



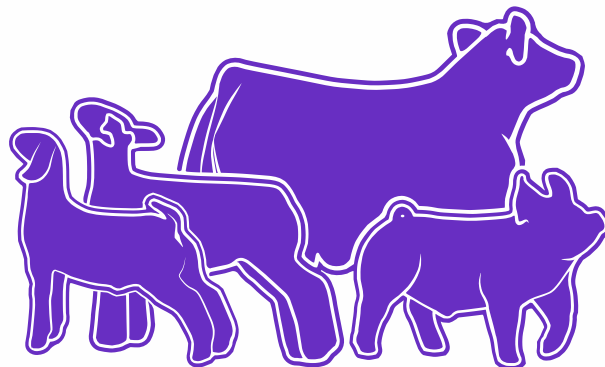
THE ROOTS

Fauquier County Cooperative Extension

YOU'RE INVITED!

The Fauquier Livestock Show & Sale is fast approaching! The Fauquier Livestock Show & Sale will be held on May 5 & 6, 2024!

If you are interested in being a buyer or sponsor, please email Sarah Bullard at sarahs2@vt.edu.



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Calling all photographers!

Do you have a photo of a Fauquier County landscape that you want featured in our newsletter? Email your photo submissions to Meredith Day at meredithday@vt.edu

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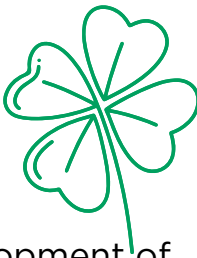
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THE CLOVER CORNER



4-H EMBRYOLOGY

Fauquier 4-H Embryology program has begun! Embryology is the study of development of an embryo. This year, Fauquier 4-H will be supplying 42 classrooms K-8 with incubators, lessons, and fertilized chicken eggs to hatch this month! We are so grateful for our collaboration with Fauquier Schools to continue this program.



FAUQUIER 4-H NEXT

GENERATION ENTREPRENEURS

Next Generation Entrepreneurs is a partnership program with the Warrenton Farmers Market. Youth vendors sell homemade goods, including baked goods, vegetable, eggs, and crafts, like macrame, paracord accessories, jewelry, wood crafts, crocheted items, herbs, and more! Our 2024 program was kicked off on March 26th with the first session. Youth will complete a project book for their business throughout the year and learn from stakeholders in the community. Youth also have the opportunity to attend a food safety training and earn their ServSafe certification! Join us on the first Saturday of each month May - October under the porch of the Warren Green Building at the Warrenton Farmers Market!

<p>FAUQUIER 4-H NEXT GENERATION ENTREPRENEURS</p>	<p>FIRST SAT</p>
	<p>MAY 4</p>
	<p>JUNE 1</p>
	<p>JULY 6</p>
	<p>AUG 3</p>
	<p>SEPT 7</p>
<p>8 AM - 12 PM</p>	<p>Warrenton Farmers Market Warren Green Building porch Warrenton, VA 20186</p>



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ATTENTION 4-H CLUB REPORTERS!

We are launching our new segment of the Clover Corner for Club Highlights! Club reporters are invited to send a write-up and photos to meredithday@vt.edu to be featured in the monthly newsletter. Submit by the 20th of each month to be featured in the following month's newsletter. Please include activities your club is doing, when/where your club meets, and any big events or projects coming up! Remember to sign your name and your club.

****first priority will go to clubs who have not yet been featured and/or clubs who submit content first**

THE CLOVER CORNER



TEEN ADULT LEADERSHIP TRAINING (TALT)

53 camp Counselors for the 2024 Loudoun Fauquier 4-H Junior Camp spent the weekend in leadership training. We covered topics on Expectations for Camp, Camp Scenarios, Ages and Stages and Positive Youth Development, and Camp Traditions, among others.



Teens completed their 'passport' as they moved through different workshops. We are proud of our teen Counselors and Counselors-in-Training, and excited to kick off their trainings before this year's camp June 30-July 4, 2024!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR 4-H!

Fauquier 4-H is looking for volunteers for The Eleanor Hazel After School Program! Please contact Nicole Hollins at nhollins@vt.edu for more information!



CALL NOW

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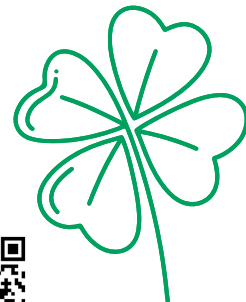
CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

An extra pair of hands is always helpful when doing hands-on activities with youth. If you are interested in volunteering with The Eleanor Hazel 4-H After School Program - Series 4: Earth Science, please click [here!](#)

The Eleanor Hazel 4-H After School Program is happening weekly at the following schools: Thompson Elementary, Mary Walter Elementary, MM Pierce Elementary, Grace Miller Elementary, and HM Pearson Elementary.



THE CLOVER CORNER



4-H GOODS FROM THE WOODS

We are so grateful for the Fauquier & Rappahannock County Master Gardeners who facilitate our Goods from the Woods program! Students will learn how to plant a tree, what Oriented Strand Board (OSB) is, and the process of a tree's life. Volunteers have packaged tree seedlings and learning kits for 17 schools, including 46 classrooms in Fauquier County, serving over 1,000 students K-12! Most students will be able to take home a tree seedling of their own to plant. What better way to kick off the first few weeks of spring?!



To learn more about how to get involved with programs like this, visit fauquier.ext.vt.edu/programs/4h-volunteer-resources

LIVESTOCK TEAMS AT STATE SKILLATHON

The Fauquier 4-H Livestock Judging Teams competed at the Virginia State Skillathon Wednesday March 27th at the Rockingham County Fairgrounds. Participants identify livestock feeds, breeds, equipment, meats, and judge live animals, meats, and hay. They also work together on a production based team problem, individual quiz, and quality assurance activity. After the contest, all participants, coaches, and parents were invited to hear Dr. Temple Grandin speak about her life experiences working with animal behavior and visual thinking. What an incredible opportunity!



CONTEST RESULTS:

Junior Team A placed 5th overall, with Sedona in 14th and Ali in 3rd!
Junior Team B placed 26th overall, out of over 50 teams!

Holly Chambers placed in the top 2/3 of a competitive senior contest!

Congratulations to these members and their coach Mary Ott Prados!

Junior members:

Sedona Sifford
Ali Yankey
Madison Hinkler
Willa Price
Beth Yankey

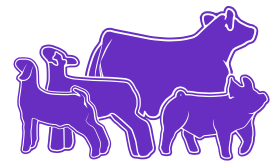
Amelia Lawrence

Senior member:

Holly Chambers

THE READY RING

FAUQUIER LIVESTOCK SHOW & SALE



SHOW & SALE SHEEP, GOAT, & HOG CLINIC

The Fauquier Livestock Show & Sale hosted its second annual sheep, goat, and hog clinic Fitting and Showmanship Clinics, which we were able to open to 4-H members in surrounding counties! Coaches for sheep, goats, and hogs joined us for a day of hands on instruction, practice, coaching, and answering many great questions. Participants learned a lot and had a great time! Thank you to our coaches and volunteers/parents for traveling on a rainy Saturday to work with our youth!



A HUGE heartfelt thank you is also extended to David Gray with Hubner Seed for his generous donation to cover the entry costs for participants. This donation covered lunch and helped to cover costs associated with the clinic.

We love offering hands-on learning opportunities and are thankful when community members believe in what we're doing and come alongside us to make them happen.



SHOW & SALE EVENT CALENDAR

SPONSORSHIP FORMS DUE

April 10th, 2024 - 5:00 PM

SHOW & SALE SET-UP

May 3rd, 2024 - 5:00 PM

SHOW & SALE TAKE-IN

May 4th, 2024 - 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

SHOW & SALE - SHOWS

May 5th, 2024 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

SHOW & SALE - SALE

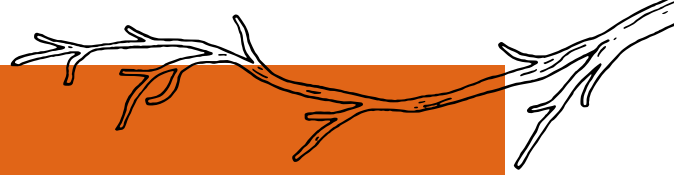
May 6th, 2024 - 7:00 PM

SPONSORSHIP FORMS DUE APRIL 10!

Show & Sale is continuously looking for sponsorships to help our Show & Sale run smoothly. Your donation to the Fauquier Livestock Show & Sale is tax deductible!

Want to support this great program teaching leadership, life skills, and agriculture? Consider becoming a sponsor for the Fauquier Livestock Show & Sale! Sponsors will be advertised during Show & Sale weekend!

THE OFFICE BRANCH



VEGETABLES TO PLANT IN APRIL

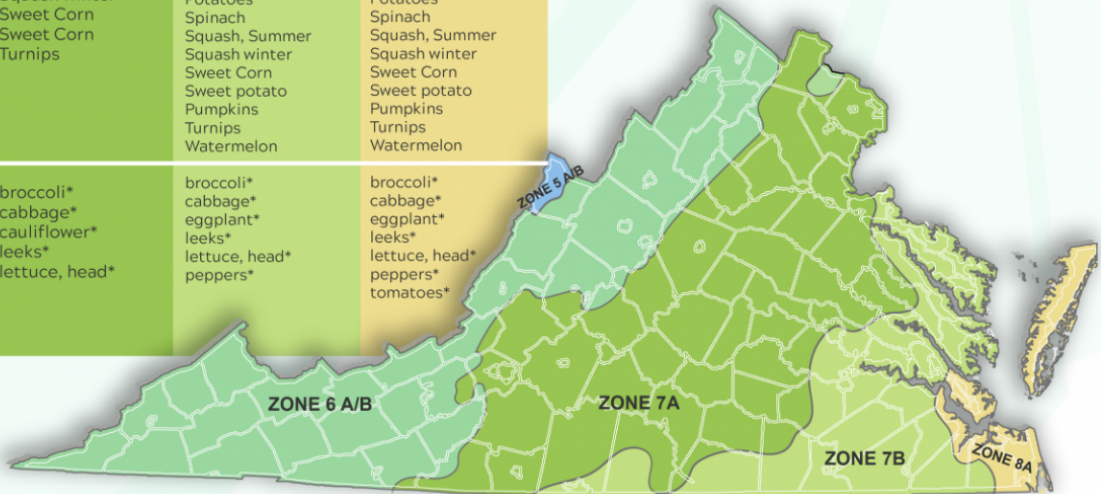
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	ZONE 6A	ZONE 6B	ZONE 7A	ZONE 7B	ZONE 8A
DIRECT SOW	Asparagus Beets Carrots Chard, Swiss Collards, Kale Kohlrabi Lettuce, Baby Salad Mustard Onion, Bulbing Peas, Garden Potatoes Radish Spinach Turnips	Asparagus Beets Carrots Chard, Swiss Collards, Kale Kohlrabi Lettuce, Baby Salad Mustard Onion, Bulbing Peas, Garden Potatoes Radish Spinach Turnips	Asparagus Beets Carrots Chard, Swiss Collards, Kale Kohlrabi Lettuce, Baby Salad Onion, Bulbing Peas, Garden Radish Potatoes Spinach Squash, Summer Squash winter Sweet Corn Sweet potato Pumpkins Turnips Watermelon	Asparagus Beets Beans, Bush Beans, pole Beans, Lima Carrots Chard, Swiss Collards, Kale Cucumbers Kohlrabi Lettuce, Baby Salad Muskmelons Mustard Onion, Bulbing Radish Potatoes Spinach Squash, Summer Squash winter Sweet Corn Sweet potato Pumpkins Turnips Watermelon	Asparagus Beets Beans, Bush Beans, pole Beans, Lima Carrots Chard, Swiss Collards, Kale Cucumbers Kohlrabi Lettuce, Baby Salad Muskmelons Mustard Onion, Bulbing Radish Potatoes Spinach Squash, Summer Squash winter Sweet Corn Sweet potato Pumpkins Turnips Watermelon
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CHECK OUR PUBLICATION FOR EXACT PLANTING DATES!

*=TRANSPLANT
DO NOT HARVEST ASPARAGUS IN FIRST YEAR
NOTE: FOR A FULL LIST & MORE INFO SEE OUR PUBLICATION "VIRGINIA'S HOME GARDEN VEGETABLE PLANTING GUIDE"



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NEED TIPS ON CONTAINER AND RAISED-BED GARDENING?

To learn more about successful container and raised-bed gardening, visit <https://www.pubs.ext.vt.edu/426/426-020/426-020.html> or scan the QR code below.

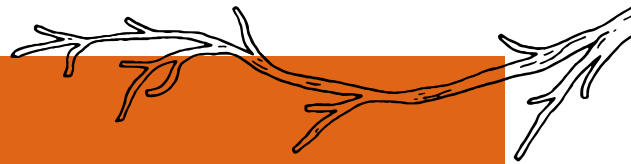


NEED TIPS ABOUT GARDEN AND LANDSCAPE DESIGN TECHNIQUES?

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THE OFFICE BRANCH



ServSafe Manager Certification Course & Exam

THIS SERVSAFE COURSE IS FOR:

- ~ Anyone in charge of food service operations such as hotels, restaurants, schools, clubs, churches, or any other food service establishment.
- ~ Food and Beverage Managers
- ~ Catering Managers
- ~ Chefs
- ~ Dietary Managers

After completing the classroom work, participants take a national certification exam and upon passing receive their Food Protection Manager Certification that is valid for 5 years.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Monday, April 15, 2024 (ONE-DAY CLASS)

Trinity Episcopal Church
1118 Preston Avenue
Charlottesville, VA 22903
9:00am — 5:00pm

\$160 PER PERSON
(includes class, book, and exam)

TO REGISTER

IN PERSON OR BY MAIL:

Make Checks Payable to:
Treasurer – Virginia Tech

Mailing and Office Location
VCE Orange Office
ServSafe Class Registration
127 Belleview Ave.
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Monday, April 22, 2024 (ONE-DAY CLASS)

Orange Virginia Cooperative Extension
127 Belleview Avenue
Orange, VA 22960
9:00am — 5:00pm

\$160 PER PERSON
(includes class, book, and exam)

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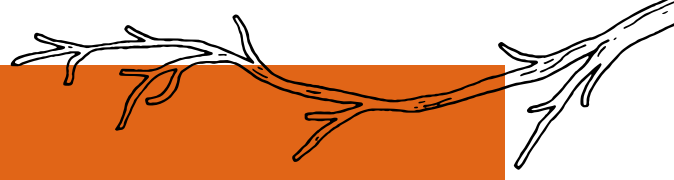
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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! We are looking for volunteers to support a Kids Marketplace at Claude Thompson on May 17th, 2024 from 1:00 – 2:40 PM. Kids Marketplace is a financial simulation for upper elementary school youth. Youth participants are given a “career” and a “salary” at the beginning of the simulation and then they have to visit several stations which represent monthly expenses an adult would have. Some examples of the stations are housing, transportation, pets, etc. We are in need of volunteers to staff those stations and help youth make financial decisions. It’s a fun volunteer opportunity and the kids have a lot of aha moments in a short period of time. Anyone that would like to help, can e-mail Lenah Nguyen at lgeer@vt.edu.



UPCOMING EVENTS

SERVSAFE CLASS

April 15th, 2024

Trinity Episcopal Church
1118 Preston Ave. Charlottesville,
VA 22903

Details on time and registration are still being worked on. Please contact Lenah Nguyen at lgeer@vt.edu with any questions!

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April 22nd, 2024

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127 Belleview Ave. Orange, VA
22960

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COMPOST PROJECT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

April 23rd, 2024

Carver Food Enterprise Center
Volunteers are needed to help with a compost project at the Carver Center! To sign up, please click [here](#). Please contact Lenah Nguyen at lgeer@vt.edu with any questions!

FAUQUIER LIVESTOCK SHOW & SALE

May 5th & 6th, 2024

Fauquier County Fairgrounds

The Fauquier Livestock Show & Sale will be held Sunday, May 5th and Monday, May 6th. The shows will be held on May 5th starting with the hog show at 9:00 am, steer show at 1:00 pm, sheep show at 3:00 pm, with goats to immediately follow. The sale will be held on Monday at 7:00 pm with the Buyer's Dinner at 5:30 pm

HEELS DOWN FUNDRAISER

May 18th, 2024

Pay It Forward Ranch

Looking for some experience and fun?! Join Heels Down for their Fun Show on May 18, 2024! This event will count as a county qualifier for Fauquier 4-H members! Please contact heelsdown4hclub@gmail.com with any questions!



CLOVER CALENDAR

April 13 | District Contest Day

April 13 | Glenwood Livestock Show

April 17-20 | Beef Expo

April 21 | Camp Counselor Training

April 26 | State Poultry Judging

May 3 | State Dairy Skillathon

May 4 | First NGE Farmer's Market

May 18 | Heels Down FUNdraiser Show

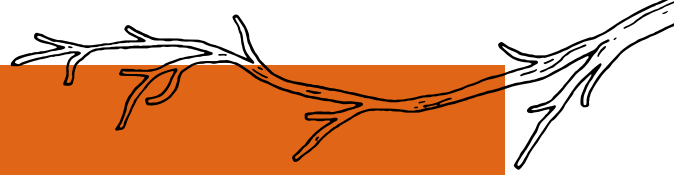
Club Meetings are happening each month, all month long!

Check out our club list for more information!

<https://fauquier.ext.vt.edu/programs/4h-clubs-list.html>



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