IMPORTANT DATES

AUGUST
19 – Mandatory Market Meeting, 10am
22 – Hippology, Callahan Extension, 5:30pm
22 – Animal Ethics Class, Duval County
23 – 4-H Day at Legoland
29 – Callahan Country Kids, 7pm
31 – Bryceville 4-H Club Meeting, 6:30pm
31 – Youth Leadership applications due

SEPTEMBER
1 – Livestock Entry Forms due to the NEFL Fair
5 – Hippology, Appy Acres, 6pm
7 – County Council, 5pm
14 – Youth Emergency Team, 4pm
21-24 – Southern Region Teen Leadership Conference
25 – District Council Meeting, Duval County
28 – 10/1 – Volunteer Conference of Southern States
30 – 4-H Day at Gator Football

SEE FAIR UPDATES FOR CLINIC DATES!

COUNTY NEWS

Online Enrollment and Re-Enrollment Now Open!

- Enrollment for the new 4-H Year is now open via www.4honline.com. Paper forms are available in the office.
- All new and returning members must enroll/re-enroll after 8/17/17 or your enrollment will not be active for the new 4-H Year and you will not be eligible to participate in 4-H events.
- A $20 membership fee is required for all community club members between the ages of 8-18. This payment must be made to the state 4-H office, either electronically or via check. **Payment can not be made to the county office.** Cloverbuds, adult volunteers, and in-school or special interest members are exempt from the fees.
- Nassau County has set a $60 maximum per family for membership fees. If you have more than 3 children (8-18) enrolling in 4-H, please contact our office and we will cover the cost of any children above 3. You must contact our office to receive this scholarship.
- A limited number of need-based scholarships are available to cover membership fees. If your family needs scholarship information, an application may be picked up at our office.

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It’s time to turn in your Fair Points!
(2017 Earning Time 9/1/16-8/1/17)
Parent Survey for Returning Youth
- Were your children 4-H members for the 2016-17 year?? Then we need your help!! Click the link below & take just a few minutes and provide some feedback about your family's experiences over the last year. We would love to hear from you so we know how to better assist you in the future. Thank you in advanced!
- https://ufl.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_42OKcZncv9lUK6V

Youth Emergency Team
- **First meeting – September 14th, 4-7pm, Emergency Operations Center, Yulee**
- Nassau County needs our youth to help protect families during emergencies like fire, flooding, and hurricanes. Youth volunteers would be key planners for writing protocols, designing informational pieces and public communication about how to be disaster ready. Are you up to being a HERO?!
- Call Ms. Kelsey for more information at: 904-570-5390

NORTHEAST FLORIDA FAIR UPDATES

**Important Dates**
- **August 1** – Fair Points Forms Due (if you plan to show animals and have not submitted a form, contact our office immediately!)
- **August 19** – Mandatory Market Meeting, 10am
- **September 1** – Animal Entry Forms due to the fair office
- **October 12 – 22** - Northeast Florida Fair
- **Coming soon** - keep an eye out for dates for poultry and livestock judging clinics!

**Animal Clinics**
- You must attend **all sessions** of a clinic series to receive a fair point. (For example, both livestock judging workshops together earn you 1 fair point.) There is a maximum of 2 fair points that can be earned from these clinics.
- **Poultry Showing**: September 5th
  - Callahan Extension Office, 6pm
- **Horse Showmanship & Riding**: September 9th, September 23rd
  - Rodeo Fairgrounds
  - 9/9 – Showmanship, 9/23 – Riding
  - *This clinic will have a small fee. Call Kelsey for more information!*
- **Poultry Judging**: September 19th, September 26th, and October 3rd
  - Callahan Extension Office, 4-5:15pm
- **Livestock Judging**: October 3rd and 10th
  - 10/3 – Callahan Extension Office, 5:30-7:30pm
  - 10/10 – Florida Horse Ranch, 5-7pm
- **Dairy Cattle**: To Be Determined – Stay tuned!
Pallet Decorating Contest

- This year, the NEFL Fair will host a pallet decorating contest for all 4-H clubs. This contest will replace the hay bale decoration contest. The theme is “70 Years of Rides, Ribbons, and Rodeos”. All 4-H clubs are invited to participate!
- Clubs can have up to 3 pallets that can be picked up Saturday, September 16th from 10am-12pm. The deadline for entries is September 1st, so sign up today!
- All participants will receive a prize! 1st – 3rd place clubs will receive $100, $75, and $50.
- More information can be picked up at the Extension Office or found at: http://www.neflfair.org/exhibitors-vendors

ANIMAL SCIENCE

Animal Ethics Class

- Tuesday, August 22nd, 5-8pm
- Duval County Extension Office (1010 N McDuff, Jacksonville)
- It’s almost fair time! Duval County was lucky enough to secure a teacher for the animals ethics class. This class is not required for the Northeast Florida Fair, but is required for showing at the Jacksonville Fair and the Florida State Fair.
- To RSVP, please contact Gaye Schmidt at gschmidt@coj.net

ACROSS THE STATE

Scholarship/College Financing Workshop

- October 16th and 23rd from 5:30-7:30pm
- Clay County Extension Center
- Are you a rising high school sophomore, junior, or senior? Are you wondering how to finance your higher education? We have the workshop for you! Day 1 will cover FAFSAs, student loans, and available scholarships. Day 2 will cover resume and essay writing.
- For more information or to RSVP, go to: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/financing-higher-education-workshop-tickets-36226006962 or contact Anne Elise Creamer at 904-284-6355

4-H Day at Legoland

- Saturday, September 23rd
- Legoland will have discounted tickets for one day only this fall! You do not need to be a 4-H member to use the discount. A portion of the discounted ticket will support Florida 4-H.
- The cost will be $35 for park tickets and $55 for park and waterpark combo tickets! To buy your tickets now, go to: https://legolandfloridatickets.legoland.com/LLF/shop/viewitems.aspx?CG=ESNPF4HF&G=ESNPF4HFLFF
- For more information, contact Katie Morris at: katiemorris@ufl.edu
4-H Day with the Gators
- Saturday, September 30th
- The Gator Ticket Office would like to invite you to the 4th Annual 4-H Day with the Gators. Members of the 4-H community are eligible for discounted tickets for this fall's game against Vanderbilt. To purchase tickets, go to: https://oss.ticketmaster.com/aps/gators/EN/promotion/home and use the promo code "4HGATORS". Discounted tickets will be $20-$35 and are available on a first come, first served basis, so get yours today!
- For more information, contact Mike McCarney at: mikem@gators.ufl.edu or 352-692-6405.

Florida Association of Counties Photo Contest
- Calling all photographers! The Florida Association of Counties is holding their annual Calendar Contest. The theme for their 2018 publication is "Florida’s Bodies of Water" which will feature photos of beaches, bays, rivers, and springs.
- We know that Nassau County has a lot of amazing photographers and we would love to see Nassau County represented! There is no limit on the number of photos you can submit however, photos must be at least 2000 pixels. You will be asked to include a brief description of the photo including the location of where the photo was taken. You will also be asked to certify that you are the sole owner of the photo and that you are giving FAC the right to use it.
- The deadline to submit your photos is Friday, September 8th. To enter, please visit FAC’s website (http://fl-counties.com/2018-fac-calendar-photo-contest). Winners will be announced in November during FAC’s annual conference. Anyone can submit photos, so please share this information with your family and friends. Good luck on your entries!

2018 4-H Youth in Action Awards
- Every 4-H’er has a story, and every story is worth telling! The 4-H Youth in Action Awards Program is a premier opportunity for your students to share their stories of how 4-H has changed their lives and how they have, in turn, impacted others.
- Through this program, four confident leaders will each receive: $5,000 scholarship, an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. and the chance to tell their stories on a national level.
- Through a formal selection process, one winner will be chosen in each pillar area: Agriculture, Citizenship, Healthy Living and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics).
- To learn more about the qualifications and application process, please visit www.4-H.org/youthinaction or email any questions to YouthInAction@4-H.org.

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

2017 4-H State Marine Ecology Event and Photography Contest
- November 4th, Osceola Extension Office (Kissimmee, FL)
- Do you have clubs in your county interested in marine science? The 4-H State Marine Ecology Event is an annual contest that provides youth with exciting opportunities to learn about Florida’s marine life and coastal habitats. This contest takes place in conjunction with the Marine Photo Contest.
- If you are interested in participating, contact Ms. Laura: 904-530-6353.
- For more information on either event, go to: http://florida4h.org/programsandevents_marine/
  http://florida4h.org/programsandevents_marinephoto/
LEADERSHIP & CITIZENSHIP

Youth Leadership Nassau
- Are you a rising high school sophomore or junior looking for fun activities that look great on a college application? Youth Leadership Nassau is that chance! YLN includes monthly field trips and educational experiences from September-March that allow youth to experience many opportunities they may not otherwise see - all while developing important life skills.
- Sessions include: Teambuilding, Government, Environment, Entrepreneurship, and more! This program is completely FREE. Each session is an excused absence from school and includes lunch. Transportation to and from drop off location is not provided.
- If you are interested in learning more about this program, contact Kristen Poppell at krpoppell@ufl.edu or 904-530-6353. Applications are due August 31st.

Southern Region Teen Leadership Conference (SRTLC)
- September 21-24th, Crossville, TN
- Registration for SRTLC will be closing August 31st! This conference helps youth develop leadership skills and put those skills to use in their communities. The event will be open to all senior 4-H Members (14-18) as of 9/1/18.
- The registration fee is $275 and includes housing, meals during the conference (youth will need to purchase meals on the ride to/from TN), and transportation on the Florida bus. Scholarships may be available – contact Mrs. Kristen if you are interested! This year the bus will stop in Naples, Lake Placid, Wildwood, and Lake City.
- For more information contact Mrs. Kristen, or go to: http://florida4h.org/programsandevents_/srtlc/

Volunteers and Club Leaders

Volunteer Conference of Southern States 2017
- September 28th – October 1st, Rock Eagle 4-H Center, Eatonton, GA
- Join volunteers from across the southern region for the annual Volunteer Conference. Over 20 workshop choices and educational sessions will be offered. Early bird registration is open through August 1. Registration includes onsite lodging, conference events, and all meals. Volunteers will receive a $30 registration discount. To register, go to: https://secure.georgia4h.org/event/publicregistration/insertrecord.cfm?uuid=F74DC775-86E4-413C-902D-AA8F9BF758B5
- If you are interested in attending on behalf of Nassau County, please contact our office. Scholarship funds may be available!
Nominate a 4-Her of the Month!

Do you have what it takes to be 4-Her of the month? This contest is for all Nassau County youth. You may be nominated by yourself, a 4-H volunteer or club leader, a 4-H friend or even by a community member (examples include: teachers, fair board members, etc.). A descriptive statement needs to be sent via email by your 4-H leaders to Mrs. Kristen or delivered to the Callahan Extension Office by the 20th of each month. This statement should include why you deserve this recognition and include your current and former 4-H activities. If you are selected as the Nassau County 4-Her of the month, you will be featured in the newspaper and be in the competition for 4-Her of the year, one youth per age division will be selected and recognized at the annual 4-H awards program.

4-H Online/Enrollment Nassau County 4-H Facebook

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