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# 4-H News



#### **JULY 2011**

#### **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/

#### **Spring Ho Parade**

4-Hers in the Spring Ho Parade – Thanks to Jim Harrelson, Manager of Tractor Supply the 4-Hers have a parade float to ride on. Meet at the old middle school at 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 9. Wear a 4-H shirt or wear green. The parade ends at Hanna Springs Elementary. Let's have a great turn out to promote 4-H. Adults please call the office if you can also ride the float.

#### **4-H Record Books**

#### Deadline to turn in ALL Record Books is July 8.

Turn in at the county fair room in the First Texas Bank or at the county office (INCLUDING County only Record Books). Inform the office if you want your record book to be a part of the district contest which will be July 14.

#### **District 7 State 4-H Photography Results**

Victoria Long – Plant/Flora, Elements of Design, Details & Macros, and Animals – Blue, and Night Photography & Dominant Color – Red Travis Tschoerner – Catch All – Blue Fern Pratt – People – Red

Great job, congratulations and keep up the good work.

Junior & Intermediate District photography winners will be on display in San Angelo

## <u>Final standings and award winners for the</u> <u>2010-2011 4-H Trap & Skeet League</u>

Intermediate Division

#### **Breighton Loeffler**

1st Place

HOA-Skeet-Trap

#### **Brody Smith**

2nd Place Skeet

#### **Hunter Gholson**

3rd Place Skeet

#### Senior Division Logan Wirth

## 1st Place

HOA-Skeet

2nd Place Trap

#### **Ryan Baxter**

1st Place Trap

2nd Place

**HOA-Skeet** 

#### **Matt Fischer**

3rd Place

**HOA-Skeet-Trap** 

#### **Micah Fischer**

4th Place Trap

5th Place Skeet

#### **Hunter Wilkinson**

4th Place Skeet

## Jesse Windham

5th Place Trap

#### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Congratulations to the *Lometa Sound* for their 1<sup>st</sup> Place win in the band contest at the State Round-Up.

#### **CAMPING**

McCulloch 4-H County Camp - July 12-14 in Brady \$50. (This is a date change from previous newsletter).

County Camp will be for Jr. and Intermediate aged 4-H members this year.. Let Karen know if you are interested.. Camp activities will include Rifle, crafts, evening dances and swimming. The other counties participating are Mason, Menard, McCulloch,

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Concho, Callahan, and Coleman. The cost is \$50/person or \$45 if more than one per family. Forms are in the office. Three 4-Hers from Lampasas are for sure attending. Other camps are available this summer at Brownwood. Check out the information at: <a href="mailto://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu">://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu</a> Click on Summer Camps and Programs.

District 7 4-H Junior and Intermediate Fashion Show is Tuesday, July 19 at the Grape Creek Baptist Church in San Angelo, TX. Karen is in need of a volunteer judge. Please let her know if you can participate. It would be a great way to get ideas and check out the competition for the future.

County Fair – Get your creative projects together and enter them at the Lampasas County Fair. Entries are Wednesday, July 6, 4-7 p.m. at the First Texas Bank on 3<sup>rd</sup> & Live Oak St. Judging is Thursday morning. Categories are: Art, Jewelry, Holiday, Baked Goods, Canned Goods, Clothing, Crafts/Textiles, & Horticulture. Check out the catalog on our website ://lampasas-tx.tamu.edu

#### **A Special Thanks!**

A big Thank You to the Kempner/Oakalla 4-H group for the commitment they have made and followed through on at the Lampasas Mission. Special thanks to Robin Allen for coordinating all of the efforts. As we know times change and kids grow up and with age come several more obligations and opportunities. With this in mind, we want to recruit a dedicated group of teens that are interested in volunteering at the Lampasas Mission Food Pantry the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday night of every month. Of course if any of the current volunteers would like remain on board we would love to have you stay! Each Monday has slots for 5 youth and 2 adults (as well as emergency backup volunteers). Please let us know if this is something that you are interested in so that we can form a committee/group or if you have a group in mind of your own let me know as well. This position is not to be taken lightly. This looks really GREAT when tracked in a 4-H record book, as well as on scholarship applications. Please call me at 512-556-8271 ext 141 if you are interested or email me at klongoria@ag.tamu.edu

#### TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME

The Texas 4-H Foundation has two (2) exciting opportunities for county/4-H clubs to earn funds for the 2011-2012 Texas 4-H year. What better combination than "America's favorite pass-time" and "Texas 4-H" ....

We are excited to announce the 2nd Annual "Green Out" 4-H Event to kick-off the 2011-12 Texas 4-H year!

The discounted tickets are on sale now for the 2011 Texas 4-H "GREEN OUT" event to kick off the

2011-12 4-H year with Major League Baseball's club the Texas Rangers vs. Los Angeles Angels on August 27, 2011, at the Ballpark in Arlington. There is a Pre-Game Concert by *MercyMe*, presented by *I Am Second*. This will be a fun-filled day of family, friends, and fellowship for all to enjoy.

Every ticket holder will receive a FREE one-of-a-kind GREEN OUT t-shirt sponsored by the <u>Texas Farm Bureau Insurance Company</u> which will include the Rangers, 4-H, and Texas Farm Bureau Insurance logos. To receive your green out t-shirts, tickets must be purchased by August 12, 2010. T-shirts will be available in Youth sizes Medium and Large, Adult Sizes S - XXL. If larger than XXL is needed, let us know and we can verify availability.

Every County and 4-H club has the opportunity to sell GREEN OUT tickets as a fundraiser for their County 4-H program. Prizes will be awarded for the member, club or county 4-H that sales the most tickets. The Texas Rangers organization has been gracious enough to not only give us a discounted ticket rate, but are giving \$3.00\* for every ticket purchased to the County 4-H program that sells tickets. The more tickets you sell, the more money you can make for your County 4-H! Attached you will find the order form or you can download more information at the website.

http://texas4hfoundation.org/texas-4-h-alliances/rangers-baseball-green-out-4-h-event/

#### 2012 4-H Registration

To maintain the level of programming and opportunities in the Texas 4-H and Youth Development Program, an annual participant fee is necessary for each 4-H member starting with the 2011-2012 4-H year on September 1, 2011. This participant fee of \$25, or \$20 if enrolled from September 1<sup>st</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup>, will hopefully ensure that the Texas AgriLife Extension Service can continue to deliver the highest quality 4-H program in the world.

## <u>Put on your calendar –</u> <u>Fall District 4-H Meeting</u>

\*Project Development Committees (see below)

\*District Council

\*Adult Leaders Association

Saturday, August 20, 2011 District 7 Fall Meetings Grape Creek Baptist Church 9781 Grape Creek Rd. San Angelo, TX. 76901

The District 7 **PROJECT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEES** need **YOU** to be successful! The purpose of these district-wide committees

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is to develop project training opportunities for specific projects. The nine committees will be: Beef, Clothing, Consumer Education, Foods & Nutrition, Horse, Photography, Natural Resources, Sheep/Goats, Shooting Sports, Swine

The schedule for the day will be:
8:45 – 9:30 Registration
9:30 – 10:00 Morning General Session
10:00 – 12:00 District 4-H Council & Volunteer
Leaders Association Meetings
12:00 – 1:00 Lunch – Provided by District 7 Adult
Leaders Association
1:00 – 2:30 Project Development Committee
Training/Workshops
Project Development Committee Business Meeting
Orientation for new officers
2:30 – 3:00 Committee reports

Cost is \$7/person

#### **Quality Counts Verification**

Quality Counts Verification is now active and ready to be used! Moving forward into the 2011-2012 Major Show Season, Quality Counts Verification will be a part of the process for entry in all major shows.

This means youth exhibitors will need to demonstrate their knowledge of the Six Pillars of Character and the Eight Core Concepts presented in the Quality Counts Curriculum. To do this, they will need to pass an online test on the website (<a href="http://qualitycounts.tamu.edu/">http://qualitycounts.tamu.edu/</a>) and acquire a Quality Counts Verification number. Do not lose this number! You will need it when entering majors. If you lose it then you will have to take the test again and get a new number. You will not be allowed to enter without it.

#### Things you need to know about Verification:

- 2011 State Fair of Texas will implement Quality Counts Verification on a voluntary basis.
- 2012 All Major Livestock Shows in Texas will require Quality Counts Verification at the time of entry - This means youth will need to be verified prior to entry in the fall of 2011.
- A Verification number is obtained by answering 80% of the questions correctly on an online test.

The Quality Counts website (http://qualitycounts.tamu.edu/) will serve as your portal to the online test. The website should also answer any questions you have concerning Quality Counts Verification. If you have any other questions please give me a call.

Quality Counts training will be offered this fall, however, you are more than welcome to do the online training version and go ahead and take the test and get verified.

## <u>District 7 Trainings for 4-H'ers,</u> Parents and Leaders

This year there are special training workshops to help everyone understand various 4-H projects and activities. Let's load up the cars and caravan to nearby counties for these trainings to be held from 6:30-8:30 p.m. The topics, dates and locations are:

**Program Management** (Working with club manager, club officer, county council, volunteer leader assoc., etc) - **July 21** in Brady (Other dates are available, but are in counties farther away. Check with the Extension office for dates and locations.)

## **Texas 4-H Volunteer conference**

The Texas 4-H and Youth Development Program will be sponsoring a state-wide leader training on July 29-31, 2011 in San Antonio to prepare the new generation of 4-H volunteers to lead and instruct our members.

Highlights of the conference will include:

Opening session featuring a dynamic motivational speaker in the field of youth development as well as an update on the state of the Texas 4-H and Youth Development Program.

Sessions on Saturday and Sunday focused on needs provided through agent and clientele surveys ensuring our program leaders are receiving the training they want!

Schedule Overview
Friday, July 29th
San Antonio Livestock Show Grounds
5:30 \* 6:30 pm Registration & Social
6:15 pm Dinner Buffet
7:00 pm General Session

Saturday, July 30th Region 20 Education Service Center 8:30 am\*4:30 pm Workshops

Sunday, July 31st Region 20 Education Service Center 8:30 am\*12:00 pm Workshops

Registration Registration is open on 4-H CONNECT from April 15th to June 20th. Registration fee is \$120.00

#### 2011 Rabbit Project

If you are interested in participating in the Rabbit Project for the upcoming year, contact Rob Freeman at 254-535-9583.

## **FACEBOOK**

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

#### 4-H on the Internet

Lampasas County 4-H is readily available on the internet. Below are links to many sites you may find

http://lampasas-tx.tamu.edu/ Lampasas County Extension website. http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/ Texas 4-H website.

http://d74-h.tamu.edu/ District 7 website contains information on District events.

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. www.orientaltrading.com We also just found out that you can purchase 4-H novelty items from Oriental Trading.

# 4-H Club Meetings\*

### OAKALLA/KEMPNER 4-H

Contact Robin Allen for more info 713-530-6545 or robredeemed@gmail.com

Rabbits! Come to the meeting to get more info and order your books. Record Books...it is time to start, work on and/or finish your record book. Let's do it together!

Contact Debbie Tschoerner for more info 512-489-2657 or dtschoerner@yahoo.com

#### **TAYLOR CREEK 4-H CLUB**

Club meeting date:

Contact: Alicia Menard at

lampasasinfo@sbcglobal.net or 254-449-2007

#### **SULPHUR CREEK 4-H**

Contact Jill Carroll at

<u>lampasaschamber@sbcglobal.net</u> or 512-556-5172

## **CLAY BREAKERS Shooting Sports Club**

#### Bertram Shoot:

For Bertram Range dates and times, Please call Katie Allmand or email at 512-734-1334 or

katie.allmand@gmail.com if you have questions or need directions.

more information contact Rick Baxter, Lampasas 4-H Shooting Sports Adult Leader at 512-525-4086 or email diamondbax@wildblue.net or the County Extension office at 512-556-8271 ext. 140.

Sincerely,

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