

Bradford County 4-H E-News



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November 2023

Welcome to our monthly E-Newsletter. Sign up to stay informed with the latest information!

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October Recap: Proclamation



The Bradford County Board of County Commissioners recognized Bradford County 4-H this morning at their meeting and signed a proclamation declaring October 1-7, 2023 as National 4-H Week in Bradford County.

Bradford County Florida

A Proclamation

Declaring October 1st through October 7th, 2023, as

“National 4-H Week” in Bradford County, Florida

Whereas, the Florida 4-H Program has been positively impacting children’s lives since 1909 and has celebrated over 100 years of service. Its mission is to create a supportive environment where diverse youth and adults may reach their fullest potential;

Whereas 4-H is an organization open to all children 5-18 years of age. 4-H reaches over 6 million youth nation-wide, with Florida having 200,000+ youth members and adult volunteers, and with the Bradford County 4-H Program boasting 200+ community club members and volunteers.

October Recap: Proclamation



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Whereas the Bradford County 4-H Program is part of the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS) at the University of Florida, and is a program where young people learn by doing through programs such as 4-H Community Clubs, School Enrichment, and Special Interest Clubs. 4-H members participate in projects such as science and technology, photography and creative arts, horticulture, entomology, public speaking, and animal sciences to develop leadership, citizenship and other life skills; and

Whereas, Bradford County Youth have excelled on a club, county, district, state, and national level, with members participating in State 4-H Legislature, 4-H University, Southern Region Teen Leadership Forum, as well as competed in the state contests of Livestock Judging, Horse and more; and

Whereas Bradford County encourages the people of this community to take the opportunity to become more aware of this special program and to join us in recognizing the unique partnership between our city, our county and our University System.

Now, therefore, through the authority vested in me by the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida, I do hereby proclaim October 1st through October 7th, 2023, as “National 4-H Week” in Bradford County, Florida. Duly proclaimed this 3rd day of October, A.D., 2023.

Peanut Butter Challenge



Bradford 4-H Club Leader Edrick Hamilton brought in a donation of 86 jars of peanut butter (74.5 pounds) for the UF/IFAS Extension Peanut Butter Challenge. The 12

Guys in Bow Ties and 12 Girls in Pearls 4-H Club collected these jars as a community service project.

The peanut butter will be donated to the Bradford Food Pantry. [#neighborgator](#) [#PBChallenge](#) [#florida4h](#)

4-H Adult Volunteers



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Hello volunteers and welcome back to the 2023-2024 Bradford County 4-H Year! We are excited about new programs and opportunities in Bradford County 4-H. As a volunteer you are able to sign up in 4-H online now. Youth may enroll beginning September 1, they must be enrolled by November 1 to be in good standing-per requirements.

YOU MUST RE-ENROLL EACH YEAR.

Go to [4-H Online](#).

Log in with your email and password (reset if you forgot). It is important that all volunteers and club leaders enroll now. Each club needs to have 2 fully screened level 2 volunteers.

Bradford County 4-H covers the fees for background screenings.

Bradford County 4-H is looking for volunteers to lead 4-H clubs, teach project activities, and be positive role models for youth.

If you are interested in volunteering or learning more about the Bradford County 4-H Program, call the UF/IFAS Bradford County Extension Office at 904-966-6224.



UPDATES!!



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We are excited to announce that the 4-H section of our extension website is now up and running! We have re-designed the section but everything 4-H related is up-to-date. Please check it out and let us know what you think.

The link below will directly transfer you to the 4-H section of the UF/IFAS Bradford County Extension Services website.

Bradford County 4-H Website Link



HEAD



HEART



HANDS



HEALTH

4-H Youth Enrollment



All 4-H Youth may enroll after September 1st at [4-H online](#)

For this upcoming 4-H year, membership fees remain \$20.

This fee applies to youth ages 8-18, so Cloverbuds and adults are exempt from this fee.

From this fee, \$10 goes to the state 4-H office to support the many excellent state programs offered and to cover the insurance for each member. The remainder of the \$10 comes back to our county program.



Bradford County

2023-2024 4-H CALENDAR



November

**1st: 4-H Enrollment Last Day for
Good Standing Membership!**

13th-17th: Farm City Week

17th: Bailea Scarbrough's First Day

**** SOME DATES ARE TENTATIVE & SUBJECT TO CHANGE****

Bradford County

2023-2024 FAIR CALENDAR



Swine Calendar:

November 13- Meeting

December 2- Tag In

Cattle & General Calendar:

November 2- Meeting 6pm (Bldg. 3)

January 11, 2024- Meeting 6pm (TBD)

February 2024- TBD Meeting (TBD)

March 4, 2024- All Animals Arrive (8-10 am)

Final Steer Weigh-In

March 6, 2024- Steer Show (6pm)

Showmanship will follow show

March 7, 2024- Heifer Show (6am)

Showmanship will follow

March 8, 2024- Buyers Dinner & Sale (3-5 pm)

March 9, 2024- Awards Luncheon & Ceremony (12pm)

New Agent Alert: Bailea Gnann Scarbrough



Bailea was born and raised in Bradford County but has spent the past two years as the 4-H Youth Development Agent in Flagler County. She is currently pursuing a master's degree in agriculture education and communication, specialized in extension education. She was actively involved in Clay County 4-H and FFA growing up and loves sharing her passion of agriculture with youth. Beyond agriculture, Bailea's favorite part of 4-H is how it prepares youth to be workforce ready through teaching valuable life skills. She is extremely excited to serve her home county and is looking forward to taking what she has learned in her previous role to grow and enhance the Bradford County 4-H Program.



**SCAN THE QR CODE
FOR REGISTRATION**

**9TH
ANNUAL**

**BRADFORD
BEEF BASH**

JANUARY 26-27, 2024

**REGISTERED BRAHMAN HEIFERS
AMERICAN INFLUENCED HEIFERS
COMMERCIAL HEIFERS
BULLS & STEERS**

**LOCATION:
UNION COUNTY EXTENSION &
EDUCATION CENTER
15120 SW 84TH ST.
LAKE BUTLER, FL 32054**

BRADFORD COUNTY 4-H



HOLIDAY BAKE-OFF

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2023 @ 6:00 PM
BRADFORD COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE

Registration Due NO LATER THAN December 4th at Noon. Fee can be paid with entry drop off.
Registration Fee: \$5 or Non-Perishable Food Donation of Similar Value Per Exhibitor



Entry (one per category/maximum two per member) - Open to Bradford 4-H members

Item must be delivered fully prepared the day of the contest by 6:00 pm

Name _____ 4-H Club _____

4-H Age (as of 9/1/23) _____ Phone _____

Item Description _____

Item Category: (Circle One) Entree Side Dish Cake Cookies Pie Cupcakes Candy

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Judging will be by category and 4-H age division - Judges decisions are final

Call 904-966-6224 for more information.

Entry forms can be dropped off to the Bradford Extension office or emailed to Bradford4H@ifas.ufl.edu



State 4-H Events



North Florida Fair November 2-12, 2023

North Florida Fair, 441 Paul Russell Rd, Tallahassee, FL
32301

Archery Shooting Sports Training - Polk County November 18, 2023

Register in 4-H online
Questions? Contact Bill Tillett at wtillett@ufl.edu

2023 National 4-H Congress November 24-28, 2023

This event is for Florida 4-H Delegates selected through
the
[4-H Scholarship Application Process](#)

Archery Indoor Match December 2, 2023

Easton-Newberry Sports Complex, 24880 NW 16 Ave,
Newberry, FL 32669
For more information Contact Julia Kelly at
julia.kelly@ufl.edu

State 4-H Happenings



[Pre-sale vouchers for a NEW 4-H Specialty Plate](#) now available at your local [tag office location](#)!

The 4-H plate voucher can be purchased at any time. To purchase you just need your Driver License number. You can also purchase a voucher as a gift for someone as long as you have the recipients Driver License number .

3,000 vouchers must be sold in order to be produced!

100% of the \$25 annual plate fee will support the Florida 4-H Foundation for the following statewide programs: Camping, Legislature, University and competitive event participation. The total voucher cost is \$33 after additional fees'.

For information and questions about the license plate please contact Sterling Westbrook at Swestbrook1@ufl.edu.



More information about future Florida 4-H and County 4-H events will be coming out within the next couple months. Please watch for emails and updates on our Facebook page.

If you have any questions, reach out to our office.

Contact information is located below.



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