandi Edwards, 4-H Agent in Whitfield County, says "4-H'ers are all about making a difference in their



communities. Microsoft has provided an excellent opportunity through the Tech Changemakers program for our 4-H'ers to build adult relationships using their tech knowledge and abilities. Sharing what they have learned with the senior adults and Spanish-speaking members help Whitfield County 4-H'ers make an impact in their community, while developing relationships that will benefit them in the future."

Additionally, Emily Momberg of Catoosa County was chosen to serve as one of three national Youth Voice representatives for the project.

"Learning about the digital divide has made me so passionate about teaching others. I want to help people that want to learn more, but they may not have access to that kind of education." Through her county's program, she is focusing on providing parents to children in their county's schools with training to foster their own children's online learning.

As 4-H Tech Changemakers continues, the goal of empowering community members to adopt and use technology continues to be at the heart of this project. Initial evaluations have clearly indicated a positive impact on both families and communities with this outreach and engagement project. Georgia 4-H is honored to provide national leadership for such an important intiative.



HEALTHIER LIVING

WRITTEN BY: COURTNEY BROWN, Ph. D

In February of 2019, six Georgia youth attended the National Youth Summit on Healthy Living at the National 4-H Conference Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland. The team, selected from Georgia 4-H Healthy Living Ambassadors and Health Rocks Action Leaders, came from different areas of the state: Carlissa Stewart and Caroline Lord of Ben Hill County; Kaleigh Jordan of Johnson County; Kennedy Deveaux and Kayla Faulks of Cobb County; and Tianna Ramey of Habersham County.



At the summit, the team participated in workshops to learn more about nutrition, mental health, drug prevention and many other health topics. Part of the summit included a challenge: create a community action plan to address a health issue within their community. The Georgia team realized that their shared community was their 4-H community. In Georgia 4-H, we teach, lead and learn about healthy living, but sometimes our shared environment can make that difficult. The team of 4-H'ers noticed that at many 4-H events, sugar sweetened beverages are available and sometimes are very easy to access, even easier than water. Less healthy snacks, like chips and cookies, are often also frequently available. As a response, the group

created the "Keeping Things Just Peachy: Healthier options at Georgia 4-H events" Youth Community Action Plan. The plan's primary goal is to provide and promote healthier snacks and drinks at Georgia 4-H state events and build support for long-term changes in the future. With help from adult leaders, the team's plan was submitted for funding. The team was awarded a \$500 grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation through the National 4-H Council to encourage healthier living for fellow 4-H members this summer.

The team worked on their plan at the summit, over video or phone calls as well as email. At Georgia 4-H Senior Conference in April 2019, the team distributed water bottles to promote drinking water instead of sugary drinks. They also conducted a survey to find out if 4-H'ers were interested in healthier snacks and drinks at state 4-H events.

Surveyed 360 4-H'ers

think it is important to have healthy snacks at 4-H events

think having healthier options would help them make healthier choices

Top healthy snacks youth want:

fresh fruit, fresh vegetables, dried fruit, trail mix, granola bars

Top ways to encourage drinking more water:

reusable water bottles and filling stations, flavored water options

The team's plans became a reality at Georgia 4-H State Council, July 5th-7th, 2019. They shared

their Action Plan at the opening assembly and encouraged 4-H'ers to drink water and choose healthy snacks. At State Council, there was signage on water coolers to encourage 4-H'ers to drink more water. The team also sponsored a Healthy Snack Break with fresh fruit, water, and granola bars at the Saturday night dance with signs that promoted healthy snacks and drinks. The healthy snacks were a big hit - by the end of the night, they were all gone.

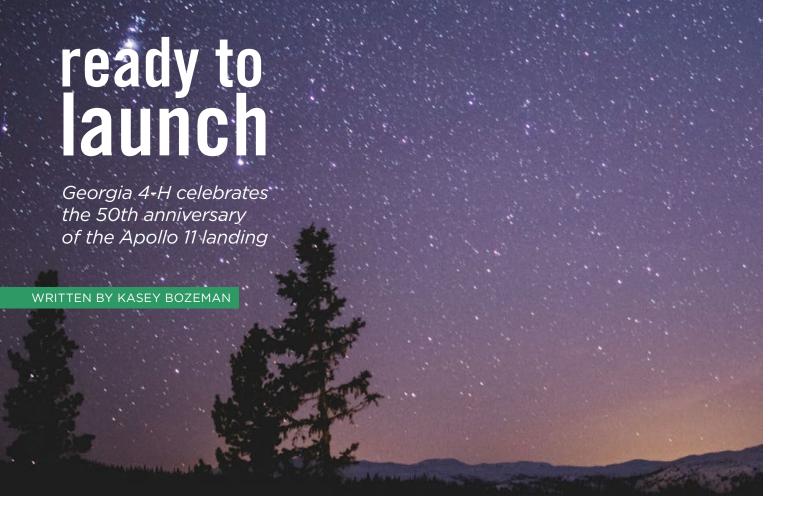
2019 State Council

reached through promotional signage and healthy snack breaks

would like to have more healthy snack breaks at state 4-H events

The success of this team's action plan shows that Georgia 4-H'ers are ready to embrace the fourth H, Health, at state 4-H events!





"When I was your age, I watched men walk on the moon. I was inspired to be an astrophysicist. My generation has had great accomplishments in space. But the new big advancements, traveling to other planets, discovering new things... that's going to be left up to you guys." These words spoken by University of Georgia Physics and Astronomy Professor Loris Magnani during Mission Make-It: The Georgia 4-H Engineering Challenge resonated with 4-H participants all sitting in stunned silence. Quickly hands shot up, asking Dr. Magnani about his research, his thoughts on future space travel, black holes and even aliens. The 2019 Mission Make-It event celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 landing.

July 20, 1969 was a monumental event in our nation's history. As millions of people watched astronauts Neil Armstrong and Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin walk on the moon's surface, a sweeping sense of pride and curiosity was felt throughout the country. "Space has fascinated humans since the dawn of time," says Kasey Bozeman, Extension 4-H Specialist. "There is something about looking up at the night sky, seeing stars billions of miles away and realizing just how small you are and just how little we know as a civilization." Georgia 4-H state and county programs, summer camps and environmental education programs offered a variety of space-related activities this year.

Mission Make-It united 150 middle-school 4-H members at Rock Eagle 4-H Center to complete noncompetitive engineering challenges related to space. In small teams, youth created rockets to be launched at inflatable moons, hanging in trees around the facility.



Groups also designed return capsules for astronaut eggs to splashdown in small pools. These challenges fostered teamwork, problem-solving and critical thinking. In addition to Dr. Magnani, participants also heard from Major Benjamin Calhoon, an executive officer for the 22nd Air Force. Major Cahoon's previous responsibilities included providing leadership for the entire Global Positioning System (GPS) operations. As advancements in GPS continue to grow, the career field is nearly limitless for today's young people.

As part of the U.S. Space and Rocket Center's Global Rocket Launch, Dade County 4-H offered a community event for youth and adults. Through social media channels, the UGA Cooperative Extension Office posted different rocket templates during the weeks leading up to the special launch. Families could build rockets at home or construct them during the event, using common items such as construction paper and soda bottles. A food truck with concessions provided sweet treats during the summer heat, and a photo booth offered keepsakes for the participants to remember the evening. Of the 55 participants, nearly half had never participated in out-of-school 4-H activities before the event.

Extension 4-H Specialist Casey Mull recognizes how space and the accomplishments of the Apollo program also serve as inspiration. During a 4-H/Air Force Teen Leadership Summit this summer, Mull gathered campers on the recreation field at Wahsega 4-H Center one evening, asking them to gaze at the sky above them. He shared the accomplishments of Armstrong, Aldrin and Collins, and how their ingenuity, imagination

and courage reached another celestial body in our universe. "Each of these campers has a parent serving in the Air Force," Mull comments. "Just as these service members use innovation today, we continue pushing boundaries. For as long as humankind has looked to the firmament, we have seen our dreams, our hopes and our aspirations."

As the youth stood in quiet reflection, gigantic stars billions of miles away slowly twinkled in the night. We hope that young people reach their dreams, hopes and aspirations, too.



In addition to activities specifically focused on the Apollo 11 celebration, astronomy classes are prevalent in the Georgia 4-H Environmental Education (EE) program. Burton 4-H Center EE Program Coordinator Erine-Fay McNaught incorporates stargazing into beach walks during dusk. "One of my favorite activities to do during a night walk is to lay in the sand with my group of kids and use a laser pointer to point out stars and constellations," said McNaught.

Wahsega 4-H Center offers space-related activities including modeling the lunar cycle, a solar system walk to help youth better understand the size and scale of our planets and constellation observation using a large, inflatable planetarium. "It is an amazing feeling to have students view the clear stars in the mountains for the first time. If we are lucky, they may see their first shooting star," said Adam Rolwes, EE Program Coordinator at Wahsega 4-H Center.

Whether 4-H professionals are connecting youth to real-world leaders in space, helping youth build rockets, using the stars as inspiration or teaching about moon phases, astronomy is ever-present across our state. The mysteries of space are vast, and a Georgia 4-H'er may make the next advancement in the field. As the late Casey Kasem always said,

"Keep your feet on the ground and keep reaching for the stars."

4-H DAY AT THE CAPITOL

connecting youth with Georgia's legislators

WRITTEN BY CRISTINA DEREVERE

More than 500 Georgia 4-H youth, leaders and volunteers visited Atlanta for Georgia 4-H Day at the Capitol on Feb. 7, 2019 at the Georgia Freight Depot and Capitol Building. This leadership- and civic engagement-based event is held annually to connect 4-H youth with Georgia legislators, provide students insight to the legislative process and allow them to thank legislators and donors.

This annual event honors 4-H'ers who have proven their leadership abilities serving as representatives of the young people of Georgia, said Arch Smith, state 4-H leader and director of 4-H. It gives them the opportunity to visit and interact with legislators and community leaders as well as observe the Georgia General Assembly in session. We hope this will inspire their own leadership interests.

Georgia 4-H has participated in 4-H Day at the Capitol for more than 30 years. This year, some youth members served as pages for either the Georgia House of Representatives or Senate. Board of Directors President John Henry Walker addressed the General Assembly, thanking them for their continued support of Georgia 4-H and participation in 4-H Day at the Capitol.

Resolutions in the House of Representatives and Senate recognized several 4-H youth members for their outstanding achievements in leadership and citizenship, as well as those

who have excelled in contests on national levels.

Following the Capitol tour and visit, 4-H'ers enjoyed a luncheon sponsored by the Georgia 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees. Lt. Gov. Geoff Duncan, Rep. Rick Jasperse (R-11) and Sam Pardue, dean of the University of Georgia College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, encouraged the 4-H'ers to continue serving their counties and communities through 4-H participation.

"A highlight for most of our 4-H'ers is the chance to meet with their legislators in person. Such meetings help youth to understand that these leaders are just regular people who have decided to serve their communities as elected officials. The legislators are very approachable and have likely inspired some of our 4-H members to pursue a future in public service."

-Jason Estep, Extension 4-H specialist for leadership and civic engagement programs

The day's activities concluded with a picture of the delegation with a number of representatives and senators.



SUMTER COUNTY ROCKETS PROGRAMMING

The Reaching Our Community through Kindness, Education, Togetherness and STEM (ROCKETS) is an innovative project purposed to serve disabled and other youth facing issues related to poor school achievement, poverty and crime through 4-H programing and other educational programs. The ROCKETS project model emphasizes and integrates the 4-H's inclusive learning experiences to improve overall school achievement, build and enhance workforce readiness, increase the adoption of healthy lifestyles and increase knowledge of agricultural practices.

Of the 1,643 fourth-eighth grade students attending Sumter County Intermediate School, Sumter Middle School and Furlow Charter School, a total of 196 students were identified by the schools as youth living with a disability. University of Georgia Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development, Family and Consumer Sciences and Agriculture and Natural Resources staff surrounding Sumter County collaborated on ROCKETS programming to impact these youth by providing opportunities to experience and attain the skills needed to be productive in their communities.

ROCKETS project activities included designing, cultivating and harvesting a garden. ROCKETS participants received lessons about their environment, safe agricultural practices and the proper use of gardening tools and equipment. They also gained a better understanding of themselves, became independent thinkers and felt their lives had meaning and purpose through individual exploration projects, community service projects and other 4-H activities. Students were also taught how to grow their own food, make healthier/fresh food choices and how to build positive relationships with other youth and adults. One teacher stated, "My class and I enjoyed planting the garden and harvesting the crops. Each day, they loved going out and watering the garden and making sure it was growing."



WRITTEN BY CRYSTAL PERRY

SEMINOLE COUNTY CITIZENS OF THE YEAR

Hurricane Michael caused catastrophic damage in Florida's panhandle and Southwest Georgia. One of the hardest hit areas in Georgia was Seminole county. This area of the state is extremely rich in agricultural production. Farmers were at the very beginning of harvest season, and crops were ready to be harvested, but there wasn't enough time as the hurricane's landfall was imminent. As a result, in just a few hours whole crops were destroyed, infrastructure was damaged and thousands of families were left without electricity. The damage is so widespread that the Georgia Agriculture Department estimates a \$2 billion loss to the state's economy.

The County Manager and County Commissioners reached out to University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Seminole County Agents, Cindy Meadows and Andrew Warner, to assist at the emergency command center. They dedicated an estimated 150 hours to the recovery efforts through damage assessments and reports for crops; served as tour liaisons for local assessors, news reporters and politicians; assisted in the clean-up of trash and limbs; delivered food to over 350 National Guard Army, other clean-up crews and shelters; and assisted in roof and fencing repair.

Meadows and Warner were honored as the 2018 Seminole County Citizens of the Year. County Commissioner Jeff Braswell stated "Meadows and Warner were also praised by their nominator and the judges for their countless selfless acts performed by the betterment of Seminole County and its citizens before, during and after Hurricane Michael."





Twenty-four Georgia 4-H teenagers spent their summer in a unique agriculture-focused student exchange program without leaving the state.

One Georgia 4-H, an urban-rural 4-H exchange program is designed to showcase the importance of agriculture in rural and urban areas of Georgia to students who are considering a career in agriculture, said Laurie Murrah-Hanson, a University of Georgia Cooperative Extension agent who leads a Georgia 4-H club based at the Atlanta History Center. The first-year program was funded by the Thalia and Michael C. Carlos Foundation in Fulton County.
"The program grew from the Atlanta History Center's goal

to reach new audiences in Atlanta and across the state and educate people about the similarities and differences between Georgians across the state," said Murrah-Hanson. "We had a very diverse group of youth. Some of the students had an agriculture background and a few even live on working farms, while others live in towns and cities but are familiar with agriculture. The kids taught each other about what their lives are like where they live."

The group first met in Tifton in June and visited sites in south Georgia. In July, they met in Atlanta and toured sites in the metro area.

In south Georgia, the students toured locations including UGA research facilities and commercial watermelon and cotton production fields. On the UGA Tifton campus, they learned about turfgrass, visited the cotton micro gin, learned handson laboratory skills, and toured the UGA Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory.

Students were also able to explore the Future Farmstead, UGA's energy-independent experimental site dedicated to developing and demonstrating advanced technologies to enhance farm efficiency with the goal of achieving future national energy, food and environmental requirements. The group also learned about the varied academic majors available in the UGA College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences.

"They visited Super Sod, a sod farm near Perry, where they learned about sod production and saw sod harvested. That was something that none of us had seen," Murrah-Hanson said. "We also went to Lane Southern Orchards and Dickey Farms to eat peaches and see the production line where the

peaches are washed and packaged."

The July tour in Atlanta focused on policy and transportation. The students visited the Delta Flight Museum and experienced piloting a jet in Delta's flight simulator. At the Georgia State Capitol, Rep. Matthew Wilson, a UGA alumnus who represents the 80th District, gave the students a tour. The group also visited the Georgia Department of Agriculture, including the Georgia Grown test kitchen, and met with Mario Cambardella, director of urban agriculture for the city of Atlanta, who told them about Georgia's urban farms.

"They learned that these farms are smaller and more diverse," Murrah-Hanson said. "They also learned about food deserts and the new Urban

Food Forest.'

The trip concluded with a visit to the Atlanta location of iconic eatery The Varsity and attending

4-H Day at the Atlanta History Center.

The One Georgia participants and their home counties include Mary Ann Bentley, Chattooga County; Jake Carver, Houston County; Madison Clemente, Paulding County; Kaylee Collins, Spalding County; Avery Cross, Catoosa County; Maddie Dean, Crisp County; Jada Faulks, Cobb County; Alyssa Goldman, Madison County; Gracie Grimes, Candler County; Megan Isdell, Worth County; Christopher Kuhbander, Ware County; Grace McBride, Emanuel County; Hannah McElrath, Gordon County; Michael Mercer, Cobb County; Brooke O'Berry, Ware County; Emily Recinos, Cobb County; Aromal Saji, Gwinnett County; Autumn Sims, Murray County; Kolbi Sims, Murray County; Bryson Smith, Gordon County; Cora Jane Tyre, Bacon County; Adriana Walton, Randolph County; Emma Rae Ward, Chattooga County; and Kate Vaughn, Bulloch County.

"This was my favorite 4-H trip so far," said Emma Rae Ward. "I'm from an ag community and I live on a farm, but it was very refreshing to see what agriculture looks like in Atlanta and to see some of the things that I see at home in north Georgia —

we just have fewer gnats.'

Gracie Grimes lives on a farm but says she never knew Atlanta had so much to do with

agriculture.
"This experience has truly been one of my best and I made a lot of new friends," she said. "My favorite part was visiting the Capitol and the Georgia Department of Agriculture. The sod farm was new for me and the watermelon farm was cool, as we used to grow watermelons on our farm."

Following the exchange experience, students are required to share their experience with groups in their community such as county commissions, boards of education, school administrations and community or civic groups, as well as with their peers at Georgia 4-H's Fall Forum.

Georgia 4-H hopes to secure funding to offer the program again next summer, Murrah-Hanson

said.



Georigia 4-H youth look at Georgia agriculture through the lenses from the farm to the capitol, highlighting cotton, watermelon, turf and sod production, as well as research, higher education and legislation.





9.3 TOTAL PARTICIPANTS

4-H CAMPING EVENTS



•••• SUMMER 2019

CLOVERLEAF JUNIOR SENIOR

CAMPS · · CAMPS · ·

MILITARY YOUTH

GRADES 7-8 GRADES 9-12 GRADES 8-12

WILDERNESS CHALLENGE TOMMUNITY MARINE RESOURCES

CAMP ······· CAMPS ······

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•••• GRADES 6-8 ••



STATE LEVEL CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS CAPITAL & ACCESS TO MAXIMIZE PARTICIPATION (CAMP) 1ST TIME CAMPER PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

BAKER TRUST PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS



FRANCES COCHRAN **ENDOWMENT FUND** PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

BAKER TRUST FULL SCHOLARSHIPS



GEORGIA 4-H PROVIDES FIRST-TIME CAMPING OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH

Georgia 4-H, in partnership with National 4-H Council, was able to provide 218 youth from economically disadvantaged backgrounds the opportunity to attend 4-H camp in Georgia for the first time through the Capital and Access to Maximize Participation (CAMP) scholarship program. Attendance to a week of residential 4-H camp was offered through scholarship opportunities available in all 159 Extension offices in the state. To be eligible for CAMP Scholarships, 4-H'ers must have not previously attended 4-H camp in Georgia (first time campers); demonstrated financial need: and, have been able to match the \$150.00 scholarship amount with at least \$150.00 in personal or county funds. Campers could attend camping events at all five of Georgia's 4-H facilities. The funding source allowed for 218 scholarships. To ensure vulnerable youth could attend camp, Georgia's 4-H agents and other county 4-H staff worked with and on behalf of eligible 4-H'ers to make them aware of potential fundraising and additional scholarship opportunities that would allow them to meet the matching funds requirement. Funds were designated so that youth arriving at camp would also receive camp essentials - sleeping bag, close-toed shoes, ponchos, toiletries, etc. - if needed at camp. Georgia 4-H Center staffs supported the process of discreetly distributing these items.

Besides completing a survey required by the grant, campers had an identical experience to all other campers. They participated in typical camp activities -- canoeing, archery, swimming, arts and



crafts, and environmental education - many of which, as first-time campers, they had not experienced before. They experienced the self-discovery and group dynamics offered by a week away from home that helped them develop their independence and build relationships with their peers in a safe and fun environment. In addition to the emotional and developmental needs of youth, 4-H centers meet the physical needs of

youth while away at camp, including access to nourishing food and accessible facilities and cabins. However, the ultimate impact we hope the 4-H camping experience has on these underrepresented and underserved youth is a greater awareness of and desire to be involved in all Georgia 4-H has to offer, which extends far beyond one week of camp.

WRITTEN BY CHARLIE WURST

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GEORGIA 4-H AT **CAMP JEKYLL**

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2018-2019 PROGRAM YEAR

TEENS SERVED

ADULTS SERVED

VOLUNTEER TIME-WORTH





ARCHERY, PISTOL, RIFLE & SHOTGUN



CERTIFIED JUDGING

•••••• FORESTRY, COTTON BOLL & CONSUMER JUDGING, POULTRY, LAND AND WILDLIFE JUDGING



PROJECT ACHIEVEMENT



LED CLUBS • • • STATEWIDE

VISTA was founded in 1965 as a national service program designed to fight poverty in America. The AmeriCorps State program, founded in 1993, supports a wide variety of local service programs that address critical community needs in education, public safety, health, and the environment. Both programs are funded by the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS). Funding for the AmeriCorps State program is administered by the Georgia Commission on Service and Volunteerism (GCSV), housed in the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA).

VISTA members help build the internal capacity of Georgia 4-H through volunteer development, fundraising, social marketing, and more. Since 2010, 55 Georgia 4-H VISTAs have raised more than \$611,000 in cash resources, developed more than \$66,000 in noncash resources, produced more than 1,500 marketing pieces, and recruited more than 3,150 volunteers.

Since 2012, 279 AmeriCorps State members have contributed more than 305,260 hours of service, reached approximately 135,740 students through in-school programming, more than 94,700 students through Project Achievement, and recruited 1,750 volunteers who have contributed nearly 19,150 hours.

In addition to serving youth, the AmeriCorps State grant demonstrates impact through the collection and analysis of survey data. The following outcomes were reported for the 2018-19 program

4-H LOCAL MEETINGS

93% of students demonstrated knowledge of content presented.

4-H PROJECT ACHIEVEMENT

90% of students demonstrated knowledge of best practices in public speaking.

76% indicated confidence in or showed an increase in confidence in public speaking.

OUTSTANDING LIFETIME VOLUNTEER

Melvina Carlan was named 2018-19 Georgia 4-H Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer. Melvina has been with Pickens County 4-H for over 50 years! She started her tenure as a member in school where she competed in Forestry Judging, Poultry Judging, Consumer Judging and DPA, and she even Mastered in Forestry! Melvina continues to volunteer for 4-H as an adult and coaches 4-H youth in Forestry Judging, Consumer Judging, Poultry Judging and DPA. She also works with youth on community service projects. Mrs. Melvina is a valuable asset to the Pickens County 4-H Club and is appreciated for all that she does. She definitely deserves to be recognized as a Lifetime Volunteer for GA 4-H!

District 11 State Representative Rick Jasperse describes Melvina as "Invaluable ... Hundreds of Pickens County 4-Hers have reached their potential due to the investment in their lives by Melvina Carlan."

"Her service has spanned generations! I'm the adult I

am today because of the 4-H'er that she helped to make me as a young person," said Chief Magistrate Judge Allen Wigington. Heather Matteson, a 4-H'er parent, says "Mrs. Melvina has helped my child in immeasurable ways, her kindness, graciousness and helpfulness will follow him through his lifetime."



WRITTEN BY KERI HOBBS

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Dr. Laural Moseley was awarded 2018-19 Georgia 4-H Volunteer of the Year. Laural has been serving as a faithful volunteer in Bleckley County for the past nine years. She is reliable and knowledgeable in all things 4-H and is always eager to help with anything needed, whether that's coaching a team or stepping in last minute for a club meeting. She is one of the most valued and dependable volunteers. Her voluntary service does not stop with her county; she also lends a hand at district and state level events such as Fall Forum, Junior Conference, State Council and State Congress.

Laural is also a certified coach for Chicken BBO. Cotton Boll and Consumer Judging and Wildlife Judging. She just recently coached Chicken BBQ and her 4-H'er brought home first place at the National Championship. She also coached the National Winning Team in 2017 for Cotton Boll and Consumer Judging.

She helps prepare kids for DPA and judges or helps out wherever she's needed at the competitions. Laural has definitely been a blessing to the 4-H program and Georgia 4-H is so lucky to have her.

"I have witnessed Mrs. Laural's love and passion for kids, helping them to excel in learning and expressing that knowledge while having fun," said David Hall, Water Educator and Program Assistant in Bleckley County. "She is the epitome of what a 4-H volunteer is. The endless hours she devotes to various programs and her fearless attitude to bring new programs to Bleckley County 4-Her's sets her on a high level pedestal!"



WRITTEN BY KERI HOBBS



FRANCIS "ABIT" MASSEY

Abit Massey graduated from UGA in 1949 and received his Juris Doctor from Emory University. Known to many as the "Dean of the Poultry Industry," he became the Executive Director of the Georgia Poultry Federation in 1960. He served in this role until 2009 when he became President Emeritus.

Massey and his wife, Kayanne, a former Miss Georgia, have more than 18 family members who attended the University of Georgia. The Massey family was named the UGA Alumni Association Family of the Year in 2014. Prior to his work in the poultry industry, Massey was head of the Georgia Department of Commerce, now Economic Development, where he created the tourist division and built the first Welcome Station.

His numerous honors and awards include the 1986 UGA Distinguished Alumni Merit Award; Blue Key Service Award, 1991; inducted into the Georgia Agricultural Hall of Fame, 1996; the 2012 Harold E. Ford Lifetime Achievement Award from the U.S. Poultry and Egg Association; the Inaugural Medallion of Honor for Service to the UGA College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences; and the Distinguished Service Award from College of Veterinary Medicine for leadership in creation of Veterinary Medicine Experiment Station. He was the first UGA graduate to receive the Presidential Citation from the Georgia Institute of Technology. He is a Past President of the UGA Alumni Association, is on the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of the UGA Research Foundation, Director and Secretary of the UGA Real Estate Foundation and Emeritus Trustee of the UGA Foundation. He has worked closely with UGA to strengthen the research, teaching and Extension programs of the poultry industry across the state.

Over his long career and through today, Abit Massey has been an enthusiastic supporter of Georgia 4-H. Whether through poultry, UGA or personal community service, he continues to be a champion of our programs.

The Green Jacket Award, established in 2008, recognizes individuals for their outstanding statewide support of Georgia 4-H and is presented annually on behalf of Georgia 4-H alumni, donors, volunteers and friends.

Senator Jack Hill, chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee

Georgia Commissioner of Agriculture Gary Black

State Representative Tom McCall, chairman of the House Agriculture and Consumer Affairs Committee

President/CEO of Georgia Electric Membership Corporation Paul Wood

2014

State Representative Terry England, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee

2013

Governor Nathan Deal

Board of Regents Chancellor Hank Huckaby

2011

Speaker of the House David Ralston

2010

Georgia 4-H Foundation Trustee Randy Nuckolls

Georgia Department of Community Affairs Commissioner Mike Beatty

2008

Governor Sonny Perdue

Position at time of award

WILLIAM H. BOOTH **AWARD WINNER BRANDI MCGONAGILL**

"As a 4-H agent, I believe we must work hard, love our job, be willing to have fun, and share in our 4-H'ers energy and excitement about life. Most important of all, we must love the youth we work with, no matter what, unconditionally! Many alumni of the program agree that the values they gained from their experience in 4-H still motivate and influence what they do today. The job of a 4-H agent is often demanding and sometimes exhausting, but there is nothing more rewarding than to see a young person succeed and grow in the 4-H program!"





FRIEND OF 4-H **AWARD WINNER** DON BOWER

"Dr. Bower has advised, trained, and inspired agents, specialists and staff across the span of his career. He has instilled in many of us the desire to seek the cutting edge knowledge in our field and to balance that knowledge with best practices, producing a quality experience for the youth who journey this path to adulthood. His perspective, intuition, and guidance are highly valued and his impact on our organization is unparalleled. It can be said that a friend is one that makes you laugh a little louder, smile a little bigger, and live just a little bit better and he is that kind of a friend."

RYLES RISING STAR **AWARD WINNER CRYSTAL PERRY**

"By sharing her extensive work with peers and Extension specialists in Georgia and across the nation, Crystal Perry has developed a strong reputation among her colleagues as an expert in working with special needs audiences as well as underserved, impoverished youth populations. Her service through scholarship and engagement are excellent examples of Extension programming based in research, serving the citizenry of our state and are highly replicable in Georgia and beyond."



AWARD-WINNING SERVICE PROJECTS

Eighteen University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Specialists, 4-H county agents and volunteers collaborated for the My Preparedness Initiative (MyPI) training for youth in Calhoun, Dougherty, Haralson, Morgan, Turner and Wilcox counties, enrolling 153 youth. This threepart leadership preparedness training included US Department of Homeland Security/Federal Emergency Management Agency-certified Teen Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training and corresponding modules; certifications in CPR and AED, technology and career tracks, and disaster simulationas well as "Prep + 6," a service project where each youth helped develop emergency supply kits and emergency communication plans for their family and six additional families or households.

Eighty-five youth have graduated from MyPI Georgia. Graduates self-reported through pre- and post-surveys indicating they now know how to better plan for their future, consider their actions, deal with stress, communicate with others and cooperate with others. As a result of the Prep + 6 service project, youth provided over 500 emergency supply kits and emergency communication plans for families.

The MyPI Georgia instructor team was named the recipient of the 2019 National Association of Extension 4-H Agents (NAE4-HA) national award for Citizenship in Youth Programming, MyPI Georgia's delivery model and successes were selected by national committees to be shared with colleagues. The program was featured at the 2019 NAE4-HA Conference's Citizenship Luncheon in White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia; the 2019 International Association of Emergency Managers conference in Savannah, Georgia; and the 2019 National Epsilon Sigma Phi Extension Fraternity Conference lightening luncheon in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Team members include Keri Hobbs, Melanie Biersmith, Shannon Cagle, Ed Pickel, Allie Griner, Doug Ralston, Sandra Spradley, Gwen White, Sara Sercer, Angela Bloodworth, Jazmine Thomas, Jennifer Dobbs, Dorothea Graham, Allyson Stauffer, Ryan Akers (MSU), and Emily Waller.



WRITTEN BY KERLHOBBS

INDEPENDENT STUDY IN THE SENATE

George Moore has been an active 4-H'er since fifth grade. Moore, a Stephens County high school senior, spent the second half of his junior year of high school working in Washington, D.C. as a federal employee for the United States Senate. After applying for the United States Senate Page Program through Senator Johnny Isakson, he was selected to serve as a Page from January until June in 2019.

The United States Senate Program is a unique educational experience for outstanding high school students interested in pursuing careers in public service. Each year, Senators appoint 30 students from across the nation to serve as Pages. Students attend Page School every morning before work and live two blocks from Capitol Hill. Senate Page duties consist primarily of preparing the Senate chamber for Senate sessions as well as delivering bills and amendments to the Senate floor.

Some of George's favorite highlights of the program include: attending the State of the Union, enjoying jokes with Senator Booker, having a pizza party with Senator Enzi, sharing a love for Hamilton with Senator Wicker, meeting the Secretary-General of NATO, sledding on Capitol Hill, living in the District, and "my favorite was spending time with Senator Isakson at breakfast and on the Senate Floor," Moore

said. "It was an unforgettable experience that was truly a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity."

Moore acknowledges Georgia 4-H for the development of skills necessary to succeed and build relationships throughout the program in Washington. Encouraging youth to take on proactive leadership roles is part of the mission for Georgia 4-H. While completing his program in D.C., Moore also served as a State Representative on the 2018-19 Georgia 4-H State Board of Directors.

"After working for the Senate and living in Washington, I am yearning to go back and serve in another capacity," Moore said. "I am considering a career in public service, and I look forward to having more opportunities to return to D.C. I know 4-H will only continue to open doors for me."

DIVERSITY IN PROJECT GROWL

Project GROWL (Growing Real Opportunities in Work and Life) provides urban, after-school based agricultural and environmental education programming to middle and high school youth. Prior to programming, University of Georgia Extension faculty met to examine the establishment of Project GROWL in an urban area in order to design and test a revised model of urban Extension programming for the state. This revised model explores new opportunities and audiences in which to serve through Extension programming. Sustainable programming equips communities to empower themselves. With expanding populations in urban communities, the need for sustainable, healthy and affordable food increases along with the need for people to understand and advocate for urban agricultural systems. This program helps to ensure that Georgia 4-H does its best to create a diverse and inclusive community. Since the start of programming in 2015, over 100 youth have been introduced to Project GROWL. New ways of facilitating and integrating the traditional 4-H curriculum introduces larger, more diverse audiences to urban agricultural literacy.

The Project GROWL team won National Association of Extension 4-H Agents (NAE4-HA) awards for Excellence in Urban 4-H Programming as well as Excellence in Agricultural Literacy Programming on state, regional and national levels and the UGA College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Diversity Award.





GEORGIA 4-H LIVESTOCK PROGRAM

offers extraordinary educational opportunities in programs that challenge 4-Hers with real-life issues as they learn responsibility through raising, showing and judging livestock. Livestock projects give students the opportunity to practice and acquire new knowledge in the fields of animal science, business, time management and leadership.

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GEORGIA 4-H PROJECT SAFE

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uses the shooting sports to teach many valuable life skills. Project SAFE (Shooting Awareness, Fun and Education) provides youth a place to develop a sense of belonging, learn teamwork in a safe environment and increase concentration skills. Safe, responsible use of firearms and archery equipment is a primary goal. Trained volunteers lead clubs in BB. Air Rifle, Air Pistol, 22 Rifle, Shotgun and Archery in over 110 counties.

PARTNERSHIPS

Georgia 4-H and the Georgia Association of Educational Leaders (GAEL) have been partnering for the betterment of education in the state for 45 years. The partnership dates back to the mid-1970s when leadership from the State 4-H Office, the State Department of Education and the organizers of the Georgia Association of Educational Leaders collaborated to support GAEL's annual meeting. At that time, Georgia 4-H offered programming for the children of the school administrators attending the GAEL annual conference. This was a perfect partnership for Georgia 4-H, as it provided an opportunity for educational programming for the children of their counterparts in education, the perfect "proving ground" to showcase the experiential foundation of 4-H. Since the annual conference was held on Jekyll Island, the programming and conference support became known as "Oceans of Fun" and is still a component of the GAEL annual conference. From that initial collaboration, Georgia 4-H and GAEL continued to work together to support the youth of Georgia, valuing experiential learning and leadership development.

Fast forward 45 years, the collaborations and connections continue to be an important component for both organizations. Georgia 4-H continues to have a strong presence at GAEL conferences, "Oceans of Fun" is still a highly regarded program during the summer conference and the joint-work has expanded to co-sponsoring leadership development throughout the state for elementary, middle and high school youth. Georgia 4-H values this 45-year partnership and celebrates the opportunity to work alongside colleagues in education to grow future leaders for our



Arch Smith, State 4-H Leader, received the Georgia Association of Educational Leaders' 2019 Presidential Citation award for his leadership in the Georgia 4-H and GAEL partnership. The award was presented at the Georgia Association of Educational Leaders Summer conference by retiring GAEL Executive Director, Dr. Jimmy Stokes.

WRITTEN BY MANDY MARABLE AND ARCH SMITH

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MEMORIALS

BOBBY DEAL 1938 - 2019

Bobby E Deal began his career with the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service as an assistant county agent in Haralson County in 1960. In 1962, he was promoted to county agent and he remained there for the next seven years. While in Haralson County, he began the "Outstanding Family Farm" program among other



key 4-H initiatives. Wanting to be closer to home, he accepted a position in Wayne County as county agent in 1969.

In 1978, he accepted a position as Southeast District Agent for 4-H and Youth serving 36 counties. This position allowed him and his wife to move home to Bulloch County, where they remained through his retirement in 1990.

"Mr. Bobby," as he was affectionately known by his 4-H members, was a devoted leader to the 4-H club and all youth programs. He was passionate about watching young people reach their full potential and found joy in helping those around him.

TERESA HARVEY

1958 - 2019

Teresa Harvey spent her professional life as a Public Service Senior Associate employed by the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service. In 1991, she moved to Johnson County where she coached and mentored young people in 4-H. She retired from UGA Extension as the Southeast District 4-H Program Development Coordinator



covering an area compromised of 39 counties. Teresa positively impacted youth, adults, colleagues and co-workers. She was an active member of, held leadership positions in and received awards from several Extension Professional Organizations, including Epsilon Sigma Phi, in which she served as State President in 2001-02; the National and Georgia Association of Extension 4-H Agents; and the National and Georgia Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences.

After full retirement in 2011, she completed a Master Gardener class and donated more than 50 volunteer hours in Bibb County.

RETIREMENTS

Terri Camp began working with Georgia 4-H in 1987 as the Rock Eagle 4-H Center Accountant Assistant. She quickily became the Event Coordinator, responsible to booking and reservations at Rock Eagle. In the late 1990s, Terri became the Area Coordinator, adding supervison of the dining hall, housekeeping, business functions and office management to the Event Coordinator responsibilities. Terri contributed to the development of the financial management system that Rock Eagle has used since the late 1980s, and other Georgia 4-H facilities have used since 1997.

In 2013, Terri became the Rock Eagle 4-H Center Director, managing all operations

After more than 31 years of dedication to Georgia 4-H, Terri retired in 2019, but her impact on Rock Eagle 4-H Center will live on for many years to come.



Johnny Parker began working at the Rock Eagle 4-H Center in June 2001. Before becoming the Rock Eagle Maintenance Department Head, he was in charge of construction and renovations. Johnny's leadership and construction



expertise contributed to many additions to the 4-H Center including the Georgia EMC Building, Swimming Pool I, the Wildlife Ecology Building, the two Woodruff Aquatic Buildings, the completion of Founders Lodge, and the construction of the first new cabins as well as improvements to many building and grounds projects since 2001.



OVER -

TOTAL PROJECTS



2018-2019 PROGRAM YEAR

Students choose a project area of interest, research the topic, and write and present a presentation. 4-H'ers develop leadership, creativity, public speaking, record keeping, and other skills. As students become older, a record- keeping component is added that promotes independent thinking and research.

CLOVERLEAF PROJECT ACHIEVEMENT

4-6 GRADERS COMPETE

PROJECT CATEGORIES

JUNIOR AND SENIOR PROJECT ACHIEVEMENT

7-12 GRADERS PROJECT CATEGORIES



STATE 4-H CONGRESS

PROJECT WINNERS

WINNERS RECEIVED GEORGIA MASTER 4-H'ER STATUS AND ATTEND NATIONAL 4-H CONGRESS.



NATIONAL WINNERS

NATIONAL 4-H POULTRY JUDGING CHAMPIONS

CAROLINE LORD. ERICKA LORD. CARLISSA STEWART AND AALIYAH ROSS (BEN HILL)



NATIONAL 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS AIR RIFLE HIGH INDIVIDUAL

COLE COOK (BARTOW)



TO THINE OWN SELF BE TRUE

NATIONAL 4-H YOUTH IN ACTION WINNER: MASON MCCLINTOCK (BACON)

Dressed in a red and black velvet suit and sporting his signature curly mowhawk-esque coiffeur, Georgia 4-H'er Mason McClintock cut a bold figure as he accepted the 2019 4-H Youth in Action Pillar Award for Civic Engagement from the National 4-H Council at a ceremony in Washington, D.C., in March.

The 4-H Youth in Action Awards recognize 4-H'ers who have overcome challenges and used the knowledge they gained in 4-H to create a lasting impact in their community.

McClintock was recognized for creating the Alma Entrepreneur Tour, a project that exposed local students to successful business owners in their hometown of Alma, Georgia. To date, he has introduced 50 youth to a variety of new career pathways.

"I wanted them to see that these people are being themselves and being successful," said McClintock, who was attracted to the local 4-H program because he felt it was a place he could truly be himself.

"I was astounded by the number of opportunities there were for people like me; people who have more unique or

eclectic interests." said McClintock who was a member of Clovers and Company. Georgia 4-H's performing arts group, and recently completed his term as president of Georgia 4-H. "4-H helped me realize that it's okay to be different and that it's a good thing. Every single day I am driven to show others that same acceptance and belonging that I found in 4-H."

McClintock says 4-H introduced him to

adult and youth role models who cared for him and inspired him to do the same for others.

"I am just a south Georgia boy with a passion for empowering others to be confident in themselves," said McClintock. "To think that something as simple as making the decision to live my truth has earned me the platform I have today is mindboggling."



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Dear Georgia 4-H Foundation Supporters:

This past year has been an exciting time of growth and success at the Georgia 4-H Foundation; even the challenges we faced, such as the destructive fire at Rock Eagle's chapel, helped solidify who we are as an organization and build even further upon our sustainable base. Highlights include:

- the campaign to restore the Rock Eagle Chapel exceeded \$460,000,
- we celebrated the most profitable Gala to date,
- a new, six-figure endowment was created in honor of former Governor Nathan Deal and his wife Sandra,
- it was the inaugural year of our Leadership & Officers Circle which brought together past district and state officers from five decades to lend support for leadership programs, and
- \$4 for 4-H raised almost \$40,000 across Georgia, more than doubling the amount from the previous year

The Foundation takes seriously the investment and stewardship of donor largesse, regardless of the size or designation of the gift received. Our mission is to 'support the programs and facilities of Georgia 4-H, and we work diligently to make certain that your generosity is fully maximized. Each and every dollar raised through our efforts are reinvested directly back into our organization.

On behalf of the 242,000 students - and the 159 county programs we serve - please accept my sincerest thanks and gratitude for what you do.

Johnathon S. Barrett **Executive Director**

Dear Friends of 4-H:

When I was a district officer many years ago, our theme was the Beatle's hit "The Long and Winding Road." As an aside, Paul McCartney wrote the song originally for Georgia's Ray Charles to record but the Beatles did it on their own.

As we are celebrating many anniversaries lately - the 70th of the Georgia 4H Foundation and the 40th year of both our Environmental Education program and Clovers and Co. - it does seem as though we are on the long and winding road. We have stayed on the road and passed these milestones because of outstanding leadership and it is here that I want to make some special mentions.

At our Foundation Gala in August, Governor Brian Kemp and First Lady Marty Kemp recognized the beautiful example of servant leadership which Maxine and Bob Burton have lived. To have both the Governor and First Lady cite their own experience with 4-H as parents and supporters was a special tribute to the Burtons - who met through 4-H. Maxine and Bob's generosity continues to inspire us both at Burton 4-H Center and all across our state.

True servant leadership is at its best when no one is watching. So our hats should also be tipped to State 4-H leader Arch Smith, Dean Sam Pardue and Associate Dean for Extension Laura Perry Johnson. These three professionals spend countless hours poring over budgets and plans and competing priorities to make serving over 242,000 of our state's future leaders look easy - which is a demonstration of personal commitment and their special style of leadership. We salute them all.



The University of Georgia, our flagship university and home to 4-H, tells us that 4-H'ers who come to campus are more likely to succeed that those who don't participate with us. These students come with time management skills and stronger abilities to speak and lead. We were reminded of those strengths when our State 4-H President Arham Shah had both a speaking and musical role in the program at our recent Gala. He, along with our talented group of state 4-H officers, are the very essence of impact of our programs. We are growing tomorrow's leaders today.

We recently added a number of new Trustees to help guide the Georgia 4-H Foundation and they join a 35-member board that is committed to supporting the vision of our founding members: to make the best better. Thank you for your support of 4-H. We have many more wonderful miles to travel on the "long and winding road." Enjoy the ride.

Jay Morgan Chairman, Board of Trustees



The Georgia 4-H Foundation was chartered on November 17, 1948 to receive funds for the construction of the Rock Eagle 4-H Center. As the Rock Eagle project was completed, the Foundation continued to support the Georgia 4-H Program by providing scholarships, awards and incentive trips for successful achievements of 4-H youth in Georgia. As time passed, the Foundation began to develop endowments that today fund scholarships, salaries for camp counselors and other important programs. The Foundation solicits gifts from 4-H alumni, friends, corporations, foundations and businesses to assit in funding defined programmatic areas and capital improvements. The Foundation also continues to help in supporting four 4-H centers in the state that include Burton 4-H Center on Tybee Island, Fortson 4-H Center in Hampton, Rock Eagle 4-H Center in Eatonton, and Wahsega 4-H Center in Dahlonega. Georgia 4-H continues to offer programs at Camp Jekyll and Tidelands Nature Center on Jekyll Island.



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FOUNDATION

2019 Gala: Legacy of 4-H

The Atlanta Renaissance Waverly Hotel in Atlanta was transformed into a palace of green for the 2019 Georgia 4-H Gala. Designers from burton + BURTON spent three full days creating towering balloon-filled archways, chandeliers, centerpieces and a stunning, awe-inspiring giant clover backdrop that graced the ballroom stage.

More than 630 attendees from across the US came together for the evening's festivities, complete with an elegant silent auction, cocktail reception and seated dinner. Dancing followed the program alongside a special dessert-filled garden atrium, where friends from multiple generations gathered to visit and reminisce.

There were numerous highlights of the Gala that made the celebration special. Honorary Gala Chairs Governor Brian and First Lady Marty Kemp, who mixed and mingled throughout the evening, gave photo opportunities and warmly greeted the crowd. An extremely talented ensemble of Clovers & Co. entertained the guests during the cocktail reception and gave two special performances that were featured during the banquet program. An energetic, fast-paced live auction showcased a one-week stay in Costa Rica, an extraordinary party for 30 guests at the Georgia Governor's mansion hosted by the First Family and a specially commissioned original oil painting of the Rock Eagle Chapel. While proceeds from the silent auction benefited Georgia 4-H's Environmental Education Program - which celebrates its 40th anniversary in 2019 - the money raised during the live auction all went to the restoration of the Chapel.

Further benefiting the Chapel campaign was an orchestrated 'paddle raise' that was introduced by Kelly Loeffler, anchor donor for the restoration. Custom-made old fashioned church fans depicting a photo of the Rock Eagle Chapel were used to signify donations. With Mrs. Loeffler's gift, and other supporters, more than \$265,000 was raised that night - surpassing the needed goal and ensuring the restoration.

The apex of this biennial celebration was the presentation of the Lifetime Achievement Award given to Maxine and Bob Burton, two of Georgia 4-H's most gracious and magnanimous supporters. Their humble, yet eloquent and





LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

Maxine and Bob Burton receive Georgia 4-H Lifetime Achievement Award

WRITTEN BY SHARON DOWDY

Maxine Burton was so excited about going to 4-H camp she begged her father to let her go even though she was sick. As a child, Bob Burton attended camp too, and he made two friends for life on the Gwinnett County Livestock Judging Team.

"Sixty years ago this summer, I attended 4-H camp at Rock Eagle. I learned there were rules and, if you didn't follow them, there were consequences," said Bob Burton, now a father and grandfather.

During the 2019 Georgia 4-H Gala on Aug. 10, the Burtons were awarded the prestigious Georgia 4-H Lifetime Achievement Award for their ongoing, significant and heartfelt support of Georgia 4-H.

"This award is not really for us. It's for all of those leaders, all of those agents who spent nights away from their family and spent time helping 4-H'ers prepare for life," said Bob Burton upon accepting the award with his wife. "Those projects and all of those competitions. All you are doing is just preparing for life. Thanks for all the wonderful memories."

Georgia State 4-H Leader Arch Smith thanked the Burtons for their years of support of the Georgia 4-H program and the generous gift they gave to help save the camp on Tybee Island, Georgia. The Burtons own and operate burton + BURTON, the world's largest wholesale distributor of balloons and coordinating gift products in the world.

"In the late 1990s, Georgia 4-H was faced with a decision on whether to close the Tybee Island 4-H Center," Smith said. "The Burtons made a gift that allowed the camp, now the Burton 4-H Center, to continue to prosper. We are grateful to the Burtons for what they did to allow us to still be on Tybee Island."

Georgia 4-H opened the center on Tybee Island in 1947. By the

early 2000s, the camp, located on a tidal creek surrounded by marsh, needed extensive renovations.

The Burtons' donation to the Georgia 4-H Foundation helped pay for updates including electrical upgrades, new floors and wall coverings for cabins, renovation and expansion of the dining hall, construction of a new staff house, improved teaching facilities, and equipment for the environmental education program.

In 2004, the Georgia 4-H Foundation named the Tybee Island center the Burton 4-H Center in honor of the couple. The Burtons continue to support Georgia 4-H through Project Achievement, special events, 4-H centers and scholarships. Bob Burton is an active member of the Georgia 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees and the Burtons were named Friends of Extension by Epsilon Sigma Phi in 2009.

The Burtons' connection to 4-H began when they were both Georgia 4-H members. Maxine Burton was involved in 4-H in Forsyth County and she remembers looking forward to 4-H meetings and attending 4-H camps across the state.

"My fondest memories as a child were going to a Georgia 4-H camp each summer. In 8th and 9th grade, I attended Camp Chatham/Tybee Island, and little did I know I would meet a lifelong friend of 54 years. I am so fortunate to have married a 4-H'er and to have attended Camp Chatham/Tybee Island, which ultimately became the Burton 4-H Center," Maxine Burton said.

Bob Burton, a Gwinnett County 4-H'er, was active in judging events and competitions as well as attending summer camps at all of the Georgia camps. While earning a bachelor's degree in agriculture from the University of Georgia, he was a summer camp counselor at Camp Chatham on Tybee Island, the camp that is now named in his honor.

Upon accepting the Lifetime Achievement Award, Bob Burton said he is thankful for all of the Extension agents and adult 4-H volunteers who supported him when he was a 4-H'er and those who support today's 4-H members.

Burton is grateful to Wayne Shackleford, who was his 4-H agent before becoming the associate 4-H leader.

"Wayne Shackleford made a huge impact on me. He told me that I had leadership abilities. And if he thought it, I thought it," Burton said.

Another legendary 4-H leader, Cecil Johnson, also heavily influenced Burton.

"On a quiet night in front of the (Rock Eagle) chapel, he told a group of us that we are living in a fishbowl and that people see how you act and judge you by how you act," he said.

He recalled one volunteer, Hugh Snell from Snellville, Georgia, buying him a \$5 chicken dinner when he only had enough money for a hot dog.

"What stuck with me was all the small kindnesses like that. Those small things are what people remember," Burton said.

LEADERSHIP AND OFFICERS CIRCLE

Whether enrolled in the poultry project or performing arts, Georgia 4-H instills in all members the qualities of leadership, including essential soft and workforce development skills needed in all areas of industry. These leadership experiences are even more finely tuned for students who serve as a Georgia 4-H district or state officer. Each year hundreds of students develop a campaign strategy, create their own personal 'elevator speech,' and run for office. Those 70+ students elected across Georgia represent their districts and the state at conferences, meetings, and special events such as 4-H Day at the Capitol. These young leaders gain valuable skills and experiences such as public speaking, personal interaction with government and business leaders, decision making, critical thinking, consensus building, and working as a team. Underwriting to pay for the multitude of workshops, training sessions, and other activities are funded through the Georgia 4-H Foundation.

This past year, a new initiative was put into place - the Leadership and Officers Circle - which is anchored by the newly created Nathan and Sandra Deal Leadership Endowment. Earnings from this endowment, named after the former Governor and First Lady, along with donations made to the Circle, are invested directly into the officer program, at both the district and state levels, to help deepen the impact and expansion within this area of leadership training.

The Foundation invites all former officers, and other alumni and donors who benefited from their leadership experiences in Georgia 4-H, to be a part of the endowment and Circle. The funding from these efforts insure that our organization continues to grow the leaders of this state into the coming decades.



More than \$170,000 has been raised by the Circle since its inception in October 2018.





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TWILIGHT ON THE LAKE

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Join us as we get "Laid back at the Lake" for an afternoon and evening at the Rock Eagle 4-H Center lake. Enjoy activities in the afternoon, a reception to reminisce and share memories, unique dinner buffet stations in the dining hall and dance the night away. The evening will end with late night snacks and more opportunities to visit with old and new friends. For more details, pleae visit georgia4hfoundation.org/twilight.

\$4 for 4-H

Georgia 4-H hosted its second \$4 for 4-H Day on April 4, 2019. This celebratory fundraising event was the inspiration of Georgia 4-H Foundation trustees Julie Mills Lucas and Brandie Rucks Park.

\$4 for 4-H is designed to encourage individuals to support our programs online with gifts in increments of '4,' such as \$4, \$44, \$400, etc. Donors are able to designate a portion of their contribution go to a county 4-H program of their choice; each of Georgia's 159 counties are listed via the online portal.

The 2019 goal was for all Georgia counties to have participation. A virtual map of the state was shown online and as designations came in for a specific county, that area was then shown in green. State 4-H Leader Arch Smith agreed to be 'slimed' if there was 100% participation - and you can see in the photo at left, our supporters answered the call!

Overall \$4 for 4-H raised more than \$35,000 on April 4, with \$13,500 of that amount directly funded back to individual county 4-H programs. In terms of participation numbers, Chattooga County had the most donors, while Fulton County raised the most money.

We hope you will mark your calendars and not only support Georgia 4-H financially but encourage others to give on April 4th by sharing the ways Georgia 4-H has impacted you significantly.

Join us on 4/4/20 for the next annual \$4 for 4-H!

SAVE THE DATE!



DONOR SPOTLIGHT

JUDY BURKE

If you were to ask any Georgia 4-H alum what was the most rewarding gift they received from the organization, the first answer would be, in most instances, 'friendships.' Judy Burke Bynum certainly feels that way, and this past year, honored two of her besties from 4-H days, Melita Easters and Kathy Gill, by creating a planned gift in their honor. She named the six-figure endowment: "The Three Musketeers Fund at Georgia 4-H." The earnings from this donation will provide camp scholarship support for 4-Hers residing in rural counties in Georgia for generations to come.



Kathy Gill, Judy Burke Bynum and Melita Easters

Judy was a Toombs County 4-H'er and has spent her adult career primarily in the non-profit world as a writer, editor, grant writer and fundraiser. Over the past 22 years, she has worked on behalf of South Carolina public broadcasting and the humanities.

In her words, written into the endowment agreement with Georgia 4-H and UGA, Judy tells fondly of her 4-H life:

"Georgia 4-H invested in me, and I am fortunate to be able to return the favor. I grew up in rural Georgia. My family lived modestly, and there was little money for extras. I attended a small school that had all I2 grades on the same campus, with limited opportunities for developing leadership and social skills. 4-H enabled me, at little or no cost, to attend District Project Achievement competition, Forestry-Wildlife Camp, Leadership Camp and other exciting and educational programs and gatherings. These summer events were important experiences that I deeply appreciate and will never forget. I met girls and boys from across Georgia, enjoyed cabin life, attended dances, learned how to make a presentation before the judges and gained self-confidence."

Thanks to Mrs. Bynum for her generosity, and cheers to all the 4-H alumni whose friendships have lasted a lifetime, much like that of Judy, Melita and Kathy: The Three Musketeers.

CREATING YOUR 4-H LEGACY

Two wonderful ways to create a lasting legacy for you and your family in Georgia 4-H include endowment funding and estate gift planning. Both of these investments within the Foundation allow for perpetual support, giving 4-H'ers in our state lasting opportunities for generations to come. Your gift can be very specific in terms of implementation such as designing your donation solely to sponsor a particular project or program - or the funding can be for general needs that arise as our organization strives to serve more than 242,000 students each

To learn more on how to establish an endowment or Foundation Executive Director Johnathon Barrett at johnathon.barrett@uga.edu.



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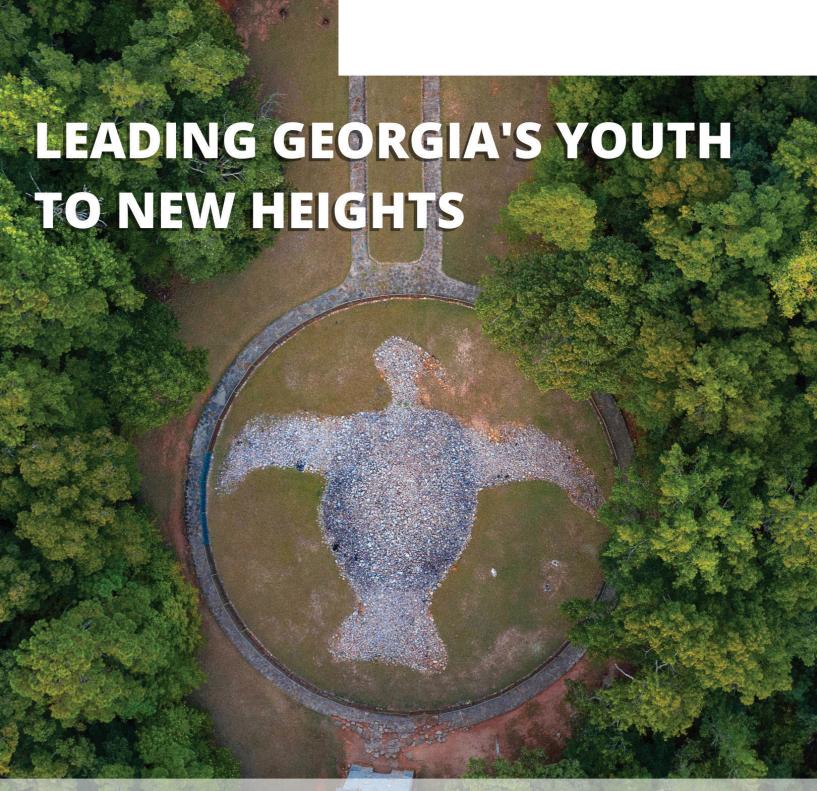
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