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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County Council & Adult Leader 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 **Monday, March 24, 2014**, at 6:30 p.m.

Likewise, the Adult Leader Association meetings provide an opportunity for adult volunteers to meet, discuss ideas, and plan and implement activities that support the youth of the county. Each club is encouraged to send up to 3 adults to serve as voting representatives. The next Adult Leader Meeting will be on **Monday, March 24, 2014** at 7:15 p.m.

Support for Tarrant County 4-H

Looking for a way to support Tarrant County 4-H without taking money out of your pocket? Do you search the internet? Do you make online purchases? If so this opportunity may be just what you are looking for. Join [www.GoodSearch.com](http://www.GoodSearch.com), and every time you search the internet, a donation is made to the Tarrant County 4-H Youth Council and Adult Leaders Association.

It’s easy, doesn’t cost a thing, and turns every day actions into an easy way to raise funds for many of the events and activities that are sponsored by the Tarrant County 4-H Youth Council and the Tarrant County 4-H Adult Leaders, including the annual County Awards Banquet.

All you need to do is log on to [www.goodsearch.com](http://www.goodsearch.com) and choose “Tarrant 4-H Council” as your charity. You can even make a profile so that you don’t have to select Tarrant 4-H Council each time and you can watch the funds grow!

A penny is donated every time you search with www.goodsearch.com. It is easy, painless on your pocketbook, and benefits our Tarrant County 4-H youth.

There are even other ways to make money through www.goodsearch.com for 4-H while shopping or dining. Just go to their website to find out more. Don’t waste any time.

Start helping our Tarrant 4-H youth while you search the Internet today!
District 4 Competitions (AKA: District Roundup)

April 5 is a big day for District 4 competitions. Contests for the day will be conducted at the Texas A&M University campus in Commerce, Texas. Contests include: Educational Presentations, Share the Fun, Public Speaking, & Fashion Show & Storyboard. Most contests will be conducted in the Ferguson Social Science Building and auditorium this year. Additional details can be found on the district website: http://d44-h.tamu.edu/.

Youth who have qualified to compete in these contests will need to register online, through 4-H Connect before each contest’s deadline (March 12-14).

Spring Fling

The Tarrant County 4-H Spring Fling is scheduled for Friday, April 25, at the Extension office. Hosted by the County Council, it is a fun event for all Tarrant County 4-H Club members. They are planning a fun evening of games and activities and will send out a flyer within a few weeks. So, for now, SAVE THE DATE, and plan on an evening of excitement.
Consumer Decision Making Contest

Congratulations to the Countryside 4-H Consumer Decision Making team. They recently traveled to the San Angelo Stock Show where they competed with teams across the state to determine the best consumer purchases for stated scenarios. We are excited to announce that they received 11th place! Congratulations to team members: Gage Milton, McCrae Milton, McKalyn Milton & Briggs Milton.

District Food Challenge

The District 4 Food Challenge contest was held at the Texas A&M campus in Commerce, Texas on February 8. Tarrant County was represented by 5 amazing teams. Each team was provided with several ingredients and challenged to create a recipe, prepare a dish, and give a presentation to a panel of judges. Fantastic Foodies, Kitchen Commanders, Westside 1 & Westside 2 did a fantastic job.

Special recognition was given to Kitchen Commanders, who received 4th place in the Mixed-age category!

Fashion Show

The Tarrant County 4-H Fashion Show and Storyboard contests were conducted at the Extension office on February 18. Youth exhibited samples of their exquisite workmanship as they modeled ensembles they had constructed in their Clothing & Textiles project. Members participating in the Storyboard contest exhibited their design skills through displays of storyboards, which included illustrations, swatches, and inspiration items.

Congratulations to the following members who each received 1st place in their categories and qualified to advance to the district-level competition at TAMU, in Commerce.

1st place Fashion Show Entries
- McCrae Milton
- McKalyn Milton
- Katie Anna Orr
- Jessica Frank
- Emily Frank

1st place Storyboard Entries
- Jessica Frank
- Emily Frank
- McCrae Milton
- McKalyn Milton
Wow! A wonderful night of entertainment was provided for families and guests at the 4-H Share the Fun contest on February 21. The wide variety of acts included music, skits, and choreographed routines. It was evident that we have amazingly talented 4-H members in Tarrant County and we thank them for performing their talents for our enjoyment. Congratulations to the following youth who qualified for advancement to the district contest at TAMU, in Commerce, Texas!

**Junior Age Division**
- **Musical**
  - Audrey DeCardenas-Blue
  - Landri Whitfield-Red
  - Jordan Bedell-Blue

- **Choreographed Routine**
  - Alana & Natalie Robinson-Blue

**Intermediate Age Division**
- **Musical**
  - Jessica Frank-Red
  - Evan Guinn-Blue

- **Senior Age Division**
  - Grace Bush-Blue
  - Cristina Guinn-Blue

**Choreographed Routine**
- Emily & Carolyn Frank & Katelyn Fessenden-Blue
- Celebrate 4-H
  - Amanda Roach & Katie Womble-Blue
  - Solo Band
    - Denton Latham-Blue

The judges also awarded the Emerald Award of Excellence to: Denton Latham and Grace Bush.
Horse Validation Instructions

Please read the instructions carefully as there are two sets of directions based on if you are validating a new horse for 2014 or reactivating a horse that was entered last year into 4-H Connect!

Horse validation is completed for EACH HORSE and will cover all 4-H youth members in that family profile. However, when validating your horses on 4-H CONNECT, you will select ONLY ONE 4-H youth member to conduct the validation under. Once a horse is validated, validation paid, and you begin registering for district horse show, the validated horse(s) can be moved to the appropriate 4-H member(s) that will be exhibiting the horse in the show.

The 2014 Horse Validation Period is March 1, 2014 - April 15, 2014 and the cost is $10.00 per horse, starting on April 16th to May 1, 2014 the price goes up to $20.00 per horse. Validation and payment is required of ALL horses regardless if they were entered this year or last!

For any horse which was NOT validated in 4-H CONNECT last year, have digital photos of your horse(s) from the front, left side, and right side. These photos must be accessible for upload during the validation process.

For any registered horse that was NOT validated last year you will need to have pdf copy of your horse(s) registration papers for upload.
March 2014

3  County Photography entries due
4-23  Houston Livestock Show
7-9  Horse O Rama
8  Special Invitation Fashion Show HOR
14  Dist. Share the Fun entries due
24  Co. Council Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
24  Adult Leader Meeting @ 7:15 p.m.

April 2014

5  Dist. Contests, Edu Presentation
5  Dist. Entomology Contest
5  Dist. Share the Fun Contest
6  Dist. Fashion Show & Storyboard Contest
25  Spring Fling
28  County Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.

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.