







## **Yancey County 4-H Newsletter**

December, 2020



# Happy Holidays from Yancey County 4-H!

2020 has presented us with many challenges. During this holiday season, although our celebrations may look a little different, we hope you find the opportunity to spend time with family (in person or virtually) and celebrate the season.



### **Winter Community Service Project**

Yancey County Cooperative Extension will be holding a blanket drive for the Reconciliation House during the months of December and January. 4-H'ers can participate in this community service project in several different ways. Check out the link below for more information.

Learn more»



#### 2020: Year in Review

Although 2020 presented many challenges and obstacles to overcome, Yancey County 4-H attempted to adapt to changing circumstances to provide youth in the county with opportunities to continue to learn and grow. From take-home kits such as the makerspace boxes and gratitude journals which youth could complete at their own pace, to take and make bags for the virtual cooking series and crafting series which was conducted via zoom. Yancey County 4-H plans to continue creating and adapting programming opportunities to meet the needs of youth in the county during these changing times.

Three fundraising events were completed in 2020 to raise funds to continue to provide programs for youth in the county to learn, grow and be engaged in their community, even though circumstances are continually changing. In the Fall, the Pumpkin Decorating Contest was a fun opportunity for 4-H'ers to show their creative side. Decorated pumpkins were then sold at a silent auction. Two winter fundraising events

included a fresh holiday wreath sale and a Christmas Craft Bazaar. These two events helped spread the word about 4-H to the community, while also supporting our county program.

Thank you to everyone who played a part in these fundraising events!

Looking forward to 2021, if you have an idea for a program or activity which you would like to see and participate in (virtual or in-person), please contact Jordan English (828-682-1872) to discuss this!



# 2019 Program Test Project Record & Portfolio Winners

Project Record and Portfolio judging for the 2019 program year was delayed due to covid-19. However, the wait is now over! Winners have been announced. Click the link below for more information. For the 2021 program year we hope that many more Yancey County 4-H'ers will submit project records for judging. Be on the lookout for more information on this early next year!



### **Upcoming Activities & Events**

January, 2021 will be a busy month in the 4-H world! Annual re-enrollment in 4HOnline will take place. Be on the lookout for more information about this in early January!

We also hope to hold a club fair in early 2021, where 4-H'ers can see all the club offerings and determine how they want to get involved as we will be introducing some new clubs in the county. More information about this event will be sent out in early 2021 (covid restrictions will determine when this event will take place).



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