

Isle of Wight Extension Report-November 2019
Livvy Preisser, Extension Agent, Agriculture & Natural Resources & Unit Coordinator
Jordan Jones, Extension Agent, 4-H Youth Development
Teresa Minton- Unit Support Staff
Brandy Compton- 4-H Program Assistant

Agriculture

- Continued to provide support and coordination for the Isle of Wight Master Gardeners (25 active volunteers) and the Historic Southside Master Naturalist Chapter (60 active volunteers). Assisted in organizing the VMN training class and wrapping up the VMG Training class.
- Provided approximately 2,450 soil sample kits to local residents and industry personnel.
- Provided 12 face-to-face meetings on 4-H, beginning farmer programs, niche markets, and farm visits.
- Provided information to 13 individuals concerning pesticide application requirements, soil sampling, land rent prices, and animal feed testing.
- Compiled and submitted the weekly USDA crop report.
- Continued to organize tours in our area for the NACAA conference in Virginia Beach - 2020.
- Organized and promoted the farmers market training series (Suffolk and Smithfield) for the winter with Virginia Tourism and VDACS.
- Continued to organize the Virginia Agritourism Conference for 2020 in Smithfield.
 - Announced and advertised registration
 - Worked on the agenda, budget, and program
 - Met with the state team
- Began to organize production meetings for Winter 2019-2020.
 - Peanut Production Meeting 2/26
 - Cotton Production Meeting 2/6
 - Cattle Production Meeting TBD
 - Commercial Pesticide Re-Cert 3/11
 - Private Pesticide Re-Cert 12/12
 - Southeast Virginia Fruit and Vegetable Conference 3/27
- Attended and presented at the Virginia Farmers Market Conference in Staunton on Agritourism.
- Organized and promoted the 2020 4-H Country Ham Project.
- Presented Civil Rights and Risk Management Training to Master Gardner Volunteers.

4-H Youth Development

- Jones attended VCE Impact Statement Training.
- Jones, Preisser, & Compton met with Southampton County in order to start planning for Counselor in Training and Counselor applications for camp 2020.
- Jones trained incoming 4-H officers for the Isle of Wight Community Club.
- Jones worked with the 4-H leader to update the bylaws for the club.
- Compton planned and advertised for Winterbash.
- Compton brought Isle of Wight 4-H officers to the Board of Supervisors Meeting to showcase local government and parliamentary procedure.
- Compton joined the planning council for the 2020 4-H Food Challenge.
- Compton submitted plans for the Raised Bed Garden to Parks and Rec.

Outreach and Administrative

- Preisser and Minton reconciled monthly financial reports for the Extension office.
- Preisser attended the quarterly Virginia Peanut Growers Association Meeting.
- Preisser attended the annual Virginia Farm Bureau Convention.
- Preisser attended and judged the Virginia Farm Bureau Young Farmers Collegiate Discussion Meet.
- Preisser and Compton attended the monthly 4-H meeting.
- Minton attended Staff Appreciation Day.
- Minton sent out 4-H Camp Counselor/CIT Packets.
- Preisser, Minton, Compton, and Jones attended the monthly staff meeting.

Face-to-face: 620

Calls: 315

Emails: 1,485