Workshop raises awareness of invasive weed

The discovery of the federal- ly regulated noxious weed cogon- grass in North Carolina prompted a recent workshop in Scotland County to raise awareness about this non-native, invasive plant.

This is only the fourth time the plant has been found in North Carolina, and regulators with the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services’ Plant Indus- try Division are now working to eradicate the established stand near Marston to prevent it from spreading.

About 100 people attended the workshop, including staff from the N.C. Forest Service, the N.C. Wildlife Resources Com- mission, N.C. Division of Parks and Recreation and others inter- ested in knowing what the plant looks like and what they need to do if they think they spot it.

That’s exactly the type of audience Bridget Lassiter, weed specialist and workshop orga- nizer, was hoping to draw. “By sharing information and show- ing people what they are looking for, it gives us more eyes on the ground looking for this and other invasive pests,” she said.

In fact, the Scotland County site was discovered when a For- est Service employee noticed a tall, spring-green patch of grass growing amid a stand of loblolly pines on the side of the road in December. Because he thought that was unusual, he reported it to his supervisor and also District 3 Service Forester Tom White who had experience with cogongrass in Stanly County. White called in Lassiter.

“While the patch looks simi- lar to decorative and generally harmless ornamental grasses, Lassiter said cogongrass is any- thing but harmless. "With a high

Be safe when using propane for outdoor grilling season

While outdoor grilling can be a year-round activity, the sum- mer months typically represent the peak of the outdoor grilling season. With the fun of neighbor- hood and family get-Togethers also comes the risk of accidental home fires.

According to the National Fire Protection Association, there are an average of 8,900 home fires caused by grilling, with the busi- est months being May, June, July and August. That makes it a great time to brush up on tips involving the safe movement and storage of L.P-gas cylinders.

“Many grill masters choose propane to heat up their grills,” said Randy Renfrow, N.C. De- partment of Agriculture and Consumer Services L.P-gas field supervisor. “When transporting propane home it’s important to handle it with care. Propane cy- linders should never travel in the front seat of the car or be laid on their side. The tanks have a small valve that releases a small amount of gas when pressure builds up, if the tank is laid on its side then a small amount of liquid comes out instead of gas. Liquid pro- pane expands 270 times into the vapor state, which can cause an explosion. Propane tanks should never also be left in the car.”

Consumers can also take

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From the tractor

by Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler

in light of a recent report titled “Nonnative forest insects and pathogens in the United States: Impacts and Policy Options.” That report indicated that import- ed forest pests represent the big- gest threat to forest health in the United States.

North Carolina is certainly seeing its share of those. We have the hemlock woolly adelgid feeding on Eastern and Carolina hemlocks in the western part of the state, our entire state is un- der quarantine for the emerald ash borer after it was found in the north, south, east and western parts of the state, and some areas of the state have recently been treated for gypsy moths, which affect oaks and other hardwoods.

Nonnative bugs are not the only threat. The article at the top of this page talks about the feder- ally regulated noxious weed cogon- grass, which has been found in Scotland County. This plant has the ability to spread easily and create an inhospitable soil environment for other plants and trees.

These pests, plus many oth- ers, keep our Plant Industry Divi- sion and our Forest Service staff busy and ever watchful.

With the cogongrass find, a Scotland County Assistant Ranger Jack Franklin noticed an unusually green patch of grass among a stand of trees in December. His curiosity and training alerted us to this highly invasive weed, allowing eradication ef- forts to begin fairly quickly.

This is not the only case where our Plant Industry Division and the N.C. Forest Service work closely together. Their collabora- tion is critical in protecting our natural resources, as there are more eyes looking at the health of the forests and trees state- wide.

Trees and lush greenery are part of what makes our state so attractive. But if plant pests have taught us anything, it is that we cannot take this beauty and resource for granted.

One of the biggest chal- lenges involving foreign pests is that often there are no natu- ral predators to keep them in check. As more is being learned about them, scientists are finding insects and bugs that are helping to control the unwel- comed pests.

The Plant Industry Division’s Beneficial Insect Lab works with some of these insects and (See Propane tips, pg. 2)

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On the Horizon

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July 15 -- Peach Day at the Robert G. Shaw Pied- mont Triad Farmers Market

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July 22 -- Watermelon Day at the Robert G. Shaw Piedmont Triad Farmers Market

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Aug. 3 -- Board of Agri- culture Meeting

Aug. 20 -- Honeybee Day at the State Farmers Market

Aug. 26 -- N.C. Seafood Day at the State Farmers Market

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Sept. 22 -- Sweet Potato Day at the State Farmers Market

Sept. 29 -- Apple Day at the State Farmers Market

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Nov. 11-13 -- Fall Craft Fair at the State Farmers Market

Commissioner Troxler

Every few months or so I like to highlight a division or section of the department for the work they do. This month, I thought I’d mention our Plant Industry Divi- sion and the N.C. Forest Service and the way they collaborate on issues involving plant protection and forest health.

It seems particularly timely

(See Troxler, pg. 2)
NCDA&CS awards agritourism grants to 29 farms

The N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services recently announced that 29 agritourism farms will receive funding for marketing projects.

The Agritourism Marketing Cost Share program is administered by the department’s agritourism office with funding from the N.C. Tobacco Trust Fund Commission.

“I’m pleased that we are able to award a total of $50,000 in cost-share funding to agritourism farms across the state,” said Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler. “For many agritourism operations, this funding can provide the help they need to boost their marketing efforts and increase the number of visitors to their farms. In its first year, the cost-share program received 77 applications requesting a total of $409,050. After a thorough review of applications, 29 farms were selected to receive grants for projects ranging from directional signage and marketing brochures to website development and branding. Individual grants ranged from $360 to $6,000.

The following farms received grants:

• High Country Ginseng, Boone
• C.V. Pinson Farm, Cameron
• Flint Rock Farm, Cameron
• Windy Hill Farm, Cedar Mountain
• Raised In A Barn Farm, Chocowinity
• Hubb’s Corn Maze, Clinton
• Yadkin Valley Farms, East Bend
• Minka Farm, Efland
• Oakands Farm, Four Oaks
• Poplar Creek Farm, Green Mountain
• Hickory Creek Farm, Greensboro
• Brookside On Farms, Haysville
• Stepp’s Hillcrest Orchard, Hendersonville
• Wise Acres Organic Farm, Indian Trail
• Good Karma Ranch, Iron Station
• Addison Vineyard Farms, Leesburg
• English Farmstead Cheese, Marion
• Renfrow Farms, Matthews
• Wehrloom Honey, Robbinsville
• Briar Creek Nursery, Rocky Mount
• Bradley Farms, Saluda
• Creekside Farm, Selma
• Huckleberry Trail Farm, Siler City
• Celebrity Dairy LLC, Siler City
• The Farmers’ Daughter, Taylorsville
• Medlin Family Farm, Wake Forest
• Yellow Wolf Farm, Walkertown
• Cold Mountain Corn Maze, Waynesville

North Carolina is home to more than 700 agritourism farms, making it one of the nation’s top states for agritourism. For more information on agritourism farms in the state, go to www.ncvisitnc.com. The N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services’ Structural Pest and Pesticides Division inspections establish that a store, dispense or deliver propylene. Inspectors make sure that propylene containing canisters are not out-of-date, have an overfill protection device and have not rust or any visible dents or pits.

Bucolic briefs

The Lincoln-Mohley Small Farms Fund is seek small North Carolina farmers, including women in agriculture, to apply for a $5,000 grant to assist with projects such as development or expansion of new sources of agricultural income on their farms. Grant applications are due by July 15. The grant will be awarded Sept. 11, at the 3rd Annual “Dinner in the Meadow” farm-to-fork feast held at Meadow Lane Farm near Louisburg. The dinner showcases local foods prepared by eight North Carolina chefs. For more information, please contact Randell Bridges, board member, at 919-495-1365 or email, lmsmallfarmfund@gmail.com. More information on the grant and the dinner can be found online at www.DinnerintheMeadow.org.

The fund was set up in memory of two farm family members, with proceeds from the dinner and silent auction benefiting the fund. Tickets for the dinner can be purchased at the website.

The 37th Annual High Country Crank-Up will be held July 28-30 in new U.S. Highway 421 between Boone and Deep Gap across from Laurel Springs Baptist Church. The event features antique engines, tractors, tool and other farm equipment, plus food and other vendors. Admission is $5, day $6, for two-day pass or $8 for all three days. Seniors are admitted for $3 on Friday and kids 12 and under are free. The event is sponsored by Carolina Fly-Wheelers, Inc. For more information, contact Betty Hodges at buncombecounty.org/articles/7422/v4.

The election of pork producer delegates candidates for the 2017 National Pork Producers (Pork Act) Delegate Body will take place at 1 p.m., Aug. 3. The election will be in conjunction with a N.C. Pork Council board of directors meeting at the N.C. Biotechnology Center, 15 TW Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park. N.C. pork producers are invited to attend. Any N.C. producer, 18 or older, who has been participating in this program will be required to comply with all honey and bee industry regulations.

The election of pork producer delegates and the board of directors will be held Sept. 10-11 at the Holshouser Building, State Fairgrounds in Raleigh. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. The festival features displays of gourds from around the world, special gourd workshops, gourd art and crafts, a gourd crafting table for kids, and auction on Saturday and items for sale. There will be competitions in a number of categories with ribbons and prizes awarded to the winners. For more information on how to enter the competitions, go to www.ncpgrc.com or call 919-469-0744 for more information.

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The Lincoln County Apple Festival will be held Sept. 17 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in downtown Lincolnton. The free event features crafts, food, entertainment and the county’s signature crop — apples. For more information, go to the festival’s website at www.lincolncountyapplefestival.com or contact Darice Howell, Apple Festival coordinator, 704-530-4636.

The 75th Annual N.C. Gourd Arts and Crafts Festival will be held Sept. 10-11 at the Holshouser Building, State Fairgrounds in Raleigh. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. The festival features displays of gourds from around the world, special gourd workshops, gourd art and crafts, a gourd crafting table for kids, and auction on Saturday and items for sale. There will be competitions in a number of categories with ribbons and prizes awarded to the winners. For more information on how to enter the competitions, go to www.ncpgrc.com or call 919-469-0744 for more information.

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As a way to help farmers and agricultural workers stay safe at work, the N.C. Department of Labor offers safety videos on a variety of topics through its YouTube channel. Video topics include: preventing grain-related injuries, hearing conservation, insect and pest control, chemical safety, hand and power tool safety, use of protective equipment, first aid, and other safety tips. To view the safety videos, go to the Department of Labor YouTube channel at youtube.com/nclabor. For more information, send an email to ccouch@ncdoi.gov.

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Beckeers with bees for rent and growers interested in bee pollination services can post their information on the BeeLinked website at www.nccag.com/beelinked. The site is hosted by the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the N.C. State University Agricultural Research Station. Anyone interested in listing their information can do so by filling out an online Submit Your Ad form on the BeeLinked website at www.nccag.com/beelinked or call 919-715-1200.

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Cogongrass (Continued from pg. 1)

silica content, the plant burns around 800 degrees, which is much hotter than a typical grass fire would burn. With controlled burns designed to stimulate tree growth, that hot of a fire might be acceptable, said Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler. “What makes me the proudest about this contest is that I know students are learning more about where their food comes from and that North Carolina agriculture is incredibly diverse. Their perspective on our crops, seafood industry, forestry products and support industries is impressive.”

The winners of the calendar contest and the month their artwork will represent are as follows:

- June 2017 – Julianna Moore, a fourth-grader at Rand Road Elementary in Wake County;
- July 2017 – Brandon Yaw, a third-grader at Chocowinity Elementary in Pitt County.

The contest was open to all public elementary students across the state. The winners received $50 gift cards sponsored by the N.C. Farm to School Cooperative, a group of farmers who supply produce for the program.

Tips for identifying cogongrass

For many people, distinguishing between ornamental grasses can be confusing.

Lassiter said the presence of yellowish, light green leaves even in the winter can be a telltale sign. The plant has blades that are up to 6 feet long and about 1 inch wide. The leaves have a whitish, prominent midrib that can be off center.

Cogongrass is not a bunch grass. It grows in sin- gular stems, with each leaf going almost all the way to the ground, she said. When you pull a leaf back from the stem, it is very hairy where the leaf attaches. Lassiter said cogongrass is a lot hairier than other common weedy grasses that would be growing in the wild, which helps distinguish it from others.

The plant blooms from late March to mid-June, with a silvery-white seed head that is 2 to 8 inches long. It is compact and cylindrical in shape with light, fluffy, dandelion-like seeds.

It is a chizome, meaning the plant spreads underground through its root system. The chizome can become a dense mat under the soil surface, which can be difficult to dig a shovel into. It also has lots of segments along the roots, including sharp, pointy pieces that can puncture skin.

Digging up the plant as a way to eradicate is not recommended, as this will likely only spread it to other locations.

Additionally, the plant tends to spread out in a circular fashion, eventually choking out other plants. It can be difficult to dig a shovel into. The plant's presence of yellowish, light green leaves even in the winter can be a telltale sign. The plant has blades that are up to 6 feet long and about 1 inch wide. The leaves have a whitish, prominent midrib that can be off center.

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Pesticide settlement agreements announced

The N.C. Structural Pest Control Committee recently approved settlement agreements for cases in Brunswick, Burke, Randolph and Surry counties.

Following are the agreements:

- William J. Manning, owner of Manning’s Pest Control in Southport, agreed to pay $20,000 for failure to supervise structural pest control work done under his license and for failure to provide adequate spill-control materials. Two technicians registered under Manning’s license performed structural pest control work that resulted in a chemical spill at a residence.
- William Hogan, an employee of Strand Chemical in Ocean Isle Beach, agreed to pay $1,600 for using a pesticide in a manner inconsistent with its labeling. Hogan did not properly trench or go online to www.agreview.org.

To keep up with the latest on the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, check out the department’s blog at www.ncagr.gov/blog.

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Limit is 30 words, editor reserves right to edit or reject ads. Limit is 2 ads per person/household in different categories.

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Bees, Supplies & Services For Sale

NOTICE

N.C. law requires a permit to sell honey bees in the state, with the following exceptions: sale of less than 10 hives in a calendar year, a one-time going-out-of-business sale of less than 50 hives, or the rearing of bees for pollination purposes or to give hives away.

Contact Don Hopkins, state apiculturist, NCADCA, 3106 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1001.

JD 567 baler, 5 x 6 mega wide pick up, 1,131 bales, $320.00. M.G. Wilmot, Boonville 336-716-4700.

JD tractor, runs good, needs paint, good tires, $2,000. Dwight Bennett, Whitakers 336-434-5252.

JD 1010 w/cult., runs good, $7,800. JD M w/cult., runs good, $4,500. JD M w/cult., runs good w/good paint, $4,800. Donald Cantwell, Ayden 252-746-4600 or 917-3403.


Ford 1000 tractor, good paint & tires, restored, $2,500. John Farnell, 336-421-9380.

CAT 914 baler, new battery, rebuilt starter, good un-damaged, $14,000. J.B. Ross, Burlington 336-381-8879.

EZ-GO cart, windshield, top, battery, charging needs batteries, $125.00. Richard, Rockingham 910-955-7122.

MF 245 tractor w/taper, 2,225 hrs., GC, $6,000. Mike Woods, Louisburg 919-495-2963.


 Kubota L 60 in. mower deck, $2,300. Don Sherrill, Conover 286-354-2764.

 JD 4100 HST, new, 30 ft. mower deck, front weights, 300 hrs., new differential, $17,000; JD 4100 HST, 2,000 hrs., $7,700. Ted Ballard, Mt. Ulla 704-640-6086.

 JD grain drill, 15 ft, 18 wheels, 2 row marker, runs good, $2,000. J.R. Smith, Hardee Pathfinder bughog, 4 ft bale scarp, $7,000. Ted Ballard, Mt. Ulla 704-640-6086.

 JD grain drill, 8 ft, 30 rows, runs good, $7,000. Ted Ballard, Mt. Ulla 704-640-6086.

 5 frame nucs, no frame exchange, $140. Doug Butcher, Dobson 336-381-3841.


 Bees, Supplies & Services For Sale


 Equipment For Sale

 Equipment & Services

 KUBOTA tractor lift forks,6 rack, $1,250-335. Gail Morgan, Liberty 336-622-3720.


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 Ulla 704-640-6086.

 John Farnell, 336-421-9380.

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 Rolloff tires, 1,131 bales, $14,900; JD 567 baler, $200; rear cult., $175; Howse bush hog, 5 ft, $600; JD 567 baler, $200, rear curl, $175.

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 Harry Tullia, Chapel Hill 919-942-5766.

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Grain drills, plow, revelation of cy., No. 4 Geis throwing machine, JD reaper, $200 & up. Ulysses Davis, Madison 704-522-4166.

Forage King hay baskets, 100 in. dia., square, $150/ea.; $200/28x40 oval, $250/40x45 oval. J. MacKay, Concord 704-791-6750.

Thermal stress tests, some, w/permit, $950/ea.; bill Payne, Madison 336-548-0445.

Tread rotator, $15; 5.70-16 tires, $25; 11R-16 tires, $125. Dennis Roinick, Hamptonville 704-619-2758.

Skid steer loader steel tracks, 7-1/2 in. dia., 6 ply, type-A, w/ferr. drive hoppers, planters, painted, $5,500-6,000; cult. sets w/3 pt. hitch, slightly used, $2,500. Michael Nardo, Jackson Springs 910-281-5222.

Tires, 7.00-15 m.s., 6 ply, type-A, w/3 bottom, GC, $2,500. L. Bond, Dobson 336-374-0103.

Husqvarna 4200 hedge cutter, $750. Matthew Sherry, Boone 336-860-6651.

Case IH 905, LNC, $18,500. Eddie Holley, PSD 910-495-5073.

Case IH 240, 3 bottom, GC, $2,500. L. Bond, Dobson 336-374-0103.


JD 700, 4x4, diesel, front end loader, cult., pulver., scrape blade, fert. spreader, brood, hydrostatic, JD 850, JD 855, JD 955, JD 990. Harold Hudson, Wendell 919-365-0031.


Kubota RC27-29A finisher body, $6,000, w/2000, extra, transport brackets for loader, non-trad. loaders, $1,100. Jim Murray, Lakeview 910-638-5774.

John Deere 425 loader on JD 3020 farm tractor. Dennis Roinick, Hamptonville 704-619-2758.


45 horse barn, 30 ac fenced pasture for tack & hay, $600/mo. Bill Payne, Madison 336-548-1002.

Horse board, cata. 1, 4.5 ft wide, GC. Benjamin Shields, Clay- ton 910-791-8429.

Horse & Supplies For Sale

Please note all online 6 mos. or older must have a current negative Coggins test. Advertisers must supply the accession number of the test, the name of lab doing the test, the date of test and results for each equine advertised.


Endurance horses, all colors & sizes & brands, $1,200. B.J. Luby, Union Grove 336-468-4527.

Large horse barn, 180 ft, 12 stalls, lounge room & horse wash room riding, bank, 4 withing, 120 & 200 gal. tanks, 450/gal. David Watterson, Lexington 240-498-8054.

Cold forge, horse trailer w/center hall, 180 ft, 12 stalls, lounge room & horse wash room riding, bank, 4 withing, 120 & 200 gal. tanks, 450/gal. David Watterson, Lexington 240-498-8054.

Horse boarding w/ horse barn, 30 ac fenced past, storage for tack & hay, muddy riding track, $1,00/mo. Bob Lockhart, Seneca 863-234-5815.
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Pheasants, silver cock birds, 2 y/o, full color, $35; mutant/ silver, $35; ½ yard, $20; full color, golden red, $35/ea; new chucks, silver and yellow green, $4/ea. Ed Hike, 336-295-6953.

Guinea keets, various colors, new hatchings weekly, S. Charles Milwad, 910-365-3943.

Peacocks & Peafowl

India Blue male, $125 & up; purple, many varieties, Peacock, lavender, royal purple & blue, blk. & splash; guinea keets, 699-3871.

Gardena, 18 in., in ready, for planting; buy 5 & get 1 free, S. Charles Milwad, 910-365-3943.

Plumage & Poultry Supplies


Small Animals For Sale

Rabbits, various small & large, for show or meat, from 4-8 weeks, $5 each. Bill Brown, Monticello 336-255-9032.

Missouri cotton tail rabbits, 30 lbs, $150/ea. B. Luthy, Union Grove 336-382-0222.

Wooden goose mill, stand, NC, Joe Kornahren, Lawndale 704-538-1208.

Gourds for birds & crafts, gourds, 20 y/o, many varieties, Jack Mushin, Carolinas 704-734-7880.


Peacock, lavender, royal purple & blue, blk. & splash, $0.25/ea. C. Hope Houser, Vale 704-462-1865.

Metal Post & Rail

Cedar posts, 6 in. x 6 in., approx. 1,000 bd. ft, buyer must remove, $1. Harry Krehm, Hope 919-369-3580.

Metal Post & Rail

Wild apple cider, 30 c. ft steel barrel, William Hunter, Burgaw 910-619-7258.

Guinea keets, various colors, 2 gal., $2.50; 1 gal., $2.00; ½ gal., $1.50; ¼ gal., $1.00, Sunshine Bunnies, 828-225-9366.

Turkey redback rabbits, ground started, S. 10. Mark Hinson, Bridges, Hickory 828-244-0336.

Linden 910-988-4667.

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Linden 910-988-4667.

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Small Animals For Sale

Rabbits, various small & large, for show or meat, from 4-8 weeks, $5 each. Bill Brown, Monticello 336-255-9032.

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Youth livestock scholarship winners announced

Twenty-seven North Carolina students have been awarded $2,000 each for the 2016 N.C. State Fair Youth Livestock Scholarships, Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler announced. The scholarships are designed for high school seniors and college students who have participated in the junior livestock or market turkey shows at the N.C. State Fair.

The scholarships were funded by sponsors of the N.C. State Fair Junior Livestock Sale of Champions. The number of scholarships awarded each year is based on qualified applicants and funds available from the previous year’s Sale of Champions.

“Because of strong support of the 2015 Sale of Champions, 27 scholarships valued at $2,000 each were awarded this year,” said Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler. A selection committee evaluated applicants based on their involvement with N.C. State Fair junior livestock shows, academic achievement, extra-curricular activities and an essay. Identifying information for each application was removed before evaluation.

Following is a list of the scholarship recipients by county, along with their hometown and the university or community college they will attend:

- Buncombe: Dylan Keith Kiser, Alexander, Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College
- Chatham: Kaylyn Groce, Siler City, Oklahoma State University
- Cleveland: Thomas Snow, Camp, N.C. State University
- Davidson: Abigail Fulton, Lexington, Appalachian State University
- Franklin: Joey Moore, Youngsville, Vance-Granville Community College
- Harnett: Mason Blinson, Buies Creek, North Carolina State University
- Johnston: Macy Massengill, Princeton, N.C. State University
- Macon: Steven Selma, Johnson Community College
- New Hanover: Skylor M. Tyndall, Selma, N.C. State University
- Nash: Taylor Joyner, Nash, N.C. State University
- Orange: Logan Tyson, Nashville, N.C.
- Rowan: Joey Moore, Youngsville, N.C.
- Stokes: Emma See, Raleigh, University of North Carolina at Greensboro
- Wake: Emma See, Raleigh, University of North Carolina at Greensboro
- Wayne: Alec Linton, Mount Olive, University of Mount Olive

Durham: Piedmont Restaurant and The Refectory Café; Raleigh: Gravy, Margaux’s Restaurant, Sitti and Trali Irish Pub; Winston-Salem: Graze Restaurant.

“College and high school students interested in continuing their education in agriculture, animal science or veterinary medicine are now invited to apply,” Troxler said. “We encourage folks to visit these and other restaurants across the state that use local ag products.”

Several of the N.C. State Fair Livestock Scholarship winners are pictured above with Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler. Scholarship winners were recognized at the Got to Be NC Festival and participated in the tractor parade.

‘Dig into Local’ contest featuring N.C. products under way

Fourteen restaurants and a meal delivery service are competing in the 2016 “Dig into Local” Best Menu NC contest sponsored by the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

“The contest showcases the state’s best menus featuring N.C. products and ingredients,” said Commissioner Steve Troxler. “This contest recognizes chefs who go the extra mile in using North Carolina products throughout their menus,” said Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler. “We encourage folks to visit these and other restaurants across the state that use local ag products.”

Chefs were provided with a set of guidelines to aid in menu development. Menus will be judged on several criteria, including: clearly identifying N.C. agricultural products, farms and manufacturers; highlighting seasonal produce; identifying items with unique regional connections; offering N.C. wine, beer and spirit selections on the menu; including multiple courses featuring N.C. ingredients; and offering a good balance of N.C. products across protein, grains and produce categories.

Winners will be announced in October.

Horse Events

July 6-10 ........ State 4-H Horse Show. Contact Lori Lesh, 919-513-7588
July 15-17 ...... Trianglewide Horsemanship’s Association. Contact Kim Spell, 919-201-3686.
July 16 & 17 ... NQHA District IV Novice No Bling Quarter Horse Show. Contact Susan Daniels, 919-804-8600.
Aug. 6 & 7 ...... Finally Farm Horse Show Series. Contact Lesley Jenks, 919-260-8087.

Western N.C. Agricultural Center, Fletcher, 828-687-1414
July 22 & 23 ... Asheville Invitational Horse Show. Contact Joyce Wilson, 919-365-5146.
July 26-30 .... Blue Ridge Classic Horse Show. Contact Elizabeth Holmes, 919-563-5992.

Southeastern N.C. Agricultural Events Center, Lumberton, 910-618-5699
July 4 ............. Horse and tack auction. Contact Brad Stephens, 828-390-0878.
July 9 ............. Borderbelt Show. Contact Cecil Jackson, 910-740-0262.
July 30 ............ Mary Miller Jordan “I am a Horse.” 910-234-3367.
Aug. 6 ............ Borderbelt Ranch Show. Contact Jason Durden, 910-734-8754.
*Shows subject to change. Call before attending. More horse events listed in Bucolic Briefs.