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4-H News



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Learn More About 4-H

http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/

Use this link to learn

All about state 4-H programs find publications (project guides, record keeping information, etc.)

http://d74-h@tamu.edu

Use this link to learn about District 7 4-H happenings (district contests, etc.)

http://texas4h-ctr.tamu.edu/



Share the Fun

Deadline April 8

Do you have a talent to share with your fellow 4-H members? Singing? Dancing? Playing an instrument? Acting? Then sign up for Share-The-Fun! Guidelines have been released and you can plan on the same six categories as last year: Celebrate 4-H, Choreographed Routines, Musical/Instrumental, Solo/Band Performance, Poetry/Prose, and Vocal. An entry can be an individual or in teams up to 9 4-H members. Check out the Texas 4-H Roundup webpage for the rules and more information!

ANIMAL TAGS & VALIDATIONS

Steer Tag Orders - Due by April 12

State Fair Sheep & Goat Tag Orders-Due by April 19

State Fair Swine tag orders are due to my office no later than April 30. Tags will cost \$10 each and pigs will be validated in June. Please call Heath if you have any questions.

County Council Update

Our next meeting will be April 7th at 5:30. Council will discuss the Spring TSC Clover Drive. If you have any suggestions come out we would love to hear, if you can't make the meeting e-mail me your idea.

Reminder County Elections are coming up in May, If you are interested in running for a position ,or just

would like more information on the duties for that position contact me!

County Council President, Elizabeth Allen sweetesue@gmail.com

4-H Educational Presentations

Deadline April 8

If you aren't already doing demonstrations or presentations at your 4-H club meetings now is the time to begin. Also if you want to participate in the district or state 4-H Roundup you need to begin practicing. An educational presentation or demonstration can be done in so many different areas. The best way to see all the categories is to refer to the current Texas 4-H Roundup Participant Guidelines. View or download at:

http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/files/2012/01/youth_roundup_guidelines12.pdf Texas 4-H Roundup is the event where all educational presentations are given for competition. The Texas 4-H Roundup Guide provides the updated categories and detailed rules related to each category. Educational presentations can be presented in subjects, such as beef, food & nutrition, clothing & textiles, companion animal, shooting sports, and family life, to name just a few. There is also one category that is called "open" or all those other cool projects 4-H members are doing on their own. The district roundup in San Angelo is May 4 at West Texas Training Center and for the winners the state 4-H Roundup in College Station is June 9-12. County Agent, Karen DeZarn has printed material, a VCR PowerPoint, and a video demonstrations/educational presentations and talks. Let's see some involvement at the club, county, district and state level!!

Educational Presentation - any number of junior Entries (grades 3-8) /3 senior entries per county

Share-the-Fun - 2 entries for juniors and 2 entries for seniors per county. Wouldn't it be nice for there to be so many entries that we could have

<u>Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Extravaganza—</u> <u>April 26, 2014</u>

This is a beginner's match and a teaching event only. Rules are adjusted to accommodate this being a beginner's match.

These rules are for Extravaganza only. Rules for any other match do not apply at this event.

The 30th Annual Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Extravaganza will take place at the Texas 4-H Conference Center on Lake Brownwood (http://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/). This is an event for beginner shooters to learn the processes of shooting competitively. Basic knowledge of firearm safety, range safety, event rules, and event format is required. No previous competitive participation is required. The emphasis is on exploring new shooting activities and having fun. Participants are encouraged to register for events that they have never shot competitively. Space and time limit the event to a maximum of 400 participants. Because this is a teaching event, no awards will be given. Scores will be kept and tabulated, and posted for review and recognition of placing.

Leadership Lab

Registration deadline May 30

The 2014 District 7 Leadership Lab is in Brownwood, June 25 - 27. Lab is for ages 13 - 19. The deadline to register is May 30.

WELCOME TO THE 2014 TEXAS 4-H ROUNDUP!!!

Roundup is one of the most exhilarating 4-H events there is. Each year at Roundup the goal is to outdo the one before, and this year we have done just that. If this is your first year to attend Roundup you are in for a blast! With judging contest, speaking contest, share the fun, and don't forget the dances every night, there will not be a dull moment! I wish you the best of luck in the event or events that you are competing in! But, past winning contests, you will win friendships, precious memories, and valuable skills that will last a lifetime. Texas 4-H is proud to host it in College Station, home of the fighting Texas Aggies and Johnny Football. Nowhere else will you find fourthousand plus of the most dedicated 4-H members competing in contest, going to dances every night, while meeting new friends other than at the Texas 4-H Round-Up. So grab some of this spirit, make yourself at home and lets all make the best better together! See this link for additional information http://d74-h.tamu.edu/district-events/roundup/

Record Keeping and Record Books



Recordkeeping is a very valuable skill taught to members of the Texas 4-H program. Members are encouraged to keep project records and have these records reviewed annually by submitting a Texas 4-H Record book. The primary purposes of completing a record book are for a young person to develop the skills necessary to set goals, work toward achieving those goals, reflect on his/her experiences, and set new and higher goals for themselves. A secondary benefit is to prepare young people for the process of completing quality academic scholarship applications.

Record book forms can be found at http://www.4hreports.com/index.aspx and the Family Guide to the Texas 4-H Record book can be picked up at the extension office or found at http://texas4-

h.tamu.edu/files/2012/04/rb_family_guide.pdf

A record book must be turned in to receive awards such as Rookie, Silver Star & Gold Star Awards. The County Record book deadline is July 1 to be turned in to the Extension Office.

HORSE VALIDATION PERIOD IS:

March 1, 2014 to April 15, 2014

\$10.00 per horse

April 16, 2014 to May 1, 2014

\$20.00 per horse

Validation and payment is required of ALL horses regardless if they were entered this year or last!

Consumer Decision Making

Congrats to Sean Walsh for placing in the top 10 for the Junior Division. (He's just a 3rd grader!!)



4-H Has Talent

Congrats to Ashlynn Ford for representing Lampasas 4-H with the 4-H Has Talent Contest. She submitted a piano solo & played "Beautiful Dreamer".

Outdoor Challenge

The state committee is excited to provide information for the Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge, scheduled for June 27-29, 2014. You will find registration information, rules, a tentative schedule, and various educational resource links at the following link:

http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/outdoor

If there is interest the extension office can help you understand what this contest/camp involves and it would be great to start an Outdoor Challenge Club. Are there any adult leader volunteers?

Lampasas County 4-H is readily available on the internet

Below are links to many sites you may find useful. http://lampasas.agrilife.org/ Lampasas County Extension website. http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/ Texas 4-H website.

https://texas.4honline.com/ State 4-H registration page, 4-H Connect.

http://4-h.org/ National 4-H site including the 4-H mall.

http://www.national4-hheadquarters.gov/ National 4-H site.

Clothing & Textiles Packet (will be updated for 2012)

http://fcs.tamu.edu/clothing/4h/packet/index.php

Share the Fun Information $\underline{http://texas4\text{-}h.tamu.edu/library/files/youth_roundup_resources_share.pdf}$

District 7 4-H Events

http://d74-h.tamu.edu/

4-H Record Books

http://www.4hreports.com

4-H Shooting Sports

http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/shootingsports/index

4-H Round-Up

http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/youth/roundup/index.php Leaders 4 Life

http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/project_leadership/leaders

Better Living for Texans

https://www.facebook.com/BetterLivingForTexansLampasasCounty

FACEBOOKCheck out Lampasas 4-H on Facebook. Become a friend!

http://www.facebook.com/groups/199928750048104

4-H Club Meetings*

OAKALLA/KEMPNER 4-H

The next meeting is scheduled for April 14, at 6pm in the community building.

Leaders: Trisha Pratt at 254-247-6573 & Lisa Kepner at 512-489-2275.

SULPHUR CREEK & LAMPASAS 4-H CLUBS JOINT MEETING

The Sulphur Creek and Lampasas 4-H Clubs will have a multi-club meeting on Tuesday, April 15th at 5:30 in the County Annex conference room.

We will provide pizza – please bring a deserts or side dish to share.

Guest speaker will be Kacey Dressler from the Lampasas Animal Shelter

Contact: Becca Dishman becs@sbcglobal.net or 512-556-3763, Mandy Gautier 713-504-5223 or Karen DeZarn and Karen Longoria at 512-556-8271 for additional information.

Swine Club

Swine Club will not meet during stock show season unless otherwise notified. If you have questions contact the 2013-14 club managers Bobby Gene Carroll 512-525-1540 or Chad Hopson 512-734-2122.

Horse Project Meetings

Horse project members meet on the 3rd Monday of the month 6:30 PM at the Farm Bureau Bldg. This month the meeting will be on April 21. Contact Shelley Kozma (817-845-5041) or Kim Pearce (512-556-3183) for additional information.

Archery

Lampasas 4-H Archery club practice is scheduled for 4:30 pm April 17 at 1237 CR 2060.

Sincerely,

Heath Lusty CEA – AG/NR Karen Dezan Karen DeZarn CEA - FCS