



# Guilford County Cooperative Extension MONTHLY PROGRAM UPDATE

March 2024



- 2/28 - Pesticide School
- 2/28 - Art & Ai Series
- 3/1 - Project Learning Tree K-12
- 3/5 - NC Safe Plates Course
- 3/5 - Digital Skills: Social Media Workshop
- 3/7 - Grow With Us - Virtual: Container Edibles - Herbs & Vegetables in Pots
- 3/9 - 4-H Rabbit Showmanship Workshop
- 3/11 - Digital Skills: Creating Infographics
- 3/11 - Grow With Us - In Person: Grow Your Best Vegetable Garden
- 3/12 - Digital Skills: Senior Academy
- 3/18 - Digital Skills: Creating Infographics
- 3/19 - Grow With Us - Lunch & Learn: Shade Gardens & Lower Light
- 3/21 - Grow With Us - Virtual: Grow Your Best Vegetable Garden
- 3/25 - Grow with Us: In Person: Herbs
- 3/26 - NCD 4-H Chicken Showmanship Workshop
- 3/26 - Racial Equity 101 Workshop
- 3/27 - Art & Ai Series
- 3/28 - Bread in a Bag!

Find out more about classes and registration on our website at <https://guilford.ces.ncsu.edu/events/>



## A Successful Open House!



We're excited to report a successful **Open House** event on February 15th, with over 100 people in attendance! We're grateful to the **20+ Extension Community Partners** onsite with resource tables, consisting of local public and nonprofit organizations with

whom we work closely. Empanada Grill provided delicious empanadas for our event and Minerva's Mobile Health UNCG provided free health services and demonstrations. Our Digital Skills Agent facilitated a workshop on social media and politics. And who can forget Ray F. Sun, the mascot for the NC Summer Nutrition Program for Kids! If you missed this great event we'll see you at our next Open House in September 2024!

## Horticulture - Tools for the Trade

Consumer Horticulture hosted their first ever **Tools of the Trade** Seminar in early February. We had just over 50 people spend 3 hours with



Horticulture Staff learning about tool identification, maintenance, cleaning, and sharpening. Demonstrations were followed by practice in the Demonstration Garden. This program will be expanded upon and offered again .

## Welcome to the Team!

In January we welcomed a new addition to the N.C. Cooperative Extension Guilford County Team.

[Carolina Vielma-Molina](#) will serve as an EFNEP Educator, working with our FCS and EFNEP staff to reach local communities with healthy eating and physical activity programs with resources for both youth and adults.



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## Agriculture – Upcoming Small Farm Boot Camp

Learn how to take the next step towards building a successful farming operation. Designed for **new and beginner farmers** and agricultural operations, this free 8-week all inclusive program will help individuals gain the confidence and understanding to take their garden into the commercial arena. Please contact Ben at [ben\\_grandon@ncsu.edu](mailto:ben_grandon@ncsu.edu) for more information.

### Guilford County Small Farm Boot Camp

March 7th – May 2nd, 2024

Thursdays 6–8pm at the Ag Center



## Food Security – Upcoming Workshop

### Racial Equity 101 with Focus on the Food System

March 26th, 2024

9–3pm at the Ag Center

If you work in and around the food system, please join us for this free training hosted by Seeds of Change Consulting. Seats are limited – register early! Visit our website to register.

## Family & Consumer Sciences – Upcoming Programs

### Cook with Ease

March 12th, 2024

12–1pm; Virtual

Learn about tips, tools and gadgets to help make cooking easier and healthier at this free virtual workshop.

### Bread In a Bag

March 28th, 2024

5:30–7pm at the Ag Center

Learn to make homemade bread in a bag using various types of flours to compare results.



### 4-H Happenings

4-H hosted 2 workshops for NC 4-H volunteers during their annual conference. Sarah and Meredith presented a workshop on **Trauma-Informed Practices for Youth** and Meredith presented on **LEGO Robotics** with Toni Newby, 4-H Agent in Bladen County.

4-H partnered with Guilford County Family Justice Center for a **STEM Workshop** on Saturday, 02/17. Participants built a LEGO vehicle and coded their creations to move.

