Local 4-Her honored

Gaston County 4-H member Madeline Lee was selected in the spring as a Planning Team member for the 4-H Citizenship North Carolina Focus: A Capital Experience Conference, which was held in Raleigh June 15-17. One hundred and fifty youth, volunteers and leaders participated in this year’s conference.

The conference is a three-day, hands-on event designed to help participants gain a better understanding of state government, community partnerships and public relations. The youth came to the conference prepared with critical issue facing their community, participated in workshops, met with elected officials and developed an action plan to address the critical issue they identified.

Madeline met with Gaston County’s N.C. House Reps. Wil Neumann, Dr. William Current and Pearl Burris-Floyd in the Legislative Building. During her individual meetings with the representatives she shared her desire to see continued financial support for North Carolina 4-H and community college dual enrollment for high school students. She presented each representative with a invitation to the North Carolina 4-H Centennial Celebration which was held in Raleigh on July 21.

North Carolina 4-H is a youth organization of 239,000 youth committed to building outstanding citizen leaders with marketable skills to succeed in today’s global society.

Gaston County 4-Her Madeline Lee is shown with state Rep. Pearl Burris-Floyd.