2016 Pecan Sales Fundraiser

**Pecan sales are under way!** Get with your Club manager or Sales Committee Chair to get all the latest information. Remember that the first sale guarantees the pecans come in before Thanksgiving, and the club sales are due to the 4-H office on October 12th. Second Sale gets them in before Christmas, due November 10th to the 4-H office. We have a wide verity this year. Check out the [sales brochure](#).

HOT Livestock Show, entry forms due to the 4-H office by Friday, September 9th.

**4-H New Year Starts Re-enroll today!**

Register in 4-H Connect to be a member for 2016-2017
Register by: October 31, $20.00

This month’s reminder is being sent to all 4-H families that were registered on 4-H Connect for the 2016-2017 year. Re-enrollment began August 15th. If your membership status is pending you are in good shape. Your membership status will become “Active” once your club manager and then the county program both confirm your membership. The fee is $20 until October 31, 2016. The fee will increase to $25 November 1st. Need help with enrolling in Connect? [Instructions](#) on the second page!

**A few things to keep in mind when you are enrolling:**

- Make sure that you have the correct school listed.
- If you have a resubmit status, check your email for the instructions.
- The system seems to like the Mozilla FireFox Browser. If you’re having problems adding a credit card to your account usually switching Browsers and logging back in works to correct this issue.
BCFA – Important dates! See flyer for BCFA Validation and entry deadlines.

BCFA Entry Deadline
September 9, 2016
Get with your club manager to enter.

BCFA Rabbit Validation
September 10th
8:00 am—10:00 am

Call the Fair Office at 979-849-6416
Or email contactus@bcfa.org

Robotics Project

Design, Build, & Program your way in 4-H Robotics!
The Robotics project will begin meeting on September 19th from 4pm-6pm

Please let Courtney know you are interested clatour@ag.tamu.edu or call 979-864-1558 to reserve your spot for this extraordinary project

BCFA Junior Creative and Culinary Arts October 8th Check in

Visit the Brazoria County 4-H Website and go to the JCCA webpage to see all the information regarding this exciting competition. Clover members are welcome to participate.

- Both 4-H and FFA members can enter up to 30 items in the county fair Junior Creative & Culinary Arts Contest.
- The grand prize cookie and cake in each age group is sold in the live auction during the junior livestock auction.
- Top five high point contestants receive trophies
- Only $5.00 to enter, up to 30 items

What’s changed in 2016? This year there will not be pre-registration. All contestants will register the day of the contest. Just fill out the forms on our website ahead of time and we will give you an exhibitor number on the day of the show.

Brazoria County 4-H Horse Advisory Committee
September 19th 6:00 pm
County Council
September 10th 2-4pm

It’s time for County Council to start up once again! **Brazoria County 4-H Council** will host their 1st council meeting of the 4-H year on **Saturday, September 10th at 2pm** at the 4-H Office. All members are encouraged to attend. If you are a President, 1st Vice or Council Delegate of your 4-H Club then you should be attending the County Council meetings to keep your club involved at the county level. We hope to see yall there!

4-H Calendar

The 2016-2017 Calendar is now available! If you would like a hard copy you are welcome to come to the 4-H office to pick it up or click here… [2016-2017 Calendar]

**EXPLORE 4-H**

Texas 4-H Virtual Summit

Follow the link for instructions on how to sign up. [http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/AccessingTrainings.pdf](http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/AccessingTrainings.pdf)  Virtual class

Starts Thursday September 1st and ends on September 2nd.

**MYOB Entrepreneur**

Minding Your Own Business Workshops will be held on the following dates this summer for $25 a participant for all of the Fall & Spring workshops. MYOB will be working on creating items to sell at the Clover Corner booth in November and March. We are always looking for new things to create or learn about, join MYOB to develop new skills! RSVP to Cameron at your earliest convenience.

**September 14**
4:30 pm

**September 21**
4:30 pm
2017 Major Show Heifers and Swine

It’s validation time again. Your 2017 Major Show Swine orders are due to the 4-H office by September 15th. Validation will be held at the closest FFA Barn on November 21st. Heifer validation UIN Orders are due September 12th. If you purchased a new heifer and she has not been validated under your ownership, you will need to validate her for the fall Major shows. Heifers only need to be validated once in their lifetime as long as they do not change ownership. If you will be showing a new heifer at the majors, and it is already at the Fairgrounds we will be having a validation on Thursday October 20th from 2-5pm. If you heifer is not at the fair, an additional validation will be held on Saturday October 29th from 8-12noon.

Heifer Order Form  Swine Order Form

Quality Counts

All exhibitors must be Quality Counts certified. 4-H members that turned 14 years old before September 1, 2016 will now need to take the senior test. Go to Quality Counts website - click on Texas Trail for the tutorial then Verification to take the test.

4-H Leaders Boot Camp

District 9 Leader Boot Camp and District 9 Council Meeting Saturday September 17th. Register by September 14th in 4-H Connect!

Parents Association

Parents Association Meeting September 26th at 7:00pm everyone welcome to join.

Apply today for Committee updates and reminders by clicking this link. http://agrilife.org/brazoria4h/parent-association-committees/

Thank you for always being there to support our vast program! Volunteers are the backbone of Brazoria County 4-H and we appreciate all your hard work and dedication to the program.

Major Show Poultry Order

2017 HLSR, SSSR, STFR Turkey and Broiler information: Rules are now available at the Department of Poultry Science Website. There have been some revisions in the rules so you may want to check it out. Turkey order September 1st to the 4H office and Poultry will be due September 29th.
September 1st New 4-H Year Starts
September 1st Texas 4-H Summit
September 1st Major Show Turkeys Due to 4-H Office
September 2nd Texas 4-H Virtual Summit
September 5th Labor Day Office Closed for the Holiday
September 9th Major Show Heifer UIN Orders Due to the 4-H Office
September 10th County Council 1st Meeting at the 4-H Office
September 14th District Leader Boot Camp Registration due in 4-H Connect
September 14th MYOB Workshop 4:30 pm
September 15th Swine Tag Orders Due to the 4-H Office
September 17th District 9 Leader Boot Camp & District 9 Council Meeting
September 19th Horse Advisory Meeting 6:00 pm
September 19th Robotics Workshop 4:00-6:00 pm
September 21st MYOB Workshop 4:30 pm
September 26th Parents Association meeting 7:00 pm
September 29th Major Show Broiler Orders Due to 4-H Office

Take a Look Ahead to October ….

October 5th MYOB Workshop 4:30 pm
October 8th One Day 4-H
October 8th JCCA Check in at BCFA from 12-3 pm
October 12th First Pecan Order Due to the 4-H Office
October 12th MYOB Workshop 4:30 pm
October 14th BCFA Begins
October 15th JCCA Awards 4:00 pm
October 16th District 9 Jr. Leadership Lab Registration due in Connect
October 20th Major Show Heifer Validation at BCFA 2-5 pm
October 22nd BCFA Ends
October 23rd JCCA Check out 8-11am
October 24th Parents Association meeting 7:00 pm
October 26th MYOB Workshop 4:30 pm
October 27th Major Show Sheep & Goat Validation at BCFA 4-7pm
October 29th Major Show Heifer Validation BCFA 8-12noon
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