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County Council Meetings

The 4-H Youth County Council meetings are open to 4-H members age 9 and older. Meetings provide opportunities for youth to meet, share ideas, plan, and implement activities with other youth throughout the county. Each club is encouraged to send 2—3 representatives to each meeting. Club representatives typically include the President and 1—2 Council Delegates.

The next County Council Meeting will be on April 25, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.

County Council Officer Elections

Current members of the County Council will be electing officers at their May meeting. Youth who are interested in serving as a Council officer for the 2011-2012 year are encouraged to pursue this opportunity. Please review the “Duties and Responsibilities” of the offices and submit an “Intent to Run for Office” form to the 4-H office by May 6.

Adult Leader Association Meeting & Officer Elections

The Adult Leaders Association meeting will be conducted on Monday, May 23 at 7:00 p.m. Officers will be elected to serve for the 2011-2012 term.

Anyone who plans to pick up supplies or copies at an ALA meeting should e-mail their requests to Nanci & Cindy at least 2 days prior to the meeting.
Shoe Drive—Service Project

Lukas Griffiths, Tarrant County 4-H member, is conducting a service project for Soles4Souls. It is a non-profit organization that collects and distributes shoes for needy people in the USA and abroad. Many of the shoes currently being collected will go to people in recently devastated regions of Japan. Lukas is collecting gently worn shoes and/or monetary donations that will be used for shipping costs.

If you need additional information, please contact Lukas (or his mother, Tanna) at TannaGriffiths@sbcglobal.net or 817-881-9885.

Leader Appreciation Dinner

On Thursday, April 14, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. we will host a dinner at the Extension office to honor the adult volunteer leaders who have donated their valuable time throughout the year to provide opportunities for Tarrant County 4-H youth.

Please RSVP at 817-884-1291 by April 10th.

4-H County Dance

Once again, the County Council youth have been very busy planning a Spring Dance for your enjoyment. The theme this year is “Time Machine” and will feature music, attire, and dance from various decades of the past and present.

Each family is encouraged to bring a snack dish or beverage to share. Make plans to attend this event which will be held at the Extension office (200 Taylor Street, 5th floor) on Friday, April 15, at 7:00 p.m.

Please contact the 4-H office or Council President, Grady Bruton at rwpinc1@aol.com for additional information.

Dan Zadra

There has never been another you. With no effort on your part you were born to be something very special and set apart. What you are going to do in appreciation of that gift is a decision only you can make."

Dan Zadra
Recordbook Training

Recordbooks are a record of what a member has learned and accomplished in a 4-H year. It includes records on project learning experiences, activities, and accomplishments. It also displays information on leadership and community service. Included in the book is a 4-H story, coupled with photos showing the youth in action.

The submission of a recordbook is an accomplishment that also qualifies members to apply for advanced awards.

A record book training will be conducted on Thursday, May 12 at the Extension office at 1:00 p.m. Please pre-register with the office by May 9th, to enable us in preparation of the appropriate number of packets.

You may call us a 817-884-1291 or e-mail us at nswindle@ag.tamu.edu to register.

Graduating Senior Night

As our seniors prepare to graduate and move on to exciting new adventures, we would like to pause for a moment of congratulations and encouragement. Please mark your calendars and join us on May 23, 6:30 p.m. at the Extension office as we honor these young individuals.

Please R.S.V.P. to Nanci at 817-884-1291 or nswindle@ag.tamu.edu

“...I hope your dreams take you... to the corners of your smiles, to the highest of your hopes, to the windows of your opportunities, and to the most special places your heart has ever known.”

District IV 4-H Scrapbook & Photo Sharing

Forgetting to take pictures at 4-H events? Well, District IV 4-H has a new photo sharing website! You can view pictures at http://picasaweb.google.com/DerrickBruton . If you have been taking pictures, you can help add to the albums by sending them to DerrickBruton.district44h@picasaweb.com .

Please note that Mr. Derrick Bruton, District IV 4-H & Youth Development Specialist, will need to approve pictures before they are posted and that not all pictures may be posted.

Lauren Hamilton, the 2010-2011 District IV 4-H Council Historian, is also collecting pictures for the 1st DIV 4-H Scrapbook. You can e-mail pictures with captions, including names, to Lauren at laurenhamilton@nbstudent.net
County Dog Show

Once again, Paws A Plenty will be hosting the Tarrant County 4-H Dog Show which will be held April 16, 2011 in Azle starting at 10 am.

The show is open to all 4-H members. With a variety of classes, there is sure to be something for everyone! We will have a photography contest, breed id contest, showmanship, conformation, obedience, trick, costume and drill team classes.

We also have a silent auction!

District Contests

The next round of district contests will be conducted on Saturday, April 30 on the TAMU campus in Commerce, TX. Morning contests will include Fashion Show and Entomology. Afternoon contests will include Share-the-Fun and Educational Presentations. Congratulations to the many youth who have qualified at county contests to represent Tarrant County at the district level.

Youth who are planning to participate must register online, through 4-H Connect by April 8.

Mayfest Volunteer Opportunity

Mayfest (May 5-8) is an annual event that raises money for FW Parks. We will host a booth in the children’s area, assisting children in making Mo- saics with dried, colored beans on plates.

Volunteers need to be 13 years or older. Volunteers receive free admission.

Shift times are:
Thursday 3:30-7:00
Friday 3:30-7:00
Saturday 10-2 or 2-7
Sunday 10-2 or 2-7

Friday morning 10-1 is a time set aside for special needs kids to come into the park. If you are able to help at this time, it is a rewarding experience to help those who need more assistance with activities. This is a safe time for these special kids to come enjoy Mayfest.

Please contact Larissa Daily at 214-402-5314 or Lvdaily2006@yahoo.com for more information.

A dog doesn't care if you're rich or poor, big or small, young or old. He doesn't care if you're not smart, not popular, not a good joke-teller, not the best athlete, nor the best-looking person. To your dog, you are the greatest, the smartest, the nicest human being who was ever born. You are his friend and protector.”

Louis Sabin
District Photography Results

Senior
- Animals/Wildlife
  - Katie Leonard-Blue
  - Tressa Watkins-Blue
- Animals/Domestic
  - Katie Leonard-Blue
- Catch All
  - Katie Leonard-Blue
- Details/Macro
  - Katie Leonard-Blue-Class Winner
- Elements of Design
  - Katie Leonard-Blue
- Marine/Aquatic
  - Tressa Watkins-Red
Nature/Landscape
- Katie Leonard-Blue
People
- Katie Leonard-Blue
Plant/Flora
- Katie Leonard-Blue
- Tressa Watkins-Blue
Intermediate
- Animals/Domestic
  - Amanda Roach-Blue
- Animals/Wildlife
  - Elizabeth Leonard-Red

County Share the Fun

Congratulations to all the members who participated at the County Share the Fun Contest and will be going to the District Share the Fun contest!

- **Int. Choreographed Routine**
  - Kathryn Fazi
- **Sr. Choreographed Routine**
  - Michael Fazi
- **Int. Solo/Band**
  - Denton Latham
  - Alyssa McClellin & Christian Teeples

- **Sr. Solo/Band**
  - Maxwell Colorado
  - Int. Poetry
  - America Segovia
  - Elizabeth Arrington
  - Jr. Musical Instrument
  - Ellie Everett
  - Ian Teeples
  - Int. Musical Instrument
  - Emily Frank

- **Sr. Musical Instrument**
  - Chloe Kozak
  - Gage Milton
  - Skye Segovia
  - Int. Vocal
  - Carolyn Frank
  - Katie Kozak & Katie Orr
  - Briggs, McCrae & McKalyn Milton
  - Sr. Vocal
  - Stephanie Frank
  - Cameron Milton

- **Int. Celebrate 4-H**
  - Olivia Aviles, Victoria Arrington
  - Annabelle McClellin
  - Amanda Roach & Katie Womble

- **Demonstrations**
  - Clover Kid Poetry
  - Joshua Hays

- **Choreographed Routine**
  - Danny Schoonover
  - Gretl Schoonover
  - Heidi Schoonover
  - Josie Schoonover
  - Liesl Schoonover
  - Maggie Schoonover
  - Kathryn Fazi
  - Michael Fazi
Validations

State Fair Lamb & Goat

It is time once again to order your ear tags for the State Fair. The cost is $8.00 per tag. The deadline for ordering is April 8, 2011. Make your checks payable to ELEC. If you miss the deadline you will need to speak to Ken Johnson at KDJohnson@ag.tamu.edu or give him a call at 817-884-1946.

State Steer Validation

It is time to decide how many steer ear tags you will need for State Steer Validation. The cost is $8.00 per tag and the deadline date is April 8, 2011. Please make checks payable to ELEC.

If you miss the deadline date you must contact Ken Johnson at KDJohnson@ag.tamu.edu or call him at 817-884-1946.

Dominos Pizza Ranch

Dominos Pizza Ranch is an agricultural literacy activity in which children learn about the agricultural products in pizza.

Some of the exciting activities at Pizza Ranch include watching a demonstration of milking a cow, the process of gathering grain and turning it into flour, growing and harvesting vegetables used to produce the sauce, meat production, sanitation, etc.

It is open to all 4th grade elementary school children in Tarrant County, and is scheduled May 3-4, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the John Justin Arena in the Will Rogers Memorial Complex. Pre-registration is required.

Many volunteers are needed to help with this event, if you are interested please contact Sonia at 817-884-1946. Youth volunteers will be accepted on a limited basis.

For information regarding this event please contact Ken Johnson at KDJohnson@ag.tamu.edu

County Horse Show

May 14, 2011 is the scheduled date for the Tarrant County 4-H Horse Show. The show will be held at the Rendon Riding Arena. Deadline for entries is April 29th.

For all questions pertaining to the County Horse Show please contact Ken Johnson at KDJohnson@ag.tamu.edu
Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, services, or accommodation in order to participate in meetings or events are encouraged to contact Cindy Bryant CEA-4-H at 817-884-1291 ten days prior to the event.