#### March 2022







# UPDATES FROM GRANVILLE COUNTY CENTER

#### Happy March!

Programming is in full swing here at Cooperative Extension. February was full of virtual workshops, demonstrations, community projects and youth development. March has brought sunny skies and declining COVID cases allowing agents more opportunities to provide new programming as well as meet with clients in the community.



March is also Women's History Month. I would like to take the opportunity to honor the phenomenal women of NC Cooperative Extension, Granville County Center: Jennifer Brown, FCS Agent; Mikayla Graham, Crops Agent; Lina Howe, 4-H Agent; Tiana Jones, Youth Programs Coordinator; Latonia Oakley, UTG/HM/REACH Coordinator; Gwen Rubio, Administrative Assistant and Kim Woods, Livestock Agent; as well as our District Extension Director, Susan Kelly. In our REACH After School Program I want to recognize the ladies who are working hard to provide a safe and loving environment for students every afternoon: Shonda McKoy, Angela Camp, Shavonda Scott, Tia Floyd, Jordan Cobbs and Pamela Barker. We also honor our wonderful office support staff; Peggy Smith, custodial services; Alice Moore, PT Receptionist and Wanda Kearney, PT Receptionist. While this list is lengthy, it speaks volumes of the contributions of the women to our organization and to the community.

Also, the month of March brings thoughts of St. Patrick's Day. Here at Cooperative Extension, the St. Patty's clover is a reminder of our 4-leaf clover in 4-H Programming. This month will kick off the 4-H Embryology projects in the schools. Many local school children will have the opportunity to watch the life cycle of a baby chick. Additionally, on March 22nd, there will be a celebration of accomplishments during 4-H Achievement Night.

March 12th is National Plant a Flower day...check out some of Johnny's workshops and maybe sign up for the upcoming Master Gardeners Program starting in August.

While we are "springing" into action, we always appreciate your suggestions and contributions. Please feel free to give us a call or drop by at anytime.

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#### **CELEBRATING SMALL FARMS WEEK 2022**

Small Farms Week 2022 honors the small-scale growers who put food on our tables. NC A&T is celebrating its 36th Annual Small Farmers Week, March 21st-26th. In Granville County, we want to take the time to thank a local small farmer or better yet, take the opportunity to purchase some goods.

#### **Small Farms Week Food Drive**

Help NC Cooperative Extension bring a meal to local families in honor of Small Farms Week. We are collecting donations to make 1 meal for a family of four. Drop off locations are located at the Cooperative Extension Office and Creedmoor Recreation Center. Please see below







Here are the items needed to make 1 meal for a family of four:

15 oz can corn

2 (14.5oz) cans chicken broth, low sodium

1 (10oz) can chicken

1 (15oz) can black beans

1 (10oz) can diced tomatoes with green chilies

Bag of Tortilla chips

We are collecting now through March 11. Please drop off your donations at one of the locations below:

Granville County Extension Office 125 Oxford Outer Loop Rd. Oxford, NC 27565 Creedmoor Community Center 108 E. Wilton Avenue Creedmoor, NC 27522









# **AGRICULTURE**

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# **Horticulture Updates**

Continued to work with Master Gardener Program in Person and Granville Counties, conducting monthly trainings and business meeting.



#### HORTICULTURE MONTHLY IMPACTS

- \* Held a Successful Fruit Talk in January
- \* Held pesticide recertification classes
- \* Orchard Field Trip held in February
  \* Presented Seed Starting talks to 2 different groups
- \* Involvement with Horticulture Program at Federal Prison in Butner, NC.
- \* Continued to work with Master Gardener Program in Person and Granville Counties, conducting monthly trainings and business meetings
- \*Visited/Communicated with commercial growers and homeowners in order to assist them with horticulture related issues.





## **Livestock Updates**

# **Basic Pasture Management for Livestock Webinar**

March 10, 2022 ~ 6:30 p.m. EST

This webinar will focus on how best to manage your pastures for grazing livestock or equine. We will discuss various forage options, rotational grazing, sacrifice areas, and best management practices.

#### Register online:

https://go.ncsu.edu/pasturemanagement2022



#### **LIVESTOCK VIRTUAL SERIES**

Granville County Cooperative Extension is working with livestock agents in three other counties to provide a series of webinars for livestock owners. The first session, which covered pasture fertilization, was held February 10. The next session on pasture management will be held March 10 and the final session on equine parasite management will be April 21. The first session had 30 attendees with 23 indicating they had gained knowledge and 20 planning to adopt the practices discussed.

#### **FIELD CROPS UPDATES**



# Person & Granville Wheat Whistle Stop Field Day

Wednesday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022 @ 8-10AM

789 Johnnie Jones Road Timberlake, NC 27583

Breakfast will be provided!

One (1) hour N, O, D, and X NCDA&CS pesticide credits

Register at

go.ncsu.edu/wheatwhistlestopfieldday or by calling (336) 599-1195

Contact Mikayla Graham at (336) 599-1195 or mikayla\_graham@ncsu.edu with any questions or concerns

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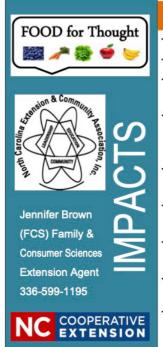


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#### **CLASSROOM PESTICIDE COURSES**

Visit our website for dates and times at <a href="https://granville.ces.ncsu.edu/field-crops-program/pesticide-continuing-education-credits/">https://granville.ces.ncsu.edu/field-crops-program/pesticide-continuing-education-credits/</a>

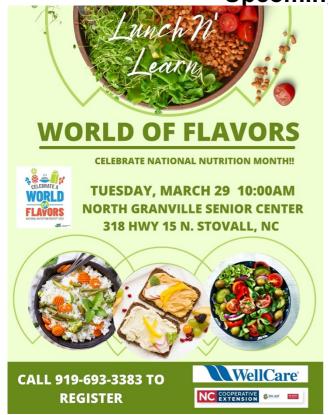
# **Family and Consumer Science**

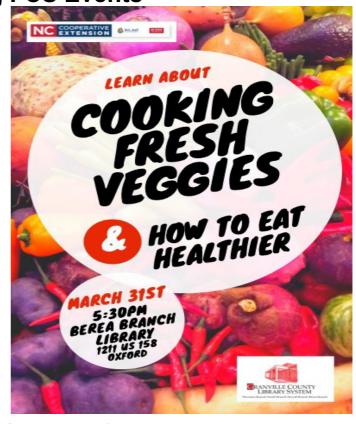


#### February 2022 Program Highlights

- · Taught 4 weekly Cooking 101 series workshops
- Hosted 3 workshops on Fall Prevention with 40 people attending
- Coordinated a Small Farms Week Food Drive to give meals to 10 families in and around Granville County
- Working on a national collaborative project to develop an Extension Diabetes Prevention Program Toolkit & update our website https://ce-dpp.extension.org/
- Taught a Healthy Living as We Age workshop to 15 people at the Cornwall Community Garden group's "Garden Day" event
- Received a \$425 grant from Wellcare to host workshops and events in March and April in Person & Granville Counties
- Held a District Extension Community Association (ECA) meeting to plan Spring District Day event in April
- Taught 4 weeks of a 9-week nutrition program virtually with 2<sup>nd</sup> graders from Stovall Shaw & Credle Elementary Schools
- Wrote 4 newspaper articles with recipes for the Roxboro Courier
   Times and the Oxford Ledger and had 4 5-minute weekly radio spots
   for the Roxboro Radio and a 1-hour TV/Radio Show in Roxboro

**Upcoming FCS Events** 





For more information about FCS Programs, follow us on Facebook, Instagram and YouTube @persongranvillefcs

# YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

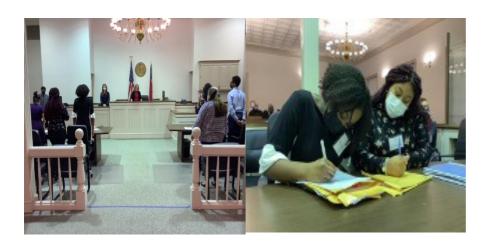
# **Granville County Teen Court and Community Service Updates**

## **4-H BEST Monthly Impacts**

- Program monitoring completed by JCPC monitoring committee for the Teen Court and Community Service Programs.
   Both programs are recommended for continued funding.
- Garden Kickoff Day! Saturday, February 5th program participants helped with the Creedmoor Community Center Garden project. Consisted of laying concrete bags and gravel.
- Referrals have been ongoing. Referrals received from Juvenile Court and the Teen Court program.
- Our second Family Empowerment Workshop session ended.
   The next one is scheduled to begin on March 16th.
- Teen Court has a youth social media manager who will help manage social media sites as well as other outreach and marketing efforts.
- Program Coordinator began structuring the outline for a Traffic Teen Court program here in Granville County. Worked throughout the month making contact with key stakeholders including, county commissioner, district attorney, district court judge, and assistant district attorney.
- Program Coordinator submitted a formal request to participate in the Teen Traffic Pilot program.

Photos taken from Granville County Teen Court hearing on 2/8/22

Community Service at Creedmoor Community Center





# **4-H Program Updates**

- Afterschool program started at Credle, Tar River and Stovall
- Career Fair at NGMS
- Achievement night March 22
- · Embryology Project Starting in March
- · 2 new clubs, one horse community club, one in school STEM club
- · Ongoing partnership with Boys and girls club expanding to all stations in county
- · Poultry Show interest meeting March 8th
- · New partnership with Central Children's Home
- Youth Market Turkey Show Signups March 1

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

March 4th-Granville Advisory Leadership Council

March 9th-Cooking 101

**March 15th- Pesticide Course** 

March 22nd-Teen Court Hearing

March 22nd- 4-H Achievement Night

March 25th-Staff Development-District Conference

March 30th-Granville/Person Wheat Whistle Stop Tour

March 31st-Cooking with Veggies (Berea Library)

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