

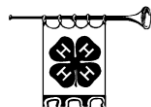


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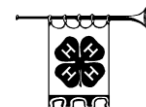
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4-H News



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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/>

4-H Club Meetings*

OAKALLA/KEMPNER 4-H

The next meeting is Monday January 12 at 6p.m. in
the Taylor Creek Elementary School cafeteria.

For more information contact the club manager Lisa
Jorstad at 254-432-6088 or charity9900@yahoo.com.

SULPHUR CREEK CLUB

The Sulphur Creek 4-H Club will be meeting January
20 in the Show Barn at 6pm. For more information
contact club managers Becca Dishman
becs@sbcglobal.net 512-556-3763, or Gennifer
Brister nursegenny1974@hotmail.com 325-628-
3209.

LAMPASAS 4-H Food, Fun, & Fashion

The club meeting this month will on Jan. 27 in the
County Annex conference room. For more
information contact club manager Karen DeZarn
512-556-8271 ext. 140

Horse Club

Monthly Meeting will be on January 19 at 6:00 p.m.
in the Farm Bureau conference room. For more
information contact Shelley Kozma at 817-845-
5041 or Kim Pearce at 512-556-3183.

Swine Club

No meeting in January. For more information contact
club managers Bobby Gene Carroll 512-525-1540 or Chad
Hopson 512-734-2122.

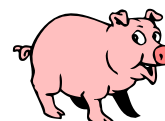
Archery Club

Due to hunting season the Archery club will not begin
meetings and shoots until February, so stay tuned for
future information. For more information contact
Jaimie Smart at 512-734-5332.

4-H Shooting Sports

Mandatory Safety Meeting

The 4-H Shooting Sports Air Rifle & Shot Gun
Projects are open to all 4-H members. Participants
will learn firearms safety and precision
marksmanship, shoot thousands of rounds, and have
fun. A **MANDATORY** meeting is set for Thursday,
January 15th at 6:00 pm in the County Annex
conference room. ***If you do not attend you will not be
able to participate.*** Contact Rusty Calk and Clint
Lang the project leaders to get more information.



4-H Half of a Pig Raffle

4-H Half a Pig Raffle tickets will be available for sale
at the County Stock Show. \$1 per ticket or 6 for \$5.
Please bring in any tickets and or money that you may
have already sold.

2015 County Stock Show Schedule

January 8th, 9th, 10th, 2015

Wednesday – Ag Mechanics

Thursday – Chickens

Friday – Swine, Sheep, Goats, Rabbits, Food Fair

Saturday – Heifers & Steers, Buyers Dinner, Premium
Sale.

Consumer Decision Making

Good consumer skills can help you get more for your
money. Consumer Decision Making gives youth the
opportunity to make wise decisions when shopping.
Consumer Decision Making is a judging contest
designed to teach kids to observe, compare and make
consumer based decisions based on facts. 4-Hers use
their consumer knowledge to rank similarly based
products to fit a given scenario. Kids learn to
organize their thoughts and to defend their decisions

in oral reasons. Consumer Decision Making is a great way to learn how to shop better! The Consumer will be discussed at the club meeting on Jan. 27 at 5:30. Let Karen know if you are interested. There are 3-5 members per team. Weekly practices will be scheduled based on team members' availability. Individuals can also enter.

Friday January 30 is County Deadline for Consumer Decision Making Teams.

Friday February 27 is the District Consumer Contest– at the San Angelo Stock Show. There is a possible large cash award for the senior division.

Guidelines can be found at:

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

Successful Christmas Party

Almost 50 people enjoyed the Christmas party held at the Old Middle School in Lampasas on December 9th. Fun and food was enjoyed by all. Thanks to everyone that helped make it a success. Pecan Creek residents received community service bags delivered which was full of fruit, warm footies, toiletries and lots more.



2015 Photography Rules & Guidelines
(Adult Volunteer needed for Project Leader)
A 4-H Photography Project workshop is scheduled for Tuesday January 13 at 5:30pm in the County Extension Office.

The 2015 Texas 4-H Photography Rules and Guidelines are now available online. The categories have remained the same for the 2015 contest; however, some of the descriptions have been updated to address questions pertaining to what is allowable in each of the categories. The theme for 2015 is: "Inspiration". This optional category will focus on photographs that move and inspire you. Photos can include leaders, mentors, family, friends, things in your community, School, church, or across the country and world.

The 2015 Rules and Guidelines are posted on the Texas 4-H Photography website at:

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

The County contest for Jr. & Intermediate requires 8x10 photos to be mounted on a foam board backing which the office can supply.

Jr. Leadership Camp.



EmilyHobson, Ruger Miserlian, Lee Ann Parker and Catherine Hicks.



4-H Scholarship Information



What is new for 2015:

- A 4-H member can apply for a Texas 4-H, Texas FFA, and Texas FCCLA scholarships
- The scoring matrix for 4-H scholarships has changed for 2015
- Scholarships will be presented over three nights at the 2015 Texas 4-H Roundup. Applicants, if receiving a scholarship(s) will be told what group of scholarship they will be receiving and what night(s) to be present. With the pre-notification of scholarship groups 4-H members will be able to be recognized at end-of-year school assemblies and ceremonies as a scholarship honoree.

Due dates and deadlines for 2015 Scholarship process are as follows:

October, 2014	Release of 2015 Application
November – January	Scholarship Trainings (Some online)
November – December	Applicant complete FAFSA and receive report
Set by County Office	Application due to County Office
February 6, 2015	Applications due to District Office
February 20, 2015	Applications due to State 4-H Office
April 10, 2015	Interview selection notification
May 1-3, 2015	Interviews (Austin)
June 9,10, &/or 11, 2015	Awards Assemblies/Banquets (College Station)

Anyone planning to apply please notify Heath or Karen at the Extension office.

More Scholarship Information

The 2015 HLSR Scholarships are now available online @ rodeohouston.com or HLSR.com.

PART I: Application will go off at 11:59 PM on the deadline date, Area Go Texan and HLSR Exhibitor applications must be submitted online by **Monday, February 23, 2015.**

PART II: Students must also complete Part II – Supplemental Forms, which are downloaded and emailed after submission. Supplemental Forms must be postmarked by **Friday, February 27, 2015** for HLSR Exhibitor and Area Go Texan applicants.

There is a NEW Scholarship available this year for students who exhibit at the 2015 show...

To be eligible to apply for this scholarship, an applicant must be a graduating high school senior attending a public school in Texas, a US Citizen and Texas Resident, and planning to attend college in Texas. Applicants must also participate as an HLSR exhibitor in one of the 17 eligible shows in both 2015 and one of the previous three years' shows (2014, 2013 and 2012). Eligible Shows: All Breed Youth Horse Show, Cutting (AQHA/NCHA), Donkey and Mule, Paint Horse, Palomino, Quarter Horse, Junior Breeding Beef Heifer Show, Junior Breeding Gilt Show, Junior Breeding Sheep Show, Junior Commercial Steer Contest, Junior Dairy Cattle Show, Junior Market Barrow Show, Junior Market Broiler Show, Junior Market Goat Show, Junior Market Lamb Show, Junior Market Steer Show, Junior Market Turkey Show.

If you have any questions concerning HLSR Scholarships feel free to email tinaloeffler@sbcglobal.net or call 512-734-1237.

Will You Be a 4-H Member in Good Standing?

- Select one or more projects for in-depth study
- Record what you learn (record book)
- Attends meetings regularly and is an active participant
- Completes a community service project (or becomes involved in a group community service project)
- Participates in some form of public presentation
- If you are elected as a club officer completes duties expected of that office

Parents please support your children to complete these expectations and volunteer to help at club and/or project meetings with such things as supplying drinks, snacks and/or activities. Volunteers are needed for project management and new club management. Contact Heath or Karen if interested.

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
http://texas4-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>



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

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

Sincerely,

Heath Lusty
CEA – AG/NR

Karen DeZarn
CEA – FCS



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
JANUARY						
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
			*County Stock Show Ag Mechanics	*County Stock Show Chickens	*County Stock Show Swine, Sheep, Goats, Rabbits, Food Fair	*County Stock Show Heifers & Steers, Buyers Dinner, Premium Sale
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	*Oakalla/Kempner club meeting 6pm Taylor Creek Elementary	*Photography Project meeting at 5:30pm in the Annex Confernce room.		*MANDATORY shooting sports meeting meeting is at 6:00 pm in the County Annex conference room. <i>If you do not attend you will not be able to participate.</i>		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	*Lampasas 4-H Horse club meeting 6pm @ the Farm Bureau Bldg.	*The Sulphur Creek 4-H Club will be meeting January 20 in the Show Barn at 6pm.				
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
		*Food Fun & Fashion club meeting 5:30pm in the County Annex conference room.				
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512-556-8271 EXT 140		4-H Events & Activities				

Welcome to Texas 4-H!

Welcome to the largest youth organization in Texas! Texas has more than 550,000 youth who are involved in 4-H experiences each year and we are pleased that you have decided to join 4-H for the 2014-2015 year! If you are new to 4-H, here is some information about our enrollment process and how we need your partnership in getting your membership entered and active!

Each year on August 15th all membership in Texas 4-H goes to inactive and all youth members and adult volunteers must re-enroll. Youth members are required to pay a \$20.00 participation fee if enrolled by October 31st, and a \$25.00 fee from November 1st to the completion of the 4-H year. Adults pay a \$5.00 volunteer applicant fee starting in the 2014-2015 4-H year. Adults and youth will need to enroll on 4HConnect and be active to be considered an official member of Texas 4-H. An active enrollment is required in order to register and participate in all 4-H activities and events.

Enrollment payment methods, procedures and additional fees may vary in each county, so check with your local county Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service office for more information. (counties.agrilife.org) When you are enrolling in 4-H and you arrive at the invoice/payment screen, you will be able to add your credit card information into the system or select the club/county (no personal checks allowed) check payment option. If the club/county check option is visible, please make sure you are allowed to use it. Some counties require all enrollment to be paid by credit card. If you are allowed to use the club/county check option you are responsible for writing a check to your club/county 4-H Program which in return will send a club/county check to the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation. Once a payment method has been selected and enrollment submitted the payment type cannot be changed.



4HCONNECT is...

- The official Texas 4-H Youth Development Program database for enrolled 4-H members and volunteers.
- A secured database that is in compliance with the PCI Security Standards Council. The Texas 4-H Youth Development Program and the 4HOnline company work closely to monitor and ensure the highest level of protection for information stored on the system. Texas 4-H, nor 4HOnline, does not share or sell any personal information to third party vendors without your knowledge or permission.
- Based on "zero-based enrollment." This means that each year at the start of the enrollment cycle membership in Texas 4-H goes to zero and everyone must re-enroll. This process is based on federal accounting policies.
- A partnership between the 4-H family and the county Extension Office. We encourage all 4-H families to become familiar with 4-H CONNECT in order to prevent "meltdowns" at crucial times of enrollment, animal validation or registration! Please work with the county Extension Office for any questions or problems you maybe experiencing with the system.
- NOT a database for counties/clubs/families to enter family members (i.e. siblings, grandparents, etc) that are not directly involved as a 4-H member or volunteer.



- Most questions can be answered by calling your county extension office. (counties.agrilife.org/)
- You are not a member or a volunteer of Texas 4-H until you have an ACTIVE status listed on your profile in 4-H CONNECT.
- 4-H members CANNOT register for an event/contest until the member profile is ACTIVE. If the county requires paper enrollment forms, that office has to enter enrollment information into the 4-H CONNECT system as well.
- Adult Volunteers are required to be screened through the Texas 4-H Youth Protection Standards program every three years.
- The Texas 4-H Foundation does not accept any personal checks for participation fees, animal validations or event registrations.
- A youth that is 8 years old and going into the 3rd grade must wait until September 1st to enroll for proper fees to be accessed in the system.

To help ensure your first time enrollment, or your re-enrollment, is as easy as possible, this document has been developed to lead you through the process. Please read and contact your county Extension Office if you have any questions prior to you beginning the enrollment process. (counties.agrilife.org/)



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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Access the 4-H CONNECT on-line system at: <https://texas.4honline.com/>
2. **New Members:** Select [I need to set up a profile].
Returning Members: Select [I have a profile] or [I forgot my password].
Contact County Extension Office for resetting assistance.
3. **New Members:** Select Adult or Youth from the drop down menu and click [Add Member].
Returning Members: Click [Edit] to the right of the inactive member's profile.
4. Once all profile information is current and correct under the Personal Information, Additional Information, Health Form, and Participation areas of enrollment continue to the Invoice page.
5. Review your invoice to ensure that the participation fee has been charged and it is correct. If you have been awarded an award certificate or a scholarship to cover your participation fee, enter the award code in the award code box. Once information has been reviewed, click continue to the Payment screen.
6. **New Members:** If you are new to 4-H, you can add your credit card payment information to 4-H CONNECT and it will be securely stored. Click the orange [Add New Credit Card] link if paying with credit card or select the county club check option.
Returning Members: If the credit card on file has been updated you will need to remove it and add the credit card again using the new information.
7. Select the appropriate method of payment by clicking on the correct button, then click [Select Payment Method.]
8. On the "Confirm page" each person will be required to click the [Pay By Computer Terms and Conditions]. Click [Submit Enrollment]
9. Once an enrollment (new member) or re-enrollment (returning member) has been submitted, it is sent to the county office for review and approval. Once approved and paid for, an email confirmation will be sent to the family email address. Payment by 4-H Check can take up to 2 weeks to process. An active membership status **WILL NOT** be granted until participation fees have been received and marked as paid.



4HConnect Instruction pages can be found online at <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/connect>

NEW MEMBERS

- Set up **only one (1) FAMILY profile household** on 4-H CONNECT.
- Write down and place in a secure location the email address and password for the account. Contact the local County Extension Office for assistance in resetting the account.
- Add individual youth and adult profiles (members) in your family profile. Adult/Youth and family profiles must be entered for an enrollment to be reviewed and accepted.



RETURNING MEMBERS

- **DO NOT** establish another family or member profile on 4-H CONNECT if you already have one in the system.
 - Contact the local County Extension Office for assistance with the email or password if forgotten.
 - When you access your profile to re-enroll **REVIEW YOUR PROFILE VERY CAREFULLY**. Incorrect information can create problems for you, your family, and the Extension Office when trying to communicate, accessing appropriate fees, acquiring school absences, etc.