



Gaston County Beekeepers Association

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

Home Grown Gaston

Tuesday, September 1, 2015 • 5 – 8 PM • Gastonia Farmers Market

Each year the NC Cooperative Extension partners with a charity in Gaston County to showcase local foods and a local cause. During this event, Extension features several booths that spotlight services and programs. Once again this year, the Gaston County Beekeepers Association has been invited to participate. This is an excellent opportunity to spread the word about the importance of bees and beekeeping. We need volunteers to man our table and answer questions from event attendees. This is a great way to publicize our association, recruit for the annual bee school and educate the public.

Cotton Ginning Days

Friday, Saturday & Sunday, October 9 – 11, 2015 • Dallas Park

Hours: Friday: 10 AM – 5 PM • Saturday: 10 AM – 5 PM

Sunday: 10 AM – 3 PM

Cotton Ginning Days will be here before you know it. Each year we set up a booth with the bee gazebo and spend the weekend selling our local honey and other hive products to eager customers and educating people about our association and the importance of honey bees. This is an extended event, so we try to break up the days into 2-hour shifts. We can use lots of volunteers during this weekend. We need folks to talk to the public, sell honey and other products, do presentations in the bee gazebo, etc.

Extension Volunteer Expo

Wednesday, October 14, 2015 • 4 – 6 PM • Citizens Resource Center

1303 Dallas-Cherryville Hwy., Dallas, NC

The Cooperative Extension Service is holding a volunteer expo to give our Extension Advisory Council members a chance to meet our volunteers and learn about the programs they represent and the services we offer, so they, in turn, can become more effective marketers of Cooperative Extension. The Gaston County Beekeepers Association has been invited to participate as one of our Extension-supported programs. This event will also give volunteers a chance to network with volunteers from the other programs and learn more about Extension. Who knows, you may discover another program with which you'd like to get involved.