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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).
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 **Tuesday, May 27, 2014**. All youth are encouraged to arrive by 6:30 to visit with the graduates. The youth meeting will begin immediately following the conclusion of the ALA meeting.

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. The next Adult Leader Meeting will be on **Tuesday, May 27, 2014**. For the May meeting, adults are asked to arrive at 6:30 p.m.

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 15** at the Extension office at 6:30 p.m. Please pre-register with the office by **May 12th**, 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.
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 27, 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

North Central Texas 4-H Gear Robotics Contest

The 4-H GEAR Robotics contest is an opportunity for youth who are interested in robotics and engineering to participate in a fun challenging game. This year’s game is called “MoonPost”.

The age divisions are:

Junior/Intermediate=8-13
Seniors=ages 14-18
Teams consist of 2-6 players

The first regional 4-H Contest will be held May 10, in Dallas. Registration is April 9-May 2 on 4-H Connect.

Individuals/teams/coaches who plan to enter should contact the Tarrant County 4-H office if you need to check out a game mat, equipment, etc. Additional information is located on the state website at: http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/robotics

Texas 4-H Golf Challenge

Location: The Campus Course at Texas A&M University - College Station, TX
Date: July 28, 2014
Time: 8:00 am shotgun start
Cost: $60

In 2014 changes are being made to the Texas 4-H Golf Challenge Program. There will be no regional events hosted this year. Instead one State event will be hosted at the brand new course located on the campus at Texas A&M University. The Campus Course at Texas A&M University is in its first year and is being rated as one of the top new golf courses in Texas. This event will be open to all age 4-Hers and split into two age divisions (Juniors 12 and under and Seniors 13 and up). This event is also open to non 4-Hers. For more information please visit http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/golf
County Awards

The County 4-H Awards program is designed to recognize 4-H members for their progress work, leadership, and personal growth and development. It is not necessary to have won top honors with a project to receive a county award!

Often, a member who has never won first place but has consistently done a good job and placed well, will have completed the most outstanding project. Remember, aspects of learning, teaching others, leadership, and personal growth are important too.

A completed record book or 4-H memory book and an application are required to apply for these awards.

- Gold Star (Sr.’s only)
- Danforth (Sr.’s only)
- 4-H Letterman (Sr.’s only)
- 4-H Honor Roll
- 4-H Rookie
- Outstanding New Member
- Junior Achiever
- Intermediate Achiever
- Senior Achiever
- Community Service Award

You may access an application at the 4-H website under Current Events. Applications are due to the 4-H office on June 20, 2014. Interviews for awards will be on June 30, 2014. Awards will be presented at the Tarrant County 4-H Awards Banquet.

Adult Awards

Nominations are being accepted until July 1, for the volunteer awards listed below.

The Alumni Award recognizes adult former 4-H*ers who have made significant achievements in their communities. Consideration is given to individuals who demonstrated an outstanding record of achievement as a 4-H member and who have shown evidence of the influence of 4-H in their adult lives.

The Distinguished Service Award is presented to a person who has made outstanding contributions to our 4-H program through their involvement and leadership.

The Friend of 4-H Award is presented to a group, business, or individual that has contributed to the development of the overall 4-H program in Tarrant County.

Recipients may receive each award only once. Please submit your nominations by email or fax.
Horizon’s Camp

Registration has begun for the Horizons Camp to be held June 29 - July 3 at the Texas 4-H Conference Center in Brownwood for Texas youth who have completed fourth through eighth grade by the end of May 2014.

Each participant in the 2014 camp selects from one of the following programs:

**Taxidermy:** In the Taxidermy and Habitat workshop participants will learn about contest rules and guidelines, required hunting licensing, possible equipment and costs associated with various aspects of the project. They will learn how to prepare the specimens by skinning, curing, painting or mounting.

**Sport Fishing:** Participants will have the opportunity to become certified youth anglers from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department anglers program. They will get hands-on experience in lure making, casting and tying knots, as well as fishing, including seasonal fishing patterns, water conditions, technology, fishing regulations, competition and water safety.

**Share the Fun:** This session is designed to expand the theater arts experience for participants by providing them an opportunity to gain self-confidence while expanding creativity and building a wide range of life skills. It will cover a number of theater arts topics dedicated to assisting each participant to shine in the spotlight.

**Photography:** Participants will learn to use their camera properly to capture images of everything from still life to people to animals. This program will address lighting, photographic composition and other technical aspects while enjoying and communing with nature.

**Food Challenge:** The 4-H Food Challenge is a session that allows 4-H members to demonstrate their culinary knowledge and skills. Participants will learn how to prepare a dish from a predetermined list of ingredients. 4-H members work as a team to develop a recipe and prepare the dish within 40 minutes, which they will present to a judging panel.

**Fashion:** This session for youth interested in learning about apparel accessories and textile designs will include hands-on activities such as collecting and organizing design ideas and fashion drawing, as well as a science of a fabric lab, a runway project and a take-home sewing project.

The cost for the camp covers all meals, lodging, refreshments, health-care services, facility and programming fees for the four-night, five-day event. For early registration through June 14, the cost is $280 per youth and $135 per adult. For late registration from June 15-23, the cost is $294 per youth and $142 per adult.

Register at [http://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu](http://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu). Registrants are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis until the camp is filled.

For more information, call 325-784-5482 or email texas4-hcenter@ag.tamu.edu.
Congratulations to our Tarrant County Senior age division members who received high placings at the District IV contests during the year and have qualified for state competition!

The 2014 Texas 4-H Roundup will be held in College Station, Texas on the campus of Texas A&M University from June 9th to June 13th, 2014. Please refer to the state website for information and deadlines, and watch the dates carefully.

FASHION SHOW AND STORYBOARD

Fashion Show Paperwork due
- Wednesday, May 14, 2014
Submit two copies to:
Angela McCorkle
Extension Program Specialist
Family Development and Resource Management
Texas A & M AgriLife Extension Service
578 John Kimbrough Bldg. 1536 Room 145
College Station, TX 77843-2251

SHARE THE FUN

Contestants who received 1st or 2nd place in the district Share-The-Fun contest will need to complete the web form at: http://agrilife.org/d84h/?p=3503 by May 9, and register on 4-H Connect before the final deadline.

NUMBER OF ENTRIES: Each district is allowed to enter the following:
Food Challenge- 4 entries per district
Judging Contests- 3 entries per district
Educational Presentations- 3 entries per category
Quiz Bowls- 3 entries per district
Fashion Storyboard- 3 entries per district per category
Share the Fun- 2 entries per district per category
Food Show- 1 entry per district per category
Fashion Show- 1 entry per district per category
Leaders 4 Life Skill-A-Thon- 3 entries per district
Indoor Rifle Match- 3 teams per district; 3 individuals per district (as long as they are not part of a top 3 team registered for the same contest)
District Roundup Results

Fashion Show
Intermediate-Construction-Re-Fashion  Intermediate-Construction-Semi Formal to Formal
Jessica Frank-2nd  McKalyn Milton-1st
Senior-Construction-Re-Fashion  Senior-Construction-Semi Formal to Formal
Emily Frank-1st  McCrae Milton-1st

Share the Fun
Junior-Musical  Jordan Bedell-1st  Audrey DeCardenas-2nd
Intermediate-Musical  Jessica Frank-2nd
Senior Musical  Grace Bush-2nd
Senior-Solo/Band  Denton Lathan-1st
Senior-Choreographed Routine  Emily & Stephanie Frank & Katelyn Fessenden -2nd

District IV 4-H Shotgun Match
Intermediate-Skeet  Seth Chapman-3rd

Educational Presentation
Senior-Beef  Tressa Watkins-3rd
Senior-Open AG/NR  Samantha Mares-3rd  Graham Gunn-5th
Senior-Open  Luke Womble-6th
District IV Storyboard Contest

Jewelry - Intermediate  McKalyn Milton  1st place
Wearable—Intermediate  Jessica Frank  2nd Place
Non-Wearable—Senior  McCrae Milton  1st Place
Wearable—Senior  Emily Frank  1st Place

District Horse Show

The District 4 and 5 4-H Horse Shows have combined this year to form a new and exciting East Region Show. The following decisions pertaining to this year’s show were made by the East Region Horse Show Planning Committee.

The horse show will be held on June 16-18, 2014 at the Henderson County Fair Park Complex in Athens, Texas.

Monday Check-in 3:00-9:00 p.m.
Tuesday Check-in 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Wednesday Check-in 7:30 a.m. to noon

All entries for the East Region 4-H Horse Show will be made on 4-H Connect. Registration will open starting on April 16 and close on midnight Friday, May 16, 2014. No late entries on 4-H Connect will be accepted.

Please contact Ken Johnson at kd-johnson@tamu.edu if you have any questions regarding the District Horse Show.
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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.

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We’re on the web, click on 4-H at http://tarrant.tamu.edu

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