TARRANT COUNTY 4-H LEADERSHIP

Adult Leader Association 2011-2012
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Vice President-Matt Rolston
Secretary/Christy Ruder
Delegate-Melinda Maynard

4-H County Council 2011-2012
President-Megan Maynard
Vice President-Ashley Rolston
Secretary/Treasurer-Daniel Harrison
Council Delegate-Tressa Watkins
Historian-Amanda Roach & Will Babler
Reporter-Makenna Ruder
Parliamentarian-Becky Tilton

For more information about 4-H Projects, opportunities, programs, or activities, please call 817-884-1291 or visit us at 200 Taylor Street, Suite 500 (building entrance faces Burnett Street).

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Educational programs of Texas AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or natural origin. The Texas A&M University System, U. S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.
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 youth have voted to meet on a monthly basis on the 4th Monday evenings.

The next County Council Meeting will be Monday, April 23, 2012, at 6:30 p.m.

The Adult Leader Association will meet on Tuesday, May 29, at 7 p.m.

County Council 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 7.

ALA Meeting & Officer Elections

The Adult Leaders Association meeting will be conducted on Tuesday, May 29. 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.
**Recordbook Update & Training**

The 4-H recordbook is a compilation of the records and photos of a member’s activities throughout the year. Tarrant County 4-H youth have had a long-standing tradition of completing & submitting books. While youth should submit books for the satisfaction of a job well done, they should also realize that the submission of a recordbook is a requirement for a wide variety of awards (such as: Outstanding Member Achievement, Gold Star, Danforth, Scholarships, etc.).

The 4-H recordbook system is experiencing some changes this year. For additional information regarding the changes, please refer to the 4-H website, under "Current Events". The new forms are located at: [http://4hreports.com/index.aspx](http://4hreports.com/index.aspx)

A record book training will be conducted on Tuesday, **May 15th** at the Extension office at 1:00 p.m. and also at 7:00 p.m.

Please pre-register with the office by **May 8th**, to enable us in preparation of the appropriate number of packets.

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

Recordbooks are due in the county 4-H office by **June 18**.

**Leadership**

The 4-H program provides many opportunities for youth to develop leadership skills. While some youth feel comfortable leading large groups of people by serving as an officer or leading a project or event, other youth prefer to work with small groups or behind the scenes preparations.

One of the great goals of a 4-H member is to participate in at least one leadership activity per year.

Would you like to plan a service project & recruit volunteers?
- Decide on the topic or goals for the activity.
- Consult with an adult.

For those who want to take that step into leadership, but still feel a little uncomfortable or shy, please contact CPBryant@ag.tamu.edu for ideas. There are opportunities for everyone.

**County 4-H Dog Show**

Once again Paws A Plenty will be hosting the Tarrant County 4-H Dog Show which will be held **April 21, 2012** 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.

Information and registration form are available at the 4-H website under Current Events. Please contact Robin Hays at robindhays@gmail.com if you have any questions regarding this show.
Research Poster Contest

The Discover Scientific Method Poster Contest was designed to provide an opportunity for youth to showcase their 4-H science project work, while increasing awareness of science, engineering, and technology by utilizing the scientific method of inquiry.

General Contest Description:
Youth will identify a question (or problem) and seek to solve the problem by using the scientific method. They will keep a log/journal of their lab activities, findings, ideas, etc. Upon completion of the project, they will prepare a project notebook and a display or exhibit for viewing. The contestants will provide a 2-minute overview and then answer a few questions from the panel of judges.

Contestants: Youth may work individually or as a team of two. Team members must be of the same age division.

Exhibitions & Contests:
Tarrant County 4-H (in Fort Worth) will host an exhibition May 14 - 21. (Projects need to be completed by May 1. The public exhibition will begin May 14.) Entry form deadline: April 16.

Texas 4-H Roundup (at Texas Tech University, Lubbock) will host a Discover Scientific Method Poster contest at Roundup on Thursday, June 14. This contest will be open invitational for Intermediates and Seniors who have fulfilled local requirements. For Tarrant County, the local requirements include: Successful completion of the research project (with form signatures) and exhibition at the county event.

Note: Roundup registration is due prior to the exhibition, but approval will be pending exhibition.

Online registrations: April 11 – May 9; Late registrations(extra fee): May 10-23

How Do I Begin?
Familiarize yourself with the Discover Scientific Method (DSM) Contest Guidelines and the Timeline. Notify the County Extension Agent (CPBryant@ag.tamu.edu) of your interest in working on a DSM project. Schedule a meeting to discuss your plans for the project. Cindy Bryant will be happy to meet with you in person, by phone, or by email. Please specify your preference.

• Submit the “County Extension Agent Approval Form” with member & parent signatures.
• Submit additional “Endorsement” forms if required. (Requirement depends upon project plan)
• Maintain your Research Notebook. Be sure to date your entries and include info about your thoughts, ideas, plans, actions, sketches, experiment data, etc. Frequent entries are important. DO NOT plan to go back and enter everything at once. Entries should be written as you work through your project.

When Can I Begin? Today...or as soon as you are ready.
STATE YOUTH WATER CAMP

The 2012 State Youth Water Camp will be July 8-12, 2012, at the Bentley 4-H Center in Monahans, TX. The Camp is open to high-school youth who are interested in water conservation and water issues, and who are willing to work in teams. Adult project leaders may also apply, but must pass a background check before participating.

State Youth Water Camp is a five day educational camp planned to teach high school youth the importance of water stewardship, train them in water conservation and preservation, and illustrate how our water resources are being used by industry, agriculture and municipalities. We accomplish this through hands-on experiences, guest speakers, and field trips. The Camp is co-sponsored by Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Natural Resources Conservation Service, and Upper Pecos Soil & Water Conservation District.

Applications and information are available at: http://ward.agrilife.org/ or from any AgriLife Extension office. Applications must be received in the AgriLife Extension office in Ward County by May 18, 2012. Participants will be informed of their acceptance by May 31, 2012.

Registration is $150.00, due in the AgriLife Extension office in Ward County by June 8, 2012. Soil and water conservation districts, ground water conservation districts and youth organizations are sources of scholarships. Water Camp is open to all Texas youth, but space is limited so we encourage early registration.

For more information, call the AgriLife Extension office in Ward County at 432-943-4112/2682.

4-H VOLUNTEER LEADERS APPRECIATION

Our 4-H volunteers are amazing people who dedicate their time and energy to provide positive opportunities for youth. In celebration of Volunteer Appreciation Week, the Tarrant County Extension office will host an Appreciation Family Picnic on Saturday, April 21. RSVP to Veronica Cabral at 817-884-1945 or by e-mail to VCabral@ag.tamu.edu.

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 29, 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 nfswindle@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.’”
March Madness Results

**BB Rifle Class**
- **8-9 year old**
  - **Prone**
    - Adelaide Henry-1st
  - **Standing**
    - Adelaide Henry-1st
  - **Sitting**
    - Adelaide Henry-2nd
  - **Kneeling**
    - Adelaide Henry-1st
  - **Overall Aggregate**
    - Adelaide Henry-1st

**BB Rifle Class**
- **10-12 year old**
  - **Sitting**
    - Angeline Henry-1st
    - Abigail Gordon-2nd
  - **Standing**
    - Angeline Henry-1st

**Texas State BB Gun Championship**
- **9 Year Olds**
  - **Overall**
    - Adelaide Henry-2nd
  - **Standing**
    - Adelaide Henry-1st
  - **Sitting**
    - Logan Slaboda-1st
    - Adelaide Henry-2nd
  - **Kneeling**
    - Adelaide Henry-3rd
  - **Prone**
    - Logan Slaboda-2nd

**10 Year Olds**
- **Standing**
  - Evy Oram-1st

**11 Year Olds**
- **Written Test**
  - Angeline Henry-3rd

**12 Year Olds**
- **Sitting**
  - Abigail Gordon-2nd

**14-15 Year Olds**
- **Overall**
  - Will Oram-3rd
- **Written Test**
  - Will Oram-3rd
- **Standing**
  - Will Oram-2nd

**Participating**
- Emma Bussmeir
- Grace Bussmeir
- Rayann Johanson
- Olivia-Grace McKern

**Celebrate 4-H**
- **Musical Instrument**
  - Chloe Kozak-1st
  - Emily Frank-2nd
- **Vocal**
  - Morgan Tedder-1st
  - Gage & Cameron Milton-2nd
  - Stephanie Frank-2nd
- **Intermediate**
  - Amanda Roach & Kate Womble
  - 1st
- **Celebrate 4-H**
  - McCrae, McKalyn & Brigg Milton
  - 1st
  - Carolyn Frank-2nd
- **Junior**
- **Poetry/Prose**
  - Kristen Nguyen-1st
- **Clover Kid**
- **Celebrate 4-H**
  - Grace & Jane Alcazar
  - Brooklyn Beasley
  - Anna Claire Bucholz
  - Abby Ketcherside
  - Mia Lawson
  - Lauren Loureiro
  - Felicity Roberts
  - Abby Wooddell
  - Participation

**Share the Fun Results**
- **Senior**
  - **Choreographed Routine**
    - Megan Maynard-1st
- **Solo/Band**
  - Hexel & Maxwell Colorado-1st
State Fair Lamb & Goat Validation

It is time once again to order your ear tags for the State Fair. The cost is $10.00 per tag. The deadline for ordering is April 11, 2012. Make your checks payable to ELEC. If you miss the deadline you will need to speak to Ken Johnson at kd-johnson@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 $10.00 per tag and the deadline date is April 11, 2012. Please make checks payable to ELEC. If you miss the deadline date you must contact Ken Johnson at kd-johnson@tamu.edu or by phone at 817-884-1946.

County Horse Show

May 12, 2012 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 27th.

For all questions pertaining to the County Horse Show please contact Ken Johnson at KD-Johnson@tamu.edu or by phone at 817-884-1946. This year all horse validations must be done online through 4-H Connect by May 1. If you need help with this process please speak with Ken.

Domino’s Pizza Ranch

Domino’s 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 8-9, 2012 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 kd-johnson@tamu.edu.
We’re on the web, click on 4-H at http://tarrant.tamu.edu

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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.