





# CAMDEN EXTENSION CONNECTIONS

# OCTOBER 2020

# **Agriculture**



### Soil Sample Now and Avoid Fees

Fall is a great time of year to sample soil from gardens, home lawns, and farms in preparation for next year's growing season. Learn how to avoid peak season fees for soil samples by visiting our website:

https://camden.ces.ncsu.edu/2020/10/soil-sample-now-and-avoid-fees/



# Asian Giant Hornet, aka "Murder Hornets" Facts

You may have heard about Asian giant hornets, which have been referred to as murder hornets, in the news this year. Fortunately for us they have not been found in North Carolina, in fact Washington state is the only state where they have been found at this time. There are a number of insects that may be confused with Asian giant hornets. These include European hornets, whose nests are growing larger but are often hidden in some cavity such as a tree hole, and cicada killers which are busy picking off cicadas up in the trees and burying them in the ground as a meal for their future offspring. A visual guide to Asian giant hornets and similar insects can be accessed here: go.ncsu.edu/readext?694808

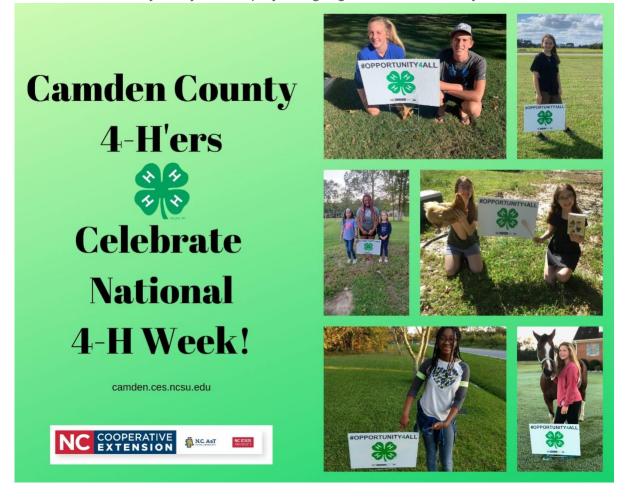
More information about Asian giant hornets can be accessed here: go.ncsu.edu/readext?686064

If you find an insect that you think may be an Asian giant hornet, please don't hesitate to contact the Camden Extension Office at (252)-331-7630.

# **4-H Youth Development**

#### Camden Youth Celebrate National 4-H Week

October 4th-10th was National 4-H week, and this year's theme was "Opportunity For All." Camden County 4-H youth displayed signage across the county in celebration.



For more information on this visit our website:

https://camden.ces.ncsu.edu/2020/10/celebrating-national-4-h-week-2/



#### Into The Wild

Being outside offers so many benefits physically and mentally. Ms. Marcia encouraged everyone to get outside for the last 8 weeks and try and learn new things. Make sure you check out her videos on our website:

https://camden.ces.ncsu.edu/2020/09/into-the-wild-series/

#### **Let's Get Cooking**

Our participants are trying out new recipes with our Camden



County 4-H Let's Cooking Series. After learning about the dairy food group our participants made fresh fruit smoothies. Here is a photo of a yummy strawberry smoothie made by one of our participants.

# Family & Consumer Sciences



# FREE Holiday Challenge Begins In November

This holiday season, the only thing that should be "stuffed" is the turkey. Learn how to stay healthy during the holidays, visit our website:

https://camden.ces.ncsu.edu/2020/10/free-holiday-challenge-begins-next-month/

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