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## **Longtime Volunteer Inducted Into State 4-H Hall of Fame**

FAYETTEVILLE – A longtime Cumberland County 4-H Volunteer has been inducted into the North Carolina 4-H Hall of Fame. Willie S. Geddie of Wade was inducted June 23 during the N.C. 4-H Congress at the McKimmon Center on the campus of North Carolina State University.

Geddie was nominated by Cumberland County Cooperative Extension and was inducted into the state 4-H Hall of Fame by the North Carolina 4-H Alumni and Friends Association. The association established the Hall of Fame as a way to specifically recognize individuals who have played critical roles in the development of the contemporary 4-H program in our state.

Geddie is a lifelong resident of the Wade community and currently serves on the Cumberland County Cooperative Extension Board of Advisors. His work with the 4-H Youth Development and Cooperative Extension in Cumberland County has spanned four decades. Geddie led one of the largest 4-H clubs in Cumberland County while supporting youth by traveling all over the state in a 4-H drama troupe.

“As a 4-H leader, Mr. Geddie was well known around the Extension office. He could always be counted on to lend a helping hand with any activity that would benefit youth and the 4-H program,” Cooperative Extension Director Lisa Childers said. “It is an honor to recognize Mr. Geddie for his exemplary service to 4-H in Cumberland County.”

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From left, Cooperative Extension Director Lisa Childers, State 4-H Hall of Fame Inductee Willie Geddie, 4-H volunteer Eleanore Getz, former Cumberland County Extension Agent Betty Green and 4-H volunteer Mabel Murray attend the North Carolina 4-H Congress in Raleigh June 23.

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